



MetroPlan Orlando Board

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Wednesday, September 11, 2024

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

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

Commissioner Cheryl Grieb, Chair, Presided

Members in attendance were:

Hon. Pat Bates, City of Altamonte Springs
Hon. Nathan Blackwell, City of St. Cloud
Hon. Emily Bonilla, Orange County
Hon. Lee Constantine, Seminole County
Hon. Maribel Gomez Cordero, Orange County
Hon. Bob Dallari, Seminole County
Hon. Mayor Jerry Demings, Orange County
Hon. Mayor John Dowless, Municipal Advisory Committee
Hon. Mayor Buddy Dyer, City of Orlando
Mr. M. Carson Good, Orlando Executive Airport
Hon. Cheryl Grieb, Osceola County
Hon. Viviana Janer, LYNX/Central Florida Commuter Rail Commission
Hon. Christine Moore, Orange County
Hon. Bryan Nelson, City of Apopka
Hon. Tony Ortiz, City of Orlando
Mr. Stephen Smith, Sanford Airport Authority

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

Members/Advisors attending the meeting via the Zoom Platform:

Mayor Art Woodruff, City of Sanford

Advisors in Attendance

Secretary John Tyler, FDOT District 5
Mr. Shaun Germolus, Kissimmee Gateway Airport
Mr. Brian Sanders, Transportation Systems Management & Operations Committee
Mr. Joshua DeVries, Technical Advisory Committee
Dr. Dan Stephens, Community Advisory Committee

Members/Advisors not in Attendance:

Hon. Brandon Arrington, Central Florida Expressway Authority
Hon. Olga Castano, City of Kissimmee
Hon. Michael Scott, Orange County
Mr. Tim Weisheyer, GOAA

Others in Attendance:

Mr. Jonathan Scarfe, FDOT District 5
Ms. Amy Beckman, FDOT District 5
Mr. Siaso Fine, FTE

Staff in Attendance:

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

I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board Chair Cheryl Grieb called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and welcomed everyone. Council Member Ken Gilbert, City of St. Cloud, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Vivana Janer reported on the July 25th and August 22nd Central Florida Commuter Rail Commission (CFCRC) meetings. Commissioner Uribe reported on the July 24th MPOAC, the August 8th TDLCB, and the August 21st FDOT 2025 Transportation Steering Committee meetings. Vice-Chair Dallari reported on his participation in the 2024 Transpo event held August 25th-28th. MetroPlan Orlando staff member Alex Trauger provided the Safety Moment highlighting Red Light Running.

III. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Huttman announced that the Board Apportionment Plan received final approval from the Governor's Office on August 12th. He officially welcomed Orange County Commissioner Michael Scott and City of St. Cloud Councilman Ken Gilbert to the Board. He called attention to the recent Boardroom changes made to accommodate additional Board members. He acknowledged City of Sanford Mayor Art Woodruff, who attended virtually. Mr. Huttman congratulated Commissioner Mayra Uribe for receiving the 2024 Outstanding Elected Official Leadership Award from AMPO. He congratulated MetroPlan Orlando staff member Lara Bouck on her recent promotion to Manager of Project Development. He announced the 2024 Blind Experience to take place October 30th at the OPD Headquarters. Mr. Huttman called attention to the information provided in the supplemental folders.

IV. FDOT REPORT

Secretary John Tyler provided an update on SunRail, highlighting the success of the opening of the Deland station and the mobile ticketing app. He gave ridership statistics. He announced College Week from September 16th-20th. The initiative allows college students to ride SunRail for free by showing their college ID. He reported that the I-4 project is progressing and the process to construct congestion relief lanes from US 27 to SR 417 in each direction has commenced. He announced the opening of a new project office in Celebration. Secretary Tyler highlighted the Orange Blossom Trail Safety Improvement Project and noted it is under consideration for an ASHTO national award.

V. ROLL CALL AND CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

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

VI. AGENDA REVIEW

Mr. Huttman explained updated Board Committee Appointments, Consent Agenda Item IX.G, Chairwoman Grieb's recommendations to serve on a Districtwide Safety Steering Committee. There were no changes to the agenda.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ACTION ITEMS

None

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes of the July 10, 2024, Board Meeting
- B. Approval of Financial Report for June & July 2024
- C. Approval of the Travel Report for June & July 2024
- D. Ratification of FY 24 Budget Amendment #7
- E. Approval of FY 25 Budget Amendment #1
- F. Approval of Personnel Committee Recommendation for the Executive Director’s Annual Review
- G. Approval of MetroPlan Orlando Board Committee Appointment to the FDOT Safety Steering Committee
- H. Approval of contribution to Bike Walk Central Florida for Best Foot Forward Program
- I. Approval of Board Resolution in support of “Blind Americans Equality Day”
- J. Approval to extend the Sole Source Contract with University of Florida to Update MetroPlan Orlando’s Web-based Crash Database

MOTION: Commissioner Vivana Janer moved to approve the Consent Agenda Items A through J. Commissioner Christine Moore seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

X. OTHER ACTION ITEMS

- A. Approval of the amendments to the FY2024-25–FY 2029-30 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) (Roll Call Vote)

Mr. Jason Sartorio, MetroPlan Orlando, requested Board approval of the FY 2023/24 – FY 2027/28 TIP be amended to include the following item(s):

- FM #454947-1: Orange-CFRTA/LYNX Bus Shelter Refacing & Bus Shelter Solar Technology – This amendment adds a total of \$500,000 in CD24 funding for CAP in FY 2025.
- FM #454971-1: Orange-CFRTA/LYNX Central Station Bus Terminal Retrofit – This amendment adds a total of \$850,000 in CD24 funding for CAP in FY 2025.
- FM #454971-2: Orange-CFRTA/LYNX Pull-outs and Safety Enhancements – This amendment adds a total of \$1,000,000 in CD24 funding for CAP in FY 2025.
- FM #446163-1: Central Casselberry Connectivity Improvement from Hibiscus Rd. to Marigold Rd. – This amendment adds a total of \$1,553,966 in LF funds for CST in FY 2025.

A letter from FDOT staff explaining the request was provided, along with a sheet prepared by MetroPlan Orlando staff and the draft resolution.

MOTION: Mayor Buddy Dyer moved to approve the FY 2024-25-FY 2029-30 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Commissioner Bob Dallari seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Approval of the Roll Forward Amendments to the FY 2024-2025 – FY 2029-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (Roll Call Vote)

Mr. Jason Sartorio, MetroPlan Orlando staff, requested approval of an amendment to the FY 2024/25-FY 2029/30 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include projects with funds rolling forward into FY 2024/25. 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.

The full list of Roll-Forward projects can be accessed here: <https://metroplanorlando.gov/wp-content/uploads/FY-25-FY-29-Roll-Forward-Report.pdf>

MOTION: Mr. Carson Good moved to approve the FY 2024-25-FY 2029-30 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) roll forward amendments. Commissioner Viviana Janer seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Approval of the MetroPlan Orlando Regional Vision Zero Safety Action Plan

Mr. Alex Trauger, MetroPlan Orlando staff, presented on behalf of Mr. Mighk Wilson. The regional Vision Zero Safety Action Plan was prepared cooperatively with partner agencies and engages members of the public throughout the planning process. The Safety Action Plan was adequately noticed and was made readily available for public review and comment, including electronically accessible formats. The regional Safety Action Plan includes seven chapters containing a summary of crash analysis key findings; feedback from the public participation process; an overview of engineering and non-engineering strategies plus a summary of the benchmarking process; identification of a High Injury Network; a list of engineering and non-engineering projects identified for implementation; specific actions, time frame, and responsibilities for implementing Vision Zero; a process for tracking progress toward Vision Zero on an annual basis; and a series of technical and guidance documents. He requested adoption of the Plan.

A link was provided to view the Action Plan: <https://metroplanorlando.gov/safety/vision-zero-central-florida/>

MOTION: Commissioner Mayra Uribe moved approval of the MetroPlan Orlando Regional Vision Zero Safety Action Plan. Commissioner Nicole Wilson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

XI. INFORMATION ITEMS FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

- A. Executive Directors Report
- B. FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report – June and July 2024
- C. Bicycle & Pedestrian Report
- D. Air Quality Report
- E. Letter of Support– *City of Orlando SMART Grant Application – SunLights Orlando*
- F. Letter of Support – Orange County Safe Streets and Roads for All Supplemental Planning and Demonstration Grant
- G. Letter of Support – City of Winter Park EV Charging Grant
- H. Letter of Support - Osceola County EV Charging Grant
- I. Letter of Support – OUC Charging & Fueling Infrastructure Grant
- J. Letter from Mr. Huttman to Secretary Tyler re: TIP Modification Truck Parking
- K. Letter from Mr. Huttman to Secretary Tyler re: TIP Modification
- L. Letter from Mr. Huttman to Secretary Tyler re: TIP Budget Modification
- M. Letters of Support/Consistency from MetroPlan Orlando Partners in the Safe Streets & Roads for All Supplemental Grant Application-FDOT, Seminole County & City of Casselberry
- N. Letter from the Governor’s Office re: Apportionment Plan Approval
- O. Notice of Public Meeting SR 417 Sanford Airport Connector
- P. MTP Update Infographic
- Q. EV Readiness Study Infographic
- R. PD&E Tracking Report
- S. FDOT Safety Central Newsletter (August 2024)

MOTION: Commissioner Bob Dallari moved approval of the Information Items for Acknowledgement: Items A through S. Commissioner Viviana Janer seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

XII. OTHER BUSINESS/PRESENTATIONS

- A. 2024 Public Opinion Survey

Dr. Sara Strickhouser, Summit Research, presented the results of the 2024 Public Opinion Survey. Dr. Strickhouser stated that the survey was open for two months in the spring in English, Spanish, and Haitian Creole to 3,134 residents in Orange, Osceola and Seminole Counties. She provided an overview of the three different methodologies used to disseminate the survey to residents. Dr. Strickhouser noted new race and/or ethnicity categories used in line the OMB categories that were released in March 2024. She noted that in addition to collecting information on employment status, income level, education, race and/or ethnicity or age, data collection efforts focused to place intercept survey researchers at sites located within census tracts collection efforts on geographies by strategically placing intercept survey researchers at sites located within census tracts identified by the Department of Transportation as being transportation disadvantaged. Dr. Strickhouser reviewed the results for data collected for transportation safety concerns, risky driver behavior, driverless vehicles, transportation equity, top transportation challenges and community outreach.

XIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (GENERAL)

Ms. Joanne Counellis 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.

XIV. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Commissioner Emily Bonilla expressed concern with congestion on the 408 in east Orange County and the amount of time it now takes to get downtown

XV. NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, November 13, 2024, 9:00 a.m.

XVI. ADJOURN BOARD MEETING

There being no further business. The meeting was adjourned at 10:19 a.m. The meeting was transcribed by Ms. Lisa Smith.

Approved this 11th day of December 2024.



Commissioner Cheryl Grieb, Chair



Ms. Lisa Smith,
Board Services Coordinator/Recording Secretary

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.