



**MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

DATE: Thursday, July 7, 2016

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

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

Mayor Gary Bruhn, Chairman, presided

Members in attendance:

Mayor Gary Bruhn, Town of Windermere
Council President John Dowless, City of Edgewood
Mayor Joe Durso, City of Longwood
Mr. Roger Dixon, CAO, for Mayor Eddie Cole, Town of Eatonville
Mayor Charlene Glancy, City of Casselberry
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 Sid Miller, City of Lake Mary
Mayor Lydia Pisano, City of Belle Isle

Members not in attendance:

Mayor Rebecca Borders, City of St. Cloud
Commissioner Robert "Bobby" Olszewski, City of Winter Garden
Mayor Dominic Persampiere, City of Oviedo

Others in attendance were:

Mr. Jamil Gutierrez, FDOT
Ms. Carol Scott, Florida's Turnpike Enterprise
Mr. Frank O'Dea, FDOT
Mr. Gary Huttman, MetroPlan Orlando
Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando
Mr. Harry Barley, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Cynthia Lambert, MetroPlan Orlando

Ms. Virginia Whittington, MetroPlan Orlando
Ms. Cathy Goldfarb, MetroPlan Orlando

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Gary Bruhn called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Charles Lacey led the committee in the Pledge of Allegiance and Chairman Bruhn led the invocation.

III. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Bruhn thanked MAC members for electing him Chairman. He introduced Mr. Harry Barley who thanked outgoing Chairman Mayor Charles Lacey and presented him with a token of appreciation from MetroPlan Orlando for his service as chairman. Chairman Bruhn called attention to the Bylaws Review Subcommittee meeting scheduled immediately following the MAC meeting. He updated the members on the action taken by the MetroPlan Orlando Board to repurpose available federal earmarks.

IV. CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Ms. Goldfarb confirmed a quorum was present.

V. AGENDA REVIEW/FOLLOW-UP

Ms. Virginia Whittington told MAC members that she received word from FDOT that they would be covering the cost increase for quiet zones on Phase I of SunRail. She added that FDOT staff will be meeting with city representatives to see what needs to be done and the initial agreements are still considered intact. Ms. Whittington called attention to agenda item VIII, C, Repurposing of Federal Earmarks, which due to FDOT stepping in to cover the quiet zone deficit, could either be removed from the agenda or MAC could still take action on it. She told MAC members that, in regard to code enforcement along the SunRail line, strategies for access had been developed by FDOT and they were looking to meet with City staff to discuss the strategies. So far, she commented, only three municipalities had responded to her on who would meet with FDOT to discuss strategies in their locality. Ms. Whittington added that she would like to report at the September MAC meeting that all those meetings had taken place. She reported that work had already begun on concept plans for SunRail Phase II crossings south of Sand Lake Road and she had received the revised scope. Having this work done, she added, would allow funding that might become available in the future to be applied to these

crossings. Ms. Whittington asked how the Committee would like to proceed with item VIII, C. Consensus was to allow Mr. Huttman to present the updated information.

VI. PARTNER REPORTS

LYNX

There was no LYNX representative in attendance.

FDOT

Mr. Jamil Gutierrez, FDOT, reported that sections 4A and 4B of the Wekiva Parkway are already open. Sections 3A, 3B, 5 and 6, he noted, are in the right-of-way acquisition phase and expected to be let in 2017. He added that section 6 is in the procurement stage with final selection expected in January 2017 and Section 7 will be advertised for design in 2017. Landscaping, he reported, has been programmed for each of the sections. Mr. Gutierrez told MAC members that outreach efforts with the Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Forestry, Federal Highway Administration and stakeholders continues.

Mr. Gutierrez announced that Ms. Nicola Liquori was recently appointed Executive Director for SunRail. Ms. Liquori had previously served as the Deputy Executive Director and Chief Financial Officer at Florida's Turnpike Enterprise. Ridership numbers remain over 3,500 daily and 3,466 used the special Sunday SunRail service for the Pulse vigil in downtown Orlando. Phase II south work, he reported, is underway and a temporary crossing has been installed for the Shingle Creek Bridge. In addition, field offices have been set up and tortoise relocation and grubbing is underway. Mr. Gutierrez noted that Mr. Frank O'Dea, FDOT, would be providing an update on the I-4 Ultimate and Beyond the Ultimate projects later in the agenda

Florida's Turnpike Enterprise

Ms. Carol Scott, Florida's Turnpike Enterprise, reported that due to losing FTE's Chief Financial Officer to SunRail, a search for a new CFO would be getting underway. She told MAC members that SunPass, which has been interoperable with the E-Pass system, is now interoperable in Georgia and North Carolina and will soon be interoperable in South Carolina. The next phase in the process, she added, would be the Texas hub, making the transponder interoperable with Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas. Ms. Scott told committee members that the ultimate goal is to have one toll pass system that works nationwide. She thanked Mr. Harry Barley for his efforts organizing a meeting with City of Ocoee representatives to discuss traffic issues in that area.

Mayor Durso requested an update at the next MAC meeting from LYNX staff on SunRail connection efforts in the City of Longwood.

VII. Public Comments on Action Items

None.

VIII. Action Items

A. *Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting*

Action was requested for approval of the June 2, 2016 meeting minutes.

MOTION: Commissioner Joel Keller moved for approval of the June 2, 2016 meeting minutes. Mayor Dale McDonald seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

B. *Approval of FY 2016/17-2020/21 Transportation Improvement Program*

Action was requested by Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando staff, to recommend approval of the FY 2016/17-2020/21 Transportation Improvement Program (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 could be reviewed at <http://www.metroplanorlando.com/files/view/draft-tip-for-2016-17-2020-21.pdf>. Mr. Caskey told MAC members that comments from the TIP public hearing held June 20th were provided in the supplemental folders.

MOTION: Mayor Dale McDonald moved for approval of the FY 2016/17-2020/21 Transportation Improvement Program. Mayor Joe Durso seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

C. *Repurposing of Federal Earmarks*

At the June MAC meeting, the committee recommended that old federal earmarks be used to close the gap in additional funding needed for quiet zones in the region. Since then, new information had become available. It was requested that the committee discuss the new information and choose whether to stick with the original recommendation to use earmarks for quiet zones or revise the recommendation. Mr. Huttman reviewed MAC's previous action to allocate federal earmark funds to the quiet zone deficit. He noted that the MetroPlan Orlando Board had approved allocating the funds to the Maitland Boulevard project, with FDOT swapping out funds from Maitland Boulevard for a yet-to-be determined project. He told committee members that CAC had chosen to stay with their action to allocate the funds to the recommended BRT projects, TSMO had changed their original action in favor of allocating the funds to quiet zones, and TAC, who had taken no action originally, also chose to allocate the funds to quiet zones. Now that FDOT is covering the quiet zone deficit, he added, the repurposed funds are no longer needed for quiet zones. He noted that by swapping funds with the Maitland Boulevard project, time constraints were eliminated and committees will have an opportunity to vet other potential projects to allocate those funds at a later date.

MOTION: Council President John Dowless moved for approval of allocating the repurposed federal earmark funds to the Maitland Boulevard project. Mayor Dale McDonald seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

IX. Presentations/Status Reports

A. *Preview of 2021/22-2039/2040 Prioritized Project List*

Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando staff, presented a preview of the new FY 2021/22-2039/40 Prioritized Project List (PPL). The PPL will be presented to the committees and board for approval in August/September and submitted to FDOT by the September deadline. A copy of the draft PPL was provided. In addition, the updated version of last year's FY 2020/21-2039/40 PPL that highlights the projects now funded through construction was also provided for cross reference purposes. Mr. Caskey reviewed the PPL funding categories and noted that the new project application tool was available this year. He told MAC members that the project application tool allows local jurisdictions to submit information and it generates a 4P (Priority Projects Programming Process) application from that data. The project application tool, he added, does not rank/prioritize the projects or dictate outcomes, the prioritizing and ranking is done by TAC, TSMO and the MetroPlan Orlando Board. He next reviewed the major changes in the highway, bicycle and pedestrian and transit projects included in the current PPL. Mr. Caskey noted that Safe Routes to School projects are ranked separately due to them having their own funding source. He told MAC members that the transit project list was a work in progress, and had been categorized A, premium transit projects; B, projects requiring transit planning/feasibility studies; and C, enhancements to the existing LYNX system. Mr. Caskey reported that the Kissimmee Circulator project was now a bus system and the ITS Enhanced Transit was what was formerly known as Flexbus. Chairman Bruhn asked what the CFX laser scanner item was. Mr. Eric Hill, MetroPlan Orlando staff, explained that the laser scanners are a homicide investigation tool that assist with faster investigations and shorter roadway closures after a collision involving a homicide.

B. *I-4 Ultimate and Beyond the Ultimate Project Update*

Mr. Frank O'Dea, Florida Department of Transportation, provided a project update on the I-4 Ultimate project and Beyond the Ultimate. Mr. O'Dea reviewed a brief history of the I-4 Ultimate project, including express lane and public private partnership (P3) information. He noted that concerns arose over traffic flow at the termini of the I-4 Ultimate project resulting in work on the Beyond the Ultimate project. The Beyond the Ultimate project, he added, would extend the roadway expansion from US 27 in Polk County to SR 472 in Volusia County. Mr. O'Dea explained that once the projects are paid off the toll income would remain in the county it was collected. He reviewed the segments of the project and reported that there will be a number of improvements to interchanges as well. Mr. O'Dea told MAC members that FDOT had some funding scheduled for the Beyond the Ultimate project, however, additional funding was needed. Commissioner Sid Miller commented on a huge development plan slated for the Lake Mary area and potential traffic issues it would create in that area. He told committee members that Representative Cortes was looking to push for an overpass at Rinehart Road and International Parkway to

help alleviate some of the traffic issues. Mr. O' Dea responded that FDOT has been meeting with local city and county representatives to partner with them on advancing other projects that would help the I-4 projects. He encouraged city staff to address these type of issues at the Technical Advisory Committee. Mr. Harry Barley, MetroPlan Orlando staff, added that the goal of the Beyond the Ultimate project is to avoid interruption on I-4. He told MAC members that \$3-\$4 million had already been committed to the project but the total cost for the project was \$2.6 billion. An I-4 Beyond the Ultimate Financing Task Force, he noted, would be meeting later that day. FDOT Secretary Boxold, he added, recognizes the importance of the Beyond the Ultimate project and decisions on the project are expected later in the year.

C. *Presentation on Tracking of PD&E Studies*

Mr. Gary Huttman, MetroPlan Orlando staff, gave a presentation on the effort to track PD&E studies that are underway in the MetroPlan Orlando area. Mr. Huttman provided a spreadsheet with information on FDOT, FTE, CFX and other PD&E projects locally. He noted that it had been a while since PD&E studies had been presented to the Board and committees, due to time constraints. A decision had been made, he added, to provide a report to the Board and committees twice a year, in January and July. Mr. Huttman noted that a request had been made to add the SR 436 Transit Study to the PD&E list.

X. General Information

A. *Tracking the Trends Report*

An executive summary of MetroPlan Orlando's latest *Tracking the Trends* report was provided.

B. *Air Quality Report*

The latest air quality report for Central Florida was provided.

C. *FDOT Quarterly Variance Report*

The latest FDOT Quarterly Variance Report for the Orlando area was provided.

D. *FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report*

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

E. *MetroPlan Orlando Board Highlights*

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

XI. Upcoming Meetings of Interest

A. *MetroPlan Orlando Board Meeting*

The MetroPlan Orlando Board held a meeting on Wednesday, July 13, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.

B. *Municipal Advisory Committee meeting* - Thursday, September 8, 2016; 9:30 a.m.

XII. Public Comments (General)

None.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

The Municipal Advisory Committee meeting was adjourned at 10:39 a.m.

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

Approved this 8th day of September, 2016.

Chairperson

Witness

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.