



**Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting**  
Marion County – Library Headquarters, Meeting Room B  
2720 E. Silver Springs Blvd., Ocala, FL 34470  
1:00 PM

**MINUTES**

**Members Present:**

Travis Magamoll  
Suzanne Mangram  
Nick Mora  
Steve Rudnianyn  
Michelle Shearer

**Members Not Present:**

Matt Fabian  
Richard Howard  
Richard McGinley

**Others Present:**

Rob Balmes, Ocala Marion TPO  
Liz Mitchell, Ocala Marion TPO  
Sara Brown, Ocala Marion TPO  
Kia Powell, FDOT  
Mo Ansari, Kimley-Horn

### **Item 1. Call to Order and Roll Call**

Chairman Travis Magamoll called the meeting to order at 1:00pm. Secretary Shakayla Irby called the roll and a quorum was present.

### **Item 2. Proof of Publication**

Secretary Shakayla Irby stated the meeting had been published online to the TPO's website, as well as the City of Ocala, Belleview, Marion County, and Dunnellon's websites on February 6, 2024. The meeting had also been published to the TPOs Facebook and Twitter pages.

Following the proof of publication, Chairman Magamoll reminded the committee that they followed Roberts Rules of Order at all CAC meetings. As members, this meant that if they had a question or wished to make a statement, they were to notify the chair to avoid interruptions and talking over each other. For the public, they were asked to wait until the end of the meeting during Public Comment to address the CAC. The committee allowed all members of the public to speak for up to two minutes.

### **Item 3. Consent Agenda**

*Mr. Rudnianyn made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Ms. Mangram seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.*

### **Item 4a. Fiscal Years (FY) 2024 to 2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #3**

Ms. Brown presented to the committee and said there was one project proposed to be amended to the Fiscal Years (FY) 2024 to 2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The following summarizes the proposed change to the TIP.

#### **FM# 454185-1 Capital-Marion Senior Services, Inc.**

- To provide transportation for those in the community who qualify to receive assistance through the 5311 program
- Funds to be added to FY 2024
- Total: \$125,000

*Ms. Mangram made a motion to approve the FY 2024 to 2028 TIP Amendment #3.*

*Mr. Rudnianyn seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.*

### **Item 4b. Performance Management 2024 Safety Targets**

Ms. Brown gave a detailed presentation to the committee on the Performance Management 2024 Safety Targets.

In 2023, the TPO Board tasked its staff with evaluating the current methodology to determine if the increased growth in Marion County necessitates a revised target methodology. TPO staff

conducted a thorough review, including examining VMT data, crash statistics from 2018 to 2022, and peer methodologies from other MPO/TPOs in Florida. They also considered revisions to the Commitment to Zero Safety Action Plan, aligning it with federal grant opportunities and Vision Zero goals. The review found that VMT data for Marion County is current and crash data needed updating due to reporting delays and anomalies. Revised 2022 statistics showed increases in fatalities and non-motorized injuries. Peer reviews of other MPO/TPOs revealed various methodologies focusing on declining targets. In January 2024, a proposed FHWA rule could change Safety Performance Measure targets from annual to triennial, shift to a 3-year average, and require constant or improved safety performance from baseline levels.

Since 2018, the TPO Board had adopted quantifiable safety performance targets to track progress and reflect more accountability to the public.

Ms. Brown shared with the committee the three PM1 Safety Target options that were proposed:

**Option A.** Adopt safety targets based on the most current five-year rolling averages with a 5% reduction. This option supports the Commitment to Zero Safety Action Plan goal of Zero Fatalities and Zero Serious Injuries by 2045. This option also aligns the TPO more closely to other TPO/MPO peers, and the pending new rulemaking by FHWA.

**Option B.** Adopt safety targets based on the current rolling average methodology. This option has been adopted since 2018.

**Option C.** \*Adoption of state targets of 0 for all five 2024 safety targets.

\*If the TPO adopts FDOT safety targets, the requirement is to annually adopt the same targets until changes are made by the state.

Ms. Mangram inquired if funding was tied into the Safety Targets.

Mr. Balmes responded that there were no funding penalties rather targets were met or not.

Mr. Mora inquired if things were taking place to hit the set targets.

Mr. Balmes mentioned that the TPO currently had a Safety Action Plan that was in conjunction with the safety targets.

The committee continued to engage in discussions aimed at finding different ways to increase safety and effectively reduce the numbers of serious injuries and fatalities.

Ms. Shearer asked for a breakdown of nonmotorized (bicycle and pedestrian) fatalities and serious injuries.

Ms. Brown said she would provide that breakdown to the committee members.

Mr. Mora expressed his desire to set the safety target at zero and to keep track of the numbers.

Chairman Magamoll expressed concerns about setting the safety targets at zero, noting that while there were currently no penalties, there could be penalties in the future for not meeting targets.

Ms. Rudnianyn suggested that it was better to set realistic targets.

Chairman Magamoll reminded the committee that just because targets were set at staff recommendations, it did not mean that the ultimate goal for fatalities and serious injuries was not zero.

Ms. Mangram made a motion to approve Option A for the Performance Management 2024 Safety Targets. Ms. Shearer seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

### **Item 5a. 2024 Major Activities**

Mr. Rob Balmes presented the 2024 Major Activities.

In calendar year 2024, the TPO was expected to be involved with a number of program and project activities to meet organization goals and state and federal requirements. In the meeting packet included current planned activities. A brief presentation was given at the meeting to share further information and how committee members would be involved throughout the calendar year in providing guidance, feedback and recommendations.

#### **First Quarter: February to March**

- 2024 Safety (PM1) Targets (February)
- Public Participation Plan (PPP) (March)
- Fiscal Years 24/2025 to 25/2026 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) (April)

#### **Second Quarter: April to June**

- 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Public Kick-Off (April 23)
- List of Priority Projects (LOPP) (May, June)
- FY 2025 to 2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) (May, June)

#### **Third Quarter: August to September**

- 2024 Traffic Counts Online Map and Report (August)
- Commitment to Zero Dashboard and Annual Report (August)
- Roll Forward Fiscal Years 2025 to 2029 TIP Amendment (September)
- Greenhouse Gas CO2 Performance Measure Target (new)
- Active Transportation Plan (TBD)
- *Resiliency Improvement Plan (TBD)*
- 2050 LRTP Ongoing Updates (Open House)

#### **Fourth Quarter: October to December**

- 2050 LRTP Ongoing Updates
- 2045 LRTP Amendment (if necessary) (August-November)

### **Item 5b. Current 2024 CAC Members**

Mr. Balmes shared with the committee that as of January 1, 2024, the membership of the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC). The CAC consisted of eight members. Per the CAC Bylaws, the roster may be up to 15 members. The TPO was accepting new applications for the committee.

### **Item 6. Comments by FDOT**

Ms. Kia Powell provided the construction report, which was updated to include maps to make it more public-friendlier to the committee, and shared that there are currently eight road closures within Marion County. A few other updates given were that a Safety Strategic Plan Workshop would be held at the Lady Lake Public Library on Monday, February 26, 2024, from 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm. Best Foot Forward, along with law enforcement, would be monitoring SE 28th Street and SE 52nd Avenue starting February 15 from 7 am to 9 am.

### **Item 7. Comments by TPO Staff**

Mr. Balmes informed the committee that they can look forward to updates on the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Update and also the Public Participation Plan (PPP) in the coming months.

### **Item 8. Comments by CAC Members**

Ms. Mangram inquired about the completion date for CR 484 and I-75.

Ms. Powell stated that she would make a note and follow up with any updates.

Chairman Magamoll welcomed the new CAC member, Nick Mora.

### **Item 9. Public Comment**

*There was no public comment.*

### **Item 10. Adjournment**

Chairman Travis Magamoll adjourned the meeting at 1:42pm.

Respectfully Submitted By:

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Shakayla Irby, TPO Administrative Assistant