



**MetroPlan Orlando Board**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE:** Wednesday, July 7, 2021  
**TIME:** 9:00 a.m.  
**LOCATION:** MetroPlan Orlando  
Park Building  
250 S. Orange Ave, Suite 200  
Orlando, FL 32801

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**Commissioner Viviana Janer, Board Chair, Presided**

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**Members in attendance were:**

Hon. Ricky Booth, Osceola County  
Hon. Lee Constantine, CFX  
Hon. Bob Dallari, Seminole County  
Hon. Jerry L. Demings, Orange County  
Hon. Jim Fisher, City of Kissimmee  
Hon. Maribel Gomez Cordero, Orange County  
Hon. Viviana Janer, LYNX/Central Florida Commuter Rail Commission  
Hon Bryan Nelson, City of Apopka  
Hon. Tony Ortiz, City of Orlando  
Mr. Stephen Smith, Sanford Airport Authority  
Hon. Keith Trace, Municipal Advisory Committee  
Hon. Mayra Uribe, Orange County  
Hon. Art Woodruff, City of Sanford  
Hon. Jay Zembower, Seminole County

**Advisors in Attendance:**

FDOT Secretary Jared Perdue, District 5  
Ms. Sarah Elbadri, Community Advisory Committee  
Mr. Doug Jamison, Transportation Systems Management & Operations Committee  
Mr. Thomas Kapp, Kissimmee Gateway Airport  
Mr. Nabil Muhaisen, Technical Advisory Committee

**Members/Advisors not in Attendance:**

Hon. Pat Bates, City of Altamonte Springs  
Hon. Emily Bonilla, Orange County  
Hon. Buddy Dyer, City of Orlando  
Mr. M. Carson Good, GOAA  
Hon. Christine Moore, Orange County  
Hon. Victoria Siplin, Orange County

**Others in Attendance :**

Ms. Catalina Chacon, FDOT, District 5  
Ms. Loreen Bobo, FDOT, District 5  
Ms. Anna Taylor, FDOT, District 5  
Ms. Kellie Smith, FDOT, District 5  
Mr. Jack Adkins, FDOT, District 5  
Ms. Nicola Liquori, Florida's Turnpike Enterprise  
Ms. Carol Scott, Florida's Turnpike Enterprise  
Mr. Siasoi Fine, Florida's Turnpike Enterprise  
Mr. Renzo Nastasi, Orange County  
Mr. Will Hawthorne, CFX  
Ms. Joanne Counelis  
Ms. Christina Martin, City of Orlando

**Staff in Attendance :**

Mr. Gary Huttman  
Mr. Jay Small, Mateer & Harbert  
Mr. Jason Loschiavo  
Ms. Virginia Whittington  
Mr. Nick Lepp  
Mr. Keith Caskey  
Ms. Cynthia Lambert  
Ms. Mary Ann Horne  
Ms. Lisa Smith  
Mr. Mighk Wilson

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

Commissioner Viviana Janer called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and welcomed everyone. Commissioner Tony Ortiz led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**II. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chairwoman Janer welcomed attendees back into the Board Room for the first in-person meeting in 16 months and thanked Board members for adjusting their schedules for the earlier meeting date which was changed to accommodate some local jurisdiction budget hearings. Chairwoman Janer announced that the House passed a \$715 billion dollar Transportation and Water Bill on July 1st. She noted that that the current federal transportation bill expires September 30<sup>th</sup>.

**III. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Gary Huttman welcomed everyone back into the Board Room. He reported on the annual NARC meeting that was held virtually from June 14 through 17. He announced the NARC Executive Director's Conference and Board Retreat is scheduled for September 26 through 28, and the AMPO annual meeting scheduled for October 5 through 8. He noted both are to be in-person events. Mr. Huttman informed Board members that he continues to coordinate with and receive regular updates from FDOT Leadership and Work Program staff on stimulus funding which is now anticipated to be \$813 million dollars. He called attention to the supplemental information items supporting regional transportation projects. He mentioned that MetroPlan staff will poll members of the Executive Committee for a meeting date in August to begin discussions of priorities for the 2022 Legislative Session. He announced that MetroPlan Orlando staff member Eric Hill was selected to serve on the Hillsborough County State Attorney's Office Community Council, and that Transportation Planner Lara Bouck was selected as a scholarship recipient to the TSMO Operations Academy.

**IV. FDOT REPORT**

Mr. Jared Perdue, FDOT District 5 Secretary, deferred his report due to the I-4 Beyond the Ultimate update on the agenda.

**V. ROLL CALL AND CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM**

Ms. Lisa Smith conducted the roll call and confirmed that a quorum was physically present.

**VI. AGENDA REVIEW**

Mr. Huttman reported there were no changes to the agenda.

**VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The Chairs from the Municipal Advisory Committee, the Community Advisory Committee, the Technical Advisory Committee and TSMO Committee reported out on their respective May meetings. Mary Ann Horne, MetroPlan staff provided the report for the Community Advisory Committee.

## VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ACTION ITEMS

None.

## IX. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of Minutes from June 9, 2021 Board meeting

B. Approval of Financial Report for May 2021

**MOTION:** Commissioner Dallari moved approval of the consent agenda, items A and B. Commissioner Uribe seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

## X. OTHER ACTION ITEMS

A. Ratify Emergency Amendment to FY 2020/21 - 2024/25 TIP (Roll Call Vote)  
Mr. Keith Caskey- MetroPlan Orlando Staff

FDOT TIP Amendment Request:

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. He explained that 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. A letter from FDOT explaining the amendment request, a fact sheet prepared by MetroPlan Orlando staff, and the resolution signed by the Board Chairwoman on May 27<sup>th</sup> were provided.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Uribe moved to ratify the Emergency Amendment to the FY 2020/21/2024/25 TIP. Commissioner Dallari seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted. Motion carried unanimously with an 18-0 vote.

B. Approval of the FY 2021/22-2025/26 TIP (Roll Call Vote)  
Mr. Keith Caskey – MetroPlan Orlando Staff

Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando staff, requested approval of the FY 2021/22 - 2025/26 TIP. The document includes 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, the draft TIP approval resolution, and a summary of the comments from the June 21<sup>st</sup> TIP public meeting were provided. Mr. Caskey noted that attendance numbers for

the TIP public meeting exceeded last year's meeting. He provided some of the questions, comments and poll results from the meeting. He thanked partner panelists for their participation.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Dallari moved approval of the FY 2021/22-2025/26 TIP. Commissioner Ortiz seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted. Motion carried unanimously with an 18-0 vote.

**C. Approval of the FY 2026/27 - 2034/35 PPL  
Mr. Nick Lepp- MetroPlan Orlando Staff**

Mr. Nick Lepp, MetroPlan Orlando staff, requested approval of the FY 2026/27 - 2035/36 Prioritized Project List (PPL). This document includes 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. The draft PPL document can be reviewed at: [https://metroplanorlando.org/wp-content/uploads/Draft-Project-Priority-List-FINAL\\_2026\\_27-2034\\_35.pdf](https://metroplanorlando.org/wp-content/uploads/Draft-Project-Priority-List-FINAL_2026_27-2034_35.pdf)

Mr. Lepp reported that the PPL presented is the final version, and it is the 10-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.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Uribe moved approval of the FY 2026/27-2034/35 PPL. Commissioner Booth seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with an 18-0 vote.

**XI. INFORMATION ITEMS FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT (Action Item)**

- A. Executive Director's Report**
- B. FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report**
- C. Air Quality Report – January thru May 2021**
- D. FDOT Mobility Week 2021 Announcement**
- E. NARC Analysis of Senate Public Works & Environment Committee**
- F. Memo from Mr. Huttman to MetroPlan Board - House T&I INVEST Act**
- G. NARC Letter of Support for the INVEST ACT**
- H. Signal Retiming Fact Sheet**

**I. Featured Research and Articles:**

- **Why Attention to Complete Streets Implementation is so Important in Serving Historically Disadvantaged Communities, ITE Journal, May 2021**
- **The Safe System Consortium: A Call to Action, ITE Journal, June 2021**

**MOTION:** Commissioner Dallari moved approval of the information items for acknowledgement. Commissioner Constantine seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

**XII. OTHER BUSINESS/PRESENTATIONS**

**A. Presentation of Research Results from the MetroPlan Orlando 2021 Public Opinion Survey**

**Dr. Sara Vega, Summit Survey Research & Ms. Cynthia Lambert, MetroPlan Orlando Staff**

Dr. Sara Vega, Summit Survey Research, presented the research of the MetroPlan Orlando 2021 Public Opinion Survey. Dr. Vega noted that the survey was open from April 28 thru June 1, 2021, with a total of 3,055 respondents. She provided details of the survey to include geography of the area covered, and the methodology that was used. She noted the diversity of the respondents and felt it reflected the Central Florida Region. She provided an overview of public outreach efforts of the MetroPlan Orlando Communication team. Dr. Vega walked Board members through the results of the survey which included questions concerning Central Florida's transportation system, pedestrian and bicycle safety, driver behavior, public transportation, transportation equity, electric vehicle technology and driverless vehicles. She said the full report can be accessed at: <https://MetroPlanOrlando.org/research>.

**B. Presentation of the FDOT Beyond the Ultimate (BTU) Project**  
**Ms. Catalina Chacon, FDOT Project Manager**

Ms. Catalina Chacon, FDOT District 5, gave a status report on the I-4 Beyond the Ultimate project. Ms. Chacon reviewed the goals of the project, and the north and south segments. She provided an update on the I-4/Sand Lake Road intersection. Ms. Chacon explained the value engineering approach that is being used to reimagine the corridor. She provided an example of an original typical section and a potential typical section after using the new approach. Ms. Chacon detailed the next steps and provided a programming update.

**XIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (GENERAL)**

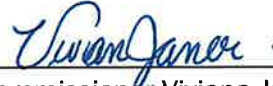
Ms. Joanne Counselis commented on the need for 24-hour/7 days a week bus and SunRail service.

**XIV. NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, September 8, 2021**

**XV. ADJOURN BOARD MEETING**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m. The meeting was transcribed by Ms. Lisa Smith.

Approved this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September 2021



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Commissioner Viviana Janer, Chair



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Ms. Lisa Smith,  
Board Services Coordinator/ Recording Secretary

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