February 7, 2008

TO: Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO)
FROM: Lee Pinkoson, Chair
SUBJECT: Meeting Announcement

The MTPO for the Gainesville Urbanized Area will meet on **Thursday, February 14th at 3:00 p.m.** This meeting will be held in the **Jack Durrance Auditorium, Alachua County Administration Building**, Gainesville, Florida.

Enclosed are copies of the meeting agenda. Please bring the materials enclosed with the agenda to the meeting.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, at 955-2200, extension 103.

Enclosures
AGENDA
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION
FOR THE GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA

Jack Durrance Auditorium
Alachua County Administration Building
Gainesville, Florida
Thursday, 3:00 p.m.
February 14, 2008

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Page #3  I. Approval of the Meeting Agenda
and Consent Agenda
APPROVE BOTH AGENDAS

The MTPO needs to review and approve both agendas

Page #177  II. Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)-
Designate Member Positions
FILL THREE VACANT POSITIONS

The MTPO needs to fill three vacant designate positions on this Committee

Page #207  III. Alachua County Energy Conservation
Strategies Commission
NO ACTION REQUIRED

This Commission has requested the opportunity to make a presentation to the MTPO about issues that may affect our community in the Year 2035

Page #227  IV. Year 2035 Long Range Transportation
Plan Update- Proposed Alternatives
APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATION

In October, City of Gainesville and Alachua County staff were asked to help develop recommended alternatives to be tested and evaluated
The next MTPO meeting is currently scheduled for March 13th at 3:00 p.m.

VI. Comments

A. MTPO Members*
B. Citizens- Mr. John Butler
C. Other Citizen Comments
D. Chair’s Report (if necessary)*

Please bring the enclosed materials to the meeting. If you have any questions regarding the agenda items or enclosed materials, please contact Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, at 955-2200, Extension 103.

*No handout included with the enclosed agenda material.
CONSENT AGENDA
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Page 9 CA. 1 MTPO Minutes- December 13, 2007 APPROVE MINUTES
This set of MTPO minutes is ready for review

Page 21 CA. 2 Citizen Advisory Committee- Proposed APPROVE PROCEDURES
Procedures To Fill Vacant Positions
These proposed procedures will allow the MTPO to appoint up to three CAC member designates who would automatically fill vacant CAC positions

Page 25 CA. 3 Airport Access Road- 30 Percent Plans APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATION
Gainesville Regional Airport officials have submitted 30 percent design plans for review and comment

Page 51 CA. 4 Bus Rapid Transit Feasibility Study and System Master Plan APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS
Regional Transit System (RTS) staff are asking the MTPO to approve the enclosed scope and review procedures

Page 61 CA. 5 Joint Certification Statement AUTHORIZE CHAIR TO SIGN
The Florida Department of Transportation is recommending that the MTPO planning process be certified
Page 63  CA. 6  Archer Braid Bicycle/Pedestrian Corridor Design Study APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The MTPO contracted with the Community Design Center to prepare this Study

Page 99  CA. 7  Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment- Wheelchair Securement Equipment APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The MTPO needs to amend the TIP to include this project

Page 105  CA. 8  Charrettes APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission will not be providing the MTPO with charrette funding for Fiscal Year 2008

Page 109  CA. 9  Transportation Disadvantaged Board Member Appointment APPoint MR. BAKER

Mr. Baker was the only person to apply for this vacant position

Page 115  CA. 10  Transportation Disadvantaged Program- MV Transportation’s Annual Performance Evaluation NO ACTION REQUIRED

In December, the Alachua County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board approved this Evaluation

Page 143  CA. 11  Transportation Disadvantaged Program- Status Report NO ACTION REQUIRED

The MTPO has asked for regular status reports concerning this program

Page 155  CA. 12  Regional Transit System Ridership NO ACTION REQUIRED

Enclosed is annual transit ridership information for 2007

Page 159  CA. 13  Urban Village- Status Report NO ACTION REQUIRED

The MTPO’s Urban Village Subcommittee Report will be presented to the MTPO at the April 10th meeting
Enclosed is a letter from FDOT responding to the December MTPO review comments concerning FDOT’s Tentative Work Program.

Enclosed is a letter from FDOT regarding the status of the application of patterned-textured crosswalks for several state-funded resurfacing projects.

Please let us know if you are interested in attending (the MTPO budget will pay the travel expenses for one MTPO member to attend).

Enclosed are staff comments that have been submitted to the Florida Department of Transportation concerning this project.