



CENTRAL FLORIDA
MPO
ALLIANCE

Central Florida MPO Alliance
Meeting Minutes

Friday, February 14, 2025
MetroPlan Orlando

Chairman Chris Cloudman, Volusia Flagler TPO, Presiding

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Honorable Sean Parks
Honorable Leslie Campione
Honorable Don Wiley
Honorable Bob Dallari
Honorable Kenneth Gilbert
Honorable Ire Bethea, Sr.
Honorable Michelle Stone
Honorable Craig Curry
Honorable Nancy Daly
Honorable Brian Yates
Honorable Mimi Hanley
Honorable Lorraine Koss
Honorable Marcus Smith
Honorable Chris Cloudman
Honorable Eric Sander

REPRESENTING:

Lake-Sumter MPO
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MetroPlan Orlando
MetroPlan Orlando
Ocala/Marion County TPO
Ocala/Marion County TPO
Ocala/Marion County TPO
Polk TPO
Polk TPO
Space Coast TPO
Space Coast TPO
Space Coast TPO
Volusia Flagler TPO
Volusia Flagler TPO

MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE:

Honorable Christine Moore
Honorable Matt Reinhart

MetroPlan Orlando
Volusia Flagler TPO

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. Gary Huttman	MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Virginia Whittington	MetroPlan Orlando
Mr. Robert Balmes	Ocala/Marion County TPO
Mr. Ryan Kordek	Polk TPO
Ms. Georganna Gillette	Space Coast TPO
Ms. Colleen Nicoulin	Volusia Flagler TPO
Mr. Mike Woods	Lake-Sumter MPO
Mr. Siao Si Fine	Florida's Turnpike Enterprise
Ms. Betsy Reina	FDOT – District 1
Mr. Jonathan Scarfe	FDOT - District 5
Mr. Eric Hill (Virtual)	MetroPlan Orlando
Mr. Alex Trauger	MetroPlan Orlando

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

I. Call to Order

Chair Chris Cloudman called the February 14, 2025, Central Florida MPO Alliance meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Bob Dallari, MetroPlan Orlando, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Introduction of CFMPOA Members and Staff

CFMPOA Members introduced themselves and Ms. Lisa Smith confirmed an in-person quorum was present. Ms. Virginia Whittington, MetroPlan Orlando, presented a history of the creation of the CFMPOA for new members.

IV. Public Comments on Action Items

Chair Cloudman reviewed the public comment procedures. There were no requests for public comment.

V. Reports

Chair Cloudman called attention to the Delegation Reports provided for informational purposes.

a. Delegation Reports (Info only)

- 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**

Ms. Betsy Reina, represented FDOT District 1. Ms. Reina shared that the PD&E Study to expand SunRail from Poinciana into Haines City is underway. The anticipated completion of the study is December 2026. Ms. Reina noted that once the PD&E study is complete preliminary design concepts will be developed, forecast rider demand, conduct an environmental review, and develop capital and operating costs estimates. Ms. Reina provided an overview of public engagement efforts which are expected to last thru the next two years.

- **District 5**

Mr. Jonathan Scarfe, represented FDOT District 5. Mr. Scarfe noted that the Safety Office launched an external website in late 2024 as a tool to keep abreast of updates to the Central Florida safety Strategic Plan and provided details of the transportation industry hiring event taking place on April 30th.

- **Florida's Turnpike Enterprise**

Mr. Siao Si Fine, represented Florida's Turnpike Enterprises. Mr. Fine noted that FTE will be holding a public information meeting for the PD&E study for the Turnpike, mainline from State Road 60 to Clay Whaley Road. The virtual public meeting session is scheduled for March 4th at 5:30 p.m. The in-person public information meeting session is scheduled for March 5th at the Saint Cloud Community Center at 5:30 p.m. He provided the website to keep abreast of FTE's news and events: [News and Events - Florida's Turnpike](#).

VI. Action Items

a. Election of 2025 Officers

Ms. Whittington provided an overview of the election of officers' process and the current rotation. A list of the Alliance officers (2015-2024) was provided for information purposes. Ms. Whittington explained that each year, the Central Florida MPO Alliance selects one of its members as Chairperson, another as Vice-Chairperson, and a third as Secretary. She noted that three officers will serve a term of one year until their successors are selected. The newly elected officers will assume their roles at the conclusion of the February meeting and will serve through February 2026. The slate of proposed 2025 officers was presented as follows: Chair Volusia-Flagler TPO; Vice Chair Space Coast TPO and Secretary Polk TPO.

Motion: Commissioner Eric Sander nominated Mayor Chris Cloudman with the Volusia-Flagler TPO as Chair. Commissioner Michelle Stone seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion: Councilwoman Lorraine Koss nominated Councilwoman Mimi Henley with the Space Coast TPO as Vice-Chair. Councilman Marcus Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion: Vice-Mayor Nancy Daly nominated Commissioner Brian Yates with the Polk TPO as Secretary. Commissioner Michelle Stone seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Approval of June 14 and October 11, 2024, Meeting Minutes

Staff requested approval of June 14, 2024, and October 11, 2024, Central Florida MPO Alliance meeting minutes.

Motion: Councilman Ire Bethea moved to approve June 14 and October 11, 2024, meeting minutes. Commissioner Eric Sander seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

c. Approval of the 2025 CFMPOA Meeting Schedule

Staff requested approval of the 2025 meeting schedule.

Motion: Commissioner Bob Dallari moved to approve the 2025 CFMPOA Meeting Schedule. Councilman Ire Bethea seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

d. CFMPOA FY 2024-25 List of Priority Projects

Ms. Georganna Gillette, Space Coast TPO, presents the annual update of the prioritized project list, emphasizing the importance of regional collaboration. Ms. Gillette explained that the list includes strategic intermodal systems, regional trails, regional transit projects, transportation systems management and operations, and other categories. Updates were provided on individual TPO/MPOs priority lists, and the regional list are provided, highlighting fully funded projects and new additions. Consensus of the CFMPOA members was to approve the FY2024/25 Priority Project List.

Motion: Commissioner Bob Dallari moved to approve the CFMPOA FY2024-25 list of priority projects. Commissioner Marcus Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

e. Approval of Resolution #2025-01 Supporting Polk TPO's Request for the FDOT to Complete the Four-Lane Widening of SR 60 Across Central Florida

Mr. Ryan Kordek, Polk TPO, presented a resolution supporting the Florida Department of Transportation's completion of the four-lane widening of State Road 60 across Central Florida. The resolution highlights the importance of State Road 60 as a regional corridor, its role in hurricane evacuations, and its significance for freight traffic. Consensus of the CFMPOA members was to support the proposed resolution.

Motion: Vice-Mayor Nancy Daly moved to approve Resolution No. 2501-01 Supporting Polk TPO's request for the FDOT to complete the four-lane widening of SR 60 across Central Florida. Commissioner Sean Parks seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

VII. Presentations/Discussion

a. Regional Transportation Systems Management & Operations

Mr. Eric Hill, MetroPlan Orlando presented an update on the Regional TSMO Plan. He provided an update on the regional TSMO strategic plan, emphasizing the use of information and communication technology to improve mobility, reliability, and safety. He noted that the plan includes collaboration with various organizations, funding from the State Transportation Innovation Council and the National Institute on Congestion Reduction. Mr. Hill outlined the vision, goals, and objectives of the TSMO program, including strategic initiatives and priority action. The members of the CFMPOA discussed the importance of TSMO in addressing non-recurring congestion and the need for regional collaboration are highlighted.

b. Safety Program Updates

Mr. Rob Balmes, Ocala Marion County TPO, discussed the commitment to the Vision Zero Safety Action Plan and emphasized collaboration and personal responsibility in traffic safety. He noted that the plan includes an annual report on safety, a dashboard to track fatalities and serious injuries, and successful grants for safety projects. Mr. Balmes provided an overview of The Safety Matters initiative which features a video series on roadway safety with personal testimonials. A video was shown from the Safety Matters initiative that highlighted the impact of traffic-related crashes on individuals and the community.

Mr. Mike Woods, Lake-Sumter MPO, discussed two federal grants: a \$689,000 grant for a Vision Zero action plan targeting rural networks and a \$1.6 million grant for smart infrastructure deployment to improve mobility and safety in rural and senior communities. Mr. Woods reiterated that the Vision Zero plan aims to reduce pedestrian fatalities, which are stable at 50% in both counties. The smart infrastructure project will install advanced sensors on 10 intersections. Commissioner Parks emphasized the need for legislative action on driver behavior to achieve zero fatalities. The meeting also highlighted the importance of addressing distracted driving and improving safety on State Road 44.

VIII. Information Items

None.

IX. Member Comments

Colleen Nicoulin reminded CFMPOA members of the FDOT Safety Summit scheduled for May 9th at the Daytona International Speedway.

X. Public Comments

None.

XI. Next meeting

April 11, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. at MetroPlan Orlando

XII. Adjournment

There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

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

Central Florida MPO Alliance

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Honorable Chris Cloudman, Chair

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Lisa Smith, Sr. 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.