

# TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

DATE:

Friday, June 24, 2022

TIME:

10:00 a.m.

LOCATION:

MetroPlan Orlando

David L. Grovdahl Board Room

250 South Orange Avenue, Suite 200

Orlando, Florida 32801

# Chairwoman Lee Pulham, Presiding

# **Members Present:**

Mr. Charles Abbatantuono, ECFRPC

Mr. Brett Blackadar, City of Altamonte Springs

Mr. Kelly Brock, City of Casselberry

Mr. Gus Castro, City of Orlando

Mr. Prince Bates for Mr. Michael Cash, City of Sanford

Mr. Christopher Carson, City of Lake Mary

Ms. Ashley Cornelison, City of Kissimmee

Ms. Alyssa Eide, City of Maitland

Mr. Hazem El-Assar, Orange County

Ms. Laura Hardwicke, City of Orlando

Mr. Charlie Wetzel for Mr. Jean Jreij, Seminole County

Mr. Ramy Kamal, City of Kissimmee

Ms. Amy Kessel, City of Orlando

Mr. Michael Rumer for Mr. Steve Krug, City of Ocoee

Mr. Hong Lim, City of Winter Park

Ms. Mary Moskowitz, Seminole County

Mr. Brian Sanders for Mr. Renzo Nastasi, Orange County

Mr. Myles O'Keefe, LYNX

Ms. Tawny Olore, Osceola County

Ms. Lee Pulham, Reedy Creek Improvement District

Mr. Ramon Senorans, Kissimmee Airport

Mr. Shad Smith, City of Longwood

Ms. Erin Sterk, City of St. Cloud

Mr. Matt Suedemeyer, Orange County

Mr. Bill Wharton, Seminole County

Mr. Tom Radzai for Mr. Bobby Wyatt, City of Oviedo

# Non-Voting Members Present:

## Members Absent:

Mr. Brad Friel, GOAA

Cmsr. Ed Gold, City of Belle Isle

Mr. Glen Hammer, Osceola County Public Schools

Mr. Jay Marder, Town of Oakland (Non-Voting)

Ms. Pam Richmond, City of Apopka

Mr. Michael Rigby, Seminole County Public Schools

Mr. Christopher Schmidt, City of Winter Springs

Mr. Steven Thorp, OCPS

Mr. Jon Williams, City of Winter Garden

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Vacant, Sanford

Vacant, CFX

#### Others in Attendance:

Mr. Mark Trrebitz, FDOT District 5

Ms. Loreen Bobo, P.E., FDOT District 5 Safety Administrator

Mr. Tyler Burgett, FDOT

Mr. Siaosi Fine, FTE

Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando

Mr. Alex Trauger, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Sarah Larsen, MetroPlan Orlando

Mr. Mighk Wilson, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Lisa Smith, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Virginia Whittington, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Lara Bouck, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Cathy Goldfarb, MetroPlan Orlando

#### I. Call to Order

Chairwoman Lee Pulham called the Technical Advisory Committee to order at 10:01 a.m. and welcomed everyone. Chair Pulham noted the importance of an in-person quorum and RSVPing for the meetings. She told TAC members that the public is able to attend virtually and provided an overview of the public comment procedures.

# II. Confirmation of Quorum/Agenda Review/Staff Follow-Up

Ms. Lisa Smith conducted the roll call and confirmed a quorum Mr. Caskey welcomed everyone and noted that there were a couple of changes to the agenda. Mr. Mark Trebitz would be the presenter for the Truck Parking presentation. In addition, he reported, the Brightline presentation had been

postponed and an FDOT Target Speeds presentation was added with Ms. Loreen Bobo as the presenter. Mr. Caskey called attention to recent staff changes including Mr. Nick Lepp leaving, Mr. Alex Trauger promoted the Director of Transportation Planning, Ms. Taylor Laurent promoted to Manager of Transportation Planning and Ms. Lara Bouck leaving in July for a position in Tampa. He called on Mr. Mighk Wilson, MetroPlan Orlando, who spoke briefly about the USDOT Safe Streets for All grant opportunity. Mr. Wilson told TAC members that The Vulnerable Users Working Group discussed the grant opportunity, and the consensus was to submit a comprehensive regional grant that covered all modes., He reported that MetroPlan Orlando is working with their General Planning Consultant on an application and letters of support would be welcome. Mr. Wilson noted that MPOs could receive up to \$5 million and a 20% local match was required. He added that Osceola County had already committed to a local match. Discussion ensued regarding the difference in a joint application versus an individual, what the local match would be, cities having their own safety action plan, tailoring the grant to what they want to achieve, next steps, when the local match would be needed and if the action plan is needed first. Mr. Alex Trauger noted that a commitment to participate is needed quickly to move forward.

## III. Common Presentations/Status Reports

## A. Presentation on I-4 Truck & Freight Parking PD&E Study

Mr. Mark Trebitz, FDOT District 5, a safety grant opportunity. gave presentation on the I-4 Truck and Freight Parking PD&E Study that was currently underway. Mr. Trebitz provided background on the study plus the need, economics, and growing demand. He noted that the I-4 corridor is one of the most critical in the state. Mr. Trebitz reviewed the purpose and need for the study, funding available for one full site, the six preferred sites and their locations. He provided information on upcoming public meetings. Discussion ensued regarding electric charging stations planned in the future, working with Florida's Turnpike Enterprise, feedback from the public meetings, moving of the Landstreet interchange to Taft Vineland, which location would be the first constructed, when the Longwood site would be removed, any pushback from the public on public land sites, ongoing maintenance cost and funding source and a past presentation with a proposal to use private land.

# B. Presentation on FDOT Target Speeds

Ms. Loreen Bobo, P.E., FDOT District 5 Safety Administrator, gave a presentation on the FDOT Target Speeds program to further FDOT and MetroPlan Orlando's focus on safety. Ms. Bobo reviewed why safety is a focus, and local tri-county statistics. She detailed the Safe Systems Approach developed by Federal Highway Administration including principles and elements. and Safe Systems versus traditional approach. Ms. Bobo explained why slower speeds were important and discussed FDOT's design manual instructions on setting speeds. Ms. Bobo told TAC members that FDOT is looking at corridor use in setting speed, and she detailed the three types: design, posted, and target. She explained the District 5 process and speed management techniques aimed at changing behaviors. Ms. Bobo reported that FDOT is conducting target speed reviews on projects that are in early stages. She provided information on Vision Zero versus Target Zero and opportunities for safety plans. Ms. Bobo called attention to June being National Safety Month Discussion ensued regarding changing the mindset to multimodal usage, memorializing the target speeds program, finding the balance between lowering speed and moving traffic, benefit of collaboration meetings, revisiting how much travel time added when changing target speeds, and the new role of service standards for roads with target speeds.

#### IV. Public Comments on Action Items

None.

#### V. Action Items

# A. May 20, 2022 TAC Meeting Minutes

Approval was requested of the meeting minutes for May 20, 2022. The minutes were provided

MOTION: Mr. Ramon Senorans moved to approve the TAC May 20, 2022 meeting minutes. Mr. Shad Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously

# B. FY 2022/23 - 2026/27 Transportation Improvement Program

Action was requested by Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando staff, to recommend approval of the FY 2022/23 - 2026/27 TIP. This document included the transportation projects in the MetroPlan Orlando region that are programmed for funding over the next five years. The draft TIP can be reviewed at:

# https://metroplanorlando.org/wp-content/uploads/TIP-2327-Draft-P.pdf

A fact sheet on the TIP and the draft TIP approval resolution for the July 27th Board meeting were provided. A summary of the comments from the June 20th TIP public meeting was provided separately. Mr. Caskey reported that the TIP public hearing was held virtually Monday, June 20th. He provided attendance numbers for that meeting compared to the 2021 public meeting and a sample of comments. The hearing included a couple of polling questions and panelists from local jurisdictions and agencies. Mr. Caskey told TAC members that the TIP will go to the board for approval on July 27th. Ms. Erin Sterk commented on a previous requested coordination meeting with FDOT to get an FDOT update on the I-4 corridor. Mr. Caskey responded that FDOT is updating their SIS Plan, and he could look into setting up a meeting.

MOTION: Mr. Hazem El Assar moved to approve the FY 2022/23 - 2026/27 TIP. Mr. Myles O'Keefe seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously

#### C. FY 2027/28 - 2034/35 Prioritized Project List

Action was requested by Mr. Alex Trauger, MetroPlan Orlando staff, to recommend approval of the FY 2027/28 - 2034/35 Prioritized Project List (PPL). This document included a list of highway, Transportation Systems Management and Operations, bicycle and pedestrian, and transit projects that have been ranked in order of priority. A fact sheet was provided, and the draft PPL document can be reviewed at:

https://metroplanorlando.org/wp-content/uploads/MetroPlanOrlando PPL 2027-2035 Draft 20220615.pdf

Mr. Trauger provided some background on the Prioritized Project List and input received from last month's preview including project status, funding updates, and questions about prioritization process, funding distribution and I-4 Beyond the Ultimate. He reviewed funding programs and priority lists for state highway, complete street/context sensitive, TSMO corridors, and bicycle/pedestrian infrastructure projects. Mr. Trauger noted that the only changes from last month's preview was in the Pedestrian/Bicycle Infrastructure projects. He reported that the EE

Williamson and East West Trail Connector were now locally funded and would be removed from the list. Ms. Erin Sterk commented that I-4 projects are ranked with local system of data as support and the SIS list involves going down the corridor in a logical pattern. She asked staff to clarify what that process is like since FDOT is working on updating the SIS Plan and when the data used in developing the priorities would be available.

MOTION: Mr. Brian Sanders moved to approve the FY 2027/28 - 2034/35 Prioritized Project List. Mr. Myles O'Keefe seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously

# VI. TAC-Only Presentations

There are no TAC-only presentations.

# VII. General Information

# 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 June 8, 2022 Board Meeting Highlights was provided.

# C. Air Quality Report

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

# D. Bicycle & Pedestrian Report

A report on bicycle and pedestrian projects in the MetroPlan Orlando region was provided.

# E. PD&E Study Tracking Report

A report providing the latest status of the PD&E studies currently underway in the MetroPlan Orlando area was provided.

# VIII. Upcoming Meetings of Interest to TAC Members

# A. Next MPO Board Meeting

The next MetroPlan Orlando Board meeting was scheduled in person on July 27, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. in the MetroPlan Orlando Board Room, 250 South Orange Avenue, Suite 200, Orlando FL 32801.

#### B. Next TAC Meeting

The next TAC meeting was scheduled in person on August 26, 2022, at 10 a.m. in the MetroPlan Orlando Board Room, 250 South Orange Avenue, Suite 200, Orlando FL 32801. Following the August meeting, the dates of the remaining TAC meetings during 2022 will be: 10/28/22

12/2/22

#### IX. Member Comments

Mr. Myles O'Keefe commented that LYNX is currently conducting a major update to their Transit Development Plan, which is done every five years and has a ten-year horizon. He noted that there was an evolution of the Plan over the past few years with the proposed Orange County sales tax referendum and there will be formal recognition of that work. Mr. O'Keefe reported that there will be three public meetings for the TDP on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of the next week with virtual options offered on the Monday and Wednesday dates.

# X. Public Comments (General)

None.

# XI. Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairwoman Lee Pulham adjourned the meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee at 11:35 a.m. The meeting was recorded and transcribed by Ms. Cathy Goldfarb

Approved this 26th day of August 2022

Ms. Lee Pulham, Chairwoman

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.