



# **AGENDA**

January 13, 2017 • 10:00 a.m.



## MEETING NOTICE

Please be advised that the next Central Florida MPO Alliance meeting will be held on:

**Date:** Friday, January 13, 2017

**Time:** 10:00 a.m.

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

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## AGENDA

*Honorable Kathy Meehan, presiding*

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- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Introductions
- IV. Chairman's Announcements
- V. Public Comment on Action Items

People wishing to comment on Action Items must complete a "Speakers Introduction Card" at the reception desk. Each speaker is limited to two minutes.

## VI. Reports

**TAB 1**

### a. Delegation Reports (Info only)

- Lake-Sumter MPO Report
- MetroPlan Orlando Report
- Ocala/Marion TPO Report
- Polk TPO Report
- Space Coast TPO Report
- River to Sea TPO Report

**b. FDOT District Reports**

- District I
- District V
- Florida's Turnpike Enterprise

**VII. Action Items**

**a. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

**TAB 2**

Action is requested for approval of the October 14, 2016 Central Florida MPO Alliance meeting minutes.

**b. Approval of the REVISED 2017 Quarterly Meeting Schedule**

**TAB 3**

A request was made TBARTA to move the joint meeting date from July to June. Staff requests approval to revise the meeting to June 16, 2017.

**c. Approval of 2017 CFMPOA Legislative Priorities**

**Tab 4**

Presenter: Ms. Virginia Whittington

**d. Central Florida MPO Alliance LRTP Update**

Presenter: Mr. TJ Fish

**VIII. Presentations/Discussion**

**a. Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Final Rule**

Presenter: Mr. T.J. Fish

Mr. T.J. Fish will update the Alliance on the new USDOT Metropolitan Planning Organization Coordination and Planning Area Reform final rule.

**b. Discussion on Inventory of Rest Areas**

**Tab 5**

Presenter: Mr. Harry Barley/Ms. Lois Bollenback

At the October Alliance meeting, discussion ensued regarding a request for FDOT/D5 to take the lead on a study of truck rest stop areas in the 10-county area covered by the Central Florida MPO Alliance. Staff will provide an update on the request and report out on action taken by the River-to-Sea TPO and Volusia County Council.

**IX. Other Business**

None

**X. Information Items**

None

**XI. Member Comments**

**XII. Public Comments**

People wishing to speak must complete a “Speakers Introduction Card” at the reception desk. Each speaker is limited to two minutes.

**XIII. Next meeting – April 21, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.  
MetroPlan Orlando**

**XIV. Adjournment**

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**TAB I**



## MetroPlan Orlando Delegation Report

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### ITS Master Plan

MetroPlan Orlando is completing an Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Master Plan to evaluate the current systems in the planning area, determine future needs and formulate an implementation strategy for the future deployment and maintenance of the ITS. It will ensure conformity with federal and state requirements, account for emerging technologies in vehicles and devices used in transportation infrastructure and communication systems. Several tasks have been completed, including: establishment of the Vision, Goals and Objectives; documentation of existing ITS conditions; identification of ITS needs and strategies; review of ITS Architecture and concept of operations. The project is in its final phase and will be completed in early 2017.

### Traffic Signal Retiming Contract

Through our coordination with the Department, and at their request, MetroPlan Orlando will now be managing the traffic signal retiming contracts for the agencies in our planning area that maintain traffic signals. Staff has issued work orders for the consultant teams to begin data collection, analysis of signal timing and intersection operations. This work is under contract to Faller Davis, HDR and Alberk Gerkin.

### Complete Streets

This month, MetroPlan Orlando will start implementing its draft Complete Streets policy. The Corrine Drive Complete Streets Study is a pilot project to test specific policy language and assess policy implementation options throughout the region. The study is utilizing the latest technology, such as Bluetooth sensors, AirSage data, and crowdsourcing tools, to assess how people use the corridor.

### Health and Transportation

MetroPlan Orlando recently completed a health-focused audit as part of its new initiative to integrate health considerations into the regional transportation planning process. The audit analyzed five documents: Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), Strategic Business Plan, Freight Plan, Prioritized Project List (PPL), and the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). They were examined for if and how they included a reference to health concerns. As we pursue a Health in all Policies through Transportation Planning approach, this information is a baseline for measuring progress.

### Orange Avenue Corridor Study

MetroPlan Orlando is working on the Orange Avenue Corridor study between Pineloch Avenue and Hoffner Avenue. FDOT completed similar studies on the Northern Section for the City of Orlando and the Southern Section for Orange County. Current activity includes development of alternatives for

short-term and long term improvements. Some of the components include wider bike lanes, access management improvements to allow for landscaped medians, and improvements to pedestrian facilities. The proposed alternatives also address long-term traffic operations at the Gatlin/Holden intersection and changes to land use guidelines that are needed to support the long term transportation recommendations. Recommended Alternatives will be presented to the City of Edgewood and to the MetroPlan Orlando Board and Committees Winter of 2017. With the completion of the Pineloch Avenue to Hoffner Avenue (middle) section, MetroPlan Orlando can begin working with FDOT and the regional partners on combining the three studies and implementing complete street improvements on Orange Avenue.

## Travel Data Program

The Travel Data Program adopted by MetroPlan Orlando provides a first step to assess how well big datasets can help inform land use and transportation decision- making in the region. MetroPlan Orlando recently acquired two months of AirSage analytics data to explore how this dataset can be best managed for trend tracking, and to identify various types of analyses that can help support the region's current transportation planning and decision making. The intent of this program is to yield more accurate analyses and results which may mean more operational efficiencies, cost reductions, and reduced risks for MetroPlan and its partner agencies. The program has also led to the development of a web-based presentation tool that enables dicing and slicing of the AirSage dataset. Phase III is currently underway which includes building upon this dataset with travel time and distance information by mode to provide valuable transportation characteristics for plans and studies.

## Work and Other Studies:

- Regional Freight Routing Study [completed]
- Project Prioritization Process Update [completed]
- Trail Traffic Control Study and Action Plan [completed]
- Annual Travel Time and Delay Study
- Regional Origin and Destination Analysis using Cellular Data
- Work Zone Impact Strategy Estimator (WISE)
- Data Development for the Central Florida Regional Planning Model (CFRPM)



## **DELEGATION REPORT**

### **January 2017**

#### *Heart of Florida Loop Trail*

Design/build contracts have been awarded for 2 segments of the Heart of Florida Loop Trail, the Santos Gap and the Land Bridge Gap. The construction is scheduled to begin in March.

#### *ITS Master Plan*

A scope of services is being developed for the ITS Master Plan

#### *Transit Development Plan*

Tindale Oliver is under contract to start the update of the Transit Development Plan and Transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan Update. Upcoming activities include public outreach, ridership surveys, and route analysis.

#### *Transit Shelter Installation*

*Eleven locations and design for new transit shelters have been identified and approved by the TPO Board and the bid process is underway for construction.*

#### *MYSTOP Apps & Texting Services*

This app provided by Avail technologies allows transit riders to locate bus locations in real time on their mobile phones. The soft update (for staff) was installed on January 10th and the systemwide update will go into effect on January 16th.

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# Polk Transportation Planning Organization

## **Polk TPO Report**

**December 2016**

**FASTLANE Grant Application** – The Polk TPO provided support to the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District One in its preparation of a FASTLANE Grant Application for the Central Florida Freight Corridor which includes multimodal improvements to US 27 and SR 60. The TPO Board endorsed the application at its December meeting.

**Community Forum on Senior Mobility** – The TPO partnered with community transportation providers to host a forum on senior mobility with an emphasis on how volunteer transportation services can help to overcome obstacles to mobility.

**Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Team** – The TPO partnered Polk Vision to form a Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Team to implement the newly developed Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Action Plans. This new team begins monthly meetings in January 2017.

**My Ride Transit Development Plan Update** – The update to the current ten year transit development plan is ongoing. This study effort includes the development of a new methodology for senior mobility audits – a review of the mobility options for areas of the county with a high concentration of senior residents.

**Sidewalk Coverage Around Public Schools** – The TPO Board approved a contract for consultant services to evaluate the sidewalk coverage around more than 100 public schools in Polk County. This study effort will also include an analysis of available street lighting.



**January 13, 2017**  
**DELEGATION REPORT**

- **2016 Public Participation Plan**

In December, the TPO adopted its 2016 Public Participation Plan. The Plan was updated to include new language from the FAST Act and to incorporate better measures of effectiveness for public involvement. TPO Staff is currently developing an orientation program for committee and board members.

- **State of the System Report**

Each year the TPO prepares a "State of the System Report" summarizing the performance of transportation variables. The report provides technical analysis to support the Project Priorities.

This year's report includes a new section on evaluating the performance of corridors as a whole, not as just individual segments. Looking at major corridors provides a comprehensive approach to seeing how the entire system is functioning and how all types of plans (ITS, Bike/Ped, Transit, etc.) are being integrated. Reviewing corridors in such a manner is in line with how the TPO's 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan was developed.



## **River to Sea TPO's Delegation Report to the Central Florida MPO Alliance January 2017**

### **Planning Projects – Underway and Upcoming**

- **SR A1A Pedestrian Safety and Mobility Study** – The R2CTPO completed a pedestrian mobility and safety study for SR/CR A1A throughout the entire 51 mile planning area boundary. The initial effort included detailed field reviews of six high crash locations with FDOT following up with three additional locations. A follow-up corridor plan is being pursued by FDOT to include SR A1A throughout the R2C and Space Coast TPO areas to include additional recommendations considering complete streets applications.
- **Sea Level Rise & Storm Surge Vulnerability Assessment** – The R2CTPO is working with the ECFRPC to complete a vulnerability assessment of transportation facilities for the impacts of sea level rise along with a storm surge. The importance of this was evidenced recently during hurricane Matthew when portions of SR A1A were closed due to erosion from the Atlantic Ocean.
- **Crash Analysis Report** – As a result of observations noted in the Congestion Management & Performance Measures Report, a more detailed analysis of crash data including a focus on intersection crashes is being completed. The final report will be adopted in February 2016.
- **Transit Development** – R2CTPO staff are assisting Flagler County Public Transit (FCPT) in the development of a detailed implementation plan for initiating fixed route bus service. A starting date is not yet known.
- **Bus Stop Improvement Plan** - R2CTPO staff are assisting Votran in a review of transit stops to identify and prioritize improvements needed to comply with ADA provisions and to improve the safety and accessibility of fixed route transit service.
- **Accessible Pedestrian Signal (APS) Action Plan** – The TPO is evaluating intersections to identify safety and accessibility improvements for persons with disabilities. Adoption is expected in March 2017.
- **I-95 to SR 417 Connector Environmental Analysis** – In partnership with Florida's Turnpike Enterprise, R2CTPO is initiating an environmental evaluation of alternatives for an east-west transportation corridor in Southeast Volusia County. The planning effort will continue through December 2017.
- **Flagler County School Safety Studies** – The R2CTPO is conducting evaluations of safety and accessibility surrounding elementary and middle schools in the expanded planning area in Flagler County.
- **Intelligent Technology System (ITS) Planning** – The R2CTPO is set to amend the UPWP to add funding that will support the development a coordinated masterplan to continue the deployment of ITS technology. The planning effort will continue through December 2017.

**SUNTrail Program Funding Announcement** -- The R2CTPO is providing ongoing support for the continued development of 14 SUNTrail projects within the planning area as part of the St. Johns River to Sea Loop.

Beverly Beach  
Daytona Beach  
Daytona Beach Shores  
DeBary

DeLand  
Deltona  
Edgewater  
Flagler Beach

Holly Hill  
Lake Helen  
New Smyrna Beach  
Oak Hill

Orange City  
Ormond Beach  
Pierson  
Ponce Inlet

Port Orange  
South Daytona  
Volusia County

**TAB 2**



**Central Florida MPO Alliance  
Meeting Minutes**

Friday, October 14, 2016

MetroPlan Orlando  
David L. Grovdahl Board Room  
250 S. Orange Avenue, Suite 200  
Orlando, Florida 32801

Chairman Scott Boyd, presiding

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**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Honorable Leslie Campione  
Honorable Pat Kelley  
Honorable Sean Parks for  
Honorable Ray Goodgame  
Honorable John Horan  
Honorable Scott Boyd  
Honorable Lee Constantine  
Honorable Roy Tyler  
Honorable Lita Handy-Peters  
Honorable Kathy Meehan  
Honorable Tres Holton  
Honorable T. Patrick O'Neill

**REPRESENTING:**

Lake-Sumter MPO  
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MetroPlan Orlando  
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MetroPlan Orlando  
Polk TPO  
River to Sea TPO  
Space Coast TPO  
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**MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE:**

Honorable Cheryl Grieb  
Honorable Kathy Bryant  
Honorable Carl Zalak  
Honorable James Hilty  
Honorable Pat Huff  
Honorable Collins Smith  
Honorable Deb Denys  
Honorable Leigh Matusick

MetroPlan Orlando  
Ocala/Marion County TPO  
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Ocala/Marion County TPO  
Polk TPO  
Polk TPO  
River to Sea TPO  
River to Sea TPO

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Ms. Virginia Whittington  
Mr. Harry Barley  
Mr. T. J. Fish  
Mr. John Voges  
Mr. Ronnie Blackshear  
Ms. Georganna Gillette  
Ms. Lois Bollenback  
Ms. Carol Scott  
Secretary Noranne Downs

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Ocala/Marion County TPO  
Polk TPO  
Space Coast TPO  
River to Sea TPO  
Florida's Turnpike Enterprise  
FDOT - District V

Ms. Laura Herrscher  
Ms. Jennifer Stults  
Ms. Kellie Smith  
Mr. David Cooke  
Mr. Nicholas Finch

FDOT - District I  
Florida's Turnpike Enterprise  
FDOT - District V  
FDOT - District V  
Federal Highway Administration

A complete list of all others in attendance may be obtained upon request.

**I. Call to Order**

Chairman Scott Boyd called the October 14, 2016 Central Florida MPO Alliance meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

Commissioner Sean Parks led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. Introductions**

Chairman Boyd welcomed everyone and invited Alliance members to introduce themselves.

**IV. Chairman's Announcements**

Chairman Boyd had no announcements

**V. Public Comment on Action Items**

Mr. Larry Dale, 3400 Celery Ave., Sanford, FL 32771, commented that he represents property owners who are looking to form a public private partnership to put a truck stop and a high-end mixed use development in the I-4 and SR 44 area.

Mr. J. Christy Wilson III, 1008 Ridgecrest Rd., Orlando, FL 32806, commented that he is an attorney and a group he represents owns 100 acres in the southeast quadrant of SR 44 and I-4 that they would like to develop into a rest area with 60 spaces for trucks along with additional amenities. He told CFMPOA members that representatives for the property owners have met with FDOT for a number of years regarding this proposed project and they have also sought input from local municipalities, however, the project has received a negative response from Volusia County. The property owners, he stated, would donate the truck parking spaces to FDOT in exchange for minor road work and access changes that are needed. Mr. Wilson added that the property is in unincorporated Volusia County and is next to the fairgrounds so it would be a good fit for the proposed project.

Discussion ensued regarding discussion with Volusia County, discussion with representatives from the trucking industry, and the type of mixed use development planned. Mr. Wilson responded that they had not made a formal project presentation to Volusia County and they had not spoken to trucking industry representatives. He added that they had not finalized plans but were open to multifamily, retail and commercial development for the site. Chairman

Boyd asked what role MetroPlan Orlando staff was playing in the truck stop discussion. Mr. Barley responded that the truck stop issue had been brought up at the July CFMPOA meeting and had also been the basis of CFMPOA staff director's discussion. He added that he had spoken to a representative from the trucking association, Mr. Ken Armstrong, and they were interested in working together on the rest area requirements, since it is a major issue for the industry. Discussion ensued regarding looking at options with FDOT district-wide and local freight coordinators, engaging the private sector and trucking associations, and focusing efforts on the interstates and turnpike facilities. Commissioner Constantine noted the first step should be to look at what is needed since the current Longwood rest stop is inadequate and a new location needs to be found. Ms. Lois Bollenback commented that River to Sea TPO was not included in the initial discussions regarding relocating the Longwood rest stop and they would welcome being part of a broader look at rest stop locations. Secretary Downs told CFMPOA members that the relocation efforts started as a concept study and FDOT had been working on the SR 44 site for a number of years but Volusia County had not been in favor. She added that FDOT was available to help with the issue, they just needed direction in order to take the necessary steps to budget and schedule a project once it is identified. Additional discussion ensued regarding identifying needs, engaging the private sector, and direct contact with the trucking industry. It was noted that Mr. Nicholas Finch, Federal Highway Administration staff at the Orlando office, is aware of the issue and is working with FDOT. Mr. T.J. Fish suggested a task force be formed to address the truck stop issue and engage the private sector.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Lee Constantine moved for approval of requesting FDOT/D5 take the lead on a study of truck rest stop areas in the 10-county area covered by the Central Florida MPO Alliance. This should be done in cooperation with the members of the Central Florida MPO Alliance, the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council and the trucking industry. This should cover facilities serving our interstate highways (I-4, I-75 and I-95) and facilities owned and operated by Florida's Turnpike Enterprise. The study should inventory current capacity, evaluate current adequacy and forecast future needs based on freight studies that have been conducted in recent years. The end product should be an action plan that can be implemented to meet the identified needs. It was also recommended that this become a legislative priority for the Central Florida MPO Alliance since the Legislature may need to approve changes in how FDOT funds are programmed to meet these needs. Councilman Tres Holton seconded the motion; which carried unanimously.

## **VI. Reports**

Chairman Boyd called attention to written delegation reports which had been provided for information only.

### **a. Delegation Reports**

- Lake-Sumter MPO Report
- MetroPlan Orlando Report
- Ocala/Marion TPO Report

- Space Coast TPO Report
- River to Sea TPO Report

**b. FDOT District Reports**

Ms. Laura Herrscher, FDOT District I reported that District I began their presentations for their new work program and online public hearings for the new work program will be held October 17<sup>th</sup> through October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Secretary Noranne Downs, FDOT District V, reported that there are a number of letting/construction dates for the Wekiva Parkway projects scheduled for 2016 and early 2017. Sections 4A and 4B are currently open and there were some new wildlife treatments used on those sections. Secretary Downs told CFMPOA members that there have been many changes on the I-4 Orlando section already as a result of the I-4 Ultimate project. The project is 32% completed and on schedule to open in 2021. She added that 183 companies are working on the project and over 1,077 workers. District V, she reported, continues to work on maintaining both 9.91% Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) and 3% small business goals. Commissioner Boyd suggested scheduling a tour of the I-4 project for committee members.

Ms. Carol Scott, Florida's Turnpike Enterprise (FTE), reported that District I is developing their tentative work program and they recently presented it to the Polk TPO. She noted that the Turnpike would be presenting their new tentative work program during the months of November, December 2016 and January 2017.

**VII. Action Items**

**a. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

Action was requested for approval of the July 15, 2016 Central Florida MPO Alliance meeting minutes.

**MOTION:** Mayor Kathy Meehan moved approval of the July 15, 2016 meeting minutes. Commissioner Leslie Campione seconded the motion; which carried unanimously.

**b. Approval of the 2017 Quarterly Meeting Schedule**

**MOTION:** Mayor Kathy Meehan moved approval of the 2017 meeting schedule. Councilman T. Patrick O'Neill seconded the motion; which carried unanimously.



**c. Election of 2017 Officers**

At the last meeting in each calendar year, members of the Central Florida MPO Alliance select one of its members as Chairperson, another member as Vice-Chairperson, and a third member as Secretary. These three officers shall serve a term of one year until their successors are selected. A history of the Alliance officers was provided for use and information. Based on the history of officers, the 2017 slate of officers should include a representative from Space Coast TPO as Chairman, Lake-Sumter MPO as Vice-Chair and River to Sea TPO as Secretary. Election of officers results are as follows:

**MOTION:** Councilman T. Patrick O'Neill nominated Mayor Kathy Meehan to serve as CFMPOA Chairman for 2017. Councilman Tres Holton seconded the motion; which carried unanimously.

**MOTION:** Mayor Pat Kelley nominated Commissioner Leslie Campione to serve as CFMPOA Vice-Chairman for 2017. Commissioner Sean Parks seconded the motion; which carried unanimously.

**MOTION:** Council Member Lita Handy-Peters nominated Council Member Deb Denys to serve as CFMPOA Secretary for 2017. Commissioner Scott Boyd seconded the motion; which carried unanimously.

**d. Approval of Amended and Restated CFMPOA Interlocal Agreement**

A review of the Central Florida MPO Alliance Interlocal Agreement necessitated updates that required approval by each respective Board. The update incorporated changes that have occurred since the Interlocal Agreement was first adopted in 2005 and revised in 2012. These include organizational names and address changes, changes in legal advertisements and posting notices requirements, Executive Director voting and annual member contributions. Each respective M/TPO Board had approved the revisions and designated a signatory. Ms. Virginia Whittington requested the CFMPOA Board for approval of the final Amended and Restated CFMPOA Interlocal Agreement. Following approval, designated signatories were asked to sign the final document.

**MOTION:** Commissioner John Horan moved approval of the Amended and Restated CFMPOA Interlocal Agreement. Commissioner Leslie Campione seconded the motion; which carried unanimously.

**e. Approval of CFMPOA Priority Projects List**

Mr. T.J. Fish requested approval by the CFMPOA of the final Central Florida MPO Alliance (CFMPOA) Prioritized Project List, which included a list of highway, trail and transit projects that are of regional significance. Each respective M/TPO Board has approved the draft priority projects lists.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Leslie Campione moved approval of the Central Florida MPO Alliance (CFMPOA) Prioritized Project List. Mayor Pat Kelley seconded the motion; which carried unanimously.

## **VIII. Presentations/Discussion**

### **a. I-75 Relief Task Force Update**

Ms. Jennifer Fortunas, FDOT Systems Planning Office, provided an update on results of the I-75 Relief Study. Ms. Fortunas told CFMPOA members that the I-75 corridor was not typical in the types of congestion experienced. She reported that the I-75 Relief Task Force was established by FDOT Secretary Boxold in 2015 to look at how to provide relief to congestion and improve connectivity. The Task Force, she reported, was tasked with looking at the current state of the I-75 corridor and look at new transportation facilities and projections for the future. Ms. Fortunas added that the Task Force is currently in the consensus building stage and will be looking at parallel corridors and strategies to mitigate non-recurring congestion. Discussion ensued regarding critical freight corridors identified and truck stop issues, ideas to relieve alternate congestion that may occur or has occurred in the past, and how to balance the conflict between access to and mobility through with local government and transportation agencies. Ms. Fortunas noted that FDOT is focused on the Complete Streets policy which provides the process and tools to assist with the “through” and “to” issues.

### **b. Central Florida Regional Transit Study Update Presenter: Virginia L. Whittington**

Ms. Virginia L. Whittington, Project Manager, provided an overview and status report on the East Central Florida Corridor Task Force Regional Transit Study. Ms. Whittington told CFMPOA members that there were nine recommendations for the study with number five being to develop a regional transit system plan. She noted that there was a resolution to move forward with the study and broaden it to all CFMPOA areas. Hansen, had been selected as the lead consultant for the study and a kick-off Project Advisory Group meeting would be held following the CFMPOA meeting. A one-page outline was provided in the supplemental folders.

## **IX. Other Business**

### **a. Potential 2017 Legislative Priorities**

A copy of the 2016 CFMPOA Legislative Priorities and Positions was provided for use and information. Each respective M/TPO is in the process of adopting 2017 policies and positions. Once approved the lists will be reviewed and combined. Staff sought direction from CFMPOA members on any potential priorities prior to adoption of the 2017 priorities at the January Alliance meeting.

**b. Regional Inventory of Rest Areas – taken out of order**

**c. Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Comment Period Extended**

Mr. T.J. Fish updated the Alliance on the extended comment period for the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking. He provided a map which showed the potential repercussions if M/TPOs were merged as a result of the Proposed Rulemaking efforts.

**X. Information Items**

**a. TRIP List/Doc Stamps Tax Revenue**

As a follow-up to discussion that took place at the July Alliance meeting, the attached information had been provided about funding for the TRIP program.

**XI. Member Comments**

None.

**XII. Public Comments**

None.

### XIII. Adjournment

Mr. Harry Barley, MetroPlan Orlando, called attention to Commissioner Boyd upcoming retirement from the Orange County Board of County Commissioners and thanked him for his service.

Commissioner Sean Parks thanked Commissioner Boyd for his outreach efforts in Lake County

Commissioner Lee Constantine thanked Commissioner Boyd for his work on the Regional Planning Council.

There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m. Respectfully transcribed by Cathy Goldfarb, Deputy Clerk, MetroPlan Orlando.

Central Florida MPO Alliance

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Hon. Kathy Meehan, Chairman

Attest:

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Cathy Goldfarb, Deputy Clerk

*Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, states that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by a board, agency, or commission with respect to any matter considered at a meeting or hearing, he will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.*

**TAB 3**



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## 2017 Quarterly Meeting Schedule

(All meetings are scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m.)

**LOCATION:** MetroPlan Orlando <sup>(1)</sup>  
250 S. Orange Avenue, Suite 200  
Orlando, FL 32801

### Date

January 13, 2017

April 21, 2017<sup>(2)</sup>

June 16, 2017 <sup>(3)</sup> \*

October 13, 2017

### NOTES:

- (1) All meetings will be held at MetroPlan Orlando with the exception of the July meeting.
- (2) Meeting date has been adjusted due to a logistics conflict.
- (3) Location to be determined. The summer meeting (June) is designated as the annual joint meeting with the Tampa Bay Area Regional Transportation Authority (TBARTA)/Chairs Coordinating Committee.

*(\*The summer meeting has been scheduled for June instead of July at the request of our TBARTA partners.)*

**TAB 4**



**DRAFT**

## **2017 Legislative Session Transportation Priorities**

### **Safety**

#### **Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety**

Support legislation that increases funding to improve bicycle and pedestrian safety awareness programs, facility improvements, and seeks to reduce bicycle and pedestrian injuries and fatalities statewide. This includes support for reexamining current legislation to strengthen laws to protect bicyclists and pedestrians.

#### **Strengthen Ban on Use of Hand-held Electronic Devices While Driving**

Support legislation that reduces distracted driving by regulating as a primary offense the use of electronic wireless communications devices and other similar distracting devices while operating a motor vehicle.

Currently a secondary offense, the use of electronic wireless devices while driving leads to distracted drivers who may be manually texting, emailing, messaging, or utilizing the device without the hands-free feature. Bills increasing the penalty have been introduced in 2014 and 2015. The strengthening of the 2013 “Florida Ban on Texting While Driving Law” by establishing the violation as a primary offense would lead to stronger enforcement.

### **Funding**

#### **Identify Resources for the Maintenance and Preservation the States SUN Trail System**

During the 2015 legislative session, the Florida Shared-Use Non-motorized Trail (SUNTrail) network was established. The Central Florida MPO Alliance supports this program and our partners are currently developing projects that will help to complete the Coast to Coast Trail as well as the St. Johns River to Sea Loop Trail. We recognize, however, that preservation of transportation infrastructure is a key requirement of program and the Alliance supports efforts to plan for and direct funding to ensure these statewide assets are maintained over time.

#### **Enhance and Protect the State Transportation Trust Fund and Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund**

In addition to revenues generated by transportation-related surcharges already directed outside the Transportation Trust Fund, millions of transportation dollars have been diverted from the Transportation Trust Fund for other purposes. Overall, such diversions and lost revenues degrade the state’s infrastructure and impact Central Florida’s competitiveness for federal discretionary funding. Likewise, negative impacts to the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund should also be discouraged.



## **Amend Charter County and Regional Transportation System Surtax to Make Eligible to all Counties with an MPO**

The current legislation allows a surtax to be taken before voters as a referendum to fund transportation projects through an up to one percent consumption tax. The law has evolved through the last 25 years to now be eligible to all charter counties, as well as to any non-charter county that is part of a Regional Transportation Authority. The transportation surtax is an appropriate referendum option for urban counties and therefore should be extended to all counties served by a metropolitan planning organization in order to provide funding for cost-feasible transportation plans.

### **The CFMPOA will support legislation that:**

- Increases and stabilizes funding for the Transportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP) to promote regional planning and project development.
- Authorizes a local option rental car surcharge (implemented through a public referendum) with proceeds committed to regional transportation projects.
- Preserves transportation funding and provides greater flexibility of funding options at the state and local level that support the transportation system.
- Allows up to a one-cent municipal option sales tax for cities with population in excess of 150,000 (or the largest municipality in a county).
- Allows for indexing of local option fuel taxes to CPI, consistent with indexing allowed for state fuel taxes.
- Allows Strategic Intermodal System (SIS) funds to be used on roads and other transportation facilities not designated on the SIS if the improvements will relieve congestion on the SIS.
- Preserves the existing coordinated system for paratransit service.
- Advances Florida's Comprehensive, Statewide Rail System Plan.
- Continues investments in Space Transportation Infrastructure.
- Prohibits additional increases in federal truck weight limits in the State of Florida.

**The CFMPOA will monitor legislation that:**

- Seeks to alter or repeal Red Light Camera Enforcement legislation.
- Proposes to establish Tax Increment Financing (TIF) districts associated with expressway or passenger rail corridors for the purposes of financing the debt issued to pay for the project.
- Negatively Impacts Funding for the Central Florida Coast-to-Coast Trail and Other Regional Trail Projects such as the Heart of Florida Loop
- Legislation on Developments of Regional Impact (DRIs)

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**TAB 5**



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June 20, 2016

Ms. Noranne Downs, P.E.  
District Five Secretary  
Florida Department of Transportation  
719 South Woodland Boulevard  
DeLand, FL 32720

Subject: The FDOT Site Analysis Study for I-4 Corridor Truck Service Plaza

Dear Ms. Downs,

It's been brought to our attention that a study was undertaken by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District Five office to evaluate potential relocation sites along I-4 within the River to Sea Transportation Planning Organization (R2CTPO) planning area. This letter is to communicate clearly that, at their May 25, 2016 meeting, the R2CTPO Board voted unanimously to oppose the relocation of the Richey Green Rest Area to any of the locations included in the Site Analysis for I-4 Corridor Truck Service Plaza report.

Although the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan and activities of the TPO have included close coordination with the FDOT Freight Coordinator, the possible location of a truck service plaza along I-4 has never been considered and is inconsistent with the visions of the TPO and with those of our local government partners.



It is also with some disappointment that we learned of this study only when presentations of the completed analysis were scheduled with various local government partners within the TPO planning area. We value our relationship with the FDOT and appreciate the role of the FDOT-MPO Liaison. I hope that future studies regarding transportation within our planning area begin with some notification.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,  


Pat Patterson, R2CTPO Chairman

CC: Lois Bollenback  
Alan Hyman, P.E. FDOT

<b>Date:</b> 12/08/2016		<b>AGENDA ITEM</b>		<b>Item:</b> 07
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<b>Department:</b> Legal Department				
<b>Division:</b> Legal				
<b>Subject:</b> Resolution opposing truck service plaza on Interstate 4 in Volusia County.				
Daniel D. Eckert Director Legal Department 		Legal  Jamie E. Seaman County Attorney 	County Manager's Office  Donna de Peyster Deputy County Manager 	
Department Approval				
Division Approval		Approved as to Form and Legality		
<b>Council Action:</b>				
<b>Modification:</b>				
<b>Account Number(s):</b> NA				
<b>Total Item Budget:</b> NA				
<b>Staff Contact(s):</b> Jamie E. Seaman		<b>Phone:</b> 386 736 5950	<b>Ext.</b>	
<b>Summary/Highlights:</b> In May 2016, the county council became aware of a site analysis for a truck service plaza on Interstate 4 (I-4) being conducted by the Florida Department of Transportation. The county council sent a letter to Secretary Downs advising FDOT that a truck service plaza would be contrary to the county's economic development efforts and planning for the I-4 interchanges.  A proposal to place a truck service plaza on I-4 in Volusia County was raised at a meeting of the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council. The attached resolution sets forth the county's opposition to a truck service plaza as it is antithetical to the county's and the cities' planning and economic interest.				
<b>Recommended Motion:</b> Approval.				

**RESOLUTION 2016 - \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA, OPPOSING A TRUCK SERVICE PLAZA ON THE INTERSTATE 4 CORRIDOR WITHIN VOLUSIA COUNTY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the County of Volusia has determined that the interchanges of the interstate highways that traverse the county are essential to its economic vitality; and

**WHEREAS**, the interchanges are critically important points of regional and interregional economic connectivity vital to attracting private sector companies and creating high value jobs; and

**WHEREAS**, the interchanges at Interstate 4 and State Road 472 (I-4/SR472) and Interstate 4 and State Road 44 (I-4/SR44) offer prime economic development sites for advanced technology, healthcare, complex manufacturing, corporate headquarters, wholesale trade, and distribution; and

**WHEREAS**, the interchanges are gateways to the cities of Deltona, Orange City, DeLand, and New Smyrna Beach; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Volusia has planned these interchanges for these purposes in coordination with the municipalities; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Deltona has approved and development has commenced for a regional medical complex at the I-4/SR472 interchange; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Volusia established a manufacturing complex at the I-4/SR44 interchange; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Volusia, in partnership with Team Volusia, proactively markets the interchanges as logistically superb in their efficiency to support supply chain operations and labor market accessibility; and

**WHEREAS**, a truck service plaza is antithetical planning and marketing of the interchanges; and

**WHEREAS**, it is imperative that the County of Volusia and the municipalities retain the authority to plan, approve, and market the development of the interchanges as they deem appropriate and to convey this decision to the neighboring governing bodies.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA, IN OPEN MEETING DULY ASSEMBLED IN COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN THE THOMAS C. KELLY ADMINISTRATION CENTER, DELAND, FLORIDA, ON THIS 8th DAY OF DECEMBER A.D. 2016 AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION I:** The County of Volusia opposes any proposal to place a truck service plaza on the I-4 corridor that traverses the county as it is contrary to the planning and economic vitality of the county and municipalities.

**SECTION II.** The County of Volusia requests the governing bodies of the neighboring counties and municipalities and the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council respect the planning authority and decisions of the county and municipalities to pursue development of the interchanges in the best interest of their citizens.

**SECTION III.** The county manager is directed to send a copy of this resolution to the members of the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council and the chair or mayor of neighboring governing bodies.

**SECTION IV.** This Resolution shall take effect upon adoption.

**DONE AND ORDERED IN OPEN MEETING.**

COUNTY COUNCIL  
COUNTY OF VOLUSIA, FLORIDA

ATTEST:

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By: Jason P. Davis  
County Chair

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James T. Dinneen, County Manager