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Transportation Systems Management and Operations (TSMO) Advisory Committee

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: **Friday, August 28, 2026**

TIME: **8:30 a.m.**

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

Chair Christina Colón, Presiding

Members Present:

Mr. Lenny Barden, City of Altamonte Springs
Mr. Arisse Caba, City of Orlando
Ms. Christina Colón, Osceola County - Chair
Mr. Cameron Crandell, City of St. Cloud
Mr. Chris DeLoatche, GOAA
Ms. Alyssa Eide, City of Maitland
Mr. Hazem El-Assar, Orange County
Ms. Tonya Elliot Moore, Town of Windermere
Mr. Eric Gordin, FTE
Ms. Kenna Henry, City of Casselberry
Mr. Jamel Hibbert, City of Winter Park
Mr. Richard Horn, City of Edgewood
Mr. Doug Jamison, LYNX
Mr. Joe LoFaso, Seminole County
Mr. Bill Martin, UCF
Mr. Adam Mendenhall, City of Sanford
Mr. Victor Mercado Vazquez, City of Kissimmee
Ms. Sarah Nazha, Town of Oakland
Ms. Michelle Polo, City of Lake Mary
Mr. Phil Price, City of Belle Isle
Ms. Lee Pulham, Central Florida Tourism Oversight District

Mr. Isaiah Sadler, City of Orlando
Mr. Brian Sanders, Orange County
Mr. Peter Crespi for Mr. Clete Saunier, City of Winter Springs
Mr. Ramon Senorans, Kissimmee Gateway Airport
Ms. Dalita Singh, Central Florida Expressway Authority
Mr. Shad Smith, City of Longwood
Mr. Steve Douglas for Mr. Charlie Wetzel, Seminole County
Mr. Gary Yeager, Osceola County
Mr. Paul Yeargain, City of Oviedo

Voting Members Absent:
Mr. Jeremy Owens, Orlando Sanford International Airport
Ms. Jean Sanchez, City of Apopka
Mr. Jonathan Williams, City of Winter Garden
Mr. Milen Womack, City of Ocoee

Non-Voting Members/Advisors Absent:
Mr. Butch Margraf, MPO Appointee
Vacant, Town of Eatonville
Vacant, Orange County CTST
Vacant, Osceola County CTST
Vacant, Seminole County, CTST

Others in Attendance:
Mr. Jonathan Scarfe, FDOT District 5
Mr. Gary Huttmann, MetroPlan Orlando
Mr. Eric Hill, MetroPlan Orlando
Mr. Alex Trauger, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Virginia Whittington, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Taylor Laurent, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Lara Bouck, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Natalia Barbour, MetroPlan Orlando
Mr. Slade Downs, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Adriana Rodriguez, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Jady Chen, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Lisa Smith, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Rachel Frederick, MetroPlan Orlando

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Christina Colón called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and welcomed everyone. Chair Colón noted the meeting was conducted virtually in a workshop format while the MetroPlan Orlando offices were closed for renovations. Items were presented for information, review, and discussion, with committee feedback to be summarized for the MetroPlan Orlando Board.

II. CHAIRS ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

III. AGENDA REVIEW

Mr. Eric Hill advised that the MetroPlan Orlando offices were expected to reopen in the following week with the next TSMO meeting to be held in person. Mr. Hill advised the office will be closed on September 7 for Labor Day and provided information regarding the October 15 Blind Experience event, including a request for attendees to RSVP via the MetroPlan Orlando website calendar. Mr. Hill noted the recent Central Florida Micromobility Safety Initiative Regional Roundtable, highlighting the discussion and noting that follow-up action items will follow. Finally, he introduced Ms. Jady Chen as a new Senior Transportation Planner joining the MetroPlan Orlando Planning Team. She will support safety analysis, roadway safety audits, the bicycle and pedestrian count program, and various plans and studies.

Ms. Adriana Rodriguez presented the safety moment on school bus safety, highlighting the Cameron Mayhew case and subsequent changes to Florida law addressing illegal passing of stopped school buses. Her presentation reviewed crash information, roadway conditions, and the requirements for motorists approaching stopped school buses.

She also highlighted Information and resources from the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles and other resources regarding school bus and bus-stop safety.

IV. AGENCY REPORTS – FDOT

Mr. Jonathan Scarf, FDOT District 5 Planning Manager, provided updates on current projects.

- Construction began on a 1.7-mile segment of State Road 426 in Winter Park following several years of planning, coordination, and community engagement. The project combines resurfacing and safety improvements for motorists, pedestrians, and bicyclists.

- FDOT held a project open house for State Road 434 in Longwood. He stated the project includes roadway rehabilitation, replacement of portions of the center turn lane with a raised median and directional openings, and signal improvements. The project was reported to be in the design phase.

FDOT participated in Stop on Red Week where the campaign theme was "Stop Today, Protect Tomorrow."

V. AGENDA ROLL CALL

Ms. Rachel Frederick conducted the Agenda Roll Call.

VI. ITEMS FOR REVIEW/DISCUSSION

A. Roll-Forward Amendments to FY 2026/27 - FY 2030/31 Transportation Improvement Program

Dr. Natalia Barbour presented the proposed roll-forward amendment which would move funds for projects that were not completed in the prior fiscal cycle into FY 2026/27. She

noted the roll-forward amendment does not change project costs or schedules.

- Regional transit represented the largest amount of funding being rolled forward, at approximately $568 million.

The committee was invited to provide comments for consideration by the MetroPlan Orlando Board. No comments were offered.

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

Dr. Natalia Barbour presented three roll-forward amendments to the recently adopted TIP.

New Projects

- FM #458582-1 Ocoee-Apopka Road (CR 437A) Widening - more than $17 million in federal construction funds and more than $4 million in local funds were identified for FY 2027.
- FM #446493-5 Winter Park Dr. Complete St. Imp. Phase 1 - more than $442,000 in federal construction funds and approximately $700,000 in local funds were identified for FY 2027.

Change to Existing Project

- FM #451939-1 LYNX FTA 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities - more than $9 million in federal funds and more than $2 million in local funds were identified for FY 2027.

The committee was invited to provide comments. No comments were offered.

VII. PRESENTATIONS & STATUS REPORTS

A. Central Florida Expressway (CFX) Flex Lanes Deployment

Ms. Dalita Singh, CFX TSMO Project Manager, presented an update on the CFX Flex Lanes program, including its purpose, field operations, and the evaluation framework being developed with the University of Central Florida (UCF). Ms. Singh stated that with the recent and future anticipated growth in mind, they have to balance safety and capacity on CFX roads. Ms. Singh stated:

- CFX currently operates Flex Lanes on approximately 21 miles of State Road 417 and 13 miles of State Road 429. She noted the program combines part-time shoulder use and active lane management to provide additional capacity during incidents.
- Flex Lane activation is coordinated through the Regional Transportation Management Center. Before activation, CCTV cameras and Road Rangers are used to verify that the flex lane is clear. The system uses lane-control signs, variable speed-limit signs, and dynamic message signs to guide motorists.
- CFX and UCF developed a data-driven evaluation framework using multiple data sources to assess safety and mobility before, during, and after Flex Lane events. Control segments were selected to provide comparable roadway and traffic conditions.
- Approximately 18 Flex Lane activations had occurred from early 2025 through July 2026. CFX indicated that this was not yet sufficient data to determine the program's

effectiveness for managing non-recurring congestion.

- A future Flex Lane project is planned on State Road 429 from Tilden Road to New Independence Parkway. CFX is also studying the potential use of Flex Lanes for regular peak-period congestion.

Committee members discussed the importance of measuring traffic recovery after incidents, the possibility of using information from other states to supplement the evaluation, and the treatment of Flex Lane transitions at the ends of the State Road 429 segment. Ms. Dalita Singh explained that lane-control signs are used to direct motorists back into the regular travel lanes and noted that training had been provided to FHP and other operational partners.

VIII. COMMON PRESENTATIONS & STATUS REPORTS

The following common presentations were on the agenda for the Technical Advisory Committee meeting immediately following the TSMOAC meeting.

A. Status Update: Vision Zero Central Florida — Ms. Lara Bouck, MetroPlan Orlando

A presentation about MetroPlan Orlando's ongoing and upcoming safety planning activities.

B. Off-System Safety Priorities Program - 2027 Call for Projects Working Group — Ms. Taylor Laurent, MetroPlan Orlando

Review and discuss Off-System Safety Priorities Program & appoint the 2027 Call for Projects Working Group

IX. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Highlights from July 8, 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. PD&E Tracking Status Report (2026 Q2) - A report providing the latest status of the PD&E studies currently underway in the MetroPlan Orlando region was enclosed.

D. FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report – FDOT Monthly Construction Status Reports for the MetroPlan Orlando area was enclosed.

E. Micromobility Safety Resources – Please see the links below, for a variety of Safety Information & Resources.

- e-Bike Safety
- Start the School Year Safely: Know Before You Roll | MetroPlan Orlando

X. 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. Municipal Advisory Committee (MAC) – September 3, 2026
B. Vision Zero Speaker Series – September 3, 2026
C. MetroPlan Orlando Board – September 9, 2026
D. Transportation Disadvantaged Local Disadvantaged Board (TDLCB) – September 17, 2026
E. Vision Zero Task Force Meeting – September 22, 2026
F. LYNX Board *(at LYNX Central Station)* – September 24, 2026
G. Central Florida Commuter Rail Commission *(at LYNX Central Station)* – October 22, 2026
H. Community Advisory Committee (CAC) – October 28, 2026
I. The Blind Experience – October 15, 2026
J. TSM&O – October 23, 2026
K. Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) – October 23, 2026

XI. MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Eric Hill referred to the Central Florida Mobility Safety Initiative Regional Roundtable held the previous day and Chair Colón noted the value of bringing together local government, law enforcement, school district, transportation, and trauma-center perspectives.

XII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (GENERAL)

None.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Christina Colón adjourned the meeting of the Transportation Systems Management & Operations Advisory Committee at 9:23 a.m. The meeting was recorded and transcribed by Ms. Rachel Frederick.

Approved this 23rd day of October 2026.

Ms. Christina Colón, Chairman

Rachel Frederick

Ms. Rachel Frederick, Board
Services Coordinator

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