October 23, 2003

TO: Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO)

FROM: Warren Nielsen, Chair

SUBJECT: Meeting Announcement

The MTPO for the Gainesville Urbanized Area will meet on Thursday, October 30 at 1:30 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, 1:30 p.m.
October 30, 2003

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

I. Approval of the Meeting Agenda
and Consent Agenda

APPROVE BOTH AGENDAS

The MTPO needs to review and approve both agendas
STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Page #1 CA. 1 MTPO Minutes- August 14, 2003 APPROVE MINUTES
This set of MTPO minutes is ready for review and approval.

Page #11 CA. 2 Year 2025 Long Range Plan Update- Consultant Selection APPROVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS
The MTPO’s Technical Review Committee is recommending that the MTPO contract with The Corradino Group to prepare this plan update.

Page #13 CA. 3 Archer Road Charrette- Consultant Shortlist Recommendations APPROVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS
The MTPO’s Technical Review Committee recommends that the MTPO shortlist all three consulting firms that submitted letters of qualifications.

Page #27 CA. 4 State Road 331 (Williston Road) Resurfacing Project APPROVE JOINT RECOMMENDATIONS
The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) has submitted proposed design concepts for this project.

Page #31 CA. 5 State Road 24-A Bypass Designation APPROVE JOINT RECOMMENDATIONS
This designation should reduce the number of large trucks on SW 13th Street near the University and on University Avenue in the downtown area.
FDOT has submitted 60 percent design plans for review

The County Commission is requesting that the MTPO ask FDOT to revise its plans to acquire right-of-way on University Avenue

Enclosed are recommended procedures to improve how citizen comments from these calls are forwarded to MTPO members

This Resolution must be submitted to FDOT in order for the MTPO to receive these additional planning funds

Each year, the MTPO must certify that the membership of this Board is established pursuant to Rule 41-2.012(3) of the Florida Administrative Code

This member of the Coordinating Board has served since November 1999

Enclosed is a copy of recent MTPO correspondence
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Page #91  II. Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Board
           Vacant Positions

FILL TWO VACANT POSITIONS

The MTPO needs to fill two vacant position on this Board

Page #113  III. Transportation Disadvantaged Program-
             Status Report

NO ACTION REQUIRED

MTPO staff will give a status report concerning this program

Page #115  IV. SW 24th Avenue Construction Project

APPROVE JOINT
           RECOMMENDATION

Alachua County has provided thirty percent design plans for project review

Page #141  V. MTPO Transportation Symposium

APPROVE STAFF
           RECOMMENDATION

MTPO Chair Warren Nielsen has recommended that the MTPO conduct this
Symposium early next year
VI. Traffic Signal Preemption by Emergency Vehicles

The Gainesville Fire Chief has requested the opportunity to make a presentation concerning this issue and to request a higher priority for funding.

VII. Extension of NW 23rd Avenue

At the August meeting, a member of the MTPO requested background information concerning the history of this project in the long range planning process.

VIII. Resurfacing Projects

A. Use of Federal and/or State Funds to Resurface City and County Roads

The MTPO has requested information concerning whether federal and/or state funds can be used to resurface City and County roads.

B. Eligible City and County Roads

The MTPO has requested information concerning which City and County roads can be resurfaced using federal and state funds.

IX. Next MTPO Meeting

MTPO staff recommends that the MTPO meet on November 20 at 1:30 p.m. because the MTPO may not have a quorum on December 18.

X. Comments*

A. MTPO Members
B. Citizens
C. 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.