

# MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

DATE:

Thursday, May 5, 2022

LOCATION:

MetroPlan Orlando

David L. Grovdahl Board Room 250 South Orange Avenue, Suite 200

Orlando, Florida 32801

TIME:

9:30 a.m.

# Council Member Keith Trace, Chairman, presided

#### Members in attendance:

Commissioner Todd Weaver for Mayor Phil Anderson, City of Winter Park Councilmember Vance Guthrie, City of Maitland Vacant, Town of Eatonville
Mayor John Dowless, City of Edgewood
Commissioner Richard Firstner, City of Ocoee
Mayor David Henson, City of Casselberry
Mayor Kevin McCann, City of Winter Springs
Commissioner Sal Ramos, Town of Oakland
Mayor Megan Sladek, City of Oviedo
Commissioner Jordan Smith, City of Lake Mary
Council Member Keith Trace, City of St. Cloud

#### Members not in attendance:

#### Others in attendance were:

Mr. Tyler Burgett, FDOT Mr. Siaosi Fine, FTE

Mr. Myles O'Keefe, LYNX

Mr. Nathan Silva, RS&H

Mr. Alex Trauger, MetroPlan Orlando Mr. Nick Lepp, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Sarah Larsen, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Cynthia Lambert, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Mary Ann Horne, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Leilani Vaiaoga, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Taylor Laurent, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Lara Bouck, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Virginia Whittington, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Cathy Goldfarb, MetroPlan Orlando

<sup>\*</sup> Excused Absence

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Keith Trace called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.

#### II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Todd Weaver led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### III. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Trace asked MAC members to keep their mics muted when not speaking. He welcomed new MAC member Councilmember Vance Guthrie from the City of Maitland. Chairman Trace detailed the public comment procedures and noted that the meetings are accessible to all.

#### IV. CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Ms. Cathy Goldfarb conducted the roll call and confirmed a quorum.

#### V. AGENDA REVIEW/FOLLOW-UP

Mr. Alex Trauger welcomed MAC members. He called attention to the return to an in-person meeting format and emphasized the need for a quorum and the importance of RSVPing.

#### VI. Public Comments on Action Items

None.

#### VII. Agency Reports/Partner Updates

## Florida Department of Transportation

Mr. Tyler Burgett, FDOT, called attention to the construction report included under the general information tab. He reported on new FDOT leadership noting that District 5 Secretary Jared Perdue had be appointed state FDOT Secretary and Mr. John Tyler had been appointed District 5 Secretary. Mr. Burgett told MAC members that the goal is to keep making strides with communication with partners, innovation and safety initiatives that were started under Secretary Perdue.

#### Florida Turnpike Enterprise

Mr. Siaosi Fine, FTE, reported that there was a presentation on the Mainline widening PD&E from south of SR 408 to SR 50 later in the agenda and he had no other updates.

#### I YNX

Mr. Myles O'Keefe, LYNX, reported that bus ridership has remained steady at ~60% of pre-pandemic levels. He told MAC members that LYNX was getting five electric buses as part of the Volkswagen Class Action settlement. He noted that under the buy two get one free provision they were looking to get five additional electric buses for a total of fifteen. Mr. O'Keefe added that LYNX was looking at FDOT Service Development grant or intermodal station grant for the Pine Hills Transfer Center. He called attention to the recently opened Rosemont Super Stop which now had ten shelters. Mr. O'Keefe noted that the next project slated was the Florida Mall Super Stop.

## VIII. ACTION ITEMS

# A. Approval of March 3, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Approval was requested of the March 3rd MAC meeting minutes, which were provided.

**MOTION:** Mayor Megan Sladek moved for approval of the March 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting minutes. Mayor Kevin McCann seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

#### B. FDOT Amendment to FY 2021-22 - 2025-26 Transportation Improvement Program

Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando staff, requested the MAC to recommend that the FY 2021/22 - 2025/26 TIP be amended to include the following project:

• FM #432193-5 - Hicks Avenue Extension from Gore Street to Anderson Street

A letter from FDOT staff explaining the amendment was provided, along with a fact sheet prepared by MetroPlan Orlando staff and the draft resolution to be presented at the May 11th Board meeting. Mr. Caskey provided background on the TIP amendment request.

MOTION: Mayor Megan Sladek moved for approval of the FY 2021-22 – FY 2025-26 Transportation

Improvement Program. Mayor David Henson seconded the motion, which passed

unanimously.

#### C. Approval of FY 2022/23 - FY 2023/24 Unified Planning Work Program

Following a brief presentation, action was requested by Mr. Nick Lepp, MetroPlan Orlando staff, to recommend approval of the FY 2022/23 - 2023/24 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). An attachment was provided. The UPWP document can be accessed at:

https://metroplanorlando.org/wp-content/uploads/MetroPlan-Orlando FINAL-FY2023-FY2024-UPWP-as-of-2022-04-14.pdf

Mr. Lepp told MAC members that the document was the final draft. He noted that there now was a consolidated planning grant and the UPWP itself had been streamlined down to two sections and ten tasks. Mr. Lepp reviewed the estimated revenues, new sections, special studies, and federal and state comments received.

**MOTION:** Mayor John Dowless moved for approval of the FY 2022/23 – FY 2023/24 Unified Planning Work Program. Mayor Megan Sladek seconded the motion, which passed unanimously

# PRESENTATIONS AND STATUS REPORTS

## A. Presentation on Florida's Turnpike Widening PD&E Study

Mr. Nathan Silva, RS&H, gave a presentation on the Florida's Turnpike Enterprise Project Development & Environment (PD&E) study for the widening of the Turnpike from SR 408 to SR 50. Mr. Silva told MAC members that the PD&E phase should be completed by July 2022. He reviewed the project development process, study limits and scope and project purpose. Mr. Silva presented the preferred alternatives and typical sections for the three segments of the project, along with the four preferred interchange alternatives. In addition, he reviewed the effects evaluation, no-build alternative, traffic benefits of the preferred alternatives and agency coordination, as well as the public outreach schedule. Discussion ensued regarding the stoplight at the Turnpike and SR 50, City of Ocoee's concerns with the preferred alternative and right-of way acquisition, concern regarding the 300' of pavement and anticipating the need for that much pavement in the future and project design funding.

#### B. Presentation on Tracking the Trends

Mr. Alex Trauger, MetroPlan Orlando staff, gave a presentation on MetroPlan Orlando's Tracking the Trends report, which monitors the transportation system in the MetroPlan Orlando region. Mr. Trauger detailed the contents of the report. He noted that the publication is available online on the MetroPlan Orlando website. Mr. Trauger reviewed population growth, visitation, safety, and air quality. Discussion ensued regarding tracking the gas tax and the effect of electric vehicles on that revenue source, federal lobbyist, funding alternatives to the fuel tax.

#### X. GENERAL INFORMATION

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## A. FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report

The latest FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report for the Orlando area was provided.

#### B. MetroPlan Orlando Board Highlights

A copy of the March 9, 2022 Board Meeting Highlights was provided.

#### C. Air Ouality Report

The latest air quality report for the MetroPlan Orlando area was provided.

#### D. LYNX Press Releases

A set of press releases from LYNX was provided.

#### XI. UPCOMING MEETINGS OF INTEREST

## A. Next Municipal Advisory Committee meeting

The next MAC meeting will be held in person on June 2, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. in the MetroPlan Orlando Board Room, 250 South Orange Avenue, Suite 200, Orlando FL 32801.

#### B. Next MPO Board Meeting

The next MetroPlan Orlando Board meeting will be held in person on May 11, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. in the MetroPlan Orlando Board Room, 250 South Orange Avenue, Suite 200, Orlando FL 32801.

#### XI. MEMBER COMMENTS

None.

# XII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (GENERAL)

Former Mayor Dale McDonald commented on the important work MAC does. He thanked everyone for all their hard work locally and regionally.

#### XIII. ADJOURNMENT

The Municipal Advisory Committee meeting was adjourned at 10:34 a.m.

The meeting was recorded and transcribed by Ms. Cathy Goldfarb.

Approved this 2nd day of June 2022.

Council Member Keith Trace, Chairman

Ms. Cathy Goldfarb,

Senior 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.