



**MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

DATE: Thursday, May 6, 2021
LOCATION: Virtual – Zoom Webinar Platform
TIME: 9:30 a.m.

Council Member Keith Trace, Vice Chairman, presided

Members in attendance:

Mayor Phil Anderson, City of Winter Park
Mayor John Dowless, City of Edgewood
Commissioner Richard Drummond, City of Longwood
Commissioner Richard Firstner, City of Ocoee
Mayor Nicholas Fouraker, City of Belle Isle
Mayor David Henson, City of Casselberry
Mayor Kevin McCann, City of Winter Springs
Ms. Sharon Anselmo, City of Maitland
Mayor Megan Sladek, City of Oviedo
Commissioner Jordan Smith City of Lake Mary
Council Member Keith Trace, City of St. Cloud

Members not in attendance:

Mayor Eddie Cole, Town of Eatonville
Mayor Jim O'Brien, Town of Windermere
Commissioner Sal Ramos, Town of Oakland
Vacant, City of Winter Garden

Others in attendance were:

Mr. Doug Jamison, LYNX
Ms. Rakinya Hinson, FDOT
Mr. Saiosi Fine, FTE
Ms. Trish Whitton, LYNX
Mr. Alex Trauger, MetroPlan Orlando
Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando
Mr. Nick Lepp, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Cynthia Lambert, MetroPlan Orlando

Mr. Mighk Wilson, MetroPlan Orlando
Mr. Gary Huttman, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Sarah Larsen, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Leilani Vaiaoga, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Mary Ann Horne, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Lara Bouck, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Virginia Whittington, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Cathy Goldfarb, MetroPlan Orlando

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Keith Trace called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m. and reviewed the virtual meeting procedures.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Kevin McCann led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Trace outlined the meeting and public comment procedures and accessibility. He called attention to new MAC members: Mayor David Henson, Mayor Phil Anderson, Mayor Kevin McCann, and Commissioner Richard Drummond. Commissioner Drummond noted that the Longwood City Commission recently appointed Commissioner Brian Sackett as the new Mayor although he would continue to serve as the City's MAC representative. Commissioner Sal Ramos was the fifth new member, but he was unable to attend the meeting. The new MAC members in attendance introduced themselves.

IV. CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Ms. Cathy Goldfarb conducted the roll call.

V. AGENDA REVIEW/FOLLOW-UP

Mr. Alex Trauger reviewed virtual workshop procedures. He stated that since the meeting was being held as a virtual workshop, no action would be taken however items being advanced to the MetroPlan Orlando board would be reported based on consensus and those items needing MAC approval would be ratified at a later meeting. Mr. Trauger called attention to the Market Research survey and asked MAC members to participate and share the link for others to participate. He noted there were no changes to the agenda, and they were ready to move forward.

VI. Public Comments on Action Items

Mr. Trauger announced there were no requests for public comments on items presented for review and/or discussion from those in attendance. He noted there were no written comments received or voice messages left prior to the meeting.

VII. Agency Reports/Partner Updates

- **Florida Department of Transportation**

Ms. Rakinya Hinson, FDOT, had no report at this time.

- **Florida Turnpike Enterprise**

Mr. Saiosi Fine, FTE, reported that next month FTE will kick off the PD&E for the Poinciana Parkway extension from CR 532 to the I-4/SR429 Interchange. He told MAC members that there would be two sessions, a virtual one June 22nd, 5:30 p.m. and an in-person June 24th, 5:30 p.m. at Advent Health Celebration.

- **LYNX**

Ms. Trish Whitton, LYNX, reported that LYNX ridership has been at 50% since September 2020 and there has been a small uptick to 60% pre-COVID. She noted that minor service changes were implemented April 25th. Ms. Whitton told MAC members that the America Public Transportation Association will be holding their annual conference at the Orange County Convention Center this year.

VIII. ITEMS FOR REVIEW AND/OR DISCUSSION

A. Approval of March 4, 2021 Meeting Minutes

The MAC reviewed the March 4, 2021 meeting minutes, provided and made a consensus recommendation. The MAC will take formal action at a future in person meeting to approve the recommendation.

B. FDOT Amendment to FY 2020/21 - 2024/25 TIP

FDOT requested that the FY 2020/21- 2024/25 TIP be amended to include the addition of the following projects:

- FM #4234461 – SunRail Phase II North from DeBary to DeLand
- FM #4454151 – Neptune Road from Partin Settlement Road to US 192
- FM #4489011 – Railroad Crossing on Hester Avenue in Sanford

Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando staff, presented an overview of the amendment request. 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 May 12, 2021 Board meeting. The MAC reviewed and discussed the amendment request and provided a consensus recommendation to the Board. The MAC will take formal action at a future in-person meeting to ratify the Board's action on this item.

IX. PRESENTATIONS AND STATUS REPORTS

A. Presentation on Board Emphasis Areas

Mr. Nick Lepp, MetroPlan Orlando staff, gave a presentation on the MetroPlan Orlando Board's emphasis areas for 2021. The Board will take action on the emphasis areas at the May 12th meeting. Mr. Lepp reviewed the five emphasis areas and how the region did in terms of hitting these targets from 2017-2021. He told MAC members that the 2045 MTP goals were incorporated to see how the emphasis areas match up with the goals. Mr. Lepp reviewed the 2045 MTP performance measures in order of importance and the shift in goals pre- and post-pandemic. He provided a survey link for MAC members to rank the goal

areas. The results of the survey, which will be conducted with other committees as well, will be brought back to the MetroPlan Orlando Board.

B. Presentation on Pedestrian Safety Trends

Mr. Mighk Wilson, MetroPlan Orlando staff, gave a presentation that discusses the Dangerous by Design report and other information pertaining to the Orlando Metropolitan Area's pedestrian safety initiatives. Mr. Wilson reviewed the Pedestrian Danger Index used to compute how dangerous an area is along with the impact the Central Florida visitor population has on crashes. He provided information on scenarios for reducing fatalities, FDOT's new safety principle "Safe System," fatality factors and crosswalk law. Mr. Wilson compared examples of local roads with similar roads in other states where speeds are reduced. He called attention to the deadly factors in crashes, including types of vehicles, noted in the Dangerous by Design report. Mr. Wilson added that an additional mitigation option could be reducing nighttime speed limits.

C. Presentation on LYNX Automated Vehicles

Mr. Doug Jamison, LYNX, gave a presentation on LYNX's automated vehicle program. Mr. Jamison provided an introduction and intent of the program, which was to develop a Concept of Operations and a draft scope for deployment of AVs at LYNX. He reviewed the major tasks of the program. Mr. Jamison noted that input was solicited from vendors as well as users including a focus group, which included CAC and TDLCB members. An online survey was also conducted. He told committee members that a list of opportunities and barriers was created. Mr. Jamison added that 90% of the respondents indicated that the Orange LYMMO line would be the best candidate for the program, and the two operational scenarios were determined to be either a small AV shuttle or retrofitting an existing vehicle. He provided cost figures for the two scenarios along with potential benefits, potential applications, and potential funding sources. Lastly, he reviewed conclusions and next steps. Discussion ensued regarding fare collection and operating speed.

X. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report

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

B. MetroPlan Orlando Board Highlights

A copy of the March 10, 2021 Board Meeting Highlights was provided.

C. LYNX Press Releases

A set of press releases from LYNX was provided.

D. Market Research Survey Flyer

A flyer providing information on MetroPlan Orlando's Market Research Survey was provided.

E. Bicycle & Pedestrian Report

A report on bicycle and pedestrian projects was provided.

XI. UPCOMING MEETINGS OF INTEREST

A. Next Municipal Advisory Committee meeting

The next MAC meeting was scheduled on June 3, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. (**Note:** As approved by the Board at the September 9th meeting, the next MAC meeting will be held as a virtual workshop during which action items will be reviewed and discussed, but no formal action taken. A committee report will be presented to the MetroPlan Orlando Board, and items approved by the board may be ratified at a future in-person MAC meeting.)

B. Next MPO Board Meeting

The next MetroPlan Orlando Board meeting was scheduled on May 12, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. (**Note:** The next MetroPlan Orlando board meeting will be held as a hybrid meeting with a physical quorum of board members. A limited number of staff and members of the public will be permitted in order to accommodate social distancing. Other board members, staff, all presenters, and members of the public may join the meeting virtually on Zoom.)

XII. MEMBER COMMENTS

Mayor Phil Anderson noted that the city is looking at connectivity to the Orlando Urban Trail. In addition, he requested copies of the presentations given at the meeting.

XIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (GENERAL)

None.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

The Municipal Advisory Committee meeting was adjourned at 10:33 a.m.

The meeting was recorded and transcribed by Ms. Cathy Goldfarb.

Approved this 3rd day of June 2021.



Council Member Keith Trace, Chairman


for Ms. Cathy Goldfarb,
Senior Board Services Coordinator

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.