

MINUTES OF THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Held on August 1, 2013

The following members were present for the regular meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee on August 1, 2013 at the City of Cape Coral Annex/Public Works Building, 815 Nicholas Parkway East, Cape Coral, FL.

Matt Noble	Lee County Community Development
Andy Getch	Lee County Department of Transportation
Wayne Gather	LeeTran
Dawn Huff	Lee County School Board
Persides Zambrano	City of Cape Coral Public Works
Kitty Sayers	Cape Coral Mini Bus Service
Ben Bullert	City of Fort Myers Engineering
Walter Fluegel	Town of Fort Myers Beach
Ben Pople	City of Sanibel
Bob Herrington	Charlotte County Punta Gorda MPO
Margaret Wuerstle	Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council
Gary Harrell	Charlotte County Punta Gorda MPO

Those also in attendance included: Russ Muller with FDOT; Meghan Marion with CDM Smith; Julia Davis with Omnibus Innovations Group; Juliet Iglesias Lee County Port Authority; Scott Farash with FTE; Nick Lepp with RPG; Don Scott, Meghan Marion, Ron Gogoi and Brian Raimondo of the Lee County MPO.

Chairperson Zambrano called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

Mr. Limbaugh called the roll and announced that a quorum was not present.

Chairperson Zambrano asked the meeting begin with non-action items, those members present agreed to move forward with item number 9

Agenda Item #9 Presentation on the Congestion Management System Performance Measures Analysis

Ron Gogoi introduced the MPO's consultant Nick Lepp with Renaissance Planning Group who has been working on a Performance Measure Analysis of the Lee County Congestion Management Network. The Analysis provides an insight into system-wide trends and conditions of the transportation network over the last three years on the basis of five emphasis areas from MAP 21. These emphasis areas are *Mobility, Accessibility, Socio-Economic, Safety, and Sustainability*. Then Nick Lepp presented a power point of the results of the analysis provided a PowerPoint presentation on this item. **Attached**. The Committee requested that copies of the tables as presented be made available to the members. Members discussed the benefits of selecting specific points and suggested that minutes of travel would be a better measure.



M13a.CMS Presentation.pdf

A quorum was reached at 9:40 the Committee resumed the original meeting agenda order at the conclusion of item #9

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Agenda Item #1 – Minutes from the June 6, 2013 CAC Meeting

MOTION BY MS HUFF TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 6, 2013 TAC MEETING. SECONDED BY MR GATHER. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item #2 – Public Comments on Items on the Agenda

None.

Agenda Item #3 Approval of the Roll Forward Amendments

Mr. Scott presented this item. This amendment is being done to account for the roll forward project on US 41 from Corkscrew Road to San Carlos Blvd landscape agreement with Lee County within the TIP.

MOTION BY MR NOBEL TO APPROVE THE ROLL FORWARD AMENDMENT. SECONDED BY MR. GETCH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item #4 Review and Approval of a UPWP Amendment to Add Task and Update Forms

Mr. Scott presented this item. This amendment is being done to the Unified Planning Work Program (the MPO's budget) to address the need to hire an MPO attorney, to add several tasks and to update the transit planning funding allocations. The proposed changes are included on the attached task sheets in underline and strike through format.

MOTION BY MR GATHER RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF THE UPWP AMENDMENT. SECONDED BY MR. NOBEL. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item #5 Review and Approval of the Federal Functional Classifications

Mr. Scott Farash with FTE provided a PowerPoint presentation on this item. (attached)



M07a.FDOT Classification of Lee County Roads.pdf



M07b.Proposed Additions to Lee Co. Roads.pdf

MOTION BY MR BULLERT TO RECOMMEND MPO APPROVAL OF THE FEDERAL FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION WITH THE CHANGES AS DISCUSSED INCLUDING REDUCING THE WESTERN TERMINUS OF THE PRINCIPAL ARTERIAL DESIGNATION FOR SR 82 TO FOWLER STREET. SECONDED BY MR. NOBEL. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item #6 Review and Endorse Aviation Priorities

Mr. Gogoi presented this item. The Lee County Port Authority has submitted its latest priorities for aviation projects at Southwest Florida International Airport and Page Field for endorsement by the MPO. Since air carrier and general aviation airports are eligible for funding from different sources, projects are prioritized by the Lee County Port Authority separately for each airport.

MOTION BY MR GETCH TO RECOMMEND ENDORSEMENT OF THE AVIATION PRIORITIES. SECONDED BY MR. NOBEL. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item #7 *Approval of the Bus Pull Out Study Local Agency Program Agreement

Mr. Scott presented this item. Staff is now bringing the LAP agreement to the Committee's and the Board for approval with the intent on advertising for Request for Proposals (RFP's) from consultants by the end of August. The MPO staff is also seeking a committee member to serve on the consultant selection committee that will be made up of a TAC member, CAC member, LeeTran staff member and MPO staff member.

MOTION BY MR GATHER TO APPROVE THE BUS PULL OUT STUDY LAP AGREEMENT. AND NAME ANDY GETCH AS THE TAC REPRESENTATIVE SECONDED BY MR. FLUEGEL. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item #8 *Approval of the Bus Queue Study Local Agency Program Agreement

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MOTION BY MR GATHER TO APPROVE THE BUS QUEUE STUDY LAP AGREEMENT AND NAME ANDY GETCH AS THE TAC REPRESENTATIVE SECONDED BY MS. HUFF. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item #10 Discussion on Federal Truck Legislation

Don Scott provided an overview of a discussion he had with the Florida State Director for the Coalition Against Bigger Trucks (CABT). CABT is a non-profit that advocates at the federal and state level against bigger semi-trucks on our roads in Florida and across the nation. The group works with various agencies to communicate with state and federal elected officials about the safety and infrastructure damage that arises from larger vehicles being allowed on the roadway system. The visit was related to H.R. 612 that is a proposed bill that would amend Title 23 USC with respect to vehicle weight limitations applicable to the Interstate system. The committee discussed the disadvantages of allowing the increase given the wear and tear on the roadway and increased maintenance cost. There are also safety issues that need to be considered. **No action was taken at this time**

Agenda Item #11 Approval of the 2014 Meeting Calendar

The committee discussed the meeting dates and concurred with the recommended dates.

Agenda Item #12 – Public Comments on Items not on the Agenda

None.

Agenda Item #13 – Member Comments and Discussion

Agenda Item #14 – LeeTran Report

Mr. Gather provided information on the proposed changes to existing routes and service hours need to meet the reduced county budget.

Agenda Item #15 – FDOT Report

Mr. Muller announced that the FDOT is in the beginning stages of the work program gaming cycle.

Agenda Item #16 – Announcements

None.

Agenda Item #17 – Topics for next meeting

Draft LRTP amendments.
Congestion Monitoring Report

Agenda Item #18 – Information and Distribution Items

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 p.m.