



**MetroPlan Orlando Board**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE:** Wednesday, September 10, 2025

**TIME:** 9:00 a.m.

**LOCATION:** MetroPlan Orlando  
Park Building  
250 S. Orange Ave, Suite 200  
Orlando, FL 32801

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**Commissioner Bob Dallari, Chair, Presided**

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**Members in attendance were:**

Hon. Brandon Arrington, Central Florida Expressway Authority  
Hon. Pat Bates, City of Altamonte Springs  
Hon. Lee Constantine, Seminole County  
Hon. Maribel Gomez Cordero, Orange County  
Hon. Bob Dallari, Seminole County  
Hon. Mayor Buddy Dyer, City of Orlando  
Honorable Jackie Espinosa, City of Kissimmee  
Hon. Cheryl Grieb, Osceola County  
Hon. Viviana Janer, LYNX/Central Florida Commuter Rail Commission  
Ms. Stephanie Kopelousos, GOAA  
Hon. Christine Moore, Orange County  
Hon. Bryan Nelson, City of Apopka  
Hon. Tony Ortiz, City of Orlando  
Hon. Kelly Semrad, Orange County  
Hon. Michael Sott, Orange County  
Hon. Jordan Smith, Municipal Advisory Committee

Hon. Mayra Uribe, Orange County  
Hon. Nicole Wilson, Orange County

**Members/Advisors attending the meeting via the Zoom Platform:**

Hon. Ken Gilbert, City of St. Cloud  
Mayor Art Woodruff, City of Sanford

**Advisors in Attendance**

Mr. Shaun Germolus, Kissimmee Gateway Airport  
Mr. Lenny Barden, Technical Advisory Committee  
Ms. Lee Pulham Transportation Systems Management & Operations Committee  
Ms Nilisa Council, Community Advisory Committee  
Secretary John Tyler, FDOT District 5  
Mr. Joe Nunziata, Orlando Executive Airport

**Members/Advisors not in Attendance:**

Hon. Mayor Jerry Demings, Orange County  
Mr. Stephen Smith, Sanford Airport Authority

**Others in Attendance:**

Mr. Jonathan Scarfe, FDOT District 5

**Staff in Attendance:**

Mr. Gary Huttman  
Mr. Jay Small, Dinsmore & Shohl  
Mr. Jason Loschiavo  
Ms. Virginia Whittington  
Mr. Alex Trauger  
Mr. Eric Hill  
Ms. Taylor Laurent  
Ms. Lara Bouck  
Mr. Mighk Wilson  
Ms. Adriana Rodriguez  
Mr. Jason Sartorio  
Mr. Slade Downs  
Ms. Sarah Larsen  
Ms. Mary Ann Horne  
Ms. Leilani Vaiaoga  
Ms. Lisa Smith  
Ms. Rachel Frederick

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Board Chair Bob Dallari called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and welcomed everyone. Mayor Buddy Dyer, City of Orlando, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**II. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chairman Dallari welcomed the new Board member representing GOAA Stephanie Kopelousos. Chairman Dallari thanked Carson Good for his service on the MetroPlan Board. Commissioner Janer reported on the July 24<sup>th</sup> Central Florida Commuter Rail Commission Meeting. Commissioner Uribe reported on the July 24<sup>th</sup> MPOAC Meeting and the August 14<sup>th</sup> Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board Meeting. MetroPlan Orlando staff member Mighk Wilson provided the Safety Moment highlighting Red Light running.

**III. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS & AGENDA REVIEW**

Mr. Huttman also welcomed new members representing GOAA: Stephanie Kopelousos and her alternate, Joe Nunziata. He welcomed Mayor Jackie Espinosa and acknowledged Mayor Art Woodruff and Councilmember Ken Gilbert who participated virtually. Mr. Huttman announced upcoming public events: 2050 MTP Public Meeting scheduled for September 29<sup>th</sup> at the Orange County Multicultural Center; the MPOAC Institute scheduled for October 10<sup>th</sup> in West Palm, the Lake-to-Lake Regional Trail Workshop scheduled for October 16<sup>th</sup> at MetroPlan Orlando; and the Peer-to-Peer Exchange with MPO/TPOs from Hillsborough, Pinellas and Pasco Counties on October 27<sup>th</sup>. He congratulated the City of Apopka for being the recipient of a \$17.3 million BUILD program grant. He congratulated Adriana Rodriguez on her appointment to the National Cooperative Highway Research Program project panel. Mr. Huttman noted there would be no airport partner update for this meeting. He mentioned that GOAA will present an update at the November meeting. Mr. Huttman also called attention to agenda item VIII.J, Resolution 25-08 Support of the I-4 St. Johns River Bridge.

**IV. AGENCY REPORTS**

FDOT: Secretary John Tyler reported on the upcoming legislative session, the revenue estimating conference, and the challenges in building a balanced work program due to rising costs and reduced revenues. He announced virtual work program public hearings scheduled for the week of October 20<sup>th</sup> and the in-person public hearing scheduled for Tuesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>. Secretary Tyler announced Rail Safety Week is September 15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>.

**V. ROLL CALL AND CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM**

Ms. Lisa Smith called the roll and confirmed that a quorum was physically present.

**VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Advisory Committee reports from the meetings were presented by the Municipal Advisory Committee, Community Advisory Committee, TSMO, and Technical Advisory Committee chairpersons.

## **VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ACTION ITEMS**

None

## **VIII. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Minutes of the July 9, 2025 Board Meeting
- B. Approval of Financial Report for June (unaudited) & July 2025
- C. Approval of the Travel Report for June & July 2025
- D. Approval of the FY 2026 Budget Amendment #2
- E. Approval of the Finance Committee Recommendation to extend the Office Lease at 250 S. Orange Avenue, Suite 200 through July 31, 2037
- F. Approval of the Personnel Committee Recommendation for the Executive Director's Annual Review
- G. Approval of the Personnel Committee Recommended changes to the MetroPlan Orlando Employee Handbook & Travel Policy
- H. Approval of update to the Title VI & Limited English Proficiency Report
- I. Approval to renew the University of Florida contract for continued development and maintenance of the MetroPlan Orlando Crash Data Base
- J. Approval of Board Resolution 25-08 Support of the I-4 St. Johns River Bridge
- K. Approval of Board Resolution 25-09 in support of "Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day"-
- L. Approval of Board Resolution 25-10 in support of "Blind Americans Equality Day and White Cane Awareness Day"
- M. Approval of Sole Source Contract with Citian for CRASH Software as a Service

**MOTION:** Commissioner Viviana Janer moved to approve Consent Agenda Items A through M. Commissioner Mayra Uribe seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

## **IX. OTHER ACTION ITEMS**

- A. Approval of the Roll Forward Amendments to the FY 2025-26 – FY 2029-30 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) (Roll Call vote)

Mr. Jason Sartorio, MetroPlan Orlando staff, requested approval of an amendment to the FY 2025/26-FY 2029/30 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include projects with funds rolling forward into FY 2025/26. He explained that the request is being made to ensure that the projects shown in the TIP are consistent with the projects shown in FDOT's Five Year Work Program. A letter from FDOT staff explaining the amendment request, along with a fact sheet prepared by MetroPlan Orlando staff, and the draft resolution were provided.

**MOTION:** Mayor Buddy Dyer moved approval of the FY2025/26-FY 2030/31 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Commissioner Christine Moore seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted, and the motion carried unanimously.

## **X. INFORMATION ITEMS FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

- A. Executive Directors Report
- B. FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report- June & July 2025

- C. Bicycle & Pedestrian Report
- D. Air Quality Report
- E. Letter of Support - LYNX Submission to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) FY 2025 Low or No Emission Grant Program (FTA-2025-008-TPM-LWNO) and the Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Competitive Program (FTA-2025-007-TPM-BUS)
- F. Letter of Support – City of Altamonte Springs submission to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) FY 2025 Low or No Emission Grant Program (FTA-2025-008-TPM-LWNO) and the Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Competitive Program (FTA-2025-007-TPM-BUS)
- G. Response to Docket No. DOT-OST-2025-0468. Request for Information – Advancing a Surface Transportation Proposal that Focuses on America’s Most Fundamental Infrastructure Needs
- H. AMPO July 2025 Newsletter
- I. Public Hearing Notice – Southport Connector Expressway PD&E
- J. U.S. 192 Improvements from Main Street to Aeronautical Drive Open House Notice
- K. Quarter 2 PD&E Tracking Report

**MOTION:** Commissioner Viviana Janer moved approval of the Information Items for Acknowledgement: Items A through K. Commissioner Mayra Uribe seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **XI. OTHER BUSINESS/PRESENTATIONS.**

##### **A. 2050 MTP Update**

Ms. Taylor Laurent, MetroPlan Orlando, briefed the Board members on the continuing development of the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), including the draft cost-feasible plan and funding policy. Ms. Laurent provided an explanation of the different funding buckets and their applications within MTP. She discussed with the Board members the trends in federal funding and the challenges of meeting transportation needs with available funds. She concluded with the next steps and key milestones for the MTP development cycle.

##### **B. Update on Vision Zero Central Florida**

Ms. Lara Bouck, MetroPlan Orlando, provided an update to the Board concerning Vision Zero and ongoing safety activities which included demonstration projects in Orange, Osceola and Seminole Counties. She introduced the road safety evaluation program and the road safety audit studies. She spoke about the importance of micro mobility safety and the upcoming safety speaker series webinars.

#### **XII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (GENERAL)**

Ms. Joanne Counelis, Lake Mary, commented on the need for bus stops and shelters at several sites in Seminole County, and the need for 24/7 mass transit in the region.

The Board also received public comments regarding crosswalks, safety and community impacts from: Chris Blem, Orlando; Alexander Alemi, Kissimmee; Corey Hill, Orlando; Ramon Pereira Bonilla, Orlando; and Jen Cousins, Orlando.

**XIII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Ms. Kopelousos thanked former GOAA appointees Tim Weisheyer and Carson Good for their time served on the MetroPlan Orlando Board.

Commissioner Constantine recognized Joanne Counelis, a Seminole County resident, for her advocating to keep public transit accessible to all.

Commissioner Wilson thanked and complimented the public commenters for their bravery in bringing forward their concerns about repainting sidewalks.

Commissioner Semrad echoed the comments made by Commissioner Wilson, discussed concerns about repainting sidewalks, the need for safety measures, and the limitations that will be caused by SB 180.

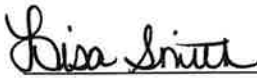
Councilmember Gilbert mentioned that he will be attending the 2025 Florida Planning Conference in Daytona Beach, September 16<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>.

**XIV. NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday, November 12, 2025, 9:00 a.m.

**XV. ADJOURN BOARD MEETING**

There being no further business. The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m. The meeting was transcribed by Ms. Lisa Smith.

Approved this 12<sup>th</sup> day of November 2025.

  
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Commissioner Bob Dallari, Chair  
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Ms. Lisa Smith,

Board Services Coordinator/Recording Secretary

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