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TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Friday, June 26, 2026

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

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

Chair Myles O'Keefe, Presiding

Members Present:

Mr. Lenny Barden, City of Altamonte Springs
Ms. Sydney Boswell, City of Lake Mary
Mr. Michael Cash, City of Sanford
Mr. Hazem El-Assar for Mr. Humberto Castillero, Orange County
Mr. Gus Castro, City of Orlando
Mr. Gary Yeager for Ms. Christina Colón, Osceola County
Mr. Aslesh Lagishetty for Mr. Cameron Crandell, City of St. Cloud
Mr. Chris DeLoatche, GOAA
Ms. Alyssa Eide, City of Maitland
Mr. David Falk, CFX
Ms. Laura Hardwicke, City of Orlando
Ms. Kenna Henry, City of Casselberry
Mr. Joe LoFaso, Seminole County
Ms. Stephanie Morales, Seminole County
Ms. Sarah Nazha, Town of Oakland (virtual)
Mr. Anthony Nelson, Osceola County
Mr. Myles O'Keefe, LYNX
Mr. Arturo Perez, Seminole County
Mr. Phil Price, City of Belle Isle
Ms. Lee Pulham, Central Florida Tourism Oversight District
Ms. Tammy Reque, City of St. Cloud
Ms. Terrilyn Rolle, City of Winter Springs
Ms. Jean Sanchez, City of Apopka
Mr. Brian Sanders, Orange County
Mr. Jamel Hibbert for Mr. Jason Sartorio, City of Winter Park
Mr. Ramon Senorans, Kissimmee Airport

Mr. Shad Smith, City of Longwood
Mr. Ken Storey, ECFRPC
Ms. Jennifer Stults, Osceola County
Mr. Milen Womack, City of Ocoee
Mr. Paul Yeargain, City of Oviedo (virtual)
Mr. Mike Zayas, City of Orlando

Members Absent:

Mr. Jonathon Bates, UCF
Ms. Ashley Cornelison, City of Kissimmee
Ms. Tonya Elliot Moore, Town of Windermere
Mr. Amer Hamza, City of Apopka
Mr. Richard Horn, City of Edgewood
Mr. Adam Mendenhall, City of Sanford
Mr. Victor Mercado Vazquez, City of Kissimmee
Mr. Jeremy Owens, Orlando Sanford International Airport
Ms. Regina Ramos, Orange County
Mr. Jon Williams, City of Winter Garden
Vacant, City of Ocoee
Vacant, City of Winter Garden
Vacant, Town of Eatonville
Vacant, Orange County Public Schools
Vacant, Osceola County Public Schools
Vacant, Seminole County Public Schools

Others in Attendance:

Mr. Jonathan Scarfe, FDOT District 5
Mr. Gary Huttman, MetroPlan Orlando
Mr. Alex Trauger, MetroPlan Orlando
Mr. Eric Hill, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Virginia Whittington, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Taylor Laurent, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Lara Bouck, MetroPlan Orlando
Mr. Mighk Wilson, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Natalia Barbour, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Sarah Larsen, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Adriana Rodriguez, MetroPlan Orlando
Mr. Slade Downs, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Jamie McMillan, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Lisa Smith, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Rachel Frederick, MetroPlan Orlando

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Myles O'Keefe called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and welcomed everyone.

II. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair O'Keefe noted the importance of an in-person quorum and RSVPing for the meetings. He reviewed the public comment procedures.

III. AGENDA REVIEW

Mr. Slade Downs announced the office closure on July 3 in observance of Independence Day. In addition, he noted there will be no public access to the MetroPlan Orlando offices from mid-July to late August/early September as updates will be taking place. All staff will be working remotely. Mr. Downs stated members will receive communication regarding the location of the next TAC meeting (scheduled for August 28) in due course. He also thanked everyone who completed the Regional Transportation Survey, with the presentation of the results on the agenda today. Finally, he concluded by recognizing Mr. Mighk Wilson of MetroPlan Orlando who is retiring at the end of June.

Mr. Mighk Wilson presented the Safety Moment on distracted driving, emphasizing that distraction extends beyond electronic devices to include mental and emotional factors such as stress and anxiety, which can affect attention and reaction time. Mr. Wilson highlighted how roadway design can influence driver attention and reinforced Vision Zero principles that human error is inevitable, and safety requires a proactive approach. Members were encouraged to practice defensive driving, walking, and cycling to help prevent crashes.

IV. AGENCY REPORTS – FDOT

Mr. Jonathan Scarfe reported the groundbreaking ceremony for the I-4 Truck Parking Facilities in Sanford, marking the start of a regional initiative that will deliver 917 truck parking spaces across five sites in four counties. Construction on the Seminole County site and two Volusia County sites is scheduled to begin in summer 2026, with the Orange and Osceola County sites following in 2027.

Mr. Scarfe also announced a State Road 426 Construction Open House to be held on Monday, July 13, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Winter Park Event Center.

V. ROLL CALL & CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Ms. Rachel Frederick conducted the roll call and confirmed a quorum.

VI. COMMON PRESENTATIONS/STATUS REPORTS

A. Presentation on Public Opinion Research

Dr. Sara Strickhouser presented the key findings from MetroPlan Orlando's 2026 Regional Transportation Survey, with more than 2,500 participants from Orange, Osceola, and Seminole counties.

Dr. Strickhouser highlighted the variety of travel modes residents used to move around the region with driving being the most common, however many use more than one mode. She noted that microtransit was introduced as a new category to the survey and that electric scooters and e-bikes were now separated. Dr. Strickhouser identified unsafe driver behavior as the leading concern across all modes of travel with 60% of drivers stating they engage in at least one risky driving behavior. Awareness of pedestrian safety treatments continued to increase, though many respondents remained uncertain that drivers would consistently yield at marked crossings.

Dr. Strickhouser continued to highlight the growing use of e-micromobility options with 1 in 10 using an e-bike, nearly 1 in 10 using a scooter , and increasing public interest in integrating these services with transit. Respondents also indicated they would use public transit more frequently if service was expanded through increased frequency, additional stops, and improved evening and weekend operations.

She stated 1 in 5 respondents say they had missed a doctor's appointment in the past year because they did not have reliable transportation with a variety of reasons given, and that new

questions on advanced air mobility and cargo drones measured public awareness with mixed public opinion, while feeling comfortable with driverless technology on the roads continued a slow increase to 38%.

On the question of funding, Dr. Strickhouser noted the majority of respondents supported additional transportation funding through taxes, fares or fees if it resulted in system improvements, with visitor-based taxes receiving the strongest support. If additional funding became available, respondents identified expanded bus service, roadway improvements, enhanced SunRail service, and pedestrian and bicycle projects as the highest priorities.

Dr. Strickhouser noted that the full survey report is available online. Public Opinion Research | MetroPlan Orlando

Member discussion ensued including suggestions of questions to ask in the future.

B. Presentation on Pedestrian/Bicycle Crash Analysis Tool (PBCAT) Updates and Initial Findings

Ms. Jamie McMillan - MetroPlan Orlando's Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Data Intern, presented findings from her review of 2025 pedestrian and bicyclist crash reports using Signal Four Analytics and the Pedestrian and Bicycle Crash Analysis Tool (PBCAT). The project focused on improving the accuracy of crash data to better understand emerging e-micromobility trends and support more effective safety planning.

Ms. McMillan explained that crash reports often misclassify e-bikes and e-scooters because current reporting forms lack dedicated categories for these modes. By reviewing crash narratives, diagrams, and geolocation information, crash records can be more accurately classified, providing planners with improved data for roadway safety analysis, grant applications, road safety audits, and public education efforts. She noted that motorized bicycle crashes have increased by 54 percent since 2020 and emphasized that better data leads to better planning and safety outcomes. Ms. McMillan also highlighted where MetroPlan Orlando use Signal 4 Analytics data for a number of Action Plans, Maps, Tools, Vision Zero Crash Data Dashboard and a 2021 White Paper.

Ms. Jamie McMillans presentation highlighted several trends identified from the 2025 crash data. E-bikes and e-scooters now account for more than one-third of all wheeled non-motorist crashes. E-scooter crashes are concentrated among younger riders, while e-bike crashes are more common among older teenagers and young adults. Although injury severity rates are similar across bicycles, e-bikes, and e-scooters, e-bikes experience a greater proportion of speed-related crash types, including right-hook and left-cross collisions. Higher travel speeds also influence facility choice, with e-bike riders more frequently using bike lanes, paved shoulders, and travel lanes, while e-scooter users are more likely to use sidewalks, side paths, and crosswalks.

Ms. McMillan highlighted the emerging trends in e-micromobility and concluded that current crash reporting systems need to evolve to better capture emerging micromobility modes. She recommended expanding crash report classifications, increasing the use of Signal Four geolocation tools, establishing PBCAT training and best practices for police officers and

reviewers, and continuing interdisciplinary collaboration among planners, engineers, law enforcement, health professionals, and educators.

Member discussion ensued.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ACTION ITEMS

None.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

A. May 29, 2026, TAC Meeting Minutes

Approval of the meeting minutes for the May 29, 2026, TAC meeting is requested.

MOTION: Mr. Shad Smith moved to approve the TAC May 29, 2026, meeting minutes. Mr. Ramon Senorans seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

B. Approval of the FY 2026/27 - FY 2030/31 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Ms. Natalia Barbour presented the proposed Fiscal Years 2027–2031 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), providing a brief overview of the five-year plan for federally and state-funded transportation projects. Ms. Barbour advised that the draft TIP had been updated following partner review to incorporate minor revisions, including updates to partner-funded projects, mapping, Appendix C. and the addition of a Central Florida Expressway Authority workplan link.

Ms. Barbour reported on public outreach conducted through the TIP Tuesday events held in Orange, Osceola, and Seminole counties, and noted the public comments primarily focused on bicycle and pedestrian safety, traffic congestion, signal timing improvements, and improving rail service to reduce automobile traffic.

Approval of the FY 2026/27 - FY 2030/31 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) was requested.

Mr. Shad Smith - City of Longwood - advised of corrections he wanted to make, as did Ms. Jennifer Stults - Osceola County.

MOTION: Mr. Shad Smith moved to approve the FY 2026/27 - FY 2030/31 Transportation Improvement Program as presented, plus the changes for the City of Longwood and Osceola County as mentioned. Ms. Jennifer Stults seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

C. Approval of Annual Updates to the Prioritized Project List (PPL)

Mr. Slade Downs presented the draft 2026 Prioritized Project List (PPL), which identifies unfunded transportation projects and project phases planned for the period 2032–2042.

Members were advised that comments received since the previous meeting resulted in minor updates to project costs, scopes, and phasing, with no changes to project rankings.

Approval of Annual Updates to the Prioritized Project List (PPL) as presented was requested.

MOTION: Mr. Shad Smith moved to approve the Annual Updates to the Prioritized Project List (PPL) as presented, Mr. Tony Nelson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

IX. TAC-ONLY PRESENTATIONS

None.

X. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. **Highlights from June 10, 2026, MetroPlan Orlando Board Meeting –** A series of highlights and notable actions from the most recent MetroPlan Orlando Board Meeting.
B. **Air Quality Report** – A report on Air Quality in the MetroPlan Orlando area was enclosed.
C. **FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report –** FDOT Monthly Construction Status Reports for the MetroPlan Orlando area was enclosed.
D. **Bicycle and Pedestrian Report** – A report on bicycle and pedestrian projects in the MetroPlan Orlando region was enclosed.
E. **LYNX Press Release** – A recent press release from LYNX was included.
F. **Public Opinion Research –** A one page document of key findings was included.

XI. UPCOMING MEETINGS OF INTEREST

A list of selected upcoming meetings is below. For more information and a full list of upcoming meetings: MetroPlan Orlando Meeting Calendar

A. **MetroPlan Orlando Board – July 8, 2026**
B. LYNX Board (at LYNX Central Station) – July 23, 2026
C. Central Florida Commuter Rail Commission (at LYNX Central Station) – July 23, 2026
D. Quality Assurance Task Force (QATF) – July 28, 2026
E. MPO Advisory Council (MPOAC) (at the Florida Hotel) – July 30, 2026
F. Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board (TDLCB) – August 20, 2026
G. Community Advisory Committee (CAC) – August 26, 2026
H. TSM&O Advisory Committee – August 28, 2026
J **Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) – August 28, 2026**
K. Municipal Advisory Committee (MAC) – September 3, 2026
L. **MetroPlan Orlando Board – September 9, 2026**
M. Vision Zero Task Force (VZTF) – September 22, 2026
N. Central Florida MPO Alliance (CFMPOA) – October 9, 2026

XII. OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Laura Hardwicke, City of Orlando – referred to the recent Dangerous by Design report, in which Orlando sits at number 25 (dropping out of the top 20), with one of the largest reductions in five-year fatality rates. Ms. Hardwicke thanked all those in the room whose work contributed to the reduction.

Mr. Lenny Barden, City of Altamonte Springs - reminded members of the risks of e-bikes and scooters and referred to a recent incident where a landscaper hit a child riding a scooter on a sidewalk.

Ms. Jennifer Stults, Osceola County - recognized Mr. Mighk Wilson on his retirement and thanked him for his shared knowledge and expertise over the years.

Ms. Lara Bouck provided an update on MetroPlan Orlando's transportation data and analytics resources, including the recent renewal of its StreetLight contract through December 31. Due to changes in the licensing structure, StreetLight data requests will now be coordinated through MetroPlan staff rather than through individual user accounts.

Ms. Bouck also reminded members that access to the Citian CRASH platform remains available, with training and support provided as needed, and announced that a Citian representative will provide a product update at the next Task Force meeting. Ms. Bouck asked for any members still requiring access to the CRASH platform to email her. She noted that Urban SDK continues to provide speed, volume, and travel reliability data, although user licenses are limited, and MetroPlan Orlando staff can perform data extractions upon request. MetroPlan Orlando is also continuing its partnership with Flow Labs to support the regional signal retiming program. Committee members were encouraged to make use of these resources, provide feedback on their effectiveness, and suggest additional tools or vendors to help guide future investments in transportation data and analytics.

XIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (GENERAL)

None.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairman Myles O'Keefe adjourned the meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee at 11.16 a.m. The meeting was recorded and transcribed by Ms. Rachel Frederick.

Approved this 23rd day of October, 2026

Mr. Myles O'Keefe, Chairman

Rachel Frederick

Ms. Rachel Frederick, Board Services Coordinator

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 the appeal is to be based.