

## **MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: Wednesday, April 9, 2014

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

LOCATION: MetroPlan Orlando 315 E. Robinson Street Suite 355 Orlando, Florida 32801

# Commissioner Bob Dallari, Board Chairman, Presiding

#### Members:

Hon. Pat Bates, City of Altamonte Springs
Hon. Scott Boyd, Orange County
Hon. Fred Brummer, Orange County
Mr. Stephen Smith for Mr. Larry Dale, Sanford Airport Authority
Hon. Bob Dallari, Seminole County
Hon. Buddy Dyer
Hon. Pete Clarke for Hon. Ted Edwards, Orange County
Hon. Carlton Henley, Seminole County
Hon. Daisy W. Lynum, City of Orlando
Hon. Tiffany Russell, Orange County
Hon. Jose Alvarez for Hon. Jim Swan, City of Kissimmee
Hon. Jeff Triplett, City of Sanford

#### Advisors in Attendance:

Ms. Pat Devillers for Ms. Candy Bennage, Kissimmee Gateway Airport, Non-Voting Ms. Noranne Downs, District 5 Secretary, FDOT Mr. Charles Ramdatt, Transportation Technical Committee Mr. Carnot Evans, Citizens' Advisory Committee Mr. Steve Noto, Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

#### Members/Advisors not in Attendance:

Mr. Dean Asher, GOAA Hon. Frank Attkisson, LYNX/CF Commuter Rail Commission Mr. Scott Batterson, O-OCEA Hon. Teresa Jacobs, Orange County Hon. John Land, City of Apopka Hon. John Quinones, Osceola County Hon. Joe Durso, Municipal Advisory Committee

#### Staff in Attendance:

Mr. Harold Barley Mr. Steve Bechtel, Mateer & Harbert Mr. Keith Caskey Ms. Cathy Goldfarb Mr. Eric Hill Ms. Marv Ann Horne Ms. Jill Hoskins Mr. Gary Huttmann Ms. Cvnthia Lambert Mr. Jason Loschiavo Ms. Sally Morris Ms. Nikhila Rose Ms. Gabriella Serrado Ms. Lena Tolliver Mr. Alex Trauger Mr. Anthony Washington Ms. Virginia Whittington Mr. Mighk Wilson

## I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Bob Dallari called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and welcomed Board members and guests; he asked that members refrain from using cell phones, text messaging and/or email during the meeting. Mayor Jeff Triplett led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## II. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

## III. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Barley reported on photos of recent activities and community outreach events; and acknowledged Board Alternates: Mr. Stephen Smith for Mr. Dale; Commissioner Pete Clarke for Commissioner Edwards; Commissioner Jose Alvarez for Mayor Swan; and Ms. Pat Devillers for Ms. Bennage. Special Guests were also acknowledged: Mr. Rick Singh (Orange County Property Appraiser); Commissioner John Horan (TDLCB Chairman); and Ms. Amanda Day (Bike/Walk Central Florida). Mr. Barley reported on FDOT District 5's Liaison assignment changes for MetroPlan Orlando and introduced Ms. Lorena Valencia as the new Liaison. Mr. Gene Ferguson is now assigned to the Space Coast TPO. Mr. Barley also reported on the schedule of the 2040 LRTP approval process; and called attention to several upcoming events to include the Central Florida Commuter Rail Commission meeting on April 11, 2014 at 12:30 p.m. at MetroPlan Orlando which will also include a LYNX Board emergency meeting; FDOT/I-4 Ultimate Concessionaire Team Selection meeting tentatively scheduled for April 26, 2014 at 1:30 p.m. Mr. Barley will notify members with the confirmed details. Staff and members congratulated Ms. Gabriella Serrado (staff) on her recent wedding; and acknowledged Commissioner Alvarez as a recent graduate of the MPOAC Weekend Institute.

# IV. CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Ms. Lena Tolliver confirmed a quorum of 12 voting members present. Commissioner Tiffany Russell arrived after confirmation. Also present were 5 advisors; and the meeting having been duly convened was ready to proceed with business.

## V. AGENDA REVIEW

It was announced that Agenda Item VIII. C. (Acceptance of 2014 Annual Certification Report) was being deferred until the May meeting.

## VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Citizens' Advisory Committee (CAC); Mr. Carnot Evans reported that the CAC met on March 26, 2014 and approved the FDOT TIP Amendment request as presented on today's agenda.

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC); Mr. Steve Noto reported that the BPAC met on March 26, 2014 and approved the FDOT TIP Amendment request as presented on today's agenda.

Municipal Advisory Committee (MAC); In the absence of Commissioner Durso, Ms. Virginia Whittington reported that the MAC met on April 3, 2014 and approved the FDOT TIP Amendment request as presented on today's agenda.

Transportation Technical Committee (TTC); Mr. Charles Ramdatt reported that the TTC met on March 28, 2014 and approved the FDOT TIP Amendment request as presented on today's agenda.

#### VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ACTION ITEMS

None

## VIII. CONSENT AGENDA (ACTION ITEMS)

#### A. Approval of Minutes - March 12, 2014 Board Meeting

The minutes of the March 12, 2014 Board meeting were provided.

#### B. Approval of February 2014 Monthly Financial Report; Annual Investment Report and Acknowledgement of March 2014 Travel

The preliminary monthly financial report for the period ending February 28, 2014 and the Annual Investment report from March 2013 through February 2014 were provided for approval. Acknowledgment was also requested of all travels outside our region during the month of March 2014.

#### C. FDOT Certification Review Report - (DEFFERED)

#### D. Approval of Budget Amendment #8

Approval was requested for budget amendment #8 (provided) to make an additional contribution to Bike/Walk Central Florida in the amount of \$25,000 from local funds; to adjust Salary, Fringe and Indirect in the FTA X021 grant to facilitate its closeout after the remaining funds have been spent on existing consultant services contracts and long-range plan public involvement advertisements; to reallocate advertisement costs for the Long-Range Transportation Plan public involvement Town Call; and to perform minor maintenance and upgrades to the Board Room A/V system.

#### E. Approval of Contribution to Best Foot Forward Pedestrian Safety Campaign

Approval was requested to make an additional \$25,000 contribution to support the Best Foot Forward Pedestrian Safety Campaign, a program of Bike Walk Central Florida. Funds are available in our FY2013/2014 budget to allow for this contribution and are covered by budget amendment #8.

# F. Approval to Enter into an Agreement with Jones Lang LaSalle for Real Estate Leasing Services

Approval was requested to enter into an agreement with Jones Lang LaSalle (JLL) for Real Estate Leasing Services. Three firms, including JLL, were contacted to review qualifications and processes for this recommendation. There are no direct costs to be paid by MetroPlan Orlando; all costs are paid by the landlord upon signing of an agreement. JLL will act on behalf of MetroPlan Orlando to explore potential cost savings from negotiating an early lease renewal with the current landlord and look at similarly classed and suitable locations within the downtown Orlando area. The current lease is scheduled to end on December 31, 2015. Final approval will be requested of the Board to execute a lease agreement at a later date.

# G. Travel Authorization

Authorization was requested for Chairman Dallari to travel to Louisville, Kentucky, on June 8, 2014 through June 11, 2014 to attend the Annual Conference of the National Association of Regional Councils (NARC). This national organization represents metropolitan planning organizations, regional planning councils and other regional entities. A NARC Board of Directors meeting will be held during the Conference, and Chairman Dallari serves on this Board. The cost of attending this conference (including registration) is estimated at \$1,500. Funds are available in our approved FY2013/2014 budget to cover this expense.

Chairman Dallari noted that Item C. Annual Certification Review Report was deferred to next month.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Lynum moved approval of Consent Items with the exception of Item: C. Annual Certification Review Report, which was deferred. Commissioner Boyd seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

# IX. OTHER ACTION ITEMS

# A. Approval of TIP Amendment FY 2013/14-2017/18 TIP and Resolution No. 14-06

Mr. Gene Ferguson, FDOT, requested approval to amend the FY 2013/14-2017/18 TIP to include various safety and traffic operations projects and supported by Resolution No. 14-06. A copy of Resolution No. 14-06 and a letter from FDOT requesting the amendment was provided.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Lynum moved approval to amend the FY 2013/14-2017/18 TIP to include various safety and traffic operations projects and supported by Resolution No. 14-06. Commissioner Boyd seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Roll Call Conducted.

# X. INFORMATION ITEMS FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT (Action Item)

## A. Correspondence

- Letter from Chairman Dallari to USDOT Secretary Anthony Foxx dated March 12, 2014, Subject: SunRail Phase II Funding
- Letter from FTA Acting Administrator Therese McMillan to Mr. Barley dated March 11, 2014, Subject: SunRail Phase II Funding
- Memo from Virginia Lewis Whittington to Board members dated March 31, 2014, Subject: Effectiveness of Quiet Zones

## B. Status Updates

- FDOT/D5 Quarterly Construction Status Report
- April Air Quality Report provided at the meeting.
- Community Outreach Report provided at the meeting.

## C. General Information

- Status Report on Legislative Priorities as of April 4, 2014 -provided in Board members' supplemental folders
- "State of the City Address" by Orlando Mayor Buddy Dyer April 10, 2014, 10:30 a.m., on Church Street
- Quarterly Meeting of the Central Florida MPO Alliance hosted by MetroPlan Orlando - April 11, 2014 - 10:00 a.m.
- Meeting of the Central Florida Commuter Rail Commission hosted by MetroPlan Orlando - April 11, 2014 - 12:30 p.m.
- Tentative: FDOT/I-4 Ultimate Concessionaire Team Selection Meeting April 23, 2014 - 1:30 p.m. - Educational Leadership Center/Orange County School Board Building
- Women's' Transportation Seminar (WTS) Annual Awards & Scholarship Banquet/Keynote Speaker: Susan Kurland, Assistant USDOT Secretary for Aviation and International Affairs - April 23, 2014 - 6:00 p.m. - Citrus Club, Orlando
- Quarterly meeting of the Florida MPO Advisory Council April 24, 2014 Tallahassee
- UCF/Master's Program in Urban & Regional Planning Distinguished Lecture Series featuring Randall Arendt April 24, 2014 6:30 p.m. Florida Hospital, Main

Campus - Werner Auditorium Registration required at: <u>http://www.ce.ucf.edu/Programs/Program.aspx?id=3450</u>

- Agenda for first meeting of the East Central Florida Corridor Task Force April 29, 2014 9:00 a.m.; Osceola Heritage Park, Kissimmee and Roster of Task Force members.
- Grand Opening of SunRail Phase I April 30, 2014
- SunRail's First Day of Operations May 1, 2014
- Last day of 2014 Legislative Session May 2, 2014
- Quarterly meeting of the Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board -May 8, 2014 - 10:00 a.m. MetroPlan Orlando Board Room

# D. Featured Research and Articles

- *"Florida: Made for Trade,"* Florida Department of Transportation and Florida Chamber Foundation, February 2014 <u>http://www.flchamber.com/wp-content/uploads/MadeForTrade-FINAL-Single-1.pdf</u>
- "Ten Reasons Why Per-Mile Tolling Is a Better Highway User Fee than Fuel Taxes," The Reason Foundation, February 2014 <u>http://reason.org/news/show/1013699.html</u>
- "Tougher Choices: Shaping Florida's Future," Leroy Collins Institute, February 2014 <u>http://collinsinstitute.fsu.edu/sites/collinsinstitute.fsu.edu/files/Tougher%20Choi</u> <u>ces%20FINAL%202-20-14.pdf</u>
  - **MOTION:** Commissioner Lynum moved approval of Information Items for Acknowledgement. Commissioner Boyd seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

# XI. OTHER BUSINESS

# A. SunRail Update and Opening Plans

Ms. Noranne Downs, FDOT District Five Secretary introduced Mr. Mark Calvert, Evolve, who presented an update on SunRail marketing activities and the grand opening plan for the system to be held on April 30<sup>th</sup> and revenue service that will begin on May 1st.

Discussion followed relative to dwelling times at the stations and the coordination and timing of train gates. Ms. Marianne Gurnee stated that the dwelling time is about 60-

90 seconds at the stations and the dwelling time for the gates is approximately the same as a traffic signal. Members also discussed the need for multi-jurisdictional law enforcement on the trains for security purposes. Ms. Downs noted that the trains are equipped with security cameras and that uniformed police officers and firemen are permitted to ride for free at anytime. She further stated that security issues will be monitored carefully and adjustments will be made as needed.

Commissioner Tiffany Russell arrived.

## B. Presentation and Status Report on 2040 LRTP M&O and Bicycle and Pedestrian

Mr. Mike Woodward, Kimley-Horn and Associates, presented a status report on the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). The presentation focused on the Management & Operations and Bicycle and Pedestrian elements of the LRTP.

Discussion ensued on options to reduce traffic congestion other than widening roads. Mr. Barley noted that flyovers are another option and noted that several flyovers are planned for the region. Commissioner Dallari noted that the educational component of bicycle, pedestrian and motorist behavior is important for safety.

#### XII. PRESENTATIONS

#### A. Report on Managed Medical Assistance (MMA) Program Changes

Seminole County Commissioner John Horan, Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board (TDLCB) Chairman, provided an overview of the new Florida Medicaid Managed Medical Assistance (MMA) program that will take effect in our area on August 1, 2014. The presentation focused on the transportation components of MMA and how the changes will impact the area's Medicaid clients.

Members expressed concern relative to the Managed Medical Assistance program and noted that the changes were confusing for system users. It was the consensus of the Board for staff to schedule a briefing for Board members' aides and staff assistants to inform them of the changes and to prepare them for questions constituents might have. Members also asked staff to lead a statewide fact finding effort of MPO's to identify concerns and recommendations based on the changes and to provide the findings to the state legislature with Mr. Bill Peebles assistance. It was announced that this would be discussed at the TDLCB meeting scheduled for May 8, 2014 and recommendations would be brought to the Board on May 14, 2014.

## B. 2013 Safety Report

Mr. Eric Hill, MetroPlan Orlando staff, reported on safety statistics in the MetroPlan Orlando region for 2013.

Discussion followed relative to the use of speed cameras as an educational tool and changes in crashes (rear-end and t-bone) at intersections with red light running cameras.

## XIII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

None

## XIV. PUBLIC COMMENTS (GENERAL)

Mr. Chuck Graham expressed concerns with the Medicaid Managed Medical Assistance Program changes that will impact transportation disadvantaged users. He also expressed the need for identifying dedicated funding sources for public transportation. Mr. John Casselberry provided suggestions for reducing traffic congestion at Par Ave/I-4 and Orange Ave/Clay St. A map was provided suggesting a traffic circle at the Orange Ave/Clay St/ Groveland St. intersection.

# XV. NEXT MEETING - May 14, 2014

## XVI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m. The meeting was transcribed by Lena Tolliver.

Approved this <u>14th</u> day of <u>May</u>, <u>2014</u>.

Commissioner Bob Dallari, Chairman

Lena E. Tolliver, Senior 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.