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A REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PARTNERSHIP

Transportation Systems Management and Operations (TSMO) Advisory Committee

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Friday, June 25, 2021

TIME: 8:30 a.m.

LOCATION: Virtual

Chairman Doug Jamison, Presiding

Voting Members Present:

Mr. Haider Al Salihi, City of St. Cloud
Mr. Brett Blackadar, Altamonte Springs
Mr. Cade Braud, City of Orlando
Mr. Kelly Brock, City of Casselberry
Mr. Michael Cash, City of Sanford
Ms. Krystal Clem, City of Lake Mary
Ms. Alyssa Eide, City of Maitland
Mr. Bryan Homayouni, Central Florida Expressway Authority
Mr. Doug Jamison, LYNX
Mr. Carl Kelly, University of Central Florida
Mr. Steve Krug, City of Ocoee
Ms. Tawny Olore for Mr. Alex Laffey, Osceola County
Ms. Kathy Lee, Osceola County
Mr. Butch Margraf, MPO Appointee
Mr. Travis Mathias, Town of Windermere
Mr. Nabil Muhaisen, City of Kissimmee
Ms. Lee Pulham, Reedy Creek Improvement District
Mr. Brian Sanders, Orange County
Mr. Ramon Senorans, Kissimmee Gateway Airport
Mr. Shad Smith, City of Longwood
Ms. Sarah Walter, City of Winter Park
Ms. Pam Richmond for Mr. Jeff Weatherford, City of Apopka
Mr. Charlie Wetzal, Seminole County

Voting Members Absent:

Mr. Hazem El-Assar, Orange County

Mr. Brad Friel, GOAA
Cmsr. Ed Gold, City of Belle Isle
Mr. Jean Jreij, Seminole County
Mr. Christopher Schmidt, City of Winter Springs

Non-Voting Members/Advisors Present:

Non-Voting Members/Advisors Absent:

Mr. Eric Gordin, FTE
Mr. Glen Hammer, Osceola PS
Lt. Brad McDaniel, Seminole County Sheriff's Office
Vacant, Orange County CTST

Others in Attendance:

Ms. Rakinya Hinson, FDOT
Mr. Siasoi Fine, FTE
Mr. Eric Hill, MetroPlan Orlando
Mr. Alex Trauger, MetroPlan Orlando
Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Virginia L. Whittington, MetroPlan Orlando
Mr. Nick Lepp, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Lara Bouck, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Mary Ann Horne, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Lisa Smith, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Sarah Larsen, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Cathy Goldfarb, MetroPlan Orlando

I. Call to Order

Chairman Doug Jamison called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and welcomed everyone. Chairman Jamison detailed the virtual meeting guidelines, the raise hand feature to be recognized, and the public comment procedures. He noted that the virtual meetings were accessible to all. Chairman Jamison told TSMO members that at the June 9th board meeting they received an update that the \$100,000 legislative allocation for Best Foot Forward had been vetoed by the Governor. He added that they received an update on FDOT's new Safety Office and efforts to ready projects for potential stimulus funding.

II. Confirmation of Quorum/Agenda Review/Staff Follow-up

Ms. Cathy Goldfarb conducted the roll call. Mr. Eric Hill provided an overview of the workshop format for today's meeting. Mr. Hill explained that the Governor's executive order allowing boards and committees in Florida to meet virtually without a quorum physically present due to COVID-19 concerns expired on October 31, 2020. He stated that at the September 9, 2020 meeting the MetroPlan Orlando Board approved Resolution #20-15 which enables the MetroPlan Orlando advisory committees to continue to meet virtually in workshop sessions through June 2021. He noted

that a physical quorum is not required. The committees will review and discuss action items going to the Board and will provide informal consensus recommendations to the Board on the action items. The committees will then be taking formal action to ratify the Board's actions at a future in-person meeting. Mr. Hill reported that with the Governor's new executive order and the expiration of the MetroPlan Orlando's board resolution regarding virtual meetings, in-person committee meetings will resume August 27th for TSMO. He reminded TSMO members that once in-person meetings resume RSVPs are necessary to ensure a quorum. Mr. Hill noted changes for in-person meetings including a new AV system in the board room. He told committee members that they will be ratifying action items from the virtual workshops at the August meeting. Mr. Hill called attention to previous discussions regarding drones and a bill that was passed allowing law enforcement to use drones. He reported that he was looking to coordinate a workshop with Sheryl Bradley, who is in charge of T.I.M. for FDOT District 5. Mr. Hill will send a survey to TSMO members regarding scheduling a drone workshop and demonstration.

III. Public Comments on Action Items

None

IV. Action Items for Review/Discussion

A. May 21, 2021 TSMO Meeting Minutes

The TSMO reviewed and discussed the May 21, 2021 meeting minutes which were provided and made a consensus recommendation. The TSMO will take formal action at a future in-person meeting to approve their recommendation. Mr. Shad Smith noted that Lt. McDaniel was a non-voting member but was incorrectly listed under absent voting members.

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

On May 27, 2021, the MetroPlan Orlando Board Chairwoman signed a resolution approving an amendment to the FY 2020/21- 2024/25 TIP requested by FDOT on an emergency basis in order to meet the June 10, 2021 deadline for amending the State TIP (STIP) for FY 2020/21. The amendment includes the following projects:

- FM #4379332 – Cross Seminole Trail Connector from Church Avenue and CR 427 to Cross Seminole Trail
- FM #4357121 – Capital Grant for LYNX Buses and Bus Facilities

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 resolution signed by the Board Chairwoman on May 27th. The TSMO reviewed and discussed the amendment request which was presented to the MetroPlan Orlando Board for ratification on July 7th.

C. FY 2021/22 - 2025/26 Transportation Improvement Program

Action was requested by Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando staff, to recommend approval of the FY 2021/22 - 2025/26 TIP. This document included the transportation projects in the MetroPlan Orlando region that are programmed for funding over the next five years. The draft TIP can be reviewed at:

<https://metroplanorlando.org/wp-content/uploads/DRAFT-Transportation-Improvement-Program-TIP-2022-2026.pdf>

A fact sheet on the TIP and the draft TIP approval resolution for the July 7th Board meeting were provided. A summary of the comments from the June 21st TIP public meeting was provided separately. Mr. Caskey noted attendance numbers for the TIP public meeting were good and exceeded last year's meeting. He provided some of the questions and comments and poll results from the meeting. Mr. Caskey called attention to partner panelists who participated and thanked them.

D. FY 2026/27 - 2035/36 Prioritized Project List

Action was requested by Mr. Nick Lepp, MetroPlan Orlando staff, to recommend approval of the FY 2026/27 - 2035/36 Prioritized Project List (PPL). This document included a list of highway, Transportation Systems Management and Operations, bicycle and pedestrian, and transit projects that have been ranked in order of priority. FDOT will use the PPL in developing their FY 2022/23 - 2026/27 Five Year Work Program. A fact sheet was provided and the draft PPL document can be reviewed at: https://metroplanorlando.org/wp-content/uploads/Draft-Project-Priority-List-FINAL_2026_27-2034_35.pdf

Mr. Lepp reported that the PPL presented today is the finalized version and it is the ten-year bridge between the MTP and the TIP. He noted that the PPL is a direct link to the MTP Cost Feasible Plan and must support the MTP goals and performance measures, along with being consistent with MetroPlan Orlando funding policies. Mr. Lepp reviewed the 2045 MTP evaluation criteria, noting that weighting had been added. He detailed MetroPlan Orlando funding policies and reviewed updated project rankings and next steps. Discussion ensued regarding the online data source and an update on the equity issue,

E. Request for Volunteers for Pedestrian Safety Working Group

At the May 21st TAC meeting, the TAC Pedestrian Safety Committee presented their recommendation to form a Pedestrian Safety Working Group to improve pedestrian safety throughout the region by primarily focusing on corridor speeds. This Working Group will include representatives from FDOT, the TAC, TSMO, CAC and Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board as well as LYNX, Best Foot Forward and local law enforcement. The group will work in coordination with the local Community Traffic Safety Teams. Mr. Mighk Wilson, MetroPlan Orlando staff requested three volunteers from the TSMO, one from each county, to participate in the Working Group. The formation of the Working Group will be presented to the MetroPlan Orlando Board for approval at their July 7th meeting. Mr. Brian Sanders volunteered Mr. Hazem El Assar from Orange County to serve. Mr. Kelly Brock, Seminole County and Ms. Kathy Lee, Osceola County volunteered as well.

V. Presentations/Status Reports

A. Presentation on FY 2019/20 Traffic Signal Retiming Program

Ms. Lara Bouck, MetroPlan Orlando staff, gave a presentation on MetroPlan Orlando's FY 2019/20 Traffic Signal Retiming Program. Ms. Bouck reviewed why use signal retiming and the number and category of retiming corridors for 2019 to 2020. She provided statistic results from the retiming and the benefit cost ratio summary. In addition, she reported information on signal retiming in relation to safety. Discussion ensued regarding the impact of traffic volumes during the Covid pandemic.

VI. Common Presentations/Status Reports

A. Presentation on FY 2019/20 Traffic Signal Retiming Program

Ms. Lara Bouck, MetroPlan Orlando staff, gave a presentation on MetroPlan Orlando's FY 2019/20 Traffic Signal Retiming Program.

B. Status Report on I-4 Beyond the Ultimate Project

Ms. Catalina Chacon, FDOT District 5, gave a status report on the I-4 Beyond the Ultimate project.

VII. 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 June 9, 2021 Board Meeting Highlights was provided.

C. Air Quality Report

The latest air quality report for the MetroPlan Orlando area was provided.

D. LYNX Press Releases

A set of press releases from LYNX was provided.

E. Bicycle & Pedestrian Report

A report on bicycle and pedestrian projects in the MetroPlan Orlando region was provided.

VIII. Upcoming Meetings of Interest to TSMO Members

A. Next MPO Board Meeting

The next MetroPlan Orlando Board meeting was scheduled in person on July 7, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. in the MetroPlan Orlando Board Room, 250 South Orange Avenue, Suite 200, Orlando FL 32801. Members of the public may also attend in person or may join the meeting virtually on Zoom.

B. Next TSMO Meeting

The next TSMO meeting was scheduled in person on August 27, 2021 at 10 a.m. in the MetroPlan Orlando Board Room, 250 South Orange Avenue, Suite 200, Orlando FL 32801. TSMO members are required to attend in person to be considered present for the meeting. During this meeting, the TSMO will take action and will be requested to ratify the Board's actions from May 2020 through June 2021. Members of the public may also attend in person or may join the meeting virtually on Zoom. Following the August 27th meeting, the dates of the remaining TSMO meetings during 2021 will be:

10/22/21

12/3/21

IX. Other Business – Member Comments

Ms. Tawny Olore told TSMO members that she has been attending the TSMO meetings, the past couple of months for Mr. Alex Laffey, who has been in the hospital due to a major health issue. She asked if a card could be sent to Mr. Laffey and if members could keep him in their thoughts.

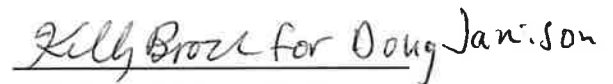
X. Public Comments (General)

None.

XI. Adjournment

Chairman Jamison adjourned the meeting of the Transportation Systems Management & Operations Advisory Committee at 9:27 a.m. The meeting was recorded and transcribed by Ms. Cathy Goldfarb.

Approved this 27th day of August 2021


Mr. Doug Jamison, Chairman


 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.