



MetroPlan Orlando Board

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Wednesday, June 12, 2019  
TIME: 9:00 a.m.  
LOCATION: MetroPlan Orlando  
Park Building  
250 S. Orange Ave, Suite 200  
Orlando, FL 32801

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Commissioner Betsy VanderLey, Board Chairwoman, Presided

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Members

Hon. Jim Fisher for Hon. Jose Alvarez, City of Kissimmee  
Hon. Pat Bates, City of Altamonte Springs  
Hon. Bob Dallari, Seminole County  
Hon. John Dowless, Municipal Advisory Committee  
Hon. Buddy Dyer, City of Orlando  
Mr. M. Carson Good, GOAA  
Hon. Samuel B. Ings, City of Orlando  
Hon. Bryan Nelson, City of Apopka  
Hon. Victoria Siplin, Orange County  
Mr. Stephen Smith, Sanford Airport Authority  
Hon. Mayra Uribe, Orange County  
Hon. Betsy VanderLey, Orange County  
Hon. Jay Zembower, Seminole County

**Advisors in Attendance:**

Mr. Will Hawthorne, Technical Advisory Committee  
Mr. Thomas Kapp, Kissimmee Gateway Airport  
Mr. Atlee Mercer, Community Advisory Committee

**Members/Advisors not in Attendance:**

Mr. Benton Bonney, Transportation Systems Management & Operations Committee  
Hon. Emily Bonilla, Orange County  
Hon. Jerry L. Demings, Orange County  
Hon. Cheryl L. Grieb, Osceola County  
Hon. Fred Hawkins, Jr., Central Florida Expressway Authority  
Hon. Viviana Janer, LYNX/Central Florida Commuter Rail Commission  
Hon. Christine Moore, Orange County  
FDOT Secretary Mike Shannon, District 5  
Hon. Jeff Triplett, City of Sanford

**Staff in Attendance:**

Mr. Steve Bechtel, Mateer & Harbert  
Mr. Gary Huttman  
Mr. Keith Caskey  
Mr. Eric Hill  
Mr. Joe Davenport  
Ms. Lisa Smith  
Ms. Cathy Goldfarb  
Ms. Mary Ann Horne  
Ms. Sally Morris  
Mr. Alex Trauger  
Ms. Virginia Whittington  
Ms. Elizabeth Whitton  
Mr. Mighk Wilson

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Commissioner Betsy VanderLay called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and welcomed everyone. She acknowledged the third anniversary of the Pulse shooting and asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of the victims of that tragedy. Commissioner Jay Zembower led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## II. CHAIRWOMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

## III. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Gary Huttman called attention to the numerous events staff participated in since the May Board meeting. He recognized Commissioner Jim Fisher in attendance for Mayor Alvarez and Mr. Steve Bechtel for his 42 years of service for MetroPlan Orlando. Mr. Huttman called attention to two recent sales tax initiatives in Osceola and Volusia Counties and the need to regroup. He reported that Florida Greenways and Trails had meetings scheduled later in the week, which included a public session on Friday. Mr. Huttman noted that he just returned from a National Association of Regional Councils (NARC) meeting in Omaha where he participated in a panel discussion. In addition, he called attention to the upcoming COMTO Meeting in Tampa July 12 – 16 and the Autonomous Vehicle Symposium in Orlando July 15-18. Mr. Huttman reported that BUILD grant applications are due by July 15<sup>th</sup>. He also provided a report on the April 30<sup>th</sup> MPOAC meeting where minutes from the January meeting were approved and FDOT Secretary Kevin Thibault spoke. In addition, he reported, MPOAC Executive Director, Carl Mikyska, provided a report on Work Program activities, a budget report, a job description for governing board members and a 2019 legislative session update.

Commissioner VanderLey called upon Commissioner Uribe who provided a report on the MPOAC Institute that she recently attended. Commissioner Uribe noted that the MPOAC Institute was a very positive experience and she learned a great deal about what MetroPlan Orlando does. She also provided a report on the May 9<sup>th</sup> TDLCB meeting in which she noted that TDLCB is a board of advocates who address the needs of the disabled community. She added that LYNX is doing a great job and that the TDLCB will be looking to see what happens with Mears and LYFT.

Commissioner VanderLey recognized Mayor John Dowless for his service as MAC representative on the MetroPlan Orlando Board, She also acknowledged Mayor Dale McDonald, who was in the audience, as the new MAC representative.

Mayor Dyer provided a report on the May 30<sup>th</sup> Commuter Rail Commission meeting where Secretary Thibault spoke and affirmed his willingness to collaborate on SunRail. Commission members, he added, received the final transition analysis report and the Working Group was tasked with coming up with next steps.

Commissioner Zembower reported on the May 31<sup>st</sup> Central Florida MPO Alliance meeting where CFMPOA members approved the February 15<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes and the draft CFMPOA Prioritized Project List. In addition, committee members had presentations on the Four Corners 2045 LRTP, Regional Resilience Collaborative and a 2019 Legislative Session Wrap Up.

#### IV. CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Ms. Cathy Goldfarb confirmed a quorum of 13 voting members present.

#### V. AGENDA REVIEW

Mr. Huttmann reported that they were ready to move forward with the agenda as printed

#### VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor John Dowless reported that MAC met on June 6<sup>th</sup> welcomed new MAC member, Mayor Matt Morgan, City of Longwood. He noted that MAC's biennial Officer elections were held. Mayor Dale McDonald, City of Maitland, was elected Chairman and Council Member Keith Trace, City of St. Cloud, was elected Vice-Chair. In addition, there was a review of MAC's bylaws, but no changes were recommended. Mayor Dowless reported that presentations at the meeting included an update on the Northeast Connector Feasibility Study; a preview of the FY 2019/20-2023/24 TIP, a preview of the FY 2024/25-2039/40 Prioritized Project List, a presentation on the Corrine Drive Complete Streets Study, and a legislative session wrap up.

Mr. Atlee Mercer reported that Community Advisory Committee members met on May 22<sup>nd</sup> and welcomed four new members that CAC appointed the previous month. The new members, he noted, were excited to get involved with the committee and bring a lot of fresh perspectives. The only action item CAC had was approval of the minutes. Mr. Mercer reported that CAC members received a preview of the new Transportation Improvement Program and Prioritized Project List. In addition, committee members heard a presentation on the outcome of the Corrine Drive Complete Streets Study, a legislative wrap-up, and an update on Wekiva Parkway.

Mr. Will Hawthorne reported that Technical Advisory Committee members met on May 24<sup>th</sup> and heard presentations from MetroPlan Orlando staff on the FY 2019/20 – 2023/24 TIP, the FY 2024/25 – 2039/40 PPL, the Corrine Drive Complete Streets Study and the wrap-up of the 2019 Florida legislative session

Mr. Eric Hill read the TSMO report in the absence of Mr. Benton Bonney. He reported that the Transportation Systems Management & Operations Committee met on May 24, 2019 and approved the April 26, 2019, TSMO Meeting Minutes. TSMO members had a preview of the new FY 2019/20 – 2023/24 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the new FY 2024/25 – 2039/40 PPL. Subsequent to the discussion on the PPL, he noted, a working group was created to develop criteria for ranking TSMO projects that were not suitable for the project ranking criteria that has been established at MetroPlan Orlando. Mr. Hill added that committee members had a presentation on the Corrine Drive Complete Streets study and an update on the recent session of the Florida Legislature, focusing on transportation issues.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ACTION ITEMS

None.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes from May 8, 2018 Board meeting
- B. Approval of Financial Report for April 2019
- C. Acknowledgement of Travel Report for April
- D. Approval for FY 2019 Year End Budget Amendment

MOTION: Mayor John Dowless moved approval of Consent Agenda, Action Items A-D. Commissioner Samuel Ings seconded the motion, which passed unanimously

IX. OTHER ACTION ITEMS

- A. No Action Items

X. INFORMATION ITEMS FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT (Action Item)

- A. Executive Director's Report
- B. FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report
- C. General Information
  - NARC Annual Meeting in Omaha – June 9-June 12, 2019
- D. Featured Articles and Research

In the past decade, there was a 43 percent increase in renters over the age of 60. The trend brings with it new challenges – and benefits – for cities.

[Mortgage No More: Baby Boomers Who Rent Are On the Rise](#)

[Florida Poly researchers are working to protect driverless cars from cyberattacks](#)

State Smart Transportation Initiative, University of Wisconsin-Madison

<https://www.ssti.us/2019/04/safety-and-speed-management-speeding-into-a-crash/>

Researchers re-evaluate how we value transportation

<https://www.ssti.us/2019/05/researchers-re-evaluate-how-we-value-transportation/>

Jarrett Walkers Presentation - March 14, 2019

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ivfg3MmWavU>

**MOTION:** Commissioner Mayra Uribe moved approval of the Information Items for Acknowledgement. Commissioner Samuel Ings seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

## XI. OTHER BUSINESS/PRESENTATIONS

### A. Draft TIP Preview

Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando staff, presented a preview of the new FY 2019/20 – 2023/24 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Copies of the FDOT highway, TSMO, bicycle and pedestrian, transit and commuter rail sections of the TIP were provided online and in the supplemental folder. The FY 2023/24–2039/40 Prioritized Project List that was adopted last year and has been updated to highlight the latest project phases funded based on the new TIP was also provided. The new TIP will be presented for approval at the July 10<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. Mr. Caskey reviewed the project changes from the previous TIP. He reported that the TIP public hearing is scheduled for June 17<sup>th</sup>, at the downtown Orlando Public Library. The hearing will begin at 5:30 p.m. where the audience can view the maps and ask questions followed by a formal presentation at 6:00 p.m.

### B. Corrine Drive Study

Ms. Elizabeth Whitton, MetroPlan Orlando staff, gave a presentation on the Corrine Drive Complete Streets study. The final report on this study could be accessed at this link: <https://metroplanorlando.org/wp-content/uploads/Corrine-Drive-Study-Final-Report-with-AppendixApril-2019.pdf>. Ms. Whitton provided some background information on the study, the project team and existing conditions. She reviewed the three phases of the study and played a short video which detailed the proposed redesign. In addition, she reviewed the three options available for implementing the project and key facts for the redesign. Ms. Whitton reported that an online survey, which had been available through the month of May, indicated that 87% of the 500 respondents preferred the recommended design.

**XII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (GENERAL)**

None.

**XIII. ADJOURN REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m. The meeting was transcribed by Ms. Cathy Goldfarb.

Approved this 10th day of July 2019.



Commissioner Betsy VanderLey, Chairwoman



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

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**XIV. STRATEGIC PLAN WORKSHOP**

**XV. NEXT BOARD MEETING: Wednesday, July 10, 2019**

**XVI. ADJOURNMENT OF THE STRATEGIC PLAN WORKSHOP**

