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## Transportation Systems Management and Operations (TSMO) Advisory Committee

### MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** Friday, June 28, 2024

**TIME:** 8:30 a.m.

**LOCATION:** MetroPlan Orlando  
David L. Grovdahl Board Room  
250 South Orange Avenue, Suite 200  
Orlando, Florida 32801

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*Chairman Brian Sanders, Presiding*

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#### Members Present:

Mr. Lenny Barden, City of Altamonte Springs  
Mr. Cameron Crandell for Mr. Naol Barkessa, City of St. Cloud  
Mr. Kelly Brock, City of Casselberry  
Mr. Christopher Carson, City of Lake Mary  
Ms. Christina Colón, Osceola County  
Mr. Chris DeLoatche, GOAA  
Ms. Alyssa Eide, City of Maitland  
Mr. Hazem El-Assar, Orange County  
Ms. Tonya Elliot Moore, Town of Windermere  
Mr. Eric Gordin, FTE  
Mr. Bryan Homayouni, Central Florida Expressway Authority  
Mr. Doug Jamison, LYNX  
Mr. Hong Lim, City of Winter Park  
Mr. Butch Margraf, MPO Appointee  
Mr. Miten Patel (virtual) for Mr. Adam Mendenhall, City of Sandford  
Ms. Lee Pulham, Central Florida Tourism Oversight District  
Mr. Brian Sanders, Orange County  
Mr. Ramon Senorans, Kissimmee Gateway Airport  
Mr. Shad Smith, City of Longwood

Ms. Maria Tejera, City of Orlando  
Ms. Amy Martello for Mr. Jonathan Williams, City of Winter Garden  
Mr. Gary Yeager, Osceola County  
Mr. Paul Yeargain, City of Oviedo

**Voting Members Absent:**

Mr. Jean Jreij, Seminole County  
Mr. Steve Krug, City of Ocoee  
Mr. Phil Price, City of Belle Isle  
Mr. Charlie Wetzel, Seminole County  
Vacant, City of Orlando  
Vacant, City of Kissimmee  
Vacant, City of Winter Springs  
Vacant, Orlando Sanford Airport  
Vacant, City of Apopka

**Non-Voting Members/Advisors Absent:**

Ms. Louann Huynh (virtual) for Ms. Susan Hutson, UCF  
Mr. Richard Horn, City of Edgewood  
Vacant, Town of Eatonville  
Vacant, Town of Oakland  
Vacant, Orange County CTST  
Vacant, Osceola County CTST  
Vacant, Seminole County CTST

**Others in Attendance:**

Ms. Amy Beckman, FDOT District 5  
Ms. Melissa McKinney, FDOT District 5  
Mr. Jeremy Dilmore, 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. Lara Bouck, MetroPlan Orlando  
Ms. Cynthia Lambert, MetroPlan Orlando  
Ms. Mary Ann Horne, MetroPlan Orlando  
Ms. Taylor Laurent, MetroPlan Orlando  
Ms. Leilani Vaiaoga, MetroPlan Orlando  
Mr. Slade Downs, MetroPlan Orlando  
Ms. Adriana Rodriguez, MetroPlan Orlando  
Ms. Lisa Smith, MetroPlan Orlando  
Ms. Rachel Frederick, MetroPlan Orlando

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Brian Sanders called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m. and welcomed everyone. Chairman Sanders detailed the meeting guidelines and the public comment procedures.

## II. CHAIRS ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

## III. AGENDA REVIEW

Mr. Eric Hill highlighted the success of the Vision Zero Safety Speaker Series and advised members who may have missed the live meetings to watch the recordings on the MetroPlan Orlando YouTube channel:

- ["Centering Safety and Equity" with transportation equity leader Charles T. Brown \(youtube.com\)](#)
- ["A Plan for Walking & Cycling" with urban planning trailblazer Dan Burden \(youtube.com\)](#)
- ["From the Perspective of Those Left Behind" with road safety advocate Melissa Wandall \(youtube.com\)](#)

Mr. Hill noted that the virtual Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) public meeting took place on June 18<sup>th</sup> and the recording can be seen here: [Transportation Improvement Program Public Meeting \(youtube.com\)](#)

He confirmed the MetroPlan Orlando office will be closed on July 4<sup>th</sup>, and noted that the MetroPlan Orlando Board meeting starts at an earlier time of 8 a.m. on July 10<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Hill recognized the opening of Neovation Way today in Osceola County, which features a new traffic signal at the intersection with Neptune Road, new sidewalks, a shared trail, and on-street parking. He noted the Artificial Intelligence (AI) Capability Maturity Model (CMM) workshop flyer listed in the General Information section of the agenda will take place on August 1<sup>st</sup>, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and will be at the RMTC.

Mr. Hill referred to the two flyers at each seat, one from FDOT, which Ms. Amy Beckmann will refer to in her presentation and Ms. Taylor Laurent will refer to the MTP 2050 handout in her presentation this morning.

Mr. Hill continued, asking members to consider any technology projects they are involved with that would be of interest as a presentation to the committees and Board, potentially once a quarter. He sees it as an opportunity to share best practices and lesson's learned, and to tell the region's TSMO story outside of this committee.

Mr. Alex Trauger presented the Safety Moment. He gave a status update on the Regional Vision Zero Action Plan, reminding members of the existing safety challenges within Central Florida. Mr. Trauger noted how members can begin to address their own plans, with continued emphasis on planning and analytics, focused public outreach to motivate behavior change and quick-build projects to address local safety concerns. He stated that the Regional Vision Zero Action Plan will be distributed to all via email by July 11<sup>th</sup>, requesting feedback by August 1<sup>st</sup>, and is scheduled for action/approval during the August/September meeting cycle. Mr. Trauger reminded members that all data and information can be found on the hub site - [MetroPlan Orlando Regional Vision Zero \(visionzerocfl.gov\)](#). He concluded by sharing that MetroPlan Orlando is pursuing a SS4A Supplemental Planning Grant to support more data

analytics, public outreach, roadway safety audits, and more focused corridor planning on the high injury network. He also noted MetroPlan Orlando is open to local partnership on the grant application, if any municipality has interest in financially participating for guaranteed focused efforts in their jurisdiction. He asked interested parties to reach out in the next couple of weeks, for an application to be submitted by late August.

Chairman Brian Sanders expressed his appreciation to Mr. Shad Smith for stepping in for him and Vice-Chair Lee Pulham at the last meeting.

#### **IV. AGENCY REPORTS – FDOT**

Ms. Amy Beckmann, FDOT, presented a preview of the 2055 Florida Department of Transportation Plan. Ms. Beckmann shared that the plan will be updated over the next 18 months, is updated every five years and is due to be adopted in November 2025. She highlighted the plan will be guided by a streamlined steering committee in collaboration with FDOT which will guide the development of the goals, objectives and policies that make up the plan. She noted that Commissioner Mayra Uribe is serving on this statewide steering committee, and the plan is a collaborative effort of state, regional and local transportation partners in both public and private sectors.

Ms. Beckmann noted the State plan has been divided into 5 regions, to recognize the uniqueness and needs of each region. She shared the timeline, and outlined opportunities for engagement to include Statewide webinars, virtual Open Houses, and virtual Focus Groups. Ms. Beckmann shared the topics, and dates and times of each focus group with an email to follow containing all the information. She guided members to FloridaFTP.com to register for any of the focus groups and brought attention to the flyer which had the QR code on it, for ease of registration.

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

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

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

None.

#### **VII. ACTION ITEMS**

##### **A. May 31, 2024, TSMO Meeting Minutes**

Approval is requested of the meeting minutes for May 31, 2024.

**MOTION:** Shad Smith moved to approve the May 31, 2024, TSMO meeting minutes, Hazem El-Assar seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

## B. FY 2025 – 2029 TIP

Ms. Taylor Laurent presented, reminding members of the background and sections to the TIP along with a funding summary. She continued to show the distribution of MetroPlan Orlando funded projects across Complete Streets, TSM&O, Bike & Ped and Transit focus areas with a total of \$185 million budget over a five-year period on 59 projects.

Ms. Laurent then listed the changes made from the Draft TIP into the Final TIP:

- Added the date of the next Federal MPO Certification (page 14)
- Updated the length of Corrine Drive project (page 40)
- Updated the length of Old Lake Wilson Road project (page 174)
- Updated the future costs of Jones Road project (page 175)
- Updated the historic costs of Lake Toho Pond Trail project (page 180)
- Improved linework on the TIP Online Viewer to better visualize projects.

Ms. Laurent shared highlights of the TIP virtual public meeting that took place on June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024. She noted the presenters and topics covered and thanked partners for their support, especially with the Q&A section. The recording of the public meeting can be viewed at: [Transportation Improvement Program Public Meeting - YouTube](#).

**MOTION:** Shad Smith moved to recommend approval of FY 2025 – 2029 TIP as presented. Ramon Senorans seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

## C. FY 2030 – 2040 Prioritized Project List

Mr. Slade Downs presented the final version of the Prioritized Project List (PPL) 2030 – 2040. He reminded members that projects start their journey on the MTP, then move to the Prioritized Project List (PPL) and, once funding is allocated, they move to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Mr. Downs noted some of the changes that were made which included updates to local project limits and phasing of Complete Streets projects. There were also updates to the Off-System Construction Assistance project list. He confirmed that no changes to project rankings occurred.

Mr. Shad Smith raised the edits he had emailed over, and it was acknowledged they were not in this final document, but any amendments needed would be added.

**MOTION:** Shad Smith moved to approve a recommendation on the FY 2030 – 2040 Prioritized Project List as presented with the amendments noted. Christopher Carson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

## VIII. PRESENTATIONS & STATUS REPORTS

### A. Congestion Management Process (CMP) Status Update

Ms. Lara Bouck provided an overview of the 2050 update to the Congestion Management Program (CMP). She began with defining Congestion Management, including both recurring and non-recurring congestion, a definition of Congestion Management and following with the evolution of the legislation of Congestion Management Guidance.

Ms. Bouck stated that every MPO with a population of over 200,000 people is required to develop a CMP, however federal regulations are not prescriptive in how the process comes together or how frequently the CMP is updated. She noted that MetroPlan Orlando updates their CMP every five years in line with the long range MTP update. Ms. Bouck noted that the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) did provide guidance in 2015, which MetroPlan Orlando generally follows, and she continued to share an overview of the process.

Continuing, Ms. Bouck shared that the goals, performance measures and strategies MetroPlan Orlando adopted for the 2045 CMP were being reviewed to decide what to include in the 2050 CMP. She noted that ongoing work also includes development of a CMP score card which will be used to communicate the state of the system with respect to congestion management to the Board, standing committees, and the public.

Ms. Bouck noted the next steps for the 2050 CMP include an internal workshop with the project team to develop preliminary performance measures, targets, and strategies, and then presenting those at the 2050 MTP technical workshop on August 8<sup>th</sup>. Once the feedback from the technical workshop is incorporated, the draft CMP will be ready to present to the Board and Committees in Fall 2024.

### B. Speed Management through Signal Timings

Mr. Neal Turner, P.E. TSM&O Engineer – Arterials, FDOT District One presented. He shared that in 2021, the Traffic Operations team was instructed by the District One Secretary to implement a zero cost, immediately effective way to drive down speeds on the worst (least safe) corridor segment in the District – US 41 from Tallevast Road to Orlando Ave. Mr. Turner stated that 31 fatalities and 264 serious injuries happened on this road segment over a 5-year period. He explained the Project team began with a signal timing plan, that pursued the following objectives: reducing cycle lengths, reducing progression speed, adding leading pedestrian intervals (LPI), and an implementing an overnight coordinated pattern to allow for predictable gaps for pedestrians.

Mr. Turner stated this plan was implemented in October 2021 and shared data gathered, which showed a 4-8 MPH speed reduction with a 20-90 second travel time increase. He noted the safety team had analyzed the data and reported a 50% reduction in fatal and serious injury crashes, with a 34% reduction in all fatal crashes, reducing the number of fatal crashes from 6 per year before the plan, down to 3 per year after implementation. He continued to highlight further data which showed zero overnight bike/ped fatalities or incapacitating injuries, which previously stood at 6 total over a 3-year period, prior to the plan implementation. He stated this was the first step in reducing speeds and explained the next steps to include expansion on new

corridors in other counties and also continued monitoring to ensure the changes are not creating new problems such as red-light runners.

Questions and comments from members touched on topics including: whether there's a need/requirement for spare capacity for this plan to be successful (A: Generally, yes), and noting a preference to use the signal retiming performance measures implemented in this plan (speed reduction, crash reduction/mitigation) as opposed to those typically used such as cost and time saving. Mr. Eric Hill noted that MetroPlan Orlando is in the midst of the traffic retiming evaluation on those corridors that were retimed during the FY 2022-2023 program, and the final report will summarize the outcomes of that retiming.

#### IX. COMMON PRESENTATIONS & STATUS REPORTS

The following common presentations were on the agenda for the Technical Advisory Committee meeting immediately following the TSMOAC meeting:

**A 2050 MTP Status Update**

Ms. Taylor Laurent, MetroPlan Orlando, will give a presentation on the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan, which is now underway. More information is included in Tab 4 of the agenda.

Ms. Taylor Laurent  
MetroPlan Orlando

#### 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 June 12, 2024, MetroPlan Orlando Board Meeting** – A series of highlights 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 was 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** – Three press releases from LYNX were included for informational purposes.
- F. Pedestrian Safety Factsheet** – A informational flyer created as part of ongoing Vizion Zero efforts outlining advancements and changes in the pedestrian safety landscape across Central Florida.

## XI. UPCOMING MEETINGS OF INTEREST

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

- A. MetroPlan Orlando Board – July 10, 2024 **\*MEETING STARTS AT 8.00 a.m.**
- B. 2050 MTP Freight Planning Public Agency Virtual Meeting – July 11, 2024
- C. LYNX Board (at LYNX Central Station) – July 25, 2024
- D. SunRail/CFCRC Board (at LYNX Central Station) – July 25, 2024
- E. **2050 MTP Technical Workshop (Held Virtually) – August 8, 2024**
- F. Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board – August 8, 2024
- G. **Transportation Systems, Management, & Operations Cmte. (TSM&O) – August 23, 2024**
- H. Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) – August 23, 2024
- J. Community Advisory Committee (CAC) – August 28, 2024
- K. Municipal Advisory Committee (MAC) – September 5, 2024

## XII. MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Shad Smith commented on the recent speed reduction project implemented on SR 434 in Winter Springs and would like the same to happen in the Longwood section of SR 434, due to the number of crashes there including KSI's. When he contacted FDOT, Mr. Smith was advised that although there is a POP project planned on this section, a speed reduction is not part of the scope, and he expressed his frustration with this.

## XIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (GENERAL)

None

## XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Sanders adjourned the meeting of the Transportation Systems Management & Operations Advisory Committee at 9:32 a.m. The meeting was recorded and transcribed by Ms. Rachel Frederick.

Approved this 23rd day of August 2024



Mr. Brian Sanders, Chairman



Ms. Rachel Frederick,  
Board Services Coordinator

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