

BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN COORDINATING COMMITTEE

Lee County Metropolitan Planning Organization

Tuesday, November 23, 2021

Fort Myers Collaboratory

2031 Jackson Street, Fort Myers, FL 33901

10:00 a.m.



Meeting Minutes

The in-person meeting was officially called to order by Ms. Jennifer Hagen at approximately 10:00 a.m.

Agenda Item #2 - Roll Call/Introductions

MPO staff called and recorded the roll. There was a quorum. Those in attendance included:

From the BPCC

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| Colleen Bennett | Lee County Department of Community Development |
| David Rivera | Lee County School District |
| David Wheaton | Member-at-Large |
| Gordon Brown | Village of Estero |
| Henry Burden | Member-at-Large |
| James Lear | Cape Coral Police Department |
| Jennifer Hagen | Member-at-Large |
| Jorge Puente | LeeTran |
| Nancy Macphee | Lee County Visitors and Convention Bureau |
| Pimolmas Tan | Cape Coral |
| Randy Paniagua | Fort Myers Beach |
| Simone Behr | Lee County Visitors and Convention Bureau |
| Teresa Lewis | Member-at-Large |

Others in attendance included Ron Gogoi and Don Scott with the Lee County MPO; Jodi Walborn with Blue Zones; Bonita Springs resident Deb Orton; and Victoria Peters and with FDOT.

Agenda Item #3 - Public Comments on Items on the Agenda

There were no public comments on items on the agenda.

Agenda Item #4 - *Approval of the August 24, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Ms. Teresa Lewis made the motion to approve the August 24, 2021 Meeting Minutes. Mr. Henry Burden seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #5 - *Approval of the October 26, 2021 Joint Lee and Collier MPO Bike Ped Meeting Minutes

Mr. Gordon Brown made the motion to approve the October 26, 2021 Joint Lee and Collier MPO Bike Ped Meeting Minutes. Ms. Jennifer Hagen seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Gogoi asked to delay Agenda Item #6 due to the presenter, Mr. Brian Raimondo, running late for the meeting.

Agenda Item #9 - Visitor Convention Bureau Presentation

Ms. Simone Behr with the Lee County Visitor & Convention Bureau (VCB) presented this agenda item to highlight the agency's bicycle and pedestrian activities and milestones for the year. Her presentation included information on social media activity, international coverage, website updates, monthly newsletter, influencers used, airport booths, mobile booths, awards, news articles, song writer festival, professional photographer, upcoming events, funding, marketing, and visitor guide update. Her presentation can be viewed here: [VCB Presentation](#) The committee discussed using VCB photos for the bike map update, target market, statistical data, marketing during local basketball games, and international staffing.

Agenda Item #6 - *Review and Approve the 4th Edition Countywide Bicycle Facility Map

Mr. Brian Raimondo presented this agenda item for the review and approval of the final version of the 4th Edition Countywide Bicycle Facility Map. The map was attached to the agenda packet, posted to the MPO website, and shown as slides at the meeting. The bike map can be viewed here: <https://leempo.com/wp-content/uploads/Agenda-6a.4thEdition-Map.pdf> Mr. Raimondo discussed the changes and updates that were made to the facilities portion of the map. He also referred to the bike map layout and commented on the format, items that will be included, and clean up that will be done. The bike map layout can be viewed here: <https://leempo.com/wp-content/uploads/Agenda-6b.4th-Edition-Map-Layout.pdf> Mr. Raimondo asked for approval for the map, commented on printing quotes, possible addition of updated corrections, and discussed format adjustments to grid lines made during the printing process. Mr. Gogoi commented on the bike facilities under construction on the map. Mr. Raimondo provided additional information on the bike shops that will be included and mentioned transition errors due to laptop conversions. The committee discussed the approval needed, map legend, SR 80 adjustments, previous versions, possible changes to text on layout, state standards for paved shoulders, removing the small shoulder strips on Buckingham, electric bike restrictions, other types of electric mobility devices, next meeting in January due to no meetings in December, digital map availability, Mound Key and Mound House changes, interactive data experience link or contact information, removal of commuter services, regulations regarding earbuds during cycling, format changes, grid lines, publishing, making changes that were listed again by Mr. Raimondo, adding parks to map, adding Estero Bay Preserve, adding bus transfer stations, possibly adding rider requirements for public transportation use, updating LeeTran logos, updating digital version regularly, having separate map layers for sidewalks, QR codes on map to link to website, JRA bike shop relocation, Estero ordinance on electric bicycles, adding notice to check local ordinances, and possibly adding bike ped committees for each of the municipalities.

Mr. Gordon Brown made the motion to approve the 4th Edition Bicycle Pedestrian Map/Flyer. Mr. Henry Burden seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #7 - Review and Comment on the Candidate Projects for the 2022 Multimodal TA and SU Fund Priority List

Mr. Ron Gogoi presented this agenda item for the review of and discussion on candidate projects for the 2022 TA and SU funds multimodal priority list. Mr. Gogoi presented slides on the relationship between MPO priorities and FDOT Work Program, new funding cycle, available funding, funding requests from local jurisdictions, and candidate projects for 2022 priorities. The committee discussed proposed sidewalk on US 41 in Bonita Springs, configuration changes and safety concerns at Daniels and Treeline intersection, project process for inclusion in priorities, funding restrictions and requirements, federal process, local agency participation (LAP) certification, criteria/rules, and length of approval for projects. The presentation can be viewed here: <https://leempo.com/wp-content/uploads/Agenda-7.-Multimodal.pdf>

Agenda Item #8 - Review and Provide Input on the Safety Scopes

Mr. Don Scott presented this agenda item for the review of and to provide input on the two safety scopes. The scopes were attached to the agenda packet, posted to the MPO website, and shown as slides at the meeting. The staff report and scopes can be viewed here: <https://leempo.com/wp-content/uploads/BPCC08-3.pdf> Mr. Scott presented slides with information on safety performance measures, crash dashboard data, MPO budget task for scoping, partner discussions for outreach, and FDOT emphasis areas. The presentation can be viewed here: <https://leempo.com/wp-content/uploads/Agenda-8.-Safety-outreach1-Scopes.pdf> The committee discussed safety trends, classification of data, vehicle miles travelled, sources of data, increased fatality and crashes during period of decreased traffic volumes, car safety features and impact, excessive speeds, increased drug use, driver behavior, Lee Health involvement, time line and funding, radio sponsorship, geofencing, demographics, correlation between crashes and driver home address, daily data updates, restriction on data access, and local examples.

Agenda Item #10 - Bicycling in Carqueiranne, France

Ms. Terri Lewis, BPCC Member, presented this agenda item on bicycling in Carqueiranne, France. Ms. Lewis was in Carqueiranne, France, this summer, and penned her observations of the City's cycling culture in a report for the benefit of the committee. The report was attached to the agenda packet, posted to the MPO website, and shown as slides at the meeting. Ms. Lewis' report can also be viewed here: <https://leempo.com/wp-content/uploads/BPCC10-2.pdf> Based on her report, Ms. Lewis provided a Power Point presentation to the BPCC that included slides with information on the city of Carqueiranne, France, background, enforcement, education, infrastructure, and summary. Ms. Lewis also played several French videos of safety related public service announcements. Ms. Hagen thanked Ms. Lewis for her presentation. Ms. Lewis' presentation can be viewed here: <https://leempo.com/wp-content/uploads/SWFrance BikePed presentation.pdf>

Agenda Item #11 - FDOT/MPO/Local Agency Updates

Mr. Jorge Puente mentioned LeeTran service changes. Mr. Randy Paniagua mentioned the start of the Bayside project in Fort Myers Beach.

Agenda Item #12 - Public and Member Comments on Items not on the Agenda

There were no public comments on items not on the agenda.

Agenda Item #13 – Announcements

Mr. Gogoi announced there would be no meeting in December.

Agenda Item #14 - Information and Distribution Items

There were no information and distribution items.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:11 p.m.

A recoding of the meeting can be accessed here: <https://soundcloud.com/user-390911534/11-23-2021-bpccmp3?si=de4cf45900054b278f6ba3b80733097d>

***Action Items *May Require Action**

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