



VIRTUAL MEETING NOTICE

Please be advised that the next Central Florida MPO Alliance meeting will be held on:

Date: Friday, April 9, 2021

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: **VIRTUAL MEETING**

PUBLIC ACCESS: To join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone, or to dial in, please use this link:
[Central Florida MPO Alliance – Virtual Meeting \(metroplanorlando.org\)](https://metroplanorlando.org/virtual-meeting)

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AGENDA

Honorable Roy Tyler, presiding

I. Call to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Introductions

IV. Public Comment

People wishing to comment must complete an electronic [“Speakers Introduction Card.”](#) Instructions will be provided on unmuting audio and phone lines. Each speaker is limited to two minutes.

V. CFMPOA New Member Orientation

Presenter: Ms. Virginia L Whittington, MetroPlan Orlando

VI. Reports

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a. Delegation Reports

- Lake-Sumter MPO Report
- MetroPlan Orlando Report
- Ocala/Marion TPO Report
- Polk TPO Report
- Space Coast TPO Report
- River to Sea TPO Report

b. FDOT District Reports

- District I
- District V
- Florida's Turnpike Enterprise

VII. Discussion and Consensus Items

a. Previous Meeting Minutes

TAB 2

Minutes of the October 10, 2020 Central Florida MPO Alliance meeting are provided for information.

VIII. Presentations

a. Coast to Coast Trail/SunTrails Update

Presenter: Ms. Robin Birdsong, Program Manager – SUN Trail and Transportation Alternatives

b. Overview of the Process for Adoption of the Regional List of Priority Projects List

Presenter: Ms. Georganna Gillette, Executive Director, Space Coast TPO

a. Regional Transportation Systems Management & Operations Program Update

Presenter: Mr. Eric Hill, Director of Transportation Systems Management & Operations, MetroPlan Orlando

b. Presentation/Discussion: 2021 Legislative Update

Presenter: Ms. Virginia L. Whittington, MetroPlan Orlando

IX. Member Comments

X. Next meeting – July 9, 2021 *(Subject to Change)* MetroPlan Orlando 250 S. Orange Avenue, Suite 200 Orlando, FL 32801

XI. Adjournment

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TAB I



MetroPlan Orlando Delegation Report APRIL 2021

Remote Office Operations and Virtual Meetings

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, MetroPlan Orlando staff has primarily worked remotely. All board and committee meetings through June have been held virtually, including our TIP public meeting.

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Web Map

MetroPlan Orlando staff recently overhauled the agency's online companion to the TIP. The new web-based tool is powered by ArcGIS Online. By using the web map's dynamic search, sort, summary and filter tools, users are able to explore the transportation improvement program and learn more about the projects impacting their daily lives. Hyperlink: <https://metroplanorlando.org/maps-tools/tipwebmap/>

Work and Upcoming Studies:

Pedestrian & Bicyclist Safety Action Plan

Phase 2 of the Action Plan involves developing safety infrastructure project applications for six of the nine corridors studied in Phase 1 and developing messaging approaches for the key behavioral strategies. The corridor project concepts and applications are undergoing final development and review. Workshops including safety countermeasures were presented to our Local Government partners using a combination of online tools to replicate a design studio within this social distancing guidelines. Recommendations are being synthesized to develop the improvements to address active transportation safety on these priority corridors.

Corridor Safety Concept Development & Countermeasure Study

The study is developing detailed Countermeasures and Concept Development plans for the 38 miles of State Roadways that represent more than 23% of all crashes on our system. Existing conditions analysis, data analysis and field reviews have all been completed for four of the study corridors: Silver Star Road (SR 438) from Hiawasse Road to Pine Hills Road, Orange Blossom Trail (US 441) from Oakridge Road to 34th Street, Colonial Drive (SR 50) from Tucker Road to Harrell Road, and Colonial Drive (SR 50) from Harrell Road to Alafaya Trail. Project concepts are in the development stage for implementation through the Highway Safety Program.

SunRail Parking Feasibility Study

MetroPlan Orlando is leading a cross-jurisdictional study to explore the need and feasibility of increasing the parking supply at three of the Phase 2 SunRail stations. The parking at the Meadow Woods, Tupperware and Poinciana SunRail Stations exceeds the available number of spaces on most days SunRail is in service. The project will engage SunRail Riders, stakeholders and neighborhoods adjacent to the stations. The project will also include concepts for each parking area to address safety, operations and overall capacity for users of SunRail.

Traffic Signal Retiming Contract

The FY 2020-2021 Traffic Signal Retiming program is underway, with 22 corridors and 18 standalone intersections being retimed throughout the MetroPlan Orlando planning area. Approximately 80% of the retimings have been implemented through the end of March and the remaining retimings that have been funded this cycle will be implemented by mid-May. The assessment of the 2019-2020 retiming program was recently completed and will be presented to regional partners during the May or June cycle of committee and Board meetings.

A call for requests for the FY 2021-2022 program will go out to maintaining agencies in the region in April or May. MetroPlan Orlando staff will also be working with the maintaining agencies, retiming consultants, and the GPC firm that leads the Before and After Studies of the signal retiming effort to review, discuss and consider diversifying the metrics that are used to measure the success of the program to better consider safety and bicycle and pedestrian benefits and impacts as well as those associated with vehicular throughput.

Equity Audit

MetroPlan Orlando staff is recently kicked off an equity audit for the organization. The intent of the audit is to explore the distribution of transportation benefits and impacts across the region through a social equity lens as well as to catalog how equity is addressed through existing policies and plans. The preliminary schedule for the audit calls for a developing a draft white paper and presentation for internal review and discussion in May, with the potential to provide initial findings and recommendations to the Board and committees in Summer 2021.

Safety Data Initiative (SDI) Safety Tool Grant

In June 2020 MetroPlan Orlando, along with major partners UCF and FDOT, was awarded one of the nationwide Safety Data Initiative (SDI) Safety Tool grants. The award amount was nearly \$295K. The grant funds will be used to develop the Crash Prediction for Expedited Detection (CPED) application, which will further refine the Real-Time Crash Visualization Tool for Traffic Safety Management tool developed by the UCF SST team led by Professor Abdel-Aty.

The kick-off meeting of this project was held on October 7, 2020. Project Management and Analytic Design Plans have been submitted to the FHWA. The UCF SST team has obtained access to real-time event data for Florida District 5 area, and 588 CCTV cameras located on I-4, I-75, I-95, and CFX. Updates to the safety tool were completed and data for developing secondary crash risk prediction models were prepared. Based on comments from the FHWA, the Project Analytic Plan was revised, completed and the results from the Plan have been submitted. The UCF SST team has completed a demonstration of the visualization for the CCTV module and the secondary crash prediction module.

10th Street Complete Streets Study

Within St. Cloud, 10th Street is a significant east to west street and provides a vital link to Downtown. This critical linkage to the heart of the community serves an important function of connecting residents to the vibrant shops and events in Downtown. The purpose of the 10th Street Complete Streets Study is to evaluate 10th Street from US 192 to South Narcoossee Road for modifications to sidewalks and crosswalks, bicycle facilities, landscaping, drainage and lighting. The study goal is to improve the travel and safety for residents and visitors and create positive economic impacts. Led by MetroPlan Orlando in partnership with Osceola County and the City of St. Cloud. This study will coordinate and engage with community members, agencies, businesses, and government entities throughout the 18-month duration of the project (January 2021 through June 2022) in order to guide project goals, provide support and feedback for alternative's concepts, and share information about the recommended conceptual plan. More information can be found at: <https://metroplanorlando.org/programs-resources/complete-streets/10thstreetstudy>



Ocala/Marion County Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Delegation Report for April 2021

Congestion Management Plan (CMP) Major Update

The TPO is conducting a major update to the Congestion Management Plan (CMP). Originally developed in 2011, the TPO is revising the CMP in close collaboration with advisory committees, the TPO Board, technical staffs, elected leaders and citizens. In addition to the standard methods to update a CMP, a public survey was conducted during the month of March to solicit feedback and comments from the community. The TPO received over 250 responses, which will help produce a more robust and inclusive document.

I-75 at County Road 484 Interchange Improvements

The FDOT is beginning a \$12.9 million construction project in 2021 at the I-75/CR 484 interchange to improve safety and traffic flow. The project begins west of SW 20th Avenue Road through the interchange area and ends east of County Road 475A. Turn lanes will be added, medians and access modifications, the addition of sidewalks and bike lanes, and improvements to two local intersections. The project will be a major improvement to support the significant residential and light industrial warehousing development in the southwest area of Marion County.

Online Interactive Maps

The TPO recently implemented a collection of more user-friendly online interactive maps to better serve the public. The collection currently contains the TIP, LRTP, Traffic Counts, Transportation and Community Features. The collection will expand to include crash data, performance based planning metrics and planning story maps. The map collection may be accessed at: <https://ocalamariontpo.org/maps>

TPO Annual Report

In January, the TPO published an Annual Report to share highlights of major activities in calendar year 2020. This was the first Annual Report published by the TPO since 2009. The report may be accessed at: <https://ocalamariontpo.org/about-us/annual-report>.

Bike Week in May

As part of celebrating National Bike Month, the TPO will be celebrating a Bike Week with a focus on bicycle safety! Whether you're riding for fun, fitness or with family, or taking essential trips to work or shop, you are part of our movement for safer biking.

The week of May 17 to 23, we are encouraging everyone to Bike Safe wherever that may be. Any bike, anywhere, it all counts. During the week we will be hosting a virtual Bicycle Safety Course taught by ReThink Your Commute, highlighting some beautiful trails in Marion County, and sharing lots of bike safety information via our social media platforms. Be sure to follow us for upcoming dates and more information @Ocalamariontpo on both Facebook and Twitter.

Make sure you look out for the hashtag #BikeSafeOcalaMarion and feel free to share photos of your solo or family rides on social media using our hashtag and share the joy biking brings you!



Polk Transportation Planning Organization

Polk TPO Delegation Report Central Florida MPO Alliance Meeting April 9, 2021



2045 Long Range Transportation Plan

At its December meeting, the Polk TPO approved the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (Momentum 2045). The final document was presented to the Florida Department of Transportation in March 2021.

The development of Momentum 2045 during a pandemic certainly introduced challenges, especially as it relates to public involvement.

However, our staff implemented several hybrid initiatives that allowed our citizens and our Transportation Adviser Network to remain engaged during the development of the LRTP. The citizen involvement and interaction exceeded our expectations.





Polk Transportation Planning Organization

LRTP Virtual Public Workshops 2020

The Polk Transportation Planning Organization hosted two virtual community forums to solicit public comment on the Draft 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan.



July 14 4 p.m.
Go to Webinar - 65 live participants
122 views on YouTube



Oct. 22 4 p.m. and 6 p.m.
Aired on YouTube and Facebook
931 total views





People were interested in...

- Infrastructure for electric cars
- Highway 27 Improvements
- Rail service in Polk
- New trails in Polk
- Safety projects
- Roads connecting 60 and I-4
- Alternative transportation alternatives such as Uber and Lyft
- Autonomous vehicles

- Dedicated bus lanes
- Dedicated bike lanes
- Emerging technologies
- I-4 Widening
- Transit Improvements
- New Sidewalks
- Central Polk Parkway
- Resurfacing Projects on major roadways



TPO Staff at December 10, 2020 TPO Board Meeting



Space Coast TPO's Delegation Report to the Central Florida MPO Alliance April 9, 2021

North Brevard Wayfinding Master Plan

North Brevard has a network of regional trails such as the Coast to Coast Trail, St. Johns River to Sea Loop, and East Coast Greenway. The regional trails cross through multiple jurisdictions within Brevard and each have its unique branding.

Per the request of trail managers and North Brevard municipalities, the Space Coast TPO will be developing a Wayfinding and Amenities Master Plan to address trail network and trailheads which provide access to the North Brevard Trail Network. The plan will develop a consistent wayfinding and amenity plan to be used across the regional trails for the purposes of improving the trail experience and aesthetic.

Transportation Resiliency Master Plan

The SCTPO is in the process of holding stakeholder meetings to gather information and has officially launched the project website.

The Transportation Resiliency Master Plan will build on our past work regarding sea-level rise vulnerabilities to define potential transportation-specific stressors, identify vulnerable corridors in Brevard County, and recommend strategies to improve the adaptability/recoverability of the system. The key tasks include: 1) Public outreach and education; 2) Data collection and analysis; 3) Scenario development of key shocks and stressors; 4) Creation of resiliency strategies to address priority vulnerable corridors.

Vision Zero Action Plan

The Space Coast TPO is preparing to move to next steps with our Vision Zero initiative. The steering committee will promote Vision Zero as a viable approach to traffic safety and prioritize action items in the Space Coast TPO Vision Zero Plan. The Space Coast TPO is pleased with the initial response to Vision Zero. We have seen several agencies begin to take steps towards implementation of Vision Zero in their jurisdictions. This is what it will take to make positive change, all of us working together towards a common goal.

The strategies and actions identified in the Plan provide various approaches to make progress toward the goal of eliminating fatal and severe injury crashes and are organized into four areas: 1)

Leadership; 2) Safer Speeds; Engineering & Enforcement; 3) Education; 4) Data-Driven Approach; Transparency & Accountability.

Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Master Plan Update

The SCTPO is currently working with stakeholders to review proposed ITS projects and locations and the prioritization criteria for the plan. The ITS Master Plan is the TPO's guiding document for implementing technology on the transportation network. The existing conditions have been finalized and individual stakeholder meetings have been conducted to discuss specific needs for the Plan. It is anticipated the project will be completed by December 2020.

Other Studies (Space Coast TPO cont.)

- Minton Road Feasibility Study - The project is analyzing operational improvements at intersections and bicycle and pedestrian needs. The Minton Road Study was presented to West Melbourne City Council and the Space Coast TPO Governing Board in March. The document is being finalized. This study provides a concept for Brevard County and the City of West Melbourne to carry forward in the design phase.



River to Sea TPO's Delegation Report to the Central Florida MPO Alliance April 2021

Planning Projects – Recently Completed, Underway and Upcoming *(since the last meeting)*

- **Project Feasibility Studies** – The R2CTPO completes project feasibility studies as requested by local government sponsors for projects administered through the Local Agency Program (LAP) and utilizing SU set-aside funding. Projects under study in the most recent effort include: Reed Canal Park Bridge, Airpark Road Sidewalk, SR 15A/Beresford Ave/S Spring Garden Ave Intersection Improvement, Dunlawton Ave/Yorktowne Blvd Turn Lanes, Normandy Blvd/Deltona Blvd Roundabout, and an Accessible Pedestrian Signals (APS) & Sidewalk Gaps Study.
- **Votran Transit Development Plan (TDP) /Transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan (TDSP) and Comprehensive Operational Analysis (COA)** – The R2CTPO provides staff support and Section 5303(d) funding to local transit providers to assist with planning efforts such as the TDP/TDSP/COA. These planning efforts are currently underway and are anticipated to be complete in September 2021.
- **Paratransit Service Analysis** – Many changes have occurred regarding the provision of transportation services for disabled and disadvantaged. New types of transportation options as well as changes to the structure of the coordinated transportation system established under Florida Statutes have influenced the provision of services throughout Florida. This study examines local area service and the state of practice throughout the state to identify issues and opportunities that impact efficiencies in paratransit service. The estimated completion date is August 2021.
- **Annual Call for Projects & List of Project Priorities (LOPP)** – The long range transportation plan establishes priorities for the major capacity projects including the Strategic Intermodal System (SIS) and Non-SIS highways. The R2CTPO sets-aside funding for smaller, impactful projects that address safety, operations and non-motorized travel. The Annual Call for Projects receives applications for funding and the TPO reviews and ranks projects according to an established scoring criteria. The review process is underway and the annual LOPP will be adopted in June 2021.
- **Non-Motorized Traffic Count Program** – The R2CTPO is developing a program to identify locations and conduct periodic counts of bicycle and pedestrian activity throughout the planning area. The program will be implemented in FY 2021/22.
- **Congestion Management Process (CMP) and Performance Measures Report** – Transportation data is being used to evaluate the performance of the existing system as well as to inform decisions regarding the prioritization and funding of projects and programs to address needed improvements. The R2CTPO is initiating an update to the process for collecting and reporting this information to make the best use of the data available.

COVID-19 Related Activities

- The R2CTPO is making a considerable effort to adjust our activities to continue maintaining an open public presence while adhering to CDC guidelines that protect public health and safety.
- The TPO amended a variety of documents (Public Participation Plan, Connect 2045 Public Involvement Plan, Tell the TPO outreach strategy) to ensure work will continue with transparency and accessibility.
- We've held more than 80 public meetings, presentations and workshops using video conferencing forums beginning with our March 25th TPO Board meeting (a more complete log of activities is being maintained). Board and Advisory committee meetings are currently being held in a hybrid format with only a physical quorum present in the conference room.
- We have increased our utilization of social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram & websites), placed ads on Facebook and Flagler Live and developed videos to continue reinforcing the value of public participation under the current environment. The TPO began using Constant Contact to ensure more robust and regular communication and is set to implement a series of podcast interviews titled "Mondays on the Move."
- The TPO has also adjusted safety outreach efforts in lieu of traditional event attendance and helmet fittings. Staff continues to work with local stakeholders such as Votran and local police departments to distribute safety items, including bicycle light sets and pedestrian lights directly to citizens as they bike and walk.

TAB 2



Central Florida MPO Alliance Meeting Minutes

Friday, October 10, 2020

VIRTUAL Meeting
Zoom Webinar Conference

Chair Roy Tyler, Polk TPO, presiding

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Honorable Roy Tyler
Honorable Cheryl Grieb
Honorable Christine Moore
Honorable Michelle Stone
Honorable David Moore
Honorable Jeff Gold
Honorable Leslie Campione
Honorable Barbara Girtman
Honorable Chris Cloudman
Honorable Christine Power
Honorable Kathy Meehan
Honorable Yvonne Minus
Honorable Andrea Young

REPRESENTING:

Polk TPO
MetroPlan Orlando
MetroPlan Orlando
Ocala/Marion County TPO
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Ocala/Marion County TPO
Lake-Sumter MPO
River to Sea TPO
River to Sea TPO
River to Sea TPO
Space Coast TPO
Space Coast TPO
Space Coast TPO

MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE:

Honorable Jay Zembower
Honorable Don Burgess
Honorable Jim Richards
Honorable David Moore
Honorable William Twyford

MetroPlan Orlando
Lake-Sumter MPO
Lake-Sumter MPO
Ocala/Marion County TPO
Polk TPO

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Ms. Virginia Whittington
Mr. Gary Huttman
Mr. Robert Balmes
Mr. Ryan Kordek
Ms. Georganna Gillette
Ms. Lois Bollenback
Mr. Mike Woods
Mr. Siasos Fine
Ms. Nicole Mills
Ms. Kellie Smith
Mr. Carl Mikyska
Mr. Ryan Matthews

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Polk TPO
Space Coast TPO
River to Sea TPO
Lake-Sumter MPO
Florida's Turnpike Enterprise
FDOT – District 1
FDOT - District 5
MPOAC
Peeples, Smith and Matthews

A complete list of all others in attendance may be obtained upon request.

I. Call to Order

Chair Roy Tyler called the October 9, 2020 Central Florida MPO Alliance meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., and welcomed everyone.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Kathy Meehan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Agenda Review and Alliance Roll Call

Ms. Whittington stated that there are no changes to the agenda. She explained that no action will be taken on any item on today's agenda, and the presentations are for information purposes only. She provided an overview of the virtual meeting guidelines, the raise hand feature to be recognized, and the public comment procedures. She added that the meeting is being recorded and is also being live-streamed on the MetroPlan Orlando's YouTube page. She pointed out that the virtual meetings are accessible to all. Ms. Lisa Smith conducted the attendance roll call; and confirmed a quorum for today's meeting.

IV. Public Comment on Agenda Items

None.

V. Reports

Vice-Chair Stone called attention to written delegation reports which were provided for information only.

a. Delegation Reports

- Lake-Sumter MPO Report
- MetroPlan Orlando Report
- Space Coast TPO Report
- River to Sea TPO Report
- Polk TPO Report

b. FDOT District Reports

Ms. Nichole Mills, represented FDOT District 1. Ms. Mills stated that District 1 is currently awaiting funding allocations from Central Office, and that they are anticipating some impacts to the work program. She added that the MPOs will be inform once the information is received. Ms. Mills highlighted some of the current projects for District 1: review of traffic reports for the I-4 managed lane study; and review of the design and cost savings for the I-4/US 27 interchange project. She added that the US 27 mobility study is a joint project with FTE and the Polk TPO, and the M-cores from Alligator Alley to I-4 in Polk County is ongoing.

Ms. Kellie Smith, represented FDOT District 5, announced that John Tyler is now Director of Operations for District 5 effective July 17th. The District work program public hearing is scheduled from December 7 – through December 11th. The in-person meeting is

scheduled for December 10th. More information will be provided to the MPOs once the details are finalized. She noted that District 5 currently awaits their funding allocations as well.

Mr. Siaosi Fine, FTE, announced that FTE will host a public hearing on the PD&E study for the Turnpike mainline widening project from south of Kissimmee Park Road to US 192 on Tuesday, November 10, 2020 beginning at 5:30 p.m. He said that the public can participate in the event online, on the phone (in listen only mode), or attend the event in person at the Osceola Heritage Park Event Center located at 1901 Chief Osceola Trail, Kissimmee, FL 34744. Mr. Fine provided the website information for those interested to keep abreast of the project:

<https://floridasturnpike.com/turnpike-projects/major-projects/widen-turnpike-pde-kissimmee-park-road-to-us-192/>

VI. Discussion and Consensus Items

a. Previous Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the July 10, 2020 Central Florida MPO Alliance meeting were provided for information.

b. 2021 Proposed Meeting Schedule

The 2021 proposed meeting schedule was provided for information and discussion. Ms. Whittington noted that the July 2021 meeting will be confirmed with the west coast partners. Commissioner Michelle Stone pointed out that date for the October 2021 meeting should be Friday October 8th and not the 9th as printed.

c. 2021 CFMPOA Officers

Ms. Whittington explained that at the last meeting in each calendar year, members of the Central Florida MPO Alliance select one of its members as Chairperson, another member as Vice-Chairperson, and a third member as Secretary. These three officers shall serve a term of one year until their successors are selected. Ms. Whittington stated that staff recommends that the current officers remain until the Alliance is able to take formal action.

d. Regional List of Priority Projects List

Ms. Bollenback reviewed the Regional List of Priority Projects. A draft of the document along with a set of tables was presented at the July 10th meeting. The priorities were developed in the following categories: strategic intermodal systems, regional trails, regional transit projects, and transportation of regional incentive programs (TRIP). The tables have been put into a final format and incorporated the additions and strike-throughs. She noted that two (2) Ocala/Marion projects have been finalized since the July 10th meeting and were added to the TRIP lists. Ms. Bollenbeck reminded Alliance members that the Tier 3 trails listing are projects that are applied for during an open call for projects for Sun Trail Funding which opened on October 1st and runs through the end of December. After discussion and upon consensus, a copy of the attached priority lists will be forwarded to DOT.

VII. Presentation/Discussion

a. Regional Transportation Systems Management & Operations Program (Corridor Coalition) Presenter: Eric Hill

Mr. Eric Hill provided an update of progress made since the regional transportation summit held with the joint MPOS in July. The July 10th meeting ended with a resolve to participate in the effort, identify champions (either policy board members or MPO staff to champion TSMO efforts), and to re-convene another meeting to establish more structure. As a result of the efforts, the River-to-Sea and Space Coast TPOs have been added to the effort. The working group met on August 21st. The working group discussed developing an MOU between the MPO/TPOs throughout Central Florida in an effort to come to an agreement to advance the concept of TSMO planning throughout Central Florida and to establish a process by which to get the MOU executed through each MPO/TPO. A membership roster was developed which included FDOT districts. In the background, staff has been making efforts to sustain the initiative by applying for grant funding through the State Transportation Innovation Council (STIC) for TSMO planning along the I-4 corridor. The grant award was in the amount of \$100,000. Mr. Hill stated that the working group is scheduled to meet again on October 21 and report back on what steps that have been taken to get the MOUs executed, formalize governance of the group and to discuss bringing both the Central Florida Expressway Authority and the Tampa/Hillsborough Expressway Authority into the working group since they both impact Central Florida.

b. Presentation/Discussion: 2021 Legislative Positions

Presenter(s): Mr. Carl Mikyska, MPOAC and Mr. Ryan Matthews, Peebles Smith & Matthews

Mr. Carl Mikyska, Executive Director, Florida MPO Advisory Council, provided an overview of legislative positions supported by the MPOAC which are reviewed by the staff directors and presented to the MPOAC Governing Board. Mr. Mikyska stated that a new policy position has been added with regard to the ability to hold virtual meetings. He explained that in light of the experiences of 2020, the MPOAC is supporting new legislation that will add provisions to Florida's Sunshine Law to allow all government entities to hold virtual meetings during a declared emergency plus a period of 90 days past the declared emergency dates. Mr. Mikyska stated that when committee weeks resume in January, the legislative weekly newsletter will return. Mr. Mikyska discussed his concerns with earmarks and budgets. He discouraged earmarking projects out of concern for the impact that it would have on that project on the overall budget. He also expressed concern on the impact that it would have on the DOT and its ability to fund other projects.

Mr. Ryan Matthews, Peebles, Smith and Matthews, provided insights on the past legislative session and what to expect in the upcoming 2021 legislative session. Mr. Matthews thanked Mr. Mikyska for this thoroughness of his presentation detailing the constraints and issues for the 2021 legislative session. Over the next 18-24 months, projected \$5.5 billion budget deficit. For the 2020 legislative session, a \$93.2 billion budget (the largest in the State's history) was passed and ultimately \$1 billion was vetoed from the budget because of the coronavirus pandemic. An organizational session is set for November 17th. At that organizational session, the new leaders of the Senate and House will be installed. Committee

week will likely commence in January versus December. Mr. Matthews stated that from a policy perspective, a 2021 session will likely be dominated by governing during the time of a pandemic. He said that he agrees with Mr. Mikyska on the need to support legislation that allows for government agencies to have the ability to hold virtual meetings for continuity of operations. He will continue to keep MetroPlan Orlando abreast of any happenings as relates to transportation.

VIII. Information Items

- a. SUN Trail solicitation cycle – October 1 – December 10
- b. Summary of Joint CFMPOA/CCC meeting 07-10-2020

IX. Member Comments

None. Ms. Whittington announced the passing of former City of Orlando Commissioner Daisy Lynam, former appointee to the CFMPOA. Ms. Whittington noted that Commissioner Lynam was instrumental in getting the Coast-to-Coast Trails underway.

X. Public Comments

None

- XI. **Next meeting – February 12, 2021 (subject to change)**
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XII. Adjournment

There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 10:51 a.m.

Respectfully transcribed by Lisa Smith, Board Services Coordinator, MetroPlan Orlando.

Central Florida MPO Alliance

Mayor Roy Tyler, Chairman

Attest:

Lisa Smith, Board Services Coordinator

Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, states that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by a board, agency, or commission with respect to any matter considered at a meeting or hearing, he will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.