

DATE: Wednesday, April 23, 2025

LOCATION: MetroPlan Orlando
David L. Grovdahl Board Room
250 South Orange Avenue, Suite 200
Orlando, Florida 32801

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

Vice Chair Judy Pizzo presided.

Members in attendance were:

Mr. John Ashton, MetroPlan Appointee
Ms. Christine Bancalari, MetroPlan Appointee
Mr. Jeffrey Boebinger, City of Altamonte Springs
Mr. Joseph Caesar, Orange County Appointee
Mr. Jeffrey Campbell, MetroPlan Appointee
Ms. Sarah Elbadri, City of Sanford
Ms. Amy Garcia Paniagua, MetroPlan Appointee
Ms. Misty Heath, City of Orlando
Mr. Daniel J. López, Osceola County
Ms. Theresa Mott, City of Apopka
Mr. Adam Negron, MetroPlan Appointee
Mr. Thomas O'Hanlon, Seminole County
Mr. Jeff Piggrem, MetroPlan Appointee
Ms. Judy Pizzo, MetroPlan Appointee
Ms. Patricia Rumph, MetroPlan Appointee
Ms. Marissa Salas, MetroPlan Appointee
Mr. Torin Saltos, MetroPlan Appointee
Mr. David Sibila, MetroPlan Appointee
Ms. Theo Webster, MetroPlan Appointee
Mr. Clyde Wells, Osceola County
Ms. Venise White, MetroPlan
Appointee

Members not in attendance were:

Mr. Nadeem Battla, Osceola County
Mr. Mark Bolton, MetroPlan Appointee
Alternate
Mr. Bryant Coleman, City of Kissimmee
Ms. Nilisa Council, MetroPlan Appointee
Mr. Joel Davis, City of St. Cloud
Ms. Janette Frevola, Orange County Appointee
Ms. Ashley Guss, MetroPlan Appointee
Mr. R.J. Mueller, MetroPlan Appointee
Ms. Sheeba West, MetroPlan Appointee
Alternate
Vacant, MetroPlan Orlando Appointee
Vacant, Seminole County
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Others in attendance were:

Mr. Jonathan Scarfe, FDOT
Mr. Siao Si Fine, FTE
Mr. Gary Huttman, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Virginia Whittington, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Mary Ann Horne, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Taylor Laurent, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Lara Bouck, MetroPlan Orlando
Mr. Mighk Wilson, MetroPlan Orlando
Mr. Slade Downs, MetroPlan Orlando
Mr. Jason Sartorio, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Adriana Rodriguez, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Sarah Larsen, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Leilani Vaiaoga, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Lisa Smith, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Rachel Frederick, MetroPlan Orlando

A complete listing of other attendees may be obtained upon request.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Judy Pizzo called the Community Advisory Committee meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Vice-Chair Pizzo welcomed everyone and confirmed that this meeting is fully in-person, so all committee members are asked to be physically present in the Boardroom.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Jeffrey Boebinger led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

Vice Chair Judy Pizzo shared that at the March 12 MetroPlan Orlando Board meeting, Chair Nilisa Council informed the Board of the change in CAC leadership, following the resignation of Dr. Dan Stephens. She also advised the Board that several new members were joining the committee. Vice Chair Judy Pizzo welcomed the following new members at the meeting today and each introduced themselves to the committee; John Ashton, Christine Bancalari, Amy Garcia Paniagua, Adam Negron, Patricia Rumph, Torin Saltos, and Clyde Wells.

IV. AGENDA REVIEW

Ms. Mary Ann Horne thanked the new members for attending their orientation meeting today. She also thanked those members who attended the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Planning (MTP) Summit and also the CAC Bicycling Planning 101 Webinar.

She brought attention to the certificates some members had at their place for Sunshine Law refresher training completion and also Perfect Attendance for 2024 meetings. Ms. Horne alerted members to the Central Florida Safety Summit on May 9th, and wrapped up by stating MetroPlan Orlando offices will be closed on May 26, 2025.

Mr. Mighk Wilson presented the Safety Moment, with April being Distracted Driving Month. He shared statistics that four out of ten fatal and serious crashes involve a distracted driver. Mr. Wilson detailed Florida's Wireless Use Law, which was implemented in 2019. He shared there is a bill moving through Florida's senate (SB 1348) that would *'revise penalties for the use of a wireless communications device while operating a motor vehicle'* however the House companion is not advancing. Mr. Wilson also shared a video from the US Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration which can be seen here: [Phone Personalities | :30](#)

V. AGENCY REPORTS - FDOT

Mr. Jonathan Scarfe – FDOT, reminded members of the FDOT Central Florida Transportation Hiring Event which takes place on April 30th at Osceola Heritage Park, and also the Central Florida Safety Summit on May 9th at Daytona International Speedway. Mr. Scarfe shared with members, a new program called 'Coffee with Construction', where members of the public can meet with construction teams and discuss specific projects.

VI. CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Ms. Rachel Frederick conducted the attendance roll call, and confirmed we did have a quorum.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ACTION ITEMS

No comments

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

A. Approval of CAC Meeting Minutes: February 26, 2025

Approval of the meeting minutes for February 26, 2025 was requested.

MOTION: Mr. David Sibila moved to approve the meeting minutes from February 26, 2025. Mr. Jeffrey Campbell seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

A. Status Update: 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)

Ms. Taylor Laurent began with sharing new tools coming soon, including an MTP Needs Dashboard and a MTP Planning Consistency Lists. She then gave an overview of the 2050 MTP Summit that took place on April 9th and detailed the small group activity where groups could allocate their 'funding' tokens across different transportation categories.

Ms. Laurent shared the common threads that came from the groups, and detailed how the groups also identified 'other/players choice' transportation categories they would like to see funded. She noted that 85% of the funding was an agreed consensus across Complete Streets, TSMO, Active Transportation, Transit Capital and Safety. The remaining 15% of the funding were allocated to the 'Player's Choice' ideas and included Technology, Innovation, New/Widening Roads, New Rail opportunities, Transportation Disadvantaged and also a 'leverage fund for flexibility in the MPO planning process. She noted there was also the 2050 MTP Technical Workshop held on 4/10 where the Summit findings were recapped and noted the public feedback opportunities since January 2024.

Ms. Laurent proceeded to detail the existing funding policy scenario and the takeaways from both meetings indicate that the funding policy needs to evolve. She stated that the funding policy for the 2050 MTP will be different than previous years. She gave more information on the funding category 'Safety' and it's relation to Vision Zero Safety Action Plans. Ms. Laurent continued explaining the discussions from the meetings and proposed next steps of the topics below:

- Funding for Widening & New Roads
- Transit Capital Funding
- Active Transportation
- Education & Outreach Opportunities
- Intelligent Transportation System (ITS)
- Regional Plans and Studies
- "Short-Term" Flexibility in a "Long-Range" Plan

She continued to recap proposed next steps for the funding scenario iterations. Members discussed the various topics and Ms. Laurent responded to questions.

B. Status Update: Vision Zero Central Florida

Ms. Lara Bouck presented, first recapping on the Safe Streets 4 All (SS4A) grant for \$3.8m awarded to MetroPlan Orlando in February 2023. She noted that this funding was used to build a Regional Vision Zero Action Plan, County and City/Town Vision Zero Action Plans and fund ongoing demonstration projects, with one in each county.

Ms. Bouck also reported on a SS4A Supplement Planning Grant which was awarded to MetroPlan Orlando in November 2024. This would be used to fund additional safety focused public outreach, advance crash data analytics & reporting, conduct roadway safety audits on the high injury network (HIN), and updates to the Regional Vision Zero Action Plan. Ms. Bouck stated the grant agreement is pending whilst awaiting further direction from FHWA as they review the grant application requirements to confirm all awarded funds are supportive of the current administration's priorities. In addition, there is a FY 2025 Notice of Funding Opportunity open with a deadline of June 26, 2025.

Ms. Bouck shared three guides developed by MetroPlan Orlando which are available on the website for partners and agencies. These are an Engineering Toolkit, a Non-Engineering Toolkit and a Quick Build Guide. She continued explaining what a quick build project could be.

Other ongoing efforts were detailed by Ms. Bouck including the Vision Zero Safety Speaker Series and Vision Zero Task Force meetings. She concluded with details of the FDOT Safety Strategic Plan and the Central Florida Safety Summit which happens on May 9th.

Member discussions included the increase in usage of e-bikes, particularly in school children who seem to have migrated from scooters to e-bikes. Also, appreciation was given to MetroPlan and agency staff for improvements members are experiencing in the region.

C. Status Update: Prioritized Project List (PPL) and Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) 2025

Mr. Slade Downs gave a presentation on two of the three core products MetroPlan Orlando produces. He started with the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) which is updated every five years and is the longest-range plan that looks 25 years ahead. He followed with the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) which covers the upcoming 5 years of projects and have allocated funding. He explained that the TIP is updated annually but there are TIP amendments from time to time, due to changes in project costs, study outcomes or many other variables. Mr. Downs then detailed the stages of a project from inception through to Implementation.

Mr. Downs continued to explain the Prioritized Project List (PPL) covers the 10 years of projects following the TIP. Projects within the PPL do not have funding assigned to them, but once they do, they become part of the TIP. Mr. Downs displayed a slide which highlighted the timeline throughout a projects lifespan.

Mr. Downs concluded detailing the path forward for the coming year with regards to each of the plans.

Member discussions included if A.I. and new technologies could help to speed the process along from conception into delivering a project, and the challenges of imminent domain.

X. GENERAL INFORMATION

- A. **FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report** – February 2025 FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report for the MetroPlan Orlando area was enclosed.
- B. **Highlights from March 12, 2025, MetroPlan Orlando Board Meeting** – A series of highlights and notable actions from the most recent MetroPlan Orlando Board Meeting.
- C. **Bicycle and Pedestrian Report** – A report on bicycle and pedestrian projects in the MetroPlan Orlando region was enclosed.
- D. **PD&E Tracking Status Report** – A report providing the latest status of the PD&E studies currently underway in the MetroPlan Orlando area was enclosed.
- E. **Air Quality Report** – The latest air quality report for the MetroPlan Orlando area was enclosed.
- F. **LYNX Press Release** – A press release from LYNX had been included.
- G. **FDOT Advanced Air Mobility Workshop** – FDOT is hosting several Advanced Air Mobility Workshops June 3-6, 2025 at Orlando City Hall (400 S Orange Ave, Orlando, FL). These are geared towards technical and planning professionals as well as elected officials. More info: https://www.signupgenius.com/org/FDOT_AAM#/
- H. **FDOT Safety Summit, May 9, 2025** – Further details are provided on the following pages, including a sponsorship form. The registration link for the event is provided here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2025-central-florida-safety-summit-tickets-1258624913999?aff=oddtcreator>

XI. UPCOMING MEETINGS OF INTEREST

A list of selected upcoming meetings to be held at MetroPlan Orlando's office. For more information and a full list of upcoming meetings, visit the [MetroPlan Orlando Calendar](#).

- A. Quality Assurance Task Force (QATF) – April 29, 2025
- B. MetroPlan Orlando Board – May 14, 2025
- C. Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board (TDLCB) – May 15, 2025
- D. LYNX Board (at LYNX Central Station) – May 22, 2025
- E. Central Florida Commuter Rail Commission (at LYNX Central Station) – May 22, 2025
- F. Community Advisory Committee (CAC) – May 28, 2025
- G. TSM&O Advisory Committee – May 30, 2025
- H. Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) – May 30, 2025

XII. MEMBER COMMENTS

Ms. Sarah Elbadri commended MetroPlan Orlando on the 2050 MTP Summit. She noted how the Vision Zero efforts have become so embedded in the regions consciousness when working on Seminole County transportation plans and again commended MetroPlan Orlando's work on this. Ms. Elbadri recognized Mr. Justin Fortune who will be joining the CAC from next month and also recognized Mr. Zach Moldorf who is on the Orange County Transportation Mobility Advisory Committee. Both were in the audience today. Ms. Elbadri shared the Central Florida Commuter Rail Commission meeting will be held tomorrow, when a vote will be held to move forward with the PD&E study for the Sunshine Corridor.

Ms. Mary Ann Horne followed by introducing Mr. Justine Fortune who will be a CAC member at the May meeting.

XIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (GENERAL)

Ms. Joanne Counelis, Lake Mary, requested 24/7 mass transit every 15 minutes and additional bus routes to serve Lake Mary prep school and Clermont.

Mr. Zachary Moldorf, Orange County asked what 3 documents MetroPlan Orlando would advise be helpful to the Orange County Transportation Mobility Advisory Committee and who the best point of contact would be. He also stated that he is a keen skateboarder, urged that skateboarding be recognized in transportation, and advocates that it changes how disenfranchised citizens interact with local government. He also questioned the desire for automated buses when the current network does not work effectively.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:26 a.m.

Respectfully transcribed and submitted by Ms. Rachel Frederick, MetroPlan Orlando.

Approved this 30th day of May 2025.



Ms. Rachel Frederick,
Board Services Coordinator


Ms. Nilisa Council, Chair

As required by Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, MetroPlan Orlando hereby notifies all interested parties that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by MetroPlan Orlando with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made to include the testimony and evidence upon which it is based.