

MINUTES

GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MTPO)
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)

Conference Room
North Central Florida Regional Planning Council
Gainesville, Florida

2:00 p.m.
Wednesday
March 1, 2006

MEMBERS PRESENT

Bill Lecher, Chair
Dean Mimms, Vice Chair
Dekova Batey
Michelle Danisofzky
Steve Dopp
Linda Dixon
Ron Fuller
John Gifford
Doreen Joyner-Howard
Brian Kanely
Kathleen Pagan

MEMBERS ABSENT

Chris Bird
David Deas

OTHERS PRESENT

Rachel Humphrey
Jeff Kyser
Chandler Otis
Allan Penska

STAFF PRESENT

Marlie Sanderson
Brian Waterman
Michael Escalante

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Bill Lecher, Alachua County Design/Contract Manager, called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Lecher introduced himself and asked others to introduce themselves.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

Chair Lecher asked for approval of the meeting agenda.

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, stated that there were no changes to the agenda.

ACTION: Dean Mimms moved to approve the meeting agenda. Doreen Joyner-Howard seconded; motion passed unanimously.

III. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

Chair Lecher asked for approval of the November 30, 2005 TAC meeting minutes.

ACTION: Steve Dopp moved to approve the November 30, 2005 TAC meeting minutes. Dean Mimms seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IV. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr. Sanderson, announced that the next MTPO meeting is scheduled for March 9th at 1:30 p.m. in the Jack Durrance Auditorium. He said that the TAC's next meeting is scheduled for March 22nd.

V. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENT- GAINESVILLE REGIONAL AIRPORT

Mr. Brian Waterman, MTPO Senior Planner, stated that Gainesville Regional Airport staff has requested that the TIP be amended to include funds for the new Airport Access Road from State Road 24 (Waldo Road).

Mr. Alan Penska, Gainesville Regional Airport Director of Facilities and Maintenance discussed the TIP amendment request and answered questions.

Mr. Dean Mimms, City of Gainesville Chief of Comprehensive Planning, stated that City staff has concern with the proposed road's impact on wetlands.

Ms. Doreen Joyner-Howard, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Transportation Specialist, discussed the proposed TIP amendment and answered questions.

ACTION: Brian Kanely moved to recommend that the MTPO:

- 1. approve the TIP amendment; and**
- 2. request that Gainesville Regional Airport officials meet with its Design Team at appropriate project design review stages as specified in the *MTPO Urban Design Policy Manual*.**

Linda Dixon seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VII. ENHANCEMENT APPLICATIONS- 2006

Mr. Sanderson stated that FDOT staff has set May 1 as the deadline for new Enhancement-funded project applications. He noted that FDOT has allocated \$749,000 for construction of the Archer Road Rail/Trail and that additional funds are not yet available.

ACTION: Linda Dixon moved to recommend that the MTPO not submit any new enhancement applications this year. Brian Kanely seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VIII. REVIEW STATUS OF GAINESVILLE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SYSTEM IMPLEMENTATION

Mr Sanderson stated that the City has contracted with a consultant, Kittleson & Associates to review a proposed plan and implementation program of the Gainesville Traffic Management System.

Mr. Brian Kanely, City of Gainesville Transportation Services Manager, discussed the Gainesville Traffic Management System review and answered questions.

IX. TRANSPORTATION REGIONAL INCENTIVE PROGRAM (TRIP)- FDOT LETTER TO ALACHUA COUNTY DATED JANUARY 19

Mr. Sanderson stated that the MTPO received a letter from the FDOT regarding TRIP funding eligible-regional entities and criteria.

Mr. Lecher discussed the County's intentions and status for participating in a Regional Partnership and answered questions.

Ms. Joyner-Howard discussed the Regional Partnership criteria and answered questions.

ACTION: Brian Kanely moved to recommend that the MTPO receive a status report on the TRIP and take action as necessary to form a Regional Partnership. Linda Dixon seconded; motion passed unanimously

X. GAINESVILLE'S STRATEGIC INTERMODAL SYSTEM (SIS) DESIGNATION

Mr. Sanderson stated that University of Florida (UF) staff has requested an opportunity to discuss SIS designations within the Gainesville Metropolitan Area.

Ms. Linda Dixon, UF Planning Office Manager, discussed SIS designations within the Gainesville Metropolitan Area and answered questions.

Ms. Joyner-Howard discussed the SIS criteria and answered questions.

Chair Lecher requested that this topic be reagendaed when FDOT staff has additional information on SIS-eligible facilities.

VI. ARCHER BRAID BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN CORRIDOR DESIGN PROPOSAL

Mr. Sanderson stated that University of Florida Associate Professor Martin Gold has submitted a proposal for the Archer Braid Bicycle Pedestrian Corridor design. He said that this corridor is ranked by the MTPO as the top priority for the implementation of the Alachua Countywide Bicycle Master Plan. He discussed the design proposal and answered questions.

Chair Lecher noted that the County is interested in implementing the Archer Braid.

ACTION: Brian Kanely moved to recommend that the MTPO:

- 1. approve the Archer Braid Bicycle Pedestrian Corridor Design Proposal; and**
- 2. request that the Project Manager coordinate with County staff on its bicycle facility planning efforts within the Archer Braid corridor.**

Dean Mimms seconded; motion passed unanimously.

XI. COMMITTEE OFFICER ELECTIONS

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

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

ACTION: Dekova Batey moved to appoint Dean Mimms as TAC Vice Chair. Steve Dopp seconded; motion passed unanimously.

XII. INFORMATION ITEMS

There was no discussion of the information items.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Date

Bill Lecher, Chair