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**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE:** Friday, May 31, 2024  
**TIME:** 10:00 a.m.  
**LOCATION:** MetroPlan Orlando  
David L. Grovdahl Board Room  
250 South Orange Avenue, Suite 200  
Orlando, Florida 32801

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*Chair Joshua DeVries, Presiding*

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**Members Present:**

Mr. Lenny Barden, City of Altamonte Springs  
Dr. Kelly Brock, City of Casselberry  
Mr. Christopher Carson, City of Lake Mary  
Mr. Michael Cash, City of Sanford (virtual)  
Mr. Humberto Castillero, Orange County  
Mr. Gus Castro, City of Orlando  
Ms. Christina Colón, Osceola County  
Mr. Jacques Coulon, City of Orlando  
Mr. Cameron Crandell, City of St. Cloud  
Mr. Chris DeLoatche, GOAA  
Mr. Joshua DeVries, Osceola County  
Ms. Alyssa Eide, City of Maitland  
Mr. Amer Hamza, City of Apopka  
Ms. Laura Hardwicke, City of Orlando  
Mr. Gary Yeager for Mr. Nicholas Hartley, Osceola County  
Mr. Jean Jreij, Seminole County  
Mr. Steve Krug, City of Ocoee  
Mr. Hong Lim, City of Winter Park  
Mr. Myles O'Keefe, LYNX  
Mr. Phil Price, City of Belle Isle  
Mr. Eric Porter for Ms. Lee Pulham, Central Florida Tourism Oversight District  
Ms. Tammy Reque, St. Cloud  
Ms. Pam Richmond, City of Apopka  
Ms. Maya Athanas (virtual) for Mr. Doug Robinson, Seminole County  
Ms. Terrilyn Rolle, City of Winter Springs  
Mr. Brett Blackadar for Mr. Brian Sanders, Orange County

Mr. Shad Smith, City of Longwood  
Mr. Ken Storey, ECFRPC  
Mr. Matt Suedemeyer, Orange County  
Mr. Bill Wharton, Seminole County  
Ms. Amy Martello for Mr. Jon Williams, City of Winter Garden  
Mr. Tom Radzai for Mr. Paul Yeargain, City of Oviedo

**Members Absent:**

Mr. Dana Chester, CFX  
Ms. Ashley Cornelison, City of Kissimmee  
Ms. Tonya Elliot Moore, Windermere  
Mr. Ramy Kamal, City of Kissimmee  
Mr. Adam Mendenhall, City of Sanford  
Mr. Mike Parker, Town of Oakland  
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:**

Ms. Amy Beckmann, FDOT District 5  
Mr. Siasoi Fine, FTE  
Ms. Virginia Whittington, MetroPlan Orlando  
Mr. Alex Trauger, MetroPlan Orlando  
Ms. Taylor Laurent, MetroPlan Orlando  
Mr. Eric Hill, MetroPlan Orlando  
Mr. Mighk Wilson, MetroPlan Orlando  
Ms. Mary-Ann Horne, MetroPlan Orlando  
Mr. Slade Downs, MetroPlan Orlando  
Mr. Jason Sartorio, MetroPlan Orlando  
Ms. Adriana Rodriguez, MetroPlan Orlando  
Ms. Lisa Smith, MetroPlan Orlando  
Ms. Rachel Frederick, MetroPlan Orlando

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Joshua DeVries called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. and welcomed everyone.

## II. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair DeVries 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 thanked members who RSVP'd before the meeting and reminded attendees and members of the public that the meeting was streaming live on YouTube and the recording could also be watched later on the live tab. [TAC Meeting - May 31, 2024 \(youtube.com\)](#)

Mr. Downs reported on the Vision Zero Speaker Series on Centering Safety & Equity, thanked members for attending and for their participation and recommended those who could not attend to watch the recording:

[Charles T. Brown - Centering Safety and Equity - 5-23-2024 \(youtube.com\)](#)

Mr. Downs noted there follows another Speaker Series, on June 4 with safety advocate Melissa Wandall – a recording can be viewed on this link: ["From the Perspective of Those Left Behind" with road safety advocate Melissa Wandall \(youtube.com\)](#)

He continued, referring to the FDOT Safety Summit that took place on May 17<sup>th</sup>, and congratulated award winners:

- City of Casselberry – won the 'Community Award' for the Sunset Drive Livable Street
- Laura Hardwicke – won 'Outstanding Individual for Safety'.

Mr. Downs drew attention to a flyer in the General Info section, noting the Orlando Metro section of the APA will hold a 'Planning 101' on June 7<sup>th</sup>. He highlighted the virtual Public Meeting of the TIP Administrative Modification will be held on June 18<sup>th</sup>. Finally, he confirmed that MetroPlan Orlando offices will be closed on June 19<sup>th</sup> observing the Juneteenth holiday.

Mr. Mighk Wilson presented the June Safety Moment, which is Motorcycle Safety Month. He stated that over 230 people are killed or seriously injured (KSI) per year in our region on motorcycles, with almost 50 resulting in a fatality. He shared the statistic that 30% of KSI's involve only the motorcycle and no other vehicle in comparison to cars and trucks which stands at 17%. He displayed data which showed percentages of motorcyclist crashes involving speeding or aggressive driving are very similar to those of auto & truck.

Mr. Wilson reminded members of the 'Look Twice, Save a Life' phrase. He stated that 32% of motorcyclist KSI crashes are the result of vehicle drivers making a left turn, glancing left once and not spotting a motorcyclist or incorrectly gauging the speed at which they are travelling. In addition, Mr. Wilson reported that almost 20% of motorcyclist KSI crashes are a rear end incident, where most involve a motorcyclist rear-ending another vehicle. He stated a less-skilled motorcyclist needs twice the braking distance of a car to come to a stop.

Finally, he noted that we are now entering the one hundred days of Summer, with a lot more inexperienced teen drivers on the roads and asked members to remind young drivers of the risks they may encounter.

#### **IV. AGENCY REPORTS - FDOT**

Ms. Amy Beckmann, FDOT, presented an update. She began by stating that emails referring to all maintenance resurfacing projects have gone out to those parties interested in partnering on such projects. She asked members who believe they should have, but have not received an email, to please reach out to Celine Bounds, FDOT staff, at [Celine.Bounds@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Celine.Bounds@dot.state.fl.us)

Ms. Beckmann continued to share details of four upcoming events where public participation is encouraged, details of which would be sent to all members.

A member enquired about the impact of Senate Bill 1226 and lane repurposing, noting they would possibly experience delays to their Robinson Street project due to this bill and would appreciate more understanding of the potential impacts of this bill from FDOT.

#### **V. ROLL CALL & CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM**

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

#### **VI. COMMON PRESENTATIONS/STATUS REPORTS**

##### **A. Vision Zero Status Update**

Mr. Mighk Wilson presented, beginning with an overview of what the draft Regional Vision Zero Safety Action Plan will contain. He noted that the layout will be consistent for the regional, county and municipal plans. He stated it will begin with an executive summary detailing the overview of the plan and continued to share the sequence and detail of each chapter. Along with the Vision Zero Plan, Mr. Wilson advised there will be a Technical Appendix, containing for example, the data, policies and other resources.

Mr. Wilson noted that MetroPlan Orlando were also applying for a Supplemental Planning Grant, as they have identified more needs required to add to the project. He stated that the draft plan will be ready for review by all committees and the Board, with feedback required by August 9<sup>th</sup>. He anticipates the plan will be ready for adoption at the September 11<sup>th</sup> Board meeting.

A member asked for more detail on how the consolidation of individual plans into the larger County plan would work – in response Mr. Alex Trauger advised that the County plans can include either by reference or include a map of, the municipal projects, dependent on how the jurisdiction would choose to do that.

A member from Orange County stated they were anticipating going to their Board with their Vision Zero Plan on July 30<sup>th</sup> for approval. Understanding that this is before the regional plan

would go before MetroPlan Orlando Board in September, enquired if there could be any issues with this differing timeline and were advised to proceed as planned.

Also commented on was the reference to '20 is plenty' guidance on residential streets' within the presentation. In addition, a member asked how we ensure the plan, once finalized, does not 'gather dust on a shelf' and referred to other cities in the Vision Zero network who have hired a dedicated person to oversee the progress and implementation of Vision Zero projects. Mr. Alex Trauger noted that there is currently a job opening at MetroPlan Orlando to provide leadership and incorporate Vision Zero into every element. He also confirmed that every plan will serve as a Safety Needs Assessment for the region and those projects will be brought into the MTP 2050. In response to a further question, it was noted that 2050 was identified as the target year due to the challenge of our needs and to work alongside the MTP 2050 that was being worked on concurrently.

#### **B. 2050 MTP Status Update**

Ms. Taylor Laurent presented, firstly confirming that there is a full list of ongoing activities for the MTP in the agenda packet. Mr. Taylor listed some of the recently completed items including the CFRPM Socioeconomic Data Review, the Active Transportation Needs and TSMO Needs Assessment. Ms. Taylor also noted that the Goals & Objectives were being finalized, in preparation for the June 13<sup>th</sup> virtual Technical Workshop. She shared an update on the State Highway Needs (SHS) Assessments and alerted members to be ready for an email to coordinate a meeting with MetroPlan Orlando team members.

Additionally ongoing for TAC & TSMO Committee Members are 2050 Revenue Forecasting and Ms. Laurent requested that members respond to emails if they have not already done so.

Clarification was requested from a member regarding State Highway Needs Assessments, and it was confirmed that capacity and safety needs were part of the conversation.

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

None.

#### **VIII. ACTION ITEMS**

##### **A. February 23, 2024, Meeting Minutes**

Approval of the meeting minutes for the April 26, 2024, TAC meeting is requested.

**MOTION:** Humberto Castellero moved to approve the TAC April 26, 2024, meeting minutes. Shad Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**B. FDOT Amendment to FY 2024 – 2028 TIP**

Mr. Jason Sartorio presented three TIP amendments as below:

- FM# 447610-1 – US 441 / SR 500 (Wadsworth Rd to Lake Co. Line) Resurfacing: increases construction funding in FY 2025 due to cost increases on materials
- FM# 443702-1 – SR 60 (Blanket Bay Slough to Peavine Trl) EB/WB Passing Lanes: Increases construction funding in FY 2025 due to cost increases on materials
- FM #423374-2: Turnpike/SR91 (N of SR 70 to N of SR 60) PD&E for widening: added as a small portion of the project is in Osceola County.

**MOTION:** Bill Wharton moved to recommend approval of the FDOT amendment to FY 2024 - 2028 TIP as presented, Shad Smith seconded the motion.

**C. Amendment to the 2045 MTP**

Ms. Taylor Laurent presented on the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and its proposed revisions. She gave an overview of revisions which included:

- Complete Streets Phased Implementation Approach – where specific projects are being split into multiple phases which were all cost feasible.
- North Street Phase 1 Advancement – a change in funding as Seminole County was now using local funds to complete the project.
- FORWARD Orlando Discretionary Grant Award – the City of Orlando recently received the Safe Streets & Roads for all (SS4A) federal discretionary grant.
- Headwaters Trail from South of Nova Road to SR 528 – currently unfunded but to be eligible for funding, needs to be added to the MTP.
- Potential SunTrail Program Eligibility – Revised St. Andrew’s Trail project description to identify its potential eligibility for SunTrail Program funding.
- Canoe Creek Road Cost Estimate Updates – to cost overages and projected phase implementation.
- Osceola County Locally Funded Project Updates – at the request of Osceola County, revisions were made for planning consistency.

**MOTION:** Jacques Coulon moved to approve the amendment to the 2045 MTP as presented. Shad Smith seconded the motion.

**IX. TAC-ONLY PRESENTATIONS**

**A. Preview of the FY 2025 – 2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

Mr. Jason Sartorio presented, first clarifying the background and sections to the TIP. He stated there are 11 sections and 513 projects within that. Mr. Sartorio continued by highlighting some

of the projects that are funded throughout the next five years. He stated there is an estimated five-year funding total of \$5.4 billion, and 280 of the projects are funded by Federal, State or the Turnpike. Mr. Sartorio noted this does not include projects provided and funded by the Central Florida Expressway Authority and does not include the locally funded projects.

He continued to highlight the MetroPlan Orlando's funded projects in the TIP of which there are 59 with an estimated five-year funding total of \$185 million. Mr. Sartorio detailed the next steps which included the draft TIP to be reviewed by FDOT and agency partners, the virtual Public Meeting on June 18, and then preparation of the final document for adoption.

The TIP Public Meeting details were shared. It will take place over Zoom on June 18<sup>th</sup> and members can register to attend on the MetroPlan Orlando website.

[Transportation Improvement Program Virtual Public Meeting MetroPlan Orlando](#)

In conclusion, Mr. Sartorio shared MetroPlan Orlando's new TIP Online Viewer software that allows users to more easily find projects displayed on the map and by their chosen criteria. He confirmed it also allows for comments to be added to a specific project. Future amendments will also be updated on the viewer.

Mr. Sartorio shared that the full document was available on the following link:

<https://metroplanorlando.gov/wp-content/uploads/Draft-FY25-FY29-Transportation-Improvement-Program.pdf>

In response to a member question, if they see any amendments needed to project limits then reach out to Jason Sartorio – [Jason.Sartorio@MetroPlanOrlando.gov](mailto:Jason.Sartorio@MetroPlanOrlando.gov). Also raised was the reduction in funding for Seminole County, and Mr. Alex Trauger agreed that the decline in State funding for Seminole was noted and will be brought to the attention of FDOT.

## **B. Preview of the FY 2030 – 2040 Prioritized Projects List (PPL)**

Mr. Slade Downs presented the preview of the annual Prioritized Project List update. He shared the background to the PPL, describing it as the bridge between the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and the Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP). Mr. Downs confirmed that it is updated annually and contains a list of federal and state funded projects.

He continued to detail the approach and considerations, and also the funding programs and priority list. Mr. Downs shared an overview of each of the programs and highlighted some of the priorities. He confirmed that the full document is available on the following link: [https://metroplanorlando.gov/wp-content/uploads/MetroPlanOrlando\\_PPL\\_2030-2040\\_DRAFT.pdf](https://metroplanorlando.gov/wp-content/uploads/MetroPlanOrlando_PPL_2030-2040_DRAFT.pdf)

Mr. Downs noted the next steps, which are to present to the remaining Advisory Committees and the Board, requesting feedback by June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024. He stated that he will be returning in the next cycle of meetings with a request to recommend approval of the PPL with the final request for approval being at the MetroPlan Orlando Board on July 10<sup>th</sup>.

## X. GENERAL INFORMATION

- A. **FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report** – The latest FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report for the MetroPlan Orlando area was enclosed for information purposes.
- B. **Highlights from May 8, 2024, MetroPlan Orlando Board Meeting** – A series of high and notable actions from the most recent MetroPlan Orlando Board Meeting.
- C. **Air Quality Report** – The latest air quality report for the MetroPlan Orlando area enclosed for information purposes.
- D. **Bicycle and Pedestrian Report** – A report on bicycle and pedestrian projects in the MetroPlan Orlando region was enclosed for information purposes.
- E. **LYNX Press Releases** – Two press releases from LYNX were included for information purposes.
- F. **2050 MTP Status Update** – Information was provided to illustrate ongoing work related to the 2050 MTP.
- G. **Safety Speaker Series** – An informational flyer for the MetroPlan Orlando Safety Speaker Series, part of Vision Zero.
- H. **NHTSA Finalizes Key Safety Rule to Reduce Crashes and Save Lives** – The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has finalized a new Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard that will make automatic emergency braking (AEB), including pedestrian AEB, standard on all passenger cars and light trucks by September 2024. For more information, visit <https://www.nhtsa.gov/press-releases/nhtsa-fmvss-automatic-emergency-braking-reduce-crashes>.
- J. **Planning Academy 101** – Orlando Metro Section of the Florida APA is hosting Planning Academy 101 to show the basics of the planning field on June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024. A flyer provided for more information on registration and the event.
- K. **Info Flyer: The Federal Highway Administration: Training Options for Pedestrian Bicyclist Safety Focus States and Planning Organizations**
- L. **Technical Memorandum: Central Florida Regional Planning Model v8 Socioeconomic Data Review Comments**

## XI. UPCOMING MEETINGS OF INTEREST

*A list of selected upcoming meetings to be held at MetroPlan Orlando's office, unless a different location is specified. For more information and a full list of upcoming meetings, visit [MetroPlanOrlando.gov/calendar](https://MetroPlanOrlando.gov/calendar)*

- A. MetroPlan Orlando Board – June 12, 2024
- B. MetroPlan Orlando Safety Speaker Series – June 13, 2024



- C. **2050 MTP Technical Workshop (Held Virtually) – June 13, 2024**
- D. TIP Virtual Public Meeting – June 18, 2024
- E. Community Advisory Committee (CAC) – June 26, 2024
- F. LYNX Board (at LYNX Central Station) – June 27, 2024
- G. SunRail/CFCRC Board (at LYNX Central Station) – June 27, 2024
- H. Municipal Advisory Committee (MAC) – June 27, 2024
- J. Transportation Systems, Management, & Operations Cmte. (TSM&O) – June 28, 2024
- K. **Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) – June 28, 2024**
- L. Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board – August 8, 2024

**XII. MEMBER COMMENTS**

None

**XIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (GENERAL)**

None

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chairman Joshua DeVries adjourned the meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee at 11.16 a.m. The meeting was recorded and transcribed by Ms. Rachel Frederick.

Approved this 28<sup>th</sup> day of June 2024

  
 Mr. Joshua DeVries, Chairman

  
 Ms. Rachel Frederick, Board Services Coordinator

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