

# COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

DATE:

Wednesday, October 25, 2017

LOCATION:

FDOT District 5 Urban Office 133 S. Semoran Boulevard

Lake Apopka Conference Room B

Orlando, Florida 32807

TIME:

9:30 a.m.

#### Chairman Tom O'Hanlon presided

#### Members in attendance were:

Ms. Asima Azam, Orange County

Mr. Jeffrey Campbell, Seminole County

Mr. Bill Dehlinger, MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Gregory Eisenberg, MetroPlan Appointee

Ms. Sarah Elbadri, City of Orlando

Mr. Russ Hauck City of Altamonte Springs

Mr. Mark Loeb, MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Christopher Maier, MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Robert McKey, MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Atlee Mercer, Osceola County

Ms. Theresa Mott, City of Apopka

Mr. R.J. Mueller, MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Thomas O'Hanlon, Seminole County

Mr. Brindley Pieters, Seminole County

Ms. Lisa Portelli, MetroPlan Appointee

Ms. Marissa Salas, MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Casmore Shaw, Osceola County

Mr. Dan Stephens, MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Tony Tizzio, Seminole County

Ms. Venise White, MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Scott Zubarik, MetroPlan Appointee

#### Members not in attendance were:

Fr. Jabriel Ballentine, Orange County

Ms. Keri Caffrey, MetroPlan Appointee

Ms. Karolyn Campbell, MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Tyghe (T.J.) Legacy-Cole,

MetroPlan Appointee

Mr. Brady Lessard, City of Sanford

Mr. Hector Lizasuain, Osceola County

Mr. Keith Trace, City of St. Cloud

Mr. Wade Vose, Orange County

Mr. Adam Valencic, MetroPlan Appointee

Vacant, City of Kissimmee

#### Others in attendance were:

Ms. Carol Scott, Florida's Turnpike Enterprise

Ms. Vickie Wyche, FDOT

Mr. Myles O'Keefe, LYNX

Mr. Doug Jamison, LYNX

Mr. Jeremy Dilmore, FDOT

Mr. Mike Ziarnek, FDOT

Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando

Mr. Nick Lepp, MetroPlan Orlando

Mr. Eric Hill, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Mary Ann Horne, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Robin Cusimano, MetroPlan orlando

Ms. Cynthia Lambert, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Cathy Goldfarb, MetroPlan Orlando

A complete listing of other attendees may be obtained upon request.

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Tom O'Hanlon called the Community Advisory Committee meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

#### II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman O'Hanlon led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### III. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

Chairman O'Hanlon commented that the abundance of flashing lights on non-emergency vehicles is troubling and poses a potential public safety risk. Ms. Marissa Salas commented that there are no regulations in place for lights on vehicles. Committee members questioned whether FDOT has any regulations in place in regards to vehicle lights. Ms. Vickie Wyche, FDOT, responded that she will research FDOT light regulations and provide that information to CAC members.

# IV. AGENDA REVIEW

Ms. Cynthia Lambert told CAC members that she appreciates CAC members attending the meeting at the FDOT Urban Office and a tour of the Traffic Management Center will be provided after the meeting. She introduced Ms. Vickie Wyche, representing FDOT District 5 and new MetroPlan Orlando staff member, Ms. Robin Cusimano. Ms. Lambert called attention to items in the supplemental folders which included a follow up memo regarding the suggestion of a MetroPlan Orlando grant program for bike share, SR 436 Study fact sheet, FDOT and Florida's Turnpike Enterprise Tentative Five-Year Work Program information and Long Range Transportation Plan information. She noted upcoming events which included the Osceola County launch for Best Foot Forward October 30th, 11:00 a.m. and the Commuter Rail Commission meeting November 1st, 3:00 p.m. at MetroPlan Orlando.

# V. CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Ms. Cathy Goldfarb confirmed that a quorum was present.

#### VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ACTION ITEMS

None.

#### VII. ACTION ITEMS

#### A. Approval of August 23, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Approval was requested of the August 23, 2017 meeting minutes, which were provided.

**MOTION:** Mr. Atlee Mercer moved approval of the August 23, 2017 meeting minutes.

Mr. Tony Tizzio seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

# B. FDOT Amendment to FY 2017/18 - 2021/22 Transportation Improvement Program

Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando staff, requested the CAC recommend that the FY 2017/18 - 2021/22 TIP be amended to include additional funding for an existing LYNX project, a new bike lane project, and various new TSMO projects throughout the MetroPlan Orlando region. A letter from FDOT explaining the amendment request was provided, along with a fact sheet prepared by MetroPlan Orlando staff and the draft resolution to be presented at the November 8th Board meeting. Mr. Caskey explained that twelve of the projects were being funded with MetroPaln Orlando SU funds.

MOTION: Mr. Dan Stephens moved approval of the amendments to the FY 2017/18 - 2021/22 TIP. Ms. Theresa Mott seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

#### C. Appointment of Officer Selection Subcommittee

Action was requested to approve the establishment of a subcommittee to select candidates to serve as the CAC Chairman and Vice-Chairman from January through December 2018. Ms. Cynthia Lambert requested volunteers to serve on the Officer Selection subcommittee which will meet November 29th immediately prior to the CAC meeting. She added that it would be preferable to have representation from each of the three counties on the subcommittee. Mr. Tony Tizzio, Mr. Dan Stephens, Mr. Scott Zubarik and Mr. Brindley Pieters volunteered to serve. Ms. Lambert noted that anyone interested in serving as an officer for 2018 please contact her.

**MOTION:** Mr. C. J. Maier moved approval of the Officer Selection Subcommittee. Mr. Tony Tizzio seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

# D. Approval of the Proposed 2018 Board/Committee Meeting Schedule

Approval was requested of the 2018 MetroPlan Orlando Advisory Board/Committee Meeting Schedule, a copy of which was provided.

MOTION: Mr. R. J. Mueller moved approval of the 2018 MetroPlan Orlando Advisory

Board/Committee Meeting Schedule. Mr. Atlee Mercer seconded the motion, which

passed unanimously.

#### VIII. PRESENTATIONS AND STATUS REPORTS

# A. Presentation on FY 2018/19 - 2022/23 Tentative Five Year Work Program

Ms. Mary Schoelzel, FDOT, and Ms. Carol Scott, Florida's Turnpike Enterprise, presented an overview of the new FY 2018/19 - 2022/23 Tentative Five Year Work Program, Ms. Marv Schoelzel told committee members that the information being presented was for FY 2019-2023. She reported that general revenue funding was down and there had been a 10-20% increase in construction costs, both of which were having an impact on projects. Ms. Schoelzel added that the priority was to stabilize the existing project list before new projects could be added to the Work Program and any deferred projects would have first priority to be added back in. She reviewed project changes for Orange, Osceola and Seminole counties. Mr. Atlee Mercer and Mr. Dan Stephens inquired about a proposed flyover on SR 600 (US 17-92) and if it was still being considered. Ms. Schoelzel responded that the flyover was still being looked at but she was unsure of when a decision would be made. She added that she will look into the project and report back. Ms. Schoelzel told CAC members that the Work Program Public hearing was held October 10th and they were still welcome to provide comments. Discussion ensued regarding a bridge project over Simpson Road, a proposed expressway on east SR 50 at SR 408 and SR 520 and how project funding decisions are made. Ms. Carol Scott reported that a proposed widening project will address the Simpson Road bridge issue and Florida's Turnpike Enterprise just received a notice to proceed on the project development study for east SR 50. Ms. Schoelzel responded that funding decisions were based on the priority list and equity issues in the funding area.

Ms. Carol Scott told CAC members that additional information on Turnpike projects, including a map, was included in the supplemental folders. She reported that funding for FTE projects came from toll revenue and bonds and that \$700 million in funding was being allocated to MetroPlan Orlando area projects. Ms. Scott reviewed projects in Florida's Turnpike Enterprise Five Year Work Program, which included the relocation of the tandem truck lot and \$210 million in resurfacing projects. Discussion ensued regarding the Leesburg toll plaza, bottleneck areas in Osceola County, and lack of an on-ramp at a new mall site. Chairman O'Hanlon commented how input from the public can impact transportation. Additional discussion ensued in regards to sprawl and the inevitable need for roads to provide connections.

#### B. Demonstration of New, Real-Time LYNX Bus Tracker App

Mr. Doug Jamison, LYNX, gave a brief demonstration of the new LYNX app to track buses. Mr. Jamison told CAC members that the app uses GPS technology to transmit bus location information and there is a web app and mobile app. He noted that LYNX is looking to provide the same type of tracking system for ACCESS LYNX in the future and NeighborLink already has it in use. Mr. Jamison added that LYNX is also developing See Something, Say Something to report crimes or suspicious activity and a mobile fare payment system, which is currently in testing. Discussion ensued regarding the ability to forward crime reporting to other entities, driver alarm system availability, time frame for NeigborLink reservations, bus stop access for tracking, a wayfinding option and what happens with riders' financial information. Mr. Jamison reported that the See Something Say Something report can be forwarded to other entities and the drivers have

silent alarms. He added that NeighborLink has two scheduling options either immediate or from two hours to seven days in advance, wayfinding is not part of the system at this time and financial information is handled by another company, which is compliant with regulations concerning financial information. Mr. Jamison noted that 4,521 people have already downloaded the app so far prior to LYNX publicizing it. Additional discussion ensued in regards to working with municipalities and trip planning for ACCESS LYNX. Mr. Jamison told committee members that LYNX has an open dialogue with municipalities on a monthly basis and trip planning for ACCESS LYNX is not yet available.

# C. Presentation on SR 436 Transit Corridor Study

Mr. Myles O'Keefe, LYNX, gave a presentation on LYNX's SR 436 Transit Corridor Study. Mr. O'Keefe reviewed the study area, project goals, study schedule, existing conditions, traffic patterns and infrastructure. In addition, he reviewed the corridor auto volume, average travel speeds, transit ridership, cost effectiveness of the ridership and existing and potential riders. Mr. O'Keefe noted that health aspects for the study area had been included from the beginning instead of being considered post study. He provided information on the tiered alternatives analysis and reviewed the types of alternatives that could be considered. Mr. O'Keefe called attention to the website for the study, lynxsr436.metroquest.com, which included a survey.

# D. Presentation on 2040 LRTP Amendments - deferred

#### E. Presentation on Safety & Technology Grant

Mr. Jeremy Dilmore, FDOT, gave an overview of the \$11.9 million grant recently received by Central Florida to advance several intelligent transportation system technologies. A fact sheet was provided. Mr. Dilmore explained the difference between connected and autonomous vehicles. He told CAC members that the grant was a collaborative effort between FDOT, MetroPlan Orlando and the University of Central Florida. He reviewed the four main components of the grant which included SunStore, which exists currently, PedSafe, Green Way and Smart Community. Mr. Dilmore gave his presentation twice so that half the committee at a time could participate in a tour of the Traffic Management Center. Discussion ensued, when the CAC members all returned from the tour, regarding software updates and crash data, last mile connectivity including bikeshare, transit kiosk availability and the modes of communication that would be available. Mr. Dilmore told CAC members that they are using public sector, open source data, crash data is already integrated and Juice Bike and Zipcar are already included in last mile connectivity. He added that there is a large percentage of people who don't have a smartphone and would need to use the kiosk, but that they would be mindful in the future of changes that would impact kiosk use. All modes of communication, he reported, would be available through local fiber optic network sharing. Chairman O'Hanlon commented on the great cooperative effort on the part of local officials.

#### IX. GENERAL INFORMATION

#### A. FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report

The latest FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report for the Orlando area was provided.

#### B. FDOT Quarterly Variance Report

The latest FDOT Quarterly Variance Report for the Orlando area was provided.

#### C. Board Action on Emergency TIP Amendment

The MetroPlan Orlando Board approved an emergency amendment to the TIP at its October 11<sup>th</sup> meeting to add construction funding for the Wekiva Parkway project from Orange Boulevard to I-4. The letter, fact sheet and TIP amendment resolution signed by the Board Chairman were provided.

# D. Approved 2018 Legislative Priorities

The MetroPlan Orlando Board's approved legislative priorities for 2018 were available to be viewed here: <a href="https://metroplanorlando.org/wp-content/uploads/ADOPTED-2018-Legislative-Positions-and-Priorities.pdf">https://metroplanorlando.org/wp-content/uploads/ADOPTED-2018-Legislative-Positions-and-Priorities.pdf</a>.

# E. SUN Trail Five Year Work Program Development Cycle

An attachment regarding the inclusion of the Shared-Use Nonmotorized (SUN) Trail program in the development cycle for FDOT's Tentative Five Year Work Program was provided.

#### F. MetroPlan Orlando Board Highlights

A copy of the October 11, 2017 Board Meeting Highlights was provided.

#### X. UPCOMING MEETINGS OF INTEREST

# A. Next Community Advisory Committee meeting

The next CAC meeting was scheduled on November 29, 2017. Please note that this would be the last meeting of the year.

#### XI. MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Russ Hauck commented on the success of the City of Altamonte Springs' pilot project with Uber, which other cities have now joined in on. He felt it would be beneficial for other areas to look at implementing a similar program.

#### XII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (GENERAL)

None.

#### XIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:47 a.m.

Respectfully transcribed and submitted by Ms. Cathy Goldfarb, MetroPlan Orlando.

Approved this 29th day of November 2017.

Mr. Tom O'Hanlon, Chairperson

Ms. Cathy Goldfarb,

Senior Board Services Coordinator

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