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## MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

**DATE:** Thursday, July 2, 2015

**LOCATION:** MetroPlan Orlando Board Room  
315 E. Robinson Street, Suite 355  
Orlando, Florida

**TIME:** 9:00 a.m.

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Mayor Charles Lacey, Chairman, presided

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### Members in attendance:

Mayor Rebecca Borders, City of St. Cloud  
Council President John Dowless, City of Edgewood  
Mayor Gary Bruhn, Town of Windermere  
Mr. Roger Dixon, Town of Eatonville  
Mayor Joe Durso, City of Longwood  
Commissioner Joel Keller, City of Ocoee  
Mayor Charles Lacey, City of Winter Springs  
Mayor Steve Leary, City of Winter Park  
Mayor A. Dale McDonald, City of Maitland  
Commissioner Joseph McMullen, Town of Oakland  
Commissioner Robert "Bobby" Olszewski, City of Winter Garden  
Mayor Dominic Persampiere, City of Oviedo

### Members not in attendance:

Mayor Bill Brooks, City of Belle Isle  
Mayor Charlene Glancy, City of Casselberry  
Commissioner Sid Miller, City of Lake Mary

### Others in attendance were:

Ms. Alayna Curry, CFX  
Ms. Mary Schoelzel, FDOT  
Mr. Tony Rodriguez, LYNX  
Ms. Shannon Estep, Florida's Turnpike Enterprise  
Mr. Gary Huttman, MetroPlan Orlando  
Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando  
Ms. Gabriella Arismendi, MetroPlan Orlando

Mr. David Moran, MetroPlan Orlando  
Ms. Heidi Bolduc, MetroPlan Orlando  
Mr. Manny Dolla, MetroPlan orlando  
Ms. Virginia Whittington, MetroPlan Orlando  
Ms. Cathy Goldfarb, MetroPlan Orlando

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Charles Lacey called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Lacey led the committee in a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chairman Lacey introduced Mr. Roger Dixon, Town of Eatonville, who was in attendance representing Mayor Anthony Grant. He told committee members that the MAC Nominating Subcommittee met immediately following the May MAC meeting to recommend a slate of officers for the 2015-2016 term of office. Chairman Lacey noted that upon MAC approval of a slate of officers, those officers will take office immediately. He called attention to agenda item XI,A, which was a set of emergency TIP amendments. The amendments had been executed by MetroPlan Orlando Board Chairman, Mayor Jim Swan, and would be going to the MetroPlan Orlando Board for approval at their July 8 meeting.

**IV. CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM**

Ms. Goldfarb confirmed a quorum was present.

**V. AGENDA REVIEW/FOLLOW-UP**

Ms. Virginia Whittington noted that there were no changes to the agenda. She introduced MetroPlan Orlando summer interns, Mr. Manny Dolla and Ms. Heidi Bolduc, however Ms. Bolduc was not in attendance at the time. Ms. Whittington told MAC members that Mr. David Moran had completed his internship and he was in attendance to present on the SR 50 Health Impact Assessment.

**VI. Partner Reports**

**LYNX**

Mr. Tony Rodriguez, LYNX, reported that service changes were scheduled to go into effect August 23<sup>rd</sup>. He called attention to two new routes serving the VA Medical Center.

The new routes were the Fast Link 406 from downtown and the Fast Link 407 from Kissimmee. Mr. Rodriguez told MAC members that LYNX continues to work with SunRail on feeder bus service, including buses needed for SunRail Phase II south.

#### FDOT

Ms. Mary Schoelzel, FDOT, reported that the new fiscal year started July 1<sup>st</sup> and FDOT has found that project costs are increasing. She called attention to the I-4 Ultimate project which is moving forward with more construction anticipated soon. SunRail Phase II south is moving forward, she informed committee members, and Phase II north is still waiting on notification of the award of a TIGER grant that had been submitted.

#### Florida's Turnpike Enterprise

Ms. Shannon Estep, Florida's Turnpike Enterprise, told MAC members that FDOT Secretary Boxold will be attending the July 8 MetroPlan Orlando board meeting.

Ms. Whittington introduced Ms. Bolduc, who had arrived at the meeting.

### **VII. Public Comments on Action Items**

None.

### **VIII. Old Business**

Ms. Whittington reported that in regards to Quiet Zones, each community that applied had received quiet zone grant funding in the first round of grant awards, was currently executing contracts with FDOT. She told MAC members that an additional \$10 million in funding requested had been vetoed by the Governor and no additional funding was available at this time.

### **IX. Action Items**

#### **A. *Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting***

Action was requested for approval of the May 7, 2015 meeting minutes.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Joel Keller moved for approval of the May 7, 2015 meeting minutes. Mayor Joe Durso seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

#### **B. *Election of Officers***

The Nominating Subcommittee met May 7, 2015 to recommend a slate of officers for the term of July 2015 through June 2016. Mayor Rebecca Borders, Nominating Subcommittee Chair, presented the Subcommittee's recommendations. Since the MAC did not meet in June, officers elected will assume their duties

immediately. Approval of the Subcommittee recommendation was requested. Mayor Borders reported that the MAC Nominating subcommittee met May 7<sup>th</sup>, immediately following the MAC meeting. She told MAC members that after deliberation the subcommittee recommended Mayor Charles Lacey to serve as Chairman, Mayor Gary Bruhn as Vice-Chair and Mayor Rebecca Borders as Second Vice-Chair. Chairman Lacey recused himself from the procedures due to his nomination as chairman and Ms. Whittington facilitated the election process. Nominations were also requested from the floor. Commissioner Olszewski indicated that his interest in serving as Vice-Chair and would still like to be considered. Due to no additional nominations from the floor, the slate of recommended officers was presented for approval.

**MOTION:** Mayor Rebecca Borders moved for approval of the recommended slate of MAC officers. Mayor A. Dale McDonald seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Chairman Lacey resumed chairing the meeting at this time.

**C. *FY 2015/16-2019/20 Transportation Improvement Program***

Action was requested by Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando staff, to recommend approval of the FY 2015/16-2019/20 TIP. This document included the transportation projects in the MetroPlan Orlando region that are programmed for funding over the next five years. A copy of the draft TIP was provided. A copy of the FY 2019/20-2039/40 PPL that was adopted last year and has been updated to show the latest project phases that have been funded based on the new TIP was also provided. Mr. Caskey provided a brief overview of what the TIP is, funding categories along with amounts, and he also reviewed the new phase projects. He also reviewed major toll road projects including the Wekiva Parkway, which is projected to be completed by 2021, and the addition of variable toll express lanes on Florida's Turnpike Enterprise facilities including the mainline, SR 528, and SR 417. Council President Dowless asked if the TIP PowerPoint could be made available to committee members. Staff responded that they would provide the presentation to MAC members.

**MOTION:** Mayor Gary Bruhn moved for approval of the FY 2015/16-2019/20 TIP. Commissioner Joel Keller seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

**X. Presentations/Status Reports**

**A. *Status Report on Re-Adoption of 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan***

Mr. Gary Huttman, MetroPlan Orlando staff, presented a status report on the process for the re-adoption later this year of the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan. Mr. Huttman reviewed the re-adoption tasks, timeline for the process, and the next steps. He told committee members that MetroPlan Orlando was a year and a half ahead of other MPOs in their LRTP adoption and the re-adoption would help

bring them in line with other area MPOs. Mr. Huttman told MAC members that some areas had been identified for improvement including a new section specific to environmental mitigation, more flexibility on identifying needs, and updating the transit element. Environmental mitigation, he noted, had been identified by Federal Highway Administration as an issue due to it currently being interspersed throughout the document, as opposed to having a separate section. Mayor Bruhn asked if the environmental mitigation issue was in response to Amendment 1. Mr. Huttman responded that the current LRTP met the requirements, however, the decision was made to make environmental mitigation easier to identify by making it a completely separate section.

#### ***B. Presentation on CFX Commuter Relief Program & 2040 Master Plan***

Ms. Alayna Curry, Central Florida Expressway Authority (CFX) Community Outreach Coordinator, gave a presentation on the CFX Commuter Relief Program and 2040 Master Plan. CFX was conducting a survey for their 2040 Master Plan which could be found at <http://cfx.2040.sgizmo.com/s3/>. MAC members were asked to please take a few moments and complete the survey. Ms. Curry provided some background information on CFX which had just been created through SB 230 legislation a year ago and now encompasses four counties. CFX's current board is comprised of six elected officials and three Governor's appointees and serves a population of 2.2 million people. She told MAC members that CFX is currently conducting an extensive outreach effort in order to assess what role the community would like to see the agency play. Ms. Curry explained upcoming changes to the EPASS program involving customers who need to swap out the older transponders. She also shared where the toll monies collected go, including 52% that goes to paying debt. She provided a timeline for the 2040 Master Plan, which included a board visioning workshop in August to assess the data that is being collected through current outreach efforts. In addition, Ms. Curry reviewed discounts being offered to transponder users, both generally and during I-4 Ultimate construction. Mayor Bruhn inquired about modification of the current transponders. Ms. Curry responded that the current box transponders were going to be switched out for either a sticker or a smaller transponder. Commissioner McMullen asked if the discounts offered applied to SUNPASS users as well. Ms. Curry responded that the discounts mentioned did apply to SUNPASS users as well.

#### ***C. Presentation on SR 50 Health Impact Assessment***

Ms. Gaby Arismendi and Mr. David Moran, MetroPlan Orlando staff, gave a presentation on the SR 50 BRT Health Impact Assessment. Ms. Arismendi provided information on what an HIA is, the HIA process and the goals of the assessment. She reviewed the transit and safety portion of the HIA, including recommendations. Mr. Moran reviewed the physical activity, quality of life, and transit supportive land use portions of the study along with their recommendations and key findings. Commissioner McMullen, who participated on the SR 50 HIA steering committee, commented that government usually considers only the cost of a project. The HIA provided data on potential gain from an investment and looked at indirect costs and the benefits from making a change.

XI. General Information

A. *FDOT Emergency TIP Amendments*

At the beginning of the meeting, Chairman Lacey called attention to a set of emergency TIP amendments that was approved by the MetroPlan Orlando Board Chairman and was ratified by the full Board at their July 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. A copy of the FDOT letters requesting the amendments and Resolutions No. 15-09 and 15-10 signed by the Chairman was provided.

B. *Air Quality Report*

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

C. *FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report*

The latest FDOT construction status report was provided.

D. *Update on MAP-21, Federal Transportation Bill*

A memo from MetroPlan Orlando Executive Director Harold Barley to board members dated June 2, 2015 was provided. The memo provided an update on MAP-21, the current federal transportation bill.

E. *Legislative Update*

The latest information on the 2015 Florida legislative session was provided.

F. *MetroPlan Orlando Board Highlights*

Highlights from the May MetroPlan Orlando Board meeting were provided.

XII. Upcoming Meetings of Interest

A. *MetroPlan Orlando Board Meeting*

The MetroPlan Orlando Board met on Wednesday, **July 8, 2015** at 9 a.m.

B. *Municipal Advisory Committee meeting - Thursday, September 3, 2015; 9:00 a.m.*

XIII. Public Comments (General)

None.

#### XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Bruhn commented that at the Council of Mayors meeting four weeks ago, they discussed the appearance of the SunRail corridor. He reported that local jurisdictions were concerned over the appearance and maintenance of the corridor which fell to the cities, but they did not have the authority to clean up the areas. Mayor Bruhn noted that they were looking at options for how to address maintenance of the corridor and may take the issue to the MetroPlan Orlando board. Council President Dowless commented that the City of Edgewood has grass along the tracks growing too high, however, they were restricted from going within twenty feet of the tracks to mow. Mayor Leary told MAC members that the City of Winter Park has been working with Secretary Downs on a plan to address maintenance and there may be a pilot plan to present in the next month or so. Mayor McDonald commented that he would like to see how the other cities are addressing this issue.

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

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

Approved this 3rd day of September, 2015.

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Chairperson

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Witness

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