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**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: Friday, January 24, 2025
TIME: 10:00 a.m.
LOCATION: MetroPlan Orlando
David L. Grovdahl Board Room
250 South Orange Avenue, Suite 200
Orlando, Florida 32801

Chair Hong Lim, Presiding

Members Present:

Mr. Lenny Barden, City of Altamonte Springs
Dr. Kelly Brock, City of Casselberry
Mr. Nathan Brown, Town of Oakland
Mr. Michael Cash, City of Sanford (virtual)
Mr. Humberto Castillero, Orange County
Mr. Gus Castro, City of Orlando
Ms. Christina Colón, Osceola County
Mr. John Hambley for Ms. Ashley Cornelison, City of Kissimmee
Mr. Jacques Coulon, City of Orlando
Mr. Cameron Crandell, City of St. Cloud
Mr. Chris DeLoatche, GOAA
Ms. Alyssa Eide, City of Maitland
Mr. David Falk, CFX
Mr. David Gomez, City of Kissimmee
Mr. Amer Hamza, City of Apopka
Ms. Laura Hardwicke, City of Orlando
Mr. Medhat Hassan, Seminole County
Ms. Shannon Kehoe, Osceola County
Mr. Hong Lim, City of Winter Park
Mr. Michael Lopez, City of Lake Mary
Mr. Adam Mendenhall, City of Sanford
Mr. Anthony Nelson, Seminole County
Mr. Myles O'Keefe, LYNX
Mr. Phil Price, City of Belle Isle

Ms. Lee Pulham, Central Florida Tourism Oversight District
Ms. Regina Ramos, Orange County
Ms. Tammy Reque, City of St. Cloud
Ms. Terrilyn Rolle, City of Winter Springs
Ms. Jean Sanchez, City of Apopka
Mr. Brian Sanders, Orange County
Ms. Anjum Mukherjee for Mr. Shad Smith, City of Longwood
Mr. Ken Storey, ECFRPC
Mr. Aaron Torres, Osceola County
Mr. Bill Wharton, Seminole County
Ms. Amy Martello for Mr. Jon Williams, City of Winter Garden (virtual)
Mr. Paul Yeargain, City of Oviedo

Members Absent:

Ms. Tonya Elliot Moore, Town of Windermere
Mr. Steve Krug, City of Ocoee
Mr. Ramon Senorans, Kissimmee Airport
Vacant, Town of Eatonville
Vacant, City of Edgewood
Vacant, Sanford Airport Authority
Vacant, Orange County Public Schools
Vacant, Osceola County Public Schools
Vacant, Seminole County Public Schools

Others in Attendance:

Mr. Jonathan Scarfe, FDOT District 5
Ms. Katherine Alexander-Corbin, FDOT District 5
Mr. Siasoi Fine, FTE
Mr. Gary Huttman, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Virginia Whittington, MetroPlan Orlando
Mr. Alex Trauger, MetroPlan Orlando
Mr. Eric Hill, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Taylor Laurent, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Lara Bouck, MetroPlan Orlando
Mr. Mighk Wilson, MetroPlan Orlando
Mr. Slade Downs, MetroPlan Orlando
Mr. Jason Sartorio, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Sarah Larsen, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Adriana Rodriguez, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Leilani Vaiaoga, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Lisa Smith, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Rachel Frederick, MetroPlan Orlando

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Hong Lim called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. and welcomed everyone.

II. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Lim noted the importance of an in-person quorum and RSVPing for the meetings. He reviewed the public comment procedures.

III. AGENDA REVIEW

Mr. Slade Downs reminded members that FDOT Safe Route to Schools grant applications are due January 31, 2025. Also, MetroPlan Orlando are inviting applications for the Community Advisory Committee, due by January 29, 2025. He noted one change to the agenda in the TIP amendment and Mr. Jason Sartorio will detail later when he presents.

Mr. Mighk Wilson presented the Safety Moment, with January being Move Over Month. Mr. Wilson noted an update to Florida's Move Over Law which now includes all disabled vehicles displaying warning lights, flares, or if people are visibly present. He shared statistics of serious and fatal crashes involving such vehicles.

With regards to Vision Zero, Mr. Wilson updated members on various grants MetroPlan Orlando is working on with local agencies and also demonstration projects currently underway in the three counties. He stated there is a FHWA Road Safety Audit Training on February 3 – 7, 2025 and the next Vision Zero Task Force Meeting is on March 18th, 2025.

IV. AGENCY REPORTS – FDOT

Mr. Jonathan Scarfe – FDOT, noted the current construction reports that are supplied in the agenda packet. He also reminded members that [CFLRoads.com](#) Your source for information on FDOT projects in Central Florida is an up to date resource, as well as [I-4 Beyond the Ultimate: Building a Better I-4 | I-4 Beyond](#).

Mr. Scarf shared the dates of upcoming working groups and meetings, which can be found on: [2055 Florida Transportation Plan](#). Comments can also be made on this site.

V. ROLL CALL & CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Ms. Rachel Frederick conducted the roll call and confirmed a quorum.

VI. COMMON PRESENTATIONS/STATUS REPORTS

A. Florida Sunshine Law Refresher

Ms. Virginia Whittington presented on Florida's Sunshine Laws outlining the three basic requirements, that meetings must be open and accessible – to include transit options, with reasonable notice given and there be a record of the meeting. She clarified what constitutes a public meeting and that the law applies not just to the Board but all Committees, Task Force, Working Group etc. where official acts are to be taken. She displayed recent notices where individuals had violated the Sunshine Law, and the sanctions imposed.

Ms. Whittington stated that the law covers all forms of communication including social media and hybrid meetings which need to be considered part of the public record. She noted some exceptions and caveats to posting of some gatherings but encouraged members to be mindful not to discuss any issues that could come up before any Boards or Committees, and to avoid any appearance of impropriety. Ms. Whittington advised members to reach out to the Regional Partnerships team at MetroPlan Orlando should you require guidance.

B. Status Update: 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)

Ms. Taylor Laurent presented, sharing an update on recent outreach events, their work with Central Florida Regional Planning Model team, technical reports, finalizing needs assessments and applying the prioritization process. Ms. Laurent refreshed members on the prioritization process goal areas and the metrics associated with each.

Ms. Laurent noted the next stage of the project is establishing Funding Scenarios. She detailed the 2045 MTP Funding Policy and questioned whether this should be adjusted for the 2050 MTP. She offered various funding scenarios to the committee and the results from a recent survey on the topic. Ms. Laurent shared the progress on the 2050 MTP Schedule with adoption on schedule for December 2025.

C. LYNX Transit Development Plan (TDP) Annual Update

Mr. Myles O'Keefe– LYNX, presented. He explained the Transit Development Plan (TDP) is a requirement as a public agency to be eligible for the grants from FDOT. He noted that a major update to the plan is required every five years and minor updates annually.

Mr. O'Keefe shared the revised TDP Rule 14-73.001 F.A.C. which is now in effect and impacts the submission timelines for the major and annual progress reports. He continued to share the coordination that takes place between LYNX and MetroPlan Orlando. He highlighted the plan goals for the TDP and detailed some accomplishments including new bus routes, increased frequencies, and LYNX has initiated an ADA transition plan for their fleet, facilities and stops. Mr. O'Keefe continued to list active and upcoming plans and projects. He shared the next steps to include submission of the TDP Annual Update to FDOT, by the new date of March 1, 2025.

Member comments included the timing of new bus route availability in relation to new housing developments, particularly in the ChampionsGate area and also bus only lanes. Also followed was a discussion on the Bus Stop Design Guide.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ACTION ITEMS

None.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

A. December 6, 2024, TAC Meeting Minutes

Approval of the meeting minutes for the December 6, 2024, TAC meeting is requested.

MOTION: Mr. Bill Wharton moved to approve the TAC December 6, 2024, meeting minutes. Mr. Brian Sanders seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

B. FDOT Amendment to FY 2025 – 2029 TIP

Mr. Jason Sartorio presented an amendment to the FY 2024/25 – 2028/29 TIP of the following item:

- FM# 447104-1: Resurfacing/Safety Project on SR 500 / US 441

Mr. Sartorio reminded members this was the amendment removed from the December agenda and has since been revised. He also noted the correction to the funding source which should read CARU and not CARL.

Mr. Sartorio asked for a recommendation to approve the amendment to the FY 2024/25 – FY 2028/29 TIP, as presented.

MOTION: Mr. Phil Price moved to recommend approval of FY 2025 – 2029 TIP as presented. Ms. Christina Colon seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

C. Support for Federal Transportation Performance Targets

Ms. Lara Bouck presented, outlining that investment decisions must be supportive of strategic performance goals using the Transportation Performance Management Approach. Ms. Bouck shared the Safety Performance (PM1) measures that are used and displayed visuals showing current analytics, of both statewide and MetroPlan Orlando.

The next category shared was the Bridge and Pavement conditions (PM2), with Ms. Bouck again showing statewide metrics and those in the MetroPlan Orlando region. She shared the third measure - System Performance/Reliability (PM3) and explained what was tracked in this category.

Ms. Bouck noted the targets to consider for each performance measure, and recommended approval of the federal transportation targets, as presented.

A member shared their experience in Smart Growth America's Dangerous by Design technical assistance group, and the view of other states towards Florida's target of Vision Zero. The member suggested benchmarks are adopted towards reaching the target of zero deaths on central Florida's roadways, to monitor the effectiveness of projects along the way. Also raised was the cohesiveness of the targets and projects locally with the state DOT. Ms. Katherine Alexander-Corbin spoke on the statutory requirements on maintaining pavements conditions and any adjustment to those requirements would have to be legislative. She also noted the need for projects to be collaboratively funded.

MOTION: Ms. Laura Hardwicke moved to approve the Federal Performance Targets as presented. Mr. Humberto Castellero seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

IX. TAC-ONLY PRESENTATIONS

A. FDOT District 5: Tentative Five-Year Work Program

Ms. Katherine Alexander-Corbin – FDOT, presented. Ms. Alexander-Corbin began by outlining the process of the Tentative Work Program (TWP) and deadlines associated with it. She continued explaining the funding priorities and the factors influencing FDOT district 5's TWP. Noted was a slight increase in funding from the rental car surcharge projections, but a slight decrease in state funds as well as economic variables.

Ms. Alexander-Corbin detailed the amounts allocated to each of the three counties over the next five years with a total of \$2.2 billion. She also broke down the funding per type of project in each county. Moving on to project highlights she shared newly funded project phases, deferred and deleted projects, projects of interest and grant awards. Specific projects noted were resurfacing, capacity, operational safety projects, pedestrian & bike projects, truck parking, bridge replacement and airport projects across the three counties. Ms. Alexander-Corbin also highlighted any deferred, deleted, moved out and advanced projects. She concluded with FDOT's response to hurricane's Helene and Milton, and a video can be seen on the following link: [FDOT District Five's Hurricane Milton Preparation and Response](#)

Member comments included RRR projects being changed to Pavement Only projects (POP), and it was confirmed that the history of the project remains to be looked at in the future. Also raised, could a local jurisdiction expedite and fully fund a project in the plan in advance, and

then be reimbursed in the calendar year it was originally slotted for. Ms. Alexander-Corbin noted it was possible to reach out to her to discuss any specifics.

B. Florida's Turnpike Enterprise: Tentative Five-Year Work Program FY 2026 – FY 2030

Mr. Siao Si Fine presented, beginning with the five pillars of the FDOT Compass considered when building their work program. Mr. Fine shared the funding sources and how those funds are distributed. He continued detailing the Turnpike Widening Infrastructure Initiative and the improvements it will achieve. Mr. Fine stated that in the MetroPlan Orlando area there are 132 miles of existing managed Turnpike toll facilities.

Mr. Fine referred to a document all members had which listed the various projects and their status. He reviewed highlights starting with widening of the Turnpike in Osceola County, interchange and parking improvements. He continued with the same detail for Orange County. Mr. Fine continued to detail their PDE, PE, ROW projects.

In conclusion, Mr. Fine reminded members of the Move Over Law and shared the following link: [Move Over, Florida! - Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles](#). He also stated that all projects can be found at [Florida's Turnpike – Florida's Turnpike](#)

A discussion followed to understand the prioritization of widening projects on the Turnpike and two PD & E studies that were currently being carried out in Osceola County.

B. GENERAL INFORMATION

- A. FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report** – November and December 2024 FDOT Monthly Construction Status Reports for the MetroPlan Orlando area were enclosed.
- B. Highlights from December 11, 2024, MetroPlan Orlando Board Meeting** – A series of highlights and notable actions from the most recent MetroPlan Orlando Board Meeting.
- C. Bicycle and Pedestrian Report** – A report on bicycle and pedestrian projects in the MetroPlan Orlando region was enclosed for information purposes.
- D. PD&E Tracking Status Report** – A report providing the latest status of the PD&E studies currently underway in the MetroPlan Orlando area was enclosed for information purposes.
- E. 2024 Air Quality Summary** – A summary of Air Quality for 2024 for the MetroPlan Orlando area was enclosed.
- F. 2025 MPO Legislative Position Statements** – MetroPlan Orlando's Legislative Positions for the upcoming 2025 state legislative session was enclosed for information purposes.
- G. TIP Modification Letter** – A letter explaining administrative modifications to the FY 2024/25 – FY 2028/29 TIP was included.

C. UPCOMING MEETINGS OF INTEREST

A list of selected upcoming meetings is below. For more information and a full list of upcoming meetings: [MetroPlan Orlando Meeting Calendar](#)

- A. Quality Assurance Task Force - January 28, 2025
- B. MetroPlan Orlando Board - February 12, 2025**
- C. 2050 MTP Technical Workshop - February 13, 2025**
- D. Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board (TDLCB) - February 13, 2025
- E. Central Florida MPO Alliance - February 14, 2025
- F. Community Advisory Committee (CAC) - February 26, 2025
- G. LYNX Board (at LYNX Central Station) - February 27, 2025
- H. Central Florida Commuter Rail Commission (at LYNX Central Station) - February 27, 2025
- I. TSM&O Advisory Committee - February 28, 2025
- J. Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) - February 28, 2025**

XII. MEMBER COMMENTS

Ms. Laura Hardwicke raised the Legislative positions of MetroPlan Orlando as included in the General Information, considered what was included and questioned what opportunity the committee had to contribute to those.

XIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (GENERAL)

None

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairman Hong Lim adjourned the meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee at 11:52 a.m. The meeting was recorded and transcribed by Ms. Rachel Frederick.

Approved this 28th day of February, 2025


Mr. Hong Lim, Chairman


Ms. Rachel Frederick, 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.