

COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

DATE:

Wednesday, October 25, 2023

LOCATION:

MetroPlan Orlando

David L. Grovdahl Board Room

250 South Orange Avenue, Suite 200

Orlando, Florida 32801

TIME:

9:30 a.m.

Chairman Jeffrey Campbell, presided

Members in attendance were:

Mr. Nadeem Battla, Osceola County

Mr. Jeffrey Boebinger, City of Altamonte Springs

Mr. Benjamin Bossley, MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Jeffrey Campbell, MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Bryant Coleman, City of Kissimmee

Ms. Nilisa Council MetroPlan Appointee

Ms. Ashley Guss. MetroPlan Appointee

Ms. Gigi Moorman, Orange County

Ms. Theresa Mott, City of Apopka

Mr. Thomas O'Hanlon, Seminole County

Mr. Brindley Pieters, Seminole County

Mr. Jeff Piggrem, MetroPlan Appointee

Ms. Judy Pizzo, MetroPlan Appointee (Alternate)

Ms. Patricia Rumph, Orange County

Ms. Marissa Salas, MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. David Sibila, MetroPlan Appointee

Dr. Dan Stephens, MetroPlan Appointee

Ms. Theo Webster, MetroPlan Appointee

Ms. Venise White, MetroPlan Appointee

Members not in attendance were:

Mr. Mark Bolton, MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Alejandro Cintron Medina,

MetroPlan Appointee

Ms. Patricia Colloca Massot, Seminole County

Mr. Joseph Colon, MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Joel Davis, City of St. Cloud

Ms. Sarah Elbadri, City of Sanford

Ms. Cynthia Henry, Orange County

Mr. Daniel J. López, Osceola County

Mr. R.J. Mueller, MetroPlan Appointee

Ms. TeNeika Neasman, City of Orlando

Mr. Vincent Pereira, MetroPlan Appointee

Dr. Casmore Shaw, Osceola County

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Others in attendance were:

Ms. Katherine Alexander-Corbin, FDOT District 5

Ms. Amy Beckmann, FDOT

Ms. Tiffany Hill, FDOT

Mr. Jim Wood, Kimley-Horn

Mr. Siaosi Fine, FTE

Mr. Alex Trauger, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Taylor Laurent, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Cynthia Lambert, MetroPlan Orlando

Mr. Mighk Wilson, MetroPlan Orlando

Mr. Slade Downs, MetroPlan Orlando

Mr. Jason Sartorio, Metroplan Orlando

Ms. Lara Bouck, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Maria Padovani, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Adriana Rodriguez, 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

Chairman Jeffrey Campbell welcomed everyone and called the Community Advisory Committee meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. He 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

Dr. Dan Stephens led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

Chairman Campbell detailed public comment procedures. He stated that at the MetroPlan Orlando Board Meeting in September, he confirmed the CAC supports both the Vision Zero Central Florida Action Plan and also the Active Transportation Plan. He shared that on September 27, CAC Members had a tour of the FDOT Regional Transportation Management Center, followed by a discussion on Transportation Systems, Management and Operations (TSMO) Master Plan. A short video was shown of the visit.

IV. AGENDA REVIEW

Ms. Cynthia Lambert, MetroPlan Orlando informed the committee that she was the staff liaison for the meeting today in the absence of Ms. Mary Ann Horne, who will return for the next meeting. She reiterated the need for a guorum of 16 members in the room.

Ms. Lambert continued to share there will be an action item today, establishing a subcommittee to select officers for 2024. She asked if any members would like to put themselves forward for an officer role, to please advise Ms. Mary Ann Horne, prior to November 1st. She also confirmed how the subcommittee will meet.

Ms. Lambert reported the start of the Brightline service which began on September 22, running 30 trains a day between Orlando and Miami. She then introduced Ms. Maria Padovani, the new Fiscal Manager at MetroPlan Orlando. Following on, Ms. Lambert shared that MetroPlan Orlando had undergone their Federal Certification and received no corrective actions. She thanked Committee Members who had contributed.

As is required after the Census every ten years, Ms. Lambert detailed the adjustments to the Board makeup due to changes in population. Two voting seats were added to the Board – an additional one for Orange County and also St. Cloud. In addition, the Board agreed to add a new non-voting seat to the Orlando Executive Airport. She confirmed the process with the plan now going to the Governor's office for sign off.

Ms. Lambert highlighted FDOT mobility week which begins on October 27 and runs through November 4 and shared where to find more information.

Mr. Mighk Wilson presented this month's Safety Moment and stated that October is Pedestrian Safety Month. Mr. Wilson shared statistics of Pedestrian Crash Factors. He reported that on-going research at the University of Western Michigan studies found a significant number of nighttime crashes were happening in areas with darks spots. He identified that speed and darkness are the biggest challenge in pedestrian safety. Mr. Wilson then gave pedestrian safety recommendations when walking in the dark, including using the light on your cell phone to alert drivers of your presence. A comment was made by the committee regarding people driving in the rain and without headlights. Another concern raised was the language used by the media and law enforcement after crashes, so avoiding the appearance of victim blaming and highlighting there are usually many contributing factors to any crash.

V. CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

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

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ACTION ITEMS

No Public comments were made.

A committee member asked when the meetings would re-open to include the public in the Boardroom. Ms. Lambert confirmed that the public are welcome to join online or in the Boardroom and this adjustment was made some time ago.

VII. ACTION ITEMS

A. August 23, 2023, Meeting Minutes (Tab 1)

Approval of the meeting minutes for August 23, 2023, is requested.

MOTION: Ms. Theresa Mott moved to approve the meeting minutes from August 23, 2023.

Dr. Dan Stephens seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

B. Appointment of Officer Selection Subcommittee

Action is requested to approve the establishment of a subcommittee to select candidates for 2024 CAC Chairman and Vice-Chairman, with terms from January through December 2024. The slate will be presented to the CAC at the December 6th meeting. This subcommittee will meet prior to the next CAC meeting.

Mr. Chairman requested volunteers who were - Mr. Jeffrey Boebinger (Seminole), Ms. Theresa Mott (Orange) and Mr. Bryant Coleman (Osceola).

MOTION: Dr. Dan Stephens moved to approve the Appointment of the Officer Selection Subcommittee with those nominated. Ms. Theo Webster seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

C. 2020 Functional Classification of Public Roadways (Tab 2)

Mr. Jim Wood, Kimley-Horn, presented the 2020 Functional Classification of Public Roadways on behalf of FDOT District 5. He explained what Functional Classification is and the meetings that had occurred to provide input to the classifications. Mr. Wood gave an overview of the maps provided in the agenda packet and once approved there will be 3 maps for the 3 counties. A question was asked by the Committee as to what is the definition of 'urban'. Also, concern was raised regarding the elevation of roadways to best avoid future flooding.

MOTION: Tom O'Hanlon moved to approve the adoption of the 2020 Functional Classification of Public Roadways on behalf of FDOT District 5. Ms. Nilisa Council seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

VIII. PRESENTATIONS & STATUS REPORTS

A. Status Update: Vision Zero Action Plan/SS4A Grant

Mr. Mighk Wilson, MetroPlan Orlando, demonstrated that at the regional level, the graphic standards package has been completed and is ready for use. Also completed is the High Injury Network (HIN) identifying the top roads and intersections in the region and Mr. Wilson detailed the crash weighting based on crash severity and travel mode. From the data analyzed, he shared approximately half of the crashes resulting in death and serious injury occur on 4% of our roads.

He detailed the acronym KSI (Killed or Seriously Injured), will be used throughout the plan and went on to break down the typical speeds when most serious crashes happen. He further detailed the age ranges that were most affected, and Mr. Wilson also examined additional data from other sources, including SunRail. He shared the Key Takeaways of the findings. Details of

the Hub Site were highlighted, its contents and how to access. Mr. Wilson demonstrated how the site looks and functions.

Ms. Adriana Rodriguez, MetroPlan Orlando advised of the Project Schedule timeline with an Action Plan Document being produced in Spring of 2024. She detailed that the Vision Zero Local Action Plans are being compiled for the three Counties (Orange, Osceola, and Seminole) and the 19 Municipalities of the Counties. The plans will be completed in May/June of 2024 in line with the Regional Action Plan. Ms. Rodriguez conveyed the next steps and the current steps in progress.

A committee member inquired if policy changes were being considered, for example stopping traffic on both sides of the street to allow Lynx bus passengers to cross safely. In addition, a discussion ensued inquiring if projects currently funded were included in the Vision Zero plan, and if from recent discussions those plans were adjusted to positively impact safety. Further clarification was requested with regards to policy changes and if that meant transportation design, zoning etc. Discussions continued with regards to identifying or recording when ebikes were involved in crashes and the need for regulation of ebikes.

A comment was made requesting a breakdown of the corridors which made up the High Injury Network. Also, the need for Poinciana to be included in the plans, particularly because of the significant increase in population and crashes. It was confirmed the data will indicate where the needs for improvement are in Poinciana, and their plans will be within the Osceola plans.

A request was made for Mr. Mighk Wilson to present the updated version of his Cycling Savvy course with ebike additions.

B. FDOT Tentative Work Program

Ms. Katherine Alexander-Corbin, FDOT presented the 5-year Tentative Work Program for FY 24/25 – FY 28/29. She shared important dates on the Work Program including a Public Hearing on January 8, 2024, and the proposed adoption of the program on July 1, 2024.

Ms. Alexander-Corbin detailed the significant impact of cost increases on projects. She shared the critical factors that affected the Work Program including Conservative Allocations and Revenue Growth, Resurfacing Program Adjustments and Conservative Contingency Levels. Ms. Alexander-Corbin provided a funding breakdown along with information on key projects for Orange, Osceola, and Seminole Counties, project deferrals and deletions. Resurfacing Projects will be very heavy for District 5.

Discussions ensued including:

- The John Young/ Pleasant Hill project in Osceola County being deferred and the impact on the community was very disappointing. The critical need for improvements in Poinciana was expressed.
- Acknowledgement of the improvements already made on Kirkman Road.
- What delineates a widening project versus a resurfacing project.
- The concern of frequently widening roads.

- The cost of urban resurfacing versus rural resurfacing.
- Compliments on the condition of Florida roads.
- Clarification on determining what gets deferred.
- The possibility of reorganizing traffic layout/flow in the short term.

C. FTE Tentative Work Program

Mr. Siaosi Fine presented the Tentative Work Program for FY 24/25 – FY 28/29 for Florida's Turnpike Enterprise. He shared that \$664 million had been budgeted for the projects over the five years and detailed the five pillars of the DOT compass that are considered when building the Work Program. There are 127 miles of Turnpike Managed Toll Facilities in Orange, Osceola, and Seminole Counties. Mr. Fine detailed the Revenues & Expenditures of the Turnpike and the Prioritization Process.

Mr. Fine shared projects in Orange, Osceola and Seminole that have construction funding in the next five years. He also detailed projects that had been deferred, deleted, or advanced. Mr. Fine concluded with a Safety Minute.

Questions raised included:

- Why the funding for the I-4/Sand Lake Road project not being available till 2027. It was confirmed there was no change in the timing and the project is still a priority.
- FPN 4465791-1, turnpike widening project was deleted, where does the money go?
- FPN 437952-1 has been deferred, can that money be used now on something else? It was confirmed that such funding would be reallocated to another project.
- A request was made for clarification on where the funding (for the two projects above) had been reallocated.
- Discussion on the safety minute as presented, including the ability to call *347 (*FHP) on the turnpike when you need a Road Ranger/FHP to assist you.
- A Committee Member highlighted their recent incident when needing a Road Ranger and what a fantastic experience it was.

IX. GENERAL INFORMATION

- A. FDOT Monthly Construction Status Update The latest FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report for the Orlando area was enclosed.
- B. Highlights from September 13, 2023, MetroPlan Orlando Board Meeting A series of highlights and notable actions from the most recent MetroPlan Orlando Board meeting.
- C. Air Quality Report The latest air quality report for the MetroPlan Orlando area was enclosed.
- D. LYNX Press Releases Four press releases from LYNX were included.
- E. Bicycle and Pedestrian Report A report on bicycle and pedestrian projects in the MetroPlan Orlando region was enclosed.
- F. Federal Certification Report MetroPlan Orlando was officially certified by the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration with no corrective

- actions or improvement recommendations identified. The full report was enclosed for information.
- G. SUN Trail Request for Funding FDOT is accepting applications for SUN Trail projects. The formal notice with detailed information was included for reference.

X. 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. Transportation Systems Management & Operations Committee (TSM&O), October 27, 2023
- B. Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), October 27, 2023
- C. FDOT Mobility Week, October 27 through November 4, 2023
- D. Municipal Advisory Committee (MAC) November 2, 2023
- E. MetroPlan Orlando Board, November 8, 2023
- F. Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board (TDLCB) & Annual TD Public Meeting, November 9, 2023
- G. Transportation Systems Management & Operations Committee (TSM&O), Dec. 1, 2023
- H. Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), Dec. 1, 2023
- I. Community Advisory Committee (CAC), December 6, 2023
 Please note: NO REGULAR CAC meeting in November

X. MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Piggrem asked if it was possible to have a presentation from GOAA, regarding their long-range plans, with reference to SunRail and Terminal C. Also, how they are adapting post covid, in particular their need for additional parking.

XI. PUBLIC COMMENTS (GENERAL)

Mr. David Bottomley brought forward concerns regarding ADA compliant bus stop at Al Coith Park and cited State Statute 337.408 that addresses the regulation of bus stops, benches, etc.

Ms. Ethel Smith, Florida Department of Health – Seminole County, shared that they are partnering with Retro City Cycles of Longwood to donate and fit bicycle helmets at Wekiva Elementary as part of Mobility Week.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10.44 a.m.

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

Approved this 1st day of December 2023.

ly. Jeffrey Campbell, Chairman

Ms. Rachel Frederick,

Board Services Coordinator

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