CALL TO ORDER

Chair Bill Lecher, Alachua County Design/Contract Manager, called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Lecher introduced himself and asked others to introduce themselves.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

Mr. Thomas Hill, MTPO Senior Planner, stated that MTPO Staff received a request to amend the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). He suggested placing this topic after agenda item VII. Gainesville Regional Airport Master Plan.

Chair Lecher asked for approval of the meeting agenda.

ACTION: Doreen Joyner-Howard moved to approve the meeting agenda amended to add discussion of a Transportation Improvement Program amendment after agenda item VII. Gainesville Regional Airport Master Plan. Brian Kanely seconded; motion passed unanimously.
III. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

Chair Lecher asked for approval of the December 1, 2004 TAC meeting minutes.

**ACTION:** Brian Kanely moved to approve the December 1, 2004 TAC meeting minutes. Doreen Joyner-Howard seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IV. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

Chair Lecher announced that the next MTPO meeting is scheduled for February 10 at 1:30 p.m. in the Jack Durrance Auditorium. He said that the next TAC meeting is scheduled for March 2.

V. STATE ROAD 26A PEDESTRIAN SCALE LIGHTING PLANS

Mr. Hill stated that the MTPO referred reconsideration of the selection of domus pedestrian scale lighting to its advisory boards. He discussed the lighting features along W. University Avenue and SW 2nd Avenue.

Mr. Hill and Ms. Doreen Joyner-Howard, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District 2 Transportation Specialist, discussed the State Road 26A Lighting Plans and answered questions.

**ACTION:** Brian Kanely moved to recommend that the MTPO request that the Florida Department of Transportation revise the State Road 26A Lighting Plans to replace the domus pedestrian scale lighting along State Road 26/26A corridor with acorn pedestrian scale lighting. John Gifford seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VI. STATE ROAD 26 (NEWBERRY ROAD) RESURFACING PROJECT

Mr. Hill stated that FDOT submitted 60 percent design plan for the SR 26 Resurfacing Project for review and recommendation. He discussed the plans and answered questions.

**ACTION:** Brian Kanely moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the Florida Department of Transportation 60 percent resurfacing design plans for State Road 26 (Newberry Road) from NW 109th Drive to NW 80th Boulevard. John Gifford seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VII. GAINESVILLE REGIONAL AIRPORT MASTER PLAN

Mr. Rick Crider, Gainesville Regional Airport Director, discussed the airport master plan and answered questions.
VII.B. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AMENDMENT

Mr. Hill stated that MTPO staff received notification from FDOT regarding amendment to the TIP to add two Section 5309 earmark projects.

Mr. Crider discussed the Airport Multimodal facility project and answered questions.

ACTION: Linda Dixon moved to recommend that the MTPO amend the Fiscal Year (FY) 2004/2005-2008/2009 Transportation Improvement Program to add:

1. Gainesville RTS - Purchase buses and facilities improvements- Toll revenue credits. Federal (80%) $971,779 FTA Soft Match (20%) LF $242,945 Total project cost - $1,214,724 Fiscal year 04/05, Grant Type 5309 Work Mix 8064 PGM 16 [FM - 406847-2] to Table 14 Transit-Regional Transit System Projects; and

2. Gainesville Regional Airport - Multimodal Facility - Toll revenue credits. Federal (80%) $291,534 FTA Soft Match (20%) LF $72,884 Total project cost - $364,418 Fiscal year 04/05, Grant Type 5309, Work Mix 8064 PGM 16[FM - 406847-3] to Table 5 Airport Projects.

Brian Kanely seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VIII. ARCHER ROAD AND SW 34TH STREET INTERSECTION FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR A NEW INTERCHANGE

Mr. Hill stated that MTPO staff has received a request from the City of Gainesville to use $15,000 of charrette funds to hire and manage a consultant for the Archer Road and SW 34th Street Intersection Feasibility Study for a New Interchange.

Mr. Brian Kanely, City of Gainesville Transportation Services Manager, discussed the proposed study and answered questions.

ACTION: Brian Kanely moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the City of Gainesville using $15,000 of charrette funds to hire and manage a consultant for the Archer Road and SW 34th Street Intersection Feasibility Study for a New Interchange. Linda Dixon seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IX. YEAR 2025 TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE

A. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Mr. Hill discussed the Year 2025 Transportation Plan update schedule and answered questions.
B. REVISED HOUSEHOLD SURVEY

Mr. Hill stated that the MTPO, at its December meeting, requested some revisions to the Year 2025 Transportation Plan update household survey. He discussed the revised household survey revisions and answered questions.

ACTION: Linda Dixon moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the revised Year 2025 Transportation Plan update household survey. Brian Kanely seconded; motion passed unanimously.

C. REVISED EVALUATION FACTORS

Mr. Hill stated that the MTPO, at its December meeting, requested some revisions to the Year 2025 Transportation Plan update evaluation factors. He discussed the revised evaluation factors revisions and answered questions. He asked everyone to complete a form.

ACTION: Linda Dixon moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the revised Year 2025 Transportation Plan update evaluation factors. Doreen Joyner-Howard seconded; motion passed unanimously.

D. SIGNIFICANT PLAN UPDATE ISSUES

Mr. Hill stated that the MTPO’s Year 2025 Transportation Plan update consultant will have completed model validation soon. He said that it was time for the MTPO to identify specific transportation issues and projects. He discussed the MTPO staff recommendations for projects to be considered in the model testing and evaluation. He asked the TAC members if they had any additional issues to consider.

TAC member suggestions included:

1. Archer Road corridor;
2. SW 20th Avenue Charrette projects;
3. SW 62nd Boulevard extension;
4. Plan East Gainesville road projects;
5. List of Priority Projects Surface Transportation Program (STP) projects; and
6. new NE 19th Terrace corridor from NE 8th Avenue to NE 12th Avenue.

E. EXISTING PLUS COMMITTED (E+C) NETWORK

Mr. Hill discussed the Year 2025 Transportation Plan update E+C network and answered questions.
F. MODEL VALIDATION MEETING

Mr. Hill stated that the MTPO’s Year 2025 Transportation Plan update consultant will have completed model validation soon. He announced that there will be a meeting with the consultant to review technical information related to the model validation process on February 18th at 1:00 p.m. in the NCFRPC conference room. He invited committee members to attend. He said that the xxx report would be sent to interested TAC members in advance of the meeting.

X. ELECT OFFICERS

Mr. Hill stated that it was time to select a Committee Chair and Vice Chair.

ACTION: Dean Mimms moved to appoint Bill Lecher as TAC Chair. Brian Kanely seconded; motion passed unanimously.

ACTION: Brian Kanely moved to appoint Dean Mimms as TAC Vice Chair. John Gifford seconded; motion passed unanimously.

XII. INFORMATION ITEMS

Mr. Doug Robinson, Regional Transit System (RTS) Planner, noted that the Gainesville Regional Airport needs to work with the RTS regarding the Airport Multimodal Facility project.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

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Date Bill Lecher, Chair