MINUTES

Members Present:

Commissioner Kathy Bryant
Commissioner Jeff Gold
Mayor Kent Guinn
Commissioner David Moore
Councilman Jay Musleh
Commissioner Michelle Stone
Commissioner Carl Zalak

Members Not Present:

Commissioner Gary Ernst
Councilman Valerie Hanchar
Councilman James Hilty, Sr.
Councilman Brent Malever
Councilwoman Mary Sue Rich
Councilman Matthew Wardell

Others Present:

Brian Stanger, FDOT
Jamie Kersey, FDOT
Kevin Smith, Marion County
Sean Lanier, City of Ocala
Marguerite Sowder
Don Atwell, Marion County
Michelle Shearer
Masood Mirza, Marion County
Gennie Garcia, SunTran
Carlos Zambrano, SunTran
Doug Shearer
Item 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairman Moore called the public hearing to order at 4:08 PM. Secretary Shakayla Jacobs called the roll of members. A quorum was present.

Item 2. Proof of Publication

Secretary Shakayla Jacobs stated the public hearing was advertised in the September 22, 2017 edition of the Ocala Star Banner and was also published to the City of Ocala, Marion County, City of Dunnellon, City of Belleview, and TPO websites.

Item 3a. 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan Amendment

Mr. Odom said that the Ocala/Marion TPO Board unanimously voted to amend the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) to add one new project and accelerate one existing project. The amendments to the 2040 LRTP were as followed:

The first amendment proposed to add one new project to widen approximately 1.34 miles of CR 484 to four lanes from the end of the current four-lane section near SW 47th Terrace to Marion Oaks Pass. Based on present day costs, estimated of the project phases would be as followed:

- Design (PE) - $680,966
- Right-of-Way (ROW) - $630,000
- Construction (CST) – $4,993,750
- **TOTAL: $6,304,716**

The funding timeframe for the project was 2026 to 2030.

The second amendment proposed to accelerate the projected construction funding timeframe for an existing project to widen approximately 2.6 miles of SW 49th Avenue to four lanes from Marion Oaks Trail to Marion Oaks Manor. Based on present day costs, estimated of the project phases would be as followed:

- Design (PE) - $1,340,000
- Right-of-Way (ROW) - $3,525,000
- Construction (CST) – $9,826,666
- **TOTAL: $14,691,666**

The funding timeframe for the project was 2026 to 2030.

Mr. Odom explained that the amendments were in coordination with the Ocala/Marion County Chamber & Economic Partnership and the Marion County’s Board of County Commissioners application for grant funding for the Cross Florida Commerce Park with the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity’s Florida Job Growth Fund.
Mr. Odom also added that the proposed amendments were developed in consultation with representatives of the Ocala/Marion County TPO and the Marion County Engineering department. The factors used to develop the planned amendments were consistent with those used for the current 2040 LRTP.

*Ms. Stone made a motion to approve the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan Amendment as presented. Mr. Gold seconded the motion, a roll-call vote was called and the motion passed unanimously.*

**Item 4. Public Comment**

*There was no public comment.*

**Item 5. Adjournment**

Chairman Moore adjourned the public hearing at 4:12 PM.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Shakayla Jacobs, TPO Administrative Assistant