

MINUTES

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

Multi-Purpose Meeting Room  
Gainesville Regional Utilities  
Gainesville, Florida

2:00 p.m.  
Wednesday  
May 23, 2001

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dean Mimms, Chair  
Laura Dedenbach  
Linda Dixon  
Greg Dubois  
Bob Elmore  
John Gifford  
Charles Justice  
Eric Lewis  
Mac McEachern

MEMBERS PRESENT

Melissa Norman  
Patricia Reynolds  
John Sabatella  
Maria Savoia  
Suraya Teeple

MEMBERS ABSENT

John Maruniak  
Brian Kanelly

OTHERS PRESENT

Doreen Joyn er-Howard  
Bruce Landis  
Jonathan Paul  
Mehul Parekh

STAFF PRESENT

Marlie Sanderson  
Gerry Dedenbach  
Steven Dopp

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dean Mimms, City of Gainesville Chief of Comprehensive Planning, called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Mimms introduced himself and stated that introductions were unnecessary.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

Gerry Dedenbach, MTPO Senior Transportation Planner, asked the Committee to add the FDOT requested Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) amendment to the agenda.

**ACTION: Charles Justice moved to approve the meeting agenda and the requested TIP amendment. Suraya Teeple seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

III. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

**ACTION: Charles Justice moved to approve the Committee Minutes. Suraya Teeple seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

IV. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, announced that the next MTPO meeting is scheduled for June 7 at 7:00 p.m. He further stated that the next set of Committee meetings is scheduled for July 11.

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

A. COUNTYWIDE BICYCLE MASTER PLAN

Mr. Sanderson discussed the countywide bicycle master plan. He noted that the Alachua Countywide Bicycle Master Plan Steering Committee has recommended approving the plan. Mr. Sanderson further stated that the TAC needed to make a recommendation to the MTPO regarding the plan. Mr. Bruce Landis and Mr. Jonathan Paul, Sprinkle Engineering president and project manager respectively, consultants for the preparation of the plan, presented the plan to the Committee.

**ACTION: Mac McEachern moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the plan as submitted with the exception that item 5004 in Appendix B be removed and that the funding status of the remaining projects be adjusted accordingly. Eric Lewis seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

B. US 441 BICYCLE SAFETY STUDY-DRAFT SCOPE OF WORK

Mr. Dedenbach stated that the MTPO needs to review the scope of work at its June meeting.

**ACTION: Suraya Teeple moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the scope of work as submitted. Linda Dixon seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

C. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) - FISCAL YEARS  
2001/2002 THROUGH 2005/2006

1. TIP DOCUMENT

Mr. Dedenbach discussed the TIP. Suraya Teeple stated that the West 6<sup>th</sup> Street Rail Trail item, in Exhibit I and Table 8, should be deleted because FDOT cannot commit to any project beyond five years.

Mr. Mimms proposed some rewording on page 8 regarding the Gainesville TCEA.

Mr. Dedenbach stated that the document would be amended accordingly.

2. DESIGN TEAM REFERRALS - DEVELOP MTPO  
RECOMMENDATION

Mr. Dedenbach noted there are eight project that should be referred to the Design Team.

**ACTION: Mac McEachern moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the TIP and refer the recommended projects to the design team. Charles Justice seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

D. LIST OF PRIORITY PROJECTS (LOPP) - MTPO AREA

Mr. Dedenbach discussed the list of priority projects document and informed Committee members that they would be asked for their final recommendation at the next meeting regarding needed, but unfunded projects.

E. STATE ROADS 26/26A SCOPE OF WORK

Mr. Dedenbach stated that the Design Team has developed recommendations concerning the draft scope of work for this project. He presented staff recommendations for the State Roads 26/26A scope of work.

**ACTION: Mac McEachern moved to recommend that the MTPO approve priorities one through seven and that the MTPO send a letter requesting that FDOT amend its subcontractor's contract to develop design and cost estimates for the enhancements. Linda Dixon seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

## F. HIGH VOLUME PEDESTRIAN INTERSECTIONS

Mr. Dedenbach gave a presentation to the Committee which identified high volume pedestrian intersections. He stated that the intersections would receive priority for pedestrian intersection enhancements as identified by the MTPO staff. He further stated the Committee needed to recommend intersections for consideration to the MTPO.

Linda Dixon stated the committee should also consider accident information. She further stated the Committee should inform the MTPO of upcoming pedestrian intersection enhancements scheduled for the identified intersections and consider this information at next month's Committee meeting.

Mr. Sanderson agreed to add the accident information and present a revised report for the Committee's consideration at next month's meeting.

## VI. INFORMATION ITEMS

There was no discussion of the information items.

## ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

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Date

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Dean Mimms, Chair