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COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Wednesday, August 24, 2016

LOCATION: MetroPlan Orlando  
250 S. Orange Avenue, Suite 200  
Orlando, Florida 32801

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

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*Chairman Tom O'Hanlon presided*

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**Members in attendance were:**

Ms. Asima Azam, Orange County  
Fr. Jabriel Ballentine, Orange County  
Mr. Jeffrey Campbell, Seminole County  
Ms. Karolyn Campbell, MetroPlan Appointee  
Mr. Bill Carpenter, MetroPlan Appointee  
Mr. Bill Dehlinger, MetroPlan Appointee  
Ms. Sarah Elbadri, City of Orlando  
Mr. Brady Lessard, City of Sanford  
Mr. Hector Lizasuain, Osceola County  
Mr. Mark Loeb, MetroPlan Appointee  
Mr. Christopher Maier, MetroPlan Appointee  
Mr. Robert McKey, MetroPlan Appointee  
Ms. Theresa Mott, City of Apopka  
Mr. R.J. Mueller, MetroPlan Appointee  
Mr. Thomas O'Hanlon, Seminole County  
Mr. Brindley Pieters, Seminole County  
Ms. Marissa Salas, MetroPlan Appointee  
Mr. Tony Tizzio, Seminole County  
Mr. Keith Trace, City of St. Cloud  
Mr. Adam Valencic, MetroPlan Appointee  
Mr. Scott Zubarik, MetroPlan Appointee

**Members not in attendance were:**

Ms. Candy Bennage, City of Kissimmee  
Ms. Keri Caffrey, MetroPlan Appointee  
Mr. Tyghe (T.J.) Legacy-Cole,  
MetroPlan Appointee  
Mr. John Florio, City of Altamonte Springs  
Vacant, MetroPlan Appointee  
Mr. Atlee Mercer, Osceola County  
Mr. Casmere Shaw, Osceola County  
Mr. Dan Stephens, MetroPlan Appointee  
Mr. Wade Vose, Orange County  
Ms. Leslie Wolcott, MetroPlan Appointee

Others in attendance were:

Ms. Carol Scott, Florida's Turnpike Enterprise  
Mr. Jamil Gutierrez, FDOT  
Mr. Myles O'Keefe, LYNX  
Mr. Will Sloup, Metric Engineering  
Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando  
Ms. Elizabeth Whitton, MetroPlan Appointee  
Mr. Mighk Wilson, MetroPlan Orlando  
Mr. Gary Huttman, MetroPlan Orlando  
Mr. Harry Barley, 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 9:31 a.m.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

**III. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS**

Chairman O'Hanlon thanked members for attending and commented that it was crucial to discuss how to improve transportation for the growing Central Florida community. He noted that self-driving cars will be a factor on the road in the not too distant future.

**IV. AGENDA REVIEW**

Ms. Cynthia Lambert introduced Mr. Nick Lepp, MetroPlan Orlando's new Manager of Long Range Planning. She told committee members that Mr. Bill Carpenter was resigning from CAC, due to moving out of the area, and Fr. Jabriel Ballentine and his wife were expecting a baby. Ms. Lambert called attention to items in the supplemental folders which included an updated Central Florida MPO Alliance Project Priority List, the most recent air quality report, and a copy of MetroPlan Orlando's Annual Report, which is now being called the Report to the Community. She informed CAC members that agenda item VII,E, was being removed from the agenda. Ms. Lambert reminded committee members that there was no September CAC meeting and the next CAC meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, October 26<sup>th</sup>. In addition, she noted that if anyone planned on attending the September 14<sup>th</sup> MetroPlan Orlando board meeting, it would be held in Osceola County at the Osceola Council on Aging.

**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 June 22, 2016 Meeting Minutes*

Approval was requested of the June 22, 2016 meeting minutes, which were provided.

**MOTION:** Mr. Bill Carpenter moved for approval of the June 22, 2016 meeting minutes. Mr. Scott Zubarik seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

### *B. Ratification of FDOT Administrative Amendment to FY 2015/16-2019/20 & 2016/17-2020/21 Transportation Improvement Program*

Mr. Jamil Gutierrez, FDOT, was requesting the CAC to recommend the ratification of an administrative amendment to the FY 2015/16-2019/20 and 2016/17-2020/21 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) regarding funding changes for the intersection improvement project at SR 434 and Winding Hollow Blvd.

Due to the emergency nature of this administrative amendment, the Chairman of the MetroPlan Orlando Board approved the amendment on July 13, 2016 in order for FDOT to allocate the funds for the project in a timely manner. The Board will be requested to ratify this amendment request at their September 14th meeting. The letter requesting the amendment that was signed by the Board Chairman was provided.

**MOTION:** Fr. Jabriel Ballentine moved for approval of the administrative amendment to the FY 2015/16-2019/20 and 2016/17-2020/21 Transportation Improvement Program. Mr. Tony Tizzio seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

### *C. Fiscal Year 2021/22-2039/40 Prioritized Project List*

Action was requested by Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando staff, to recommend approval of the FY 2021/22-2039/40 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 2017/18-2021/22 Five Year Work Program. A draft copy of the PPL was provided.

Mr. Caskey told CAC members that following the preview of the new PPL at the June/July committee and Board meetings, the Florida Legislature directed that \$2 million in Transportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP) funds be programmed for the design of the New Oxford Road extension and reconstruction project in Seminole County in FY 2016/17. As a result, he added, FDOT had requested that this project be added to the list of TRIP projects in the PPL, and the project has been added as #26 in the list of TRIP projects.

In addition, Mr. Caskey reported, FDOT set aside \$13.6 million in District Dedicated Revenue (DDR) funds in FY 2020/21 in the Five Year Work Program/TIP for the operation of premium transit projects in the PPL in accordance with the policy adopted by the MetroPlan Orlando Board. The original intent was to use these funds for the US 192 Bus Rapid Transit and North-South

Lymmo projects. However, since neither of these projects will be ready for the DDR funds in FY 2020/21, FDOT will be submitting a TIP amendment at the October/November committee and Board meetings for these funds to be programmed for another PPL project which will be identified at those meetings. Mr. Brindley Pieters asked when the US 192 Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) project would be ready to move forward. Mr. Caskey responded that Osceola County had indicated that the US 192 BRT project would be ready in FY 2022. Ms. Sarah Elbadri inquired about when the North South Lymmo expansion project was projected to be ready. Mr. Caskey responded that the project was still on the Prioritized Project List, however, it was not known when the project would be ready.

MetroPlan Orlando staff also shared a new video called *How a Transportation Project Comes to Life*, which will be used in upcoming community outreach efforts. Mr. R.J. Mueller asked if the video was available online. Ms. Lambert responded that the video had just been uploaded and she would forward a link to the video. Committee member provided some input on the video and inquired about using it to educate other groups. Ms. Lambert told CAC members that she would be happy to have staff present to any groups committee members thought might be interested. Committee members asked about plans for additional tutorials. Ms. Lambert responded that additional tutorials were planned.

#### ***D. Final Ranking of Central Florida MPO Alliance Prioritized Project List***

Action was requested by Mr. Mighk Wilson, MetroPlan Orlando staff, to recommend approval of the final ranking of the Central Florida MPO Alliance's Prioritized Project List, which was provided. Mr. Wilson told committee members that the latest revised version of the lists was provided in the supplemental folders, along with a memo detailing the changes that had been made to the list included in the agenda packet. The lists, he noted, were separated into highway projects, trail projects and transit projects. He added that the trails list was restructured to reflect the SunTrails funding and prioritization with Tier 1 containing Coast to Coast Trail projects, Tier 2 containing River to Sea Loop projects, and Tier 3 containing all the other CFMPOA trail projects. The Tier 2 projects, he added, were unranked at the time pending prioritization approval from the River to Sea TPO board. Discussion ensued regarding the importance of project coordination, and accommodations for the movement of wildlife in the trail locations.

**MOTION:** Mr. Bill Carpenter moved for approval of the final ranking of the Central Florida MPO Alliance's Prioritized Project List. Fr. Jabriel Ballentine seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

#### ***E. Allocation of Repurposed Funds – removed from the agenda***

### **VIII. PRESENTATIONS AND STATUS REPORTS**

#### ***A. Presentation on SR 408 Extension Project Development & Environment (PD&E) Study***

Mr. Will Sloup, Metric Engineering, gave a presentation on the Central Florida Expressway Authority (CFX) PD&E study for the eastern extension of SR 408 from the existing eastern terminus of SR 408 to SR 520. Mr. Sloup told CAC members that the study was for a 7 mile project that would extend SR 408 from where it meets SR 50 to SR 520, providing additional regional connectivity. He provided details on the purpose and need for the project along with the project history. Mr. Sloup noted that the SR 408 extension had been one of five expansion

projects adopted in the CFX 2006 Master Plan, however, it had been on hold due to the downturn in the economy. He told committee members that the project had been divided into three segments in order to evaluate better. Public meetings, he reported, had been held to get input on the recommended alternatives, project advisory and environmental advisory groups had also been formed to provide input, and meetings were held with FDOT and Orange County staff. Mr. Sloup added that in May 2016 FDOT advised CFX of a conflict with using the proposed alignment and as a result CFX would like to expand the study area to look for alternatives to the SR 50 corridor. This will extend the study for another year. Discussion ensued regarding improving drainage and wildlife movement, impact of the proposed alternative on local businesses, potential school crossing issues, availability of bike lanes, location of proposed slip ramps and slip ramp definition, additional right-of-way needed, and a timeline for the project. Additional discussion ensued in regards to historical issues with arterials sectioning off areas around them, the impact of massive growth that has taken place and is planned in the Central Florida area. Mr. R. J. Mueller told CAC members that he served on the SR 408 Extension Project Advisory Group and no good alternative to the one being presented could be identified. Mr. Mark Loeb asked what concerns FDOT had in regards to the project. Mr. Sloup responded that the concerns mentioned primarily involved issues with interagency, federal, and state funding. Chairman O'Hanlon requested an update on the SR 408 extension at the next CAC meeting. Discussion ensued in regards to the impact of University of Central Florida traffic, plans for HOV lanes on the project, use of alternative modes of transportation, such as Bus Rapid Transit, to reduce traffic volumes, and the impact of right-of-way acquisition on local residents.

***B. Orientation: Transportation Planning & Health***

Ms. Elizabeth Whitton, MetroPlan Orlando staff, discussed how health and transportation planning intersect, including local and national examples. She provided a definition of health and reviewed the social, economic, and political forces that affect a person's health. Ms. Whitton noted that locally transportation is critical to quality of life and she reviewed factors that affect quality of life which included physical activity, access to healthy, affordable food, environment, access to care, and safety. Discussion ensued in regards to the availability of programs to help with caregivers forgetting children in cars, stress related to dysfunctional transportation, considering health impact early in the project process, and what is a statistical life and how is it calculated. Chairman O'Hanlon inquired about transportation and health data expert, Mr. Tyler Norris, speaking locally. Ms. Whitton responded that a video of Mr. Norris' presentation is available and will be sent out to CAC members. She added that Mr. Norris uses patient and employee health data with health issues to improve employee's health.

***C. Cycling Savvy Promotional Video – deferred (information sent via email after the meeting)***

**IX. GENERAL INFORMATION**

***A. Community Report: Plans. Progress. Action.***

MetroPlan Orlando's new report to the community was provided.

***B. Air Quality Report***

The latest air quality report for Central Florida was provided.

**C. *FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report***

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

**D. *MetroPlan Orlando Board Highlights***

Highlights from the July 2016 MetroPlan Orlando Board meeting were provided.

Ms. Lambert reminded CAC members that there would be no September CAC meeting.

**X. UPCOMING MEETINGS OF INTEREST**

**A. *Next Community Advisory Committee meeting***

The next CAC meeting will be on October 26, 2016. Please note that there is no meeting scheduled in the month of September.

**XI. MEMBER COMMENTS**

None.

**XII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (GENERAL)**

None.

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

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

Approved this 26th day of October 2016.

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Chairperson

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Witness

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