



Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting

Marion County Public Library
2720 E. Silver Springs Blvd., Ocala, FL 34470
Meeting Room B
March 10, 2020
1:00 PM

MINUTES

Members Present:

Davis Dinkins (*arrived at 1:05pm*)
Joe London
Paul Marraffino
Richard McGinley
Suzanne Mangram
Steve Rudnianyn
Michelle Shearer
Andria Lemieux

Members Not Present:

Travis Magamoll
Clark Yandle

Others Present:

Rob Balmes, TPO
Derrick Harris, TPO
Shakayla Irby, TPO
Anton Schauerte, TPO
Vickie Wyche, FDOT

Item 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairman Steve Rudnianyn started the meeting started at 1:04pm. Secretary Shakayla Irby called the roll there was a quorum present.

Item 2. Proof of Publication

Secretary Shakayla Irby stated that the meeting had been published online on the TPO website, the City of Ocala, Belleview, Marion County and Dunnellon websites on March 3rd, 2020. The meeting had also been published to the Star Banner news calendar, and the TPOs Facebook and Twitter pages.

Item 3a. Gateway & Pillar Signage

The presentation was postponed due to a meeting conflict.

Item 4a. MPOAC Freight Priority Projects

Mr. Harris presented the MPOAC Freight Priority Projects and said that each year the Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council (MPOAC) called on each MPO/TPO to submit a list of regional freight priorities. The list of priorities would then be voted upon at one of the MPOAC's quarterly meetings. The approved list would then be transmitted to FDOT for further consideration of funding with a higher priority being placed on the projects as they had been vetted through a collaborative effort among all MPO/TPOs in the state of Florida.

The Ocala Marion TPO suggested to include the following projects in the years regional freight priorities submission to MPOAC for consideration in their regional/statewide list:

- NW 49th Street Interchange
- CR 484 Interchange

In addition, the TPO included informational resources that gave background on the MPOAC's process for submitting freight projects on their regional/statewide list to each committee member.

Mr. Harris notified the committee that in an earlier meeting with the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) the list included three projects with E SR 40 Widening suggested by the TAC.

- NW 49th Street Interchange
- CR 484 Interchange
- E SR 40 Widening

Item 5a. Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Metric Methodology

Mr. Harris presented the LRTP Metric Methodology and said that the TPO was in the process of updating the 2045 LRTP and finalizing the Goals and Objectives portion. The next step for the TPO and most important was the needs plan. With the current update staff was looking to adopt a metric methodology that would be based on the approved Goals and Objectives. The intent of the metrics was to assess and prioritize the needs.

A DRAFT metrics methodology was presented to the committee for discussion before finalization.

There was committee discussion.

Ms. Shearer made a motion to accept the methodology but not the goals and there should be a third question for goal #4. Mr. Marraffino seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Item 5b. Title VI/Non-Discrimination Plan DRAFT

Mr. Harris presented and said that the Ocala Marion TPO was committed to ensuring that no person was excluded from the transportation planning process, regardless of background, income level or cultural identity.

The TPO complied with the Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and other nondiscrimination statutes, regulations and authorities.

Therefore, a DRAFT Title VI/ Non-Discrimination Plan was presented to the committee for feedback and approval.

Mr. Marraffino made a motion to approve the Title VI/Non-Discrimination Plan DRAFT. Mr. McGinley seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Item 6. Consent Agenda

Ms. Mangram made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mr. McGinley seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Item 7. Comments by FDOT

Ms. Wyche said that there would be a meeting to discuss CR 484 from SW 20th Ave to CR 475 Interchange Improvement Tuesday, June 23rd at 7pm at the Marion Oaks Community Center.

Mr. McGinley asked if there had been any more communications about turnpike extensions or other potential toll roads in adjacent counties.

Ms. Wyche said none that she was aware of but would be able to research the inquiry.

Mr. Balmes said that the MCORES website would be a good site to visit and an avoidance area map had been provided on the website.

Item 8. Comments by TPO Staff

Mr. Harris also said that before the committee met again there would be a second round of public involvement regarding the needs plans and asked the committee to share information that is given out regarding meetings.

Item 9. Comments by CAC Members

Ms. Shearer said that a cyclist had been killed on SE 25th Ave and that the double lines on the roadway were faded and on 95th St the speed limit needed to be 35mph for the entire road and no passing ability for safety concerns.

Ms. Shearer said that she planned to reach out to the Marion County Road Department with the concerns.

Item 10. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Item 11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Rudniansyn at 1:46pm.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Shakayla Irby, TPO Administrative Assistant