



MetroPlan Orlando Board

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Wednesday, March 14, 2018

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

LOCATION: MetroPlan Orlando
Park Building
250 S. Orange Ave, Suite 200
Orlando, FL 32801

Commissioner Cheryl L. Grieb, Board Chairwoman, Presided

Members

Hon. Jose Alvarez, City of Kissimmee
Mr. Dean Asher, GOAA
Hon. Pat Bates, City of Altamonte Springs
Hon. Pete Clarke, Orange County
Hon. Lee Constantine, Seminole County
Hon. Bob Dallari, Seminole County
Hon. Buddy Dyer, City of Orlando
Hon. John Dowless, Municipal Advisory Committee
Hon. Cheryl L. Grieb, Osceola County
Hon. Fred Hawkins, Jr., Central Florida Expressway Authority
Hon. Samuel B. Ings, City of Orlando
Hon. Viviana Janer, LYNX/Central Florida Commuter Rail Commission
Mr. Stephen Smith, Sanford Airport Authority
Hon. Jeff Triplett, City of Sanford

Advisors in Attendance:

Mr. Hazem El-Assar, Technical Advisory Committee
Mr. Atlee Mercer, Community Advisory Committee
Mr. Kelly Brock, Transportation Systems Management & Operations Committee

Members/Advisors not in Attendance:

Hon. Teresa Jacobs, Orange County
Hon. Joe Kilsheimer, City of Apopka
Hon. Bryan Nelson, Orange County
FDOT Secretary Mike Shannon, District 5
Hon. Victoria Siplin, Orange County
Hon. Jennifer Thompson, Orange County
Hon. Betsy VanderLey, Orange County
Vacant, Kissimmee Gateway Airport

Staff in Attendance:

Mr. Harold Barley
Mr. Steve Bechtel, Mateer & Harbert
Mr. Keith Caskey
Ms. Lisa Smith
Ms. Cathy Goldfarb
Mr. Eric Hill
Ms. Mary Ann Horne
Mr. Gary Huttman
Ms. Cynthia Lambert
Mr. Nick Lepp
Mr. Jason Loschiavo
Ms. Sally Morris
Ms. Virginia Whittington
Ms. Elizabeth Whitton
Mr. Mighk Wilson
Mr. Joe Davenport

I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Cheryl L. Grieb called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. She called on Mayor Dyer to speak briefly about a planned “National School Walkout” against gun violence. Mayor Dyer explained that a 17 minute walkout was planned for 10:00 a.m., along with an event outside the Dr. Phillips Performing Arts Center, to show support for Parkland and the 17 victims of the recent school shooting. Chairwoman Grieb asked everyone to pick up the pace for the meeting so people could participate in the 10:00 a.m. program. Mayor Pat Bates led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. CHAIRWOMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Grieb called on Commissioner Constantine, newly elected Chairman of the TDLCB, to provide a report on the February 15th meeting. Commissioner Constantine reported that at the February 15 TDLCB meeting they welcomed new members, including Kissimmee Mayor Jose Alvarez, representing Osceola County. Mayor Alvarez was elected Vice Chairman of the TDLCB at that meeting. Committee members approved the 2018 TDLCB bylaws, the 2018 grievance procedures, appointments to the Grievance Committee and the membership certification. Commissioner Constantine added that two presentations were provided, one was an update from ACCESS LYNX and the second explained the paratransit eligibility process.

Commissioner Grieb reported that the Personnel Committee met on February 14 to conduct the Executive Director's annual review. The Personnel Committee was meeting again immediately following the Board meeting to discuss recruitment for the Executive Director's position. She added that there is no April Board meeting and the next meeting would be May 9th at Second Harvest Food Bank.

III. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Harold Barley reported that Secretary Mike Shannon had a conflict and was not able to attend the meeting. He introduced Ms. Helen Miller from Senator Bill Nelson's office and Mr. Bob Slavin from the Executive Search firm. Mr. Barley added that due to time constraints for the meeting, he will provide a written report to Board members on items he had planned to report on.

IV. CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Ms. Cathy Goldfarb confirmed a quorum of 14 voting members present. Also present were 3 advisors; and the meeting having been duly convened was ready to proceed with business.

V. AGENDA REVIEW

Mr. Barley had no changes to the printed agenda.

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council President John Dowless reported that MAC met on March 8, 2018 and recommended approval of the FDOT Amendment to the FY 2017/18-2021/22 TIP and the FY 2018/19-2019/20 Unified Planning Work Program. MAC members, he added, received a presentation on the ETDM Planning Screen for the Maitland Blvd. widening project. The next MAC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 3, 2018.

Mr. Atlee Mercer reported that Community Advisory Committee members met on February 28, 2018. He told Board members that CAC welcomed three new members: Kayla Mitchell, serving as a multimodal advocate; and two non-voting alternates, Carmen Rasnick and Jeff Piggrem. Committee members recommended approval of the Transportation Improvement Program

amendment and the draft Unified Planning Work Program. Mr. Mercer noted that CAC had a "Mini Think-In" with good discussion regarding funding, the need to bring in more grant and private dollars, and the importance of transit. He added that CAC members received presentations on the planning screen for the Maitland Blvd. widening project and the Corrine Drive study.

Mr. Hazem El-Assar reported that Technical Advisory Committee members met on February 23, 2018 and recommended approval of the TIP amendment request and the FY 2018/19 – 2019/20 Unified Planning Work Program. TAC members also heard a presentation on the Efficient Transportation Decision Making Planning Screen for the 6-laning of Maitland Blvd. from Bear Lake Road to the Orange/Seminole County line.

Mr. Kelly Brock reported that the Transportation Systems Management & Operations Committee met on February 23, 2018 and approved the January 26, 2018 meeting minutes, the amendments to the FY 2017/18 - 2021/22 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the FY 2018/19 - 2019/20 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). TSMO members, he added, previewed the results of the 2016-17 Travel Time and Delay Study and Mr. Frank Corrado, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), gave a presentation on FHWA's Transportation Performance Management Rule.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ACTION ITEMS

Ms. Joanne Counelis commented on the need for 24 hour bus service 7 days a week.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes from February 14, 2018 Board meeting**
- B. Approval of January 2018 Financial Report and Acknowledgement of February 2018 Travel Report**
- C. Approval of Board Personnel Committee Recommendations on Executive Director's Annual Performance Review**
- D. Approval to deobligate PL funds from FY'17 (FY'17 Budget Amendment #6)**
- E. Approval of FY'18 Budget Amendment #5 and Deobligation of PL funds**
- F. Approval of Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board Recommendations on Annual Membership Certification, Bylaws and Grievance Procedures**

MOTION: Commissioner Bob Dallari moved approval of the Consent Agenda, Action Items A-F. Commissioner Viviana Janer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

IX. OTHER ACTION ITEMS

A. Board Approval of Amendments to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for FY 2017/18-2021/22

Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando staff, requested the FY 2017/18 - 2021/22 TIP be amended to include funding for the design phase for the Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies Deployment project in east Orlando. A letter from FDOT explaining the amendment request was provided, along with a fact sheet prepared by MetroPlan Orlando staff and the draft resolution. Mr. Caskey briefly reviewed the TIP amendment request.

MOTION: Commissioner Bob Dallari moved approval of the Amendment to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for FY 2017/18-2021/22. Mayor Pat Bates seconded the motion, which passed unanimously (Roll Call Vote taken).

B. Approval of Draft Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for FY2018/2019 and 2019/2020 for Submission to FDOT, FHWA and FTA

<https://metroplanorlando.org/wp-content/uploads/DRAFT-FY2019-FY2020-UPWP-AS-OF-2018-02-28.pdf>

Mr. Gary Huttman, MetroPlan Orlando staff, requested approval of the FY 2018/19 - 2019/20 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). This document serves as MetroPlan Orlando's budget and describes work elements to be performed. Mr. Huttman explained that after being approved by the MetroPlan Orlando Board, the draft document will be forwarded to FDOT, Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration for review. He noted the UPWP contained eight sections and highlighted a couple of UPWP tasks, including the kick off of an update of the Long Range Transportation Plan. He called attention to the special projects section of the document which included a SunRail Station study, which will be conducted with FSU, to look at transit-oriented development around the SunRail stations and related ridership changes. In addition, an evaluation is planned, as a follow-up to the "How Shall We Grow?" study done 10 years ago, to see "How Did We Grow?" Mr. Huttman noted that the Market Research Study, done in odd numbered years as part of public participation, had been delayed to track with the Long Range Transportation Plan update. He called attention to the systems planning section which included a concept of operations for Autonomous Vehicles and new terminology, such as "Mobility as a Service" and "Mobility on Demand", all of which deal with technology. Mr. Huttman added that the appendices contained partner projects submitted by FDOT District 5, Florida's Turnpike Enterprise, Central Florida Expressway Authority and LYNX and he noted that there was still time to add local projects to that section.

MOTION: Mayor Jose Alvarez moved approval of the draft FY 2018/19 - 2019/20 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). Commissioner Bob Dallari seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

X. INFORMATION ITEMS FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

A. Status Updates

- FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report – February 2018
- Florida MPO Advisory Council Legislative Update as of March 3, 2018

B. General Information

- President Trump's Infrastructure Proposal: "Legislative Outline for Rebuilding Infrastructure in America," – The White House – February 12, 2018
- MetroPlan Orlando Board Priorities with text revisions suggested as the Board meeting on February 14, 2018
- Central Florida Commuter Rail Commission Meeting – March 29, 2018 – hosted by MetroPlan Orlando
- Wekiva Parkway Section 2 Opening Event – March 31, 2018
- University of Central Florida/Master's Program in Urban & Regional Planning Distinguished Lecture Series sponsored by MetroPlan Orlando – Sarah Williams, Director, Civic Data Design Lab at MIT: "Build It, Hack It, Share It! Making Data Work for Policy Change," April 5, 2018 at UCF's Downtown Executive Development Center
- Central Florida MPO Alliance Meeting – April 13, 2018 – hosted by MetroPlan Orlando
- Florida MPO Advisory Council Staff Directors/Governing Board Meeting – May 4, 2018, Orlando, Florida

C. Featured Articles and Research

- "Public-Private Partnerships (P3s): What Local Government Managers Need to Know," Dr. Lawrence Martin, University of Central Florida for the International City/County Management Association – 2018
https://icma.org/sites/default/files/18-109%20Public-Private%20Partnerships-P3s%20White%20Paper_web%20FINAL.pdf
- "Why It's So Expensive to Build Urban Rail in the U.S.," Alon Levy, from CityLab – January 26, 2018 <https://www.citylab.com/transportation/2018/01/why-its-so-expensive-to-build-urban-rail-in-the-us/551408/>
- "2017 Wekiva Restoration Plan Executive Summary," Florida Springs Institute, 2017
<http://www.ecfrpc.org/Misc-Documents/2017-Wekiva-Restoration-Plan-Executive-Summary.aspx>

MOTION: Commissioner Bob Dallari moved approval of the Information Items for Acknowledgement. Commissioner Pete Clarke seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

XI. PRESENTATIONS

A. Update on the 2018 Florida Legislative Session

Ms. Virginia Whittington, MetroPlan Orlando staff, provided a brief update on the 2018 Florida Legislative session. Ms. Whittington reported that the proposed distracted driving legislation did not pass. She noted that the Tourist Development Tax bill did pass, however, Orange, Osceola and Seminole Counties were exempt because of thresholds. The MPO legislation dealing with MPO membership had been amended, but did not pass and is expected to be brought back next session. The Transportation bill, she added, did not pass as well. Mayor Dyer noted that legislation did pass that would allow Florida's Turnpike Enterprise to sell/transfer property to the Central Florida Expressway Authority.

B. Innovative Interchanges on the I-4 Ultimate and I-4 Beyond the Ultimate Projects

Ms. Beata Stys-Palasz, FDOT/District 5, gave a presentation on different types of interchanges that are being used for the I-4 Ultimate and I-4 Beyond the Ultimate projects. Mr. Barley spoke briefly about the importance of the new features being introduced as part of the I-4 Ultimate and I-4 Beyond the Ultimate projects. He introduced Ms. Stys-Palasz who introduced her team members Su Hao and Catalina Chacon. She explained that the goal of the I-4 Beyond the Ultimate project was to provide a seamless transition from the I-4 Ultimate project and increase mobility and safety. Ms. Stys-Palasz noted that there were 6 innovative interchanges planned for the projects including the Diverging Diamond, the Echelon, the Single Point Diamond and the Texas U-turn. Ms. Catalina Chacon reviewed the Diverging Diamond interchanges. Commissioner Dallari inquired about the SR 46A project being delayed. He added that the SR 46A project had been moved up but Seminole County had just been notified that it was now pushed back with a significant increase in cost. Commissioner Dallari called attention to planned development in the area next year that could impact the project and the need to expedite the project to avoid additional expenses. He added that an interchange is needed in that location and additional funding from local partners might be made available, but the funds needed to be leveraged wisely. Ms. Stys-Palasz responded that a discussion with the Seminole County Board of County Commissioners on the SR 46A project had been scheduled. Commissioner Constantine added that Seminole County is willing to work with FDOT on getting the project done sooner however funding for the project needs to be used wisely. Ms. Stys-Palasz responded that FDOT will work with local partners on the SR 46A project, if the funding is available. Mr. Atlee Mercer added that the right-of way will be lost to FDOT, if they don't expedite the project. He suggested a letter of acknowledgement from FDOT to Seminole County indicating that they are aware of the issue and are scheduled to discuss it at the April 10th Seminole County Commission meeting. Ms. Stys-Palasz reviewed the Echelon interchange, which incorporates double decking, the single point Diverging Diamond and the Texas U-turn interchanges. She reported that the project website is always being updated and she provided contact information for anyone who might have questions. Mr. Harry Barley added that Board members had questions that Mr. Mario Bizzio was not able to answer during his I-4 Beyond the Ultimate presentation

in February and a follow-up document with responses to those questions had been provided in the supplemental folders.

XII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

None.

XIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (GENERAL)

Ms. Dori Madison, Orlando resident, commented on the Corrine Drive Complete Streets Study and the need to look at the options from a human scale and bicycle/pedestrian safety aspect. In addition she commented that moving the entrance to Leu Gardens was not a good idea.

Ms. Abbie Melton, Orlando resident, commented that she lives across from Leu Gardens and a plan to move the entrance to Leu Gardens was not good and would result in a devaluation of property.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m. The meeting was transcribed by Ms. Cathy Goldfarb.

Approved this 9th day of May 2018.



Commissioner Cheryl L. Grieb, Chairwoman



Ms. Cathy Goldfarb,
Senior Board Services Coordinator/ Recording Secretary

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