CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dean Mimms, City of Gainesville Chief of Comprehensive Planning, called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Mimms asked the visitors to introduce themselves.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

Mr. Gerry Dedenbach, MTPO Senior Transportation Planner, requested approval of the agenda.

Ms. Linda Dixon, University of Florida Strategic Planner for University Master Planning, asked that the agenda be amended to include the University of Florida Comprehensive Master Plan 2000-2010 Update as an information item.

ACTION: Jeff Logan moved to approve the meeting agenda, amended to include the University of Florida Comprehensive Master Plan 2000-2010 Update as an information item. Steve Dopp seconded; motion passed unanimously.
III. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

ACTION: Linda Dixon moved to approve the March 27, 2002 minutes. Jeff Logan seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IV. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

Mr. Dedenbach announced that the next MTPO meeting is scheduled for May 16 at 1:30 p.m. in City Hall. He said that the next TAC meeting is scheduled for May 29.

V. AGENDA ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED- LISTED IN ORDER OF IMPORTANCE

A. STATE ROAD (SR) 26/26A OPTIONS

Mr. Dedenbach stated that the MTPO, at its April 11 meeting, requested additional information concerning Option 3- City or County Assumes Ownership. He discussed the advantages and disadvantages of this option.

Chair Mimms noted that the City does not have the resources to undertake maintenance of additional facilities without getting additional funding from FDOT.

Mr. Fred Wright, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District 2 Project Consultant Manager, and Ms. Doreen Joyner-Howard, FDOT Transportation Planner, discussed the SR 26/26A Option 3- City or County Assumes Ownership and answered questions.

ACTION: Linda Dixon moved to recommend that the MTPO request that the TAC Subcommittee continue to develop recommendations on areawide reassignment of roadways. Jeff Logan seconded; motion passed unanimously.

ACTION: Linda Dixon moved to recommend that the MTPO request that MTPO staff continue to work with FDOT to evaluate the right turn designs along State Road 26A from NW 38th Street to SW 2nd Avenue. Jeff Logan seconded; motion passed 8 to 1.

B. STATE ROAD 26 STATUS REPORT

Mr. Dedenbach stated that FDOT requested an opportunity to provide the MTPO with a status report on the SR 26 project at its meeting on May 16.
C. BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY BOARD (B/PAB) RECOMMENDATION

Mr. Dedenbach stated that the B/PAB is recommending that the MTPO conduct updates of the Countywide Bicycle Master Plan to coincide with the updates of the MTPO’s long range transportation plan. He also noted that MTPO staff is already researching the identification of roadway facilities which may include bicycle facilities by simply restriping.

**ACTION:** Steve Lachnicht moved to recommend that the MTPO conduct updates of the Countywide Bicycle Master Plan to coincide with the updates of the MTPO’s long range transportation plan. Bill Lecher seconded; motion passed unanimously.

D. FISCAL YEAR 2002/2003 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP)

Mr. Dedenbach stated that the MTPO Fiscal Year 2002/2003 UPWP has been prepared. He said that this year’s UPWP includes less funding than last year. He reported that last year’s UPWP included funding for the Transportation and Community and System Preservation (TCSP) Pilot Grant, Regional Transit System’s Comprehensive Operational Analysis and the US 441 Bicycle Safety Study. He noted that this year’s UPWP includes funding for the Plan East Gainesville study.

**ACTION:** Linda Dixon moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the Fiscal Year 2002/2003 UPWP amended to identify funds under:

1. Task 2.1 to annually maintain data in the Countywide Bicycle Master Plan; and
2. Task 4.0 for MTPO staff to develop priority corridors to map future onroad and offroad bicycle facilities.

Steve Lachnicht seconded; motion passed unanimously.

E. TRANSPORTATION DESIGN FOR LIVABLE COMMUNITIES (TDLC)

Mr. Dedenbach stated that the MTPO revised its Urban Design Policy Manual to include a TDLC policy and designated the State Roads 26/26A corridor as a TDLC facilities. He said that the MTPO also requested that MTPO staff work with City and County staff to identify roads within the Gainesville Metropolitan Area that should also receive this designation.

Ms. Joyner-Howard discussed the TDLC policies and answered questions.

**ACTION:** Linda Dixon moved to recommend that the MTPO assign the Design Team the responsibility to identify TDLC policies and opportunities as projects as come into the Work Program. Jeff Logan seconded; motion passed unanimously.
F. TRANSPORTATION LANGUAGE POLICY

Mr. Dedenbach stated that the TAC Chair requested a presentation of the MTPO’s Transportation Language Policy. He review the policy with the TAC members.

Chair Mimms discussed his concerns of the use of language inconsistent with the MTPO’s Transportation Language Policy.

VI. INFORMATION ITEMS

Ms. Dixon discussed the University’s campus master plan.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

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Date Dean Mimms, Chair