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## MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** Thursday, May 2, 2024

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

**TIME:** 9:30 a.m.

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**Mayor John Dowless, Chairman, presided.**

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### Members in attendance:

Mayor Shelia DeCiccio, City of Winter Park  
Mayor John Dowless, City of Edgewood  
Mayor Nicholas Fouraker, City of Belle Isle  
Mr. Demetris Pressley for Mayor Angie Gardner, Town of Eatonville  
Mayor David Henson, City of Casselberry  
Commissioner Sal Ramos, Town of Oakland  
Commissioner Brian Sackett, City of Longwood  
Mayor Megan Sladek, City of Oviedo  
Commissioner Jordan Smith, City of Lake Mary

### Members not in attendance:

Council Member Tony Davit, Town of Windermere  
Commissioner Richard Firstner, City of Ocoee  
Councilmember Vance Guthrie, City of Maitland  
\*Mayor Kevin McCann, City of Winter Springs  
Vacant, City of Winter Garden

\* *Excused Absence*

### Others in attendance were:

Ms. Amy Beckmann, FDOT D5  
Ms. Patricia Whitton, LYNX  
Mr. Siaosi Fine, FTE  
Mr. Alex Trauger, MetroPlan Orlando  
Ms. Sarah Larsen, MetroPlan Orlando  
Mr. Eric Hill, MetroPlan Orlando  
Ms. Lisa Smith, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Taylor Laurent, MetroPlan Orlando  
Mr. Mighk Wilson, MetroPlan Orlando  
Ms. Adriana Rodriguez, MetroPlan Orlando  
Mr. Jason Sartorio, MetroPlan Orlando  
Mr. Slade Downs, MetroPlan Orlando  
Ms. Rachel Frederick, MetroPlan Orlando

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman John Dowless called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. He called for a moment of silence and Mayor Megan Sladek led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**II. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chairman John Dowless stressed the importance of in-person quorums. He reviewed the meeting and public comment procedures in addition to accessibility guidelines. Mayor Dowless welcomed Mayor Shelia De Ciccio, City of Winter Park.

**III. AGENDA REVIEW**

Ms. Sarah Larsen, MetroPlan Orlando staff member, noted that there were no changes to the printed agenda. She announced that the 2024 Regional Transportation survey was launched and is open through Memorial Day weekend. She encouraged MAC members to share the URL with their constituents. She called attention to the upcoming Vision Zero Speaker Series and EV Readiness Workshops. MetroPlan Orlando staff member Mr. Mighk Wilson provided the Safety Moment that highlighted April as Distracted Driving Month and May as Seat Belt Safety Month.

**IV. ROLL CALL & CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM**

Ms. Lisa Smith conducted the roll call and confirmed a quorum was present.

Mayor Megan Sladek moved to excuse the absence of Mayor Kevin McCann, City of Winter Springs. Mayor David Henson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**V. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ACTION ITEMS**

None.

**VI. AGENCY REPORTS / PARTNER UPDATES**

- **Florida Department of Transportation**

Ms. Amy Beckmann, FDOT District 5, called attention to the FDOT Construction Report and directed MAC members to the website to keep abreast of projects of interest: [Your source for information on FDOT projects in Central Florida \(cflroads.com\)](https://www.cflroads.com). Ms Beckmann provided updates on recently completed construction projects in the MetroPlan Orlando region to include resurfacing, pedestrian and bicycle safety projects, and intermittent lane closures for various safety projects. She announced two upcoming events, the Inaugural Central Florida Safety Summit at Sea World Orlando on Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.; and the Rolling and Strolling Event, at 800 Grande Street, Orlando on Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 a.m. until 2 p.m.

- **LYNX**

Ms. Patricia Whitton, LYNX, reported that LYNX ridership and April service changes have been implemented. She reported that the LYNX Cyber Security Team was awarded the Gold Award by the Transportation Security Administration.

- **Florida's Turnpike Enterprise (FTE)**

Mr. Siasoi Fine, Florida's Turnpike Enterprises, noted that FTE will be hosting public information meetings for the PD&E widening of the Turnpike mainline from SR 70 in St. Lucie County to SR 60 in Osceola County. The virtual session was held on May 1<sup>st</sup>. Two in-person sessions are scheduled for May 7<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at the Indian River State College, in Ft. Pierce and on May 9<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at the Intergenerational Community Center in Vero Beach.

## **VII. ACTION ITEMS**

### **A. Approval of March 7, 2024, Meeting Minutes**

Approval of the minutes for the meeting was requested.

**MOTION:** Mayor Megan Sladek moved approval of the March 7, 2024, MAC meeting minutes. Mayor David Henson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

### **B. Organizational Public Participation Plan**

Ms. Mary Ann Horne, MetroPlan Orlando staff, requested approval of the Organizational Public Participation Plan (PPP). She noted that there will be a joint presentation with item VII.C, 2050 MTP Public Participation Plan. She outlined the differences between the two plans. Ms. Horne stated that the 45-day public comment period for both plans closed on May 10<sup>th</sup> and those comments were included in the MAC agenda package. She noted that the public comment period was promoted via social media, the MetroPlan Orlando website and e-mail updates to MPO subscribers. She reviewed the MPO approach to plan updates, overarching themes, and plan goals.

**MOTION:** Mayor Nicholas Fouraker moved approval of the Organizational Public Participation Plan. Commissioner Sal Ramos seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

### **C. 2050 MTP Public Participation Plan**

Ms. Mary Ann Horne, MetroPlan Orlando staff, requested approval of the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Public Participation Plan (MTP PPP). This was a joint presentation with item VII.B., Organizational Public Participation Plan.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Sal Ramos moved to approve the 2050 MTP Public Participation Plan. Commissioner Jordan Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

### **D. FY 2024/25-25/26 Unified Public Work Program (UPWP)**

Mr. Alex Trauger, MetroPlan Orlando, requested approval of the Unified Public Work Program (UPWP) for Fiscal Years 2024/25 through 2025/26. He stated that MPOs in the State of Florida are required to prepare a UPWP every two years. Mr. Trauger provided an overview of the components of the UPWP. He noted that the UPWP defines in very general terms the work that the MPO staff will be doing over the planning period. Some of the tasks will be done with the assistance of our General Planning Consultants.

**MOTION:** Mayor Megan Sladek moved to approve the 2024/25-25/26 UPWP. Mayor David Henson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

## VIII. PRESENTATIONS & STATUS REPORTS

### A. Vision Zero Status Update

Mr. Mighk Wilson presented an update on the Vision Zero initiative. He detailed community engagement events, called attention to the newly available social media templates, and shared the details of the upcoming Speaker Series Events. Mr. Wilson detailed the prior Task Force meeting which included discussions on policy framework and potential prioritization categories. He also shared the details of the supplemental analysis which identified the overlap of transit stop locations, high injury network and pedestrian/bicyclist crash locations, noting that 50% of transit boardings occur on the high injury network (HIN). He highlighted countermeasures that could be installed to improve crossing at these points. Mr. Wilson discussed the takeaways for crash responses gathered from Florida Traffic Crash Reports. He shared an Action Plan outline, noting that the local plan follows the same structure for consistency, with each team being able to customize the content. He discussed the next steps which include the Safe Streets 4 All grant application process, noting August 29<sup>th</sup> as the deadline for submission.

### B. 2050 MTP Status Update

Ms. Taylor Laurent, MetroPlan Orlando, gave a status report on the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan. She called attention to the Status Report included in the MAC agenda package. Ms. Laurent provided background information, discussed existing conditions, and various components of the technical analysis (i.e. coordination efforts with FDOT and FTE on Central Florida Regional planning model); congestion management process updates; and kicking off the health, housing, and environmental evaluations, and the financial resources estimations. She highlighted the ongoing needs assessments (transit, roadway and safety/Vision Zero Action Plan) and those that are nearing completion (TSMO and the Active Transportation Plan). Ms. Laurent recapped the April 11<sup>th</sup> MTP Technical Workshop and provided a link for viewing: [2050 MTP Technical Workshop #2 \(youtube.com\)](#). Ms. Laurent requested that members provide feedback for the MTP 2050 Goals by May 10<sup>th</sup>. She concluded by stating that the Financial Resources 2050 Revenue & Transportation Funding Forecasting is underway and will be a part of a regional effort conducted by MetroPlan Orlando.

### C. Active Transportation Plan

Ms. Kathrin Tellez, Fehr & Peers, presented the final steps of the Active Transportation Plan also known as the Ride & Stride 2050. The plan can be viewed at [MetroPlanOrlando.gov/ATP](https://MetroPlanOrlando.gov/ATP). Ms. Tellez outlined the background of the plan, public engagement efforts, and provided an overview of a common vocabulary for active transportation facility types used to develop a naming standard. She detailed the 2050 ATP Network Development that was created which identified possibilities of new trails, crossing enhancements, corridor improvements, target speed reduction corridors, and safety improvements. Ms. Tellez noted that this plan was presented at a workshop where feedback was gathered from various committees and the public. She noted that in total 253 projects were identified on the 2050 ATP Network Projects, 148 being new projects and 105 as enhancements to planned projects. She stated that the full report includes detailed maps for each county, and how the projects reduce traffic stress, increase comfort in walking facilities, accessibility to schools, jobs, shopping etc. in the region, and for underserved communities. Ms. Tellez concluded by highlighting strategies for consideration, and policy recommendations when project implementation begins. She concluded by stating that Active Transportation Plan will be incorporated into the 2050 MTP.

**D. TSM&O Master Plan Status Update**

Mr. Eric Hill, MetroPlan Orlando, presented on the TSMO Master Plan. Mr. Hill shared the history of the plan and confirmed that the plan will now be incorporated into the 2050 MTP. He detailed the plan development process, the project categories and shared the projects identified as top priorities in each of the three counties and the City of Orlando. In addition, he displayed the Intersection Analysis of each area which highlighted desired intersection improvement locations. Mr. Hill shared the path forward which included consideration of regional strategies and identifying synergies with the Active Transportation Plan, the Vision Zero Central Florida effort, and acknowledgment of the role of Artificial Intelligence. In conclusion, Mr. Hill shared that the TSMO Master Plan Summary Document and its appendices are available on the MetroPlan Orlando website. He encouraged members to review documents and requested any comments be provided to him by May 10<sup>th</sup>.

**IX. GENERAL INFORMATION**

- A. A letter detailing administrative changes to the FY 2024 – 2028 Transportation Improvement Program was provided.
- B. FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report was provided.
- C. Highlights from March 13, 2024, MetroPlan Orlando Board Meeting was provided.
- D. The latest Air Quality Report was provided.
- E. A press release from LYNX was provided.
- F. An informational flyer for the MetroPlan Orlando Safety Speaker Series, part of Vision Zero Central Florida was provided.
- G. An informational flyer for the inaugural FDOT District 5 Safety Summit, to be held May 17, 2024 was provided.
- H. PD&E to Widen Florida’s Turnpike/SR 91 From SR 70 to SR 60 was provided.
- I. EV Readiness Flyer was provided.
- J. A report providing the latest status of the PD&E studies currently underway in the MetroPlan Orlando area was provided.

**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 [www.MetroPlanOrlando.org/calendar](http://www.MetroPlanOrlando.org/calendar).

- A. Next Municipal Advisory Committee Meeting | June 6, 2024 | 9:30 a.m.
- B. Upcoming MetroPlan Orlando Board Meeting | May 8, 2024 | 9:00 a.m.

**XI. MEMBER COMMENTS**

None.

**XII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (GENERAL)**

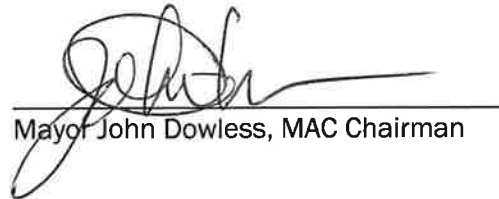
None.

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

The Municipal Advisory Committee meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

The meeting was recorded and transcribed by Ms. Lisa Smith.

Approved this 6<sup>th</sup> day of June 2024.



Mayor John Dowless, MAC Chairman



Ms. Lisa Smith,  
Senior Board Services Coordinator

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