BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN COORDINATING COMMITTEE

Lee County Metropolitan Planning Organization Tuesday, April 26, 2022 Fort Myers Collaboratory 2031 Jackson Street, Fort Myers, FL 33901 10:00 a.m.



AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call/Introductions
- 3. Public Comments on Items on the Agenda
- 4. *Approval of the March 29, 2022 Meeting Minutes
- 5. *BPCC Bylaws Amendment (Ron Gogoi)
- 6. FDOT D1 Pedestrian Bicycle Coordinator Report (Deborah Chesna)
- 7. Lee MPO Funding Allocations for FY 2022 (Ron Gogoi)
- 8. Town of Fort Myers Beach Margaritaville Update
- 9. Appointment of a Member to the MPO's Traffic Management Operations Committee
- 10. FDOT/MPO/Local Agency Updates
- 11. Public and Member Comments on Items not on the Agenda
- 12. Announcements
- 13. Information and Distribution Items

Adjournment

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Lee County Metropolitan Planning Organization
Tuesday, March 29, 2022
Lee County Administration East Building
2201 Second Street, Room 118
Fort Myers, FL 33901
10:00 a.m.



Meeting Minutes

The in-person meeting was called to order at approximately 10:00 a.m. by BPCC Chair Teresa Lewis.

Agenda Item #2 - Roll Call/Introductions

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

From the BPCC

Armand Regnaert Lee County Parks and Recreation Brandon Kaczmarek Lee County Parks and Recreation

Carl Karakos City of Fort Myers

David Wagley Lee County Department of Community Development

David Wheaton Member-at-Large

Diane Holm Injury Prevention Coalition

Gordon Brown Village of Estero Henry Burden Member-at-Large Jennifer Hagen Member-at-Large

Jorge Puente LeeTran

Lee Waller Lee County Parks and Recreation

Randy Krise Lee County MPO Citizen Advisory Committee/BPCC Chair

Randy Paniagua Fort Myers Beach Scott Stryker Village of Estero

Simone Behr Lee County Visitor and Convention Bureau

Teresa Lewis Member-at-Large

Others in attendance included Ron Gogoi and Don Scott with the Lee County MPO; Ashley Koza with Lee County Facilities Construction and Management; and a member of the public John Majka.

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

There were no public comments on items on the agenda.

Agenda Item #4 - *January 25, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Mr. Randy Krise made the motion to approve the January 25, 2022 Meeting Minutes. Mr. David Wagley seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #5 - Able Canal Design Presentation

Mr. Armand Regnaert with Lee County Parks and Recreation introduced Ms. Ashley Koza with Lee County Facilities Construction and Management who then presented this agenda item on the Able Canal Design. She provided a Power Point presentation that included slides with information on the project details, project background, northern segment, middle segment, southern segment, public meeting comments, before and after renderings, side-streets crossing, and pathway typicals. Her presentation can be viewed here: https://leempo.com/wp-content/uploads/Agenda-Item-5-Able-Canal-Pathway.pdf The committee discussed bollards, landscaping, planters, preventing unauthorized

vehicle access, drinking water availability, proximity and connection to Harns Marsh Elementary School, canal maintenance, surface treatments of pathway, and funding for landscaping.

Agenda Item #6 - Review of Carbon Reduction Feasibility Study Scope

Mr. Carl Karakos with the City of Fort Myers presented this agenda item for the review of the Carbon Reduction Feasibility Study Scope. The staff report with draft scope can be viewed here: https://leempo.com/wp-content/uploads/BPCC06-5.pdf Mr. Karakos provided a brief background of the study and then reviewed the scope. The committee discussed micromobility, carbon reduction funding opportunities, reviewing literature and examples from other areas, involvement of consultants, providing scope to committee for review, future parking projects in area, traffic volume issues with growth, development of mid-town area, City of Fort Myers Council meeting action items, codification and adoption of Complete Streets policies, and the position on City of Fort Myers council member and city manager's positions on Complete Streets, Micro mobility, and Pedestrian Corridors.

Agenda Item #7 - Lee County Crash Statistics

Mr. Don Scott presented this agenda item on Lee County Crash Statistics. He provided a brief Power Point presentation that included slides with information on bicycle and pedestrian fatalities and serious injuries over the past several years, bike ped fatality and serious injury locations, day of week and time of day of fatalities and serious injuries, age distribution of bike ped fatalities and serious injuries, emphasis areas of fatalities and serious injuries, statewide fatalities and serious injuries, map of all crashes in state of Florida, and a map of locations of speeding and aggressive driving fatalities and presentation can be viewed here: https://leempo.com/wpinjuries. His content/uploads/Agenda-Item-7-Bicycle-Pedestrian-Crash-Data.pdf The committee discussed heat maps, investment in high injury and fatality areas and subsequent changes, adding mid-block crossings and medians for safety, reduction in crashes after safety projects, tracking incidents by time of day, ratio of pedestrians to cyclists in data presented, involvement of drugs and alcohol, technology improvements, vehicle miles travelled and rates of comparison used for data, seasonal traffic and consideration of growth, census data, previous bicycle pedestrian counts in Lee County, example of Tampa area, gross numbers and data implications, rates used to enable comparison of data from different areas, Dangerous by Design reports, involvement of elected officials, difficulty in finding quality data to support investment in infrastructure, use of performance measures, following through with adoption of policies, local examples from Fort Myers and Bonita Springs, social determinates of health, funding issues, fee in lieu, economic base, local examples, data platforms, use of consultants to examine crash reports, use of micromobility and mobility options, features of data platforms, access to data platforms, cost of data platforms, examination of each accident in detail to discover if infrastructure would have helped avoid incident, issues of land and money, improving connectivity, and public comment.

Agenda Item #8 - Lee MPO Funding Allocations for FY 2022

Mr. Ron Gogoi tabled this agenda item.

Agenda Item #9 - 3R Projects in Lee County Update

Mr. Gogoi presented this agenda item as an update to Resurfacing/Restoration/Rehabilitation (3R) projects in Lee County. He highlighted changes to Chapter 114 of the Florida Design Manual resulting from the publication of Roadway Bulletin 22-01. Among the changes were the need for new, or improvement of existing, pedestrian and bicycle facilities, but he cautioned that some of the changes may have unintended consequences that may impact Lee MPO priorities. Staff went on to explain that the new requirements of Chapter 114 may present some difficulty in carrying out this committee's earlier direction to staff to work with FDOT in accommodating bike lanes during the planned resurfacing of San

Carlos Boulevard from North of Hurricane Pass Bridge to Summerlin. FDOT had recently informed staff that they will consider building concrete median separators in place of the continuous two way turn lanes within this segment, and that the minimum width required to install a concrete separator would not leave enough pavement even after lane diets to restripe and add bike lanes within the curb lines. The committee discussed the existing pavement width, speed limit, width of the travel and the two-way continuous turn lanes, the need for speed reduction, lack of bike lane connectivity with adjacent segments, and how the construction of a median separator will compromise multimodal capacity by killing the bike lanes. The committee felt that a consensus statement to FDOT from the committee of their continued support for bike lanes and pedestrian needs is necessary. As part of the discussion on the consensus motion the committee recognized that San Carlos Boulevard is a high-volume constrained corridor, and that the resurfacing project along this corridor segment must look at enhancing safety and connectivity for both pedestrians and cyclists. The committee felt strongly that bike lanes should be accommodated to promote continuity with adjacent segments along the corridor.

Mr. Henry Burden made a motion that it is the consensus of this body that San Carlos Boulevard bike lane and pedestrian needs need to be met as part of the planning and construction process. Mr. Gordon Brown seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Gogoi also commented that if pavement width on San Carlos Boulevard from north of Summerlin to Old McGregor Boulevard is tight that bike lanes cannot be accommodated, the MPO may have to consider funding a project in the future to replace the substandard sidewalk with a shared use path.

Mr. Gogoi then provided status updates of ongoing 3R projects along SR 80, SR 739/Business 41, US 41, and SR 78. The committee discussed high speeds on SR 80 within the project limits from Buckingham east to Hendry County line, existing bike ped facilities, paved shoulders versus bicycle lanes, rural classification of SR 80 east of Buckingham, growth and changes along SR 80, its inclusion within the SUN Trail network, safer designs, and discussions on a shared use path in the future.

Mr. Gogoi reported that resurfacing is planned on McGregor from Old McGregor to Whiskey Creek Drive. FDOT had informed that there may be enough pavement to fit in bike lanes in the four-lane section from Old McGregor/Gladiolus to north of College Parkway. The committee then discussed design standards, speed reduction, and options for bicyclist and pedestrians in navigating traffic on McGregor Boulevard.

Mr. Gogoi's presentation can be viewed here: https://leempo.com/wp-content/uploads/Agenda-Item-9-3R-PROJECTS.pdf

Agenda Item #10 - FDOT/MPO/Local Agency Updates

There were no FDOT/MPO/Local Agency updates.

Agenda Item #11 - Public and Member Comments on Items not on the Agenda

Mr. Brown shared comments on the bicycle map related to the Village of Estero. Chair Lewis entertained the possibility of a name change to the bike ped committee that reflected micromobility. Mr. Karakos commented that 'multimodal' could be used and a name change could be discussed at a future meeting. Mr. John Majka, a member of the public, discussed extending public comment time and then gave a public comment on SR 80 projects. He emailed a presentation to MPO staff during the meeting that was shown at the meeting and can also be viewed here: https://leempo.com/wp-content/uploads/Images-for-public-comment-3-29-22-fpn-429823-and-fpn-435341.pdf The committee briefly discussed the public comment time frame. Mr. Burden made a motion to extend the public comment time frame beyond three minutes. The motion was called to vote and failed. Chair

Lewis noted that the public comment time would be three minutes. A brief discussion followed on submitting of a request to include the SR 80 project as an agenda item.

Agenda Item #12 - Announcements

There were no announcements.

Agenda Item #13 - Information and Distribution Items

There were no information and/or distribution items.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:15 p.m.

An audio recording of the meeting can be accessed at the following link: https://soundcloud.com/user-390911534/03-29-2022-
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*Action Items †May Require Action

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BPCC BYLAWS AMENDMENT

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Review and amend the proposed bylaws.

The MPO staff is proposing amendments to the BPCC bylaws in response to questions raised by a municipality on how unexcused or long absences in BPCC meetings by non-staff citizen members appointed by that municipality are addressed. The municipality has pointed out the absence of such guidelines in the current bylaws.

The Cities of Sanibel and Estero have historically appointed residents from their respective communities who are not employed by either jurisdiction due to unavailability of staff persons to serve on the BPCC. In the past, the Town of Fort Myers Beach had also once appointed a non-staff resident to serve on the BPCC, and so has the City of Bonita Springs when it was first incorporated. Whenever municipalities have chosen this route, staff has asked them to get interested candidates to complete the same application used by our At Large Members. However, the bylaws have not reflected this unique need, nor do the bylaws carry guidelines on how to address unexcused absences.

Staff has therefore made the proposed changes to the bylaws, as shown in the **attachment**, to address this issue. Staff has also taken this opportunity to add the Blue Zone Project as a non-voting member while also expanding the responsibilities of the BPCC. A new section on *Public Comment Procedure for Meeting and Workshops* has also been added that allows a 3 minute time limit to each speaker. The bylaws also allow the Chair to modify the three minute time limit to a speaker at a specific meeting with the approval of a 2/3rd majority vote of the members present.

At the April 26th meeting, the committee will be asked to review and amend the bylaws. The amendments will become effective upon ratification by the MPO Board.



BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN COORDINATING COMMITTEE BYLAWS

Adopted October 22, 1999

Last Amended January 23, 2018
Ratified by Lee County MPO on May 18, 2018May 13, 2022

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BYLAWS

of the Lee County Metropolitan Planning Organization BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN COORDINATING COMMITTEE

Section 1. NAME

The name of this committee shall be the Bicycle Pedestrian Coordinating Committee (BPCC).

Section 2. RESPONSIBILITIES

It shall be the responsibility of this committee to:

- A. Coordinate the bicycle/pedestrian planning and programming activities of all agencies participating in the Lee County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO);
- B. Review local land development regulations to identify funding opportunities and incentives for developers to provide bicycle/pedestrian facilities;
- C. Assist local governments in locating additional funding sources for bicycle and pedestrian improvements, developing inventories of their bicycle and pedestrian facilities, <u>updating their bicycle pedestrian plans</u>, and other tasks on which assistance may be requested;
- D. Review and recommend bicycle and pedestrian projects for federal and state funds including but not limited to Transportation Alternative, Multimodal Transportation Enhancement Box, SUN Trail Program, and Safe Route to School Program, and Carbon Reduction Program funds;
- E. Update and maintain the county-wide inventory of existing, programmed, and planned bicycle and pedestrian facilities developed as part of the Lee County Bicycle Pedestrian Master Plan.
- F. Oversee the implementation of the Lee County Bicycle Pedestrian Master Plan and update the Plan periodically.

 Also participate and provide input during the comprehensive updates and amendments of the MPO Long Range Transportation Plan;
- G. Continue to support and encourage sustainability initiatives in Lee County; and participate in discussions on emerging technology that impacts pedestrians and bicyclists:
- H. Review state Project Development and Environment (PD&E) studies and design plans to ensure that adequate provisions for cyclists and pedestrians are included in the planning and designs of new and reconstructed highways, and that they are consistent with the MPO's Countywide Bicycle Pedestrian Master Plan and the MPO Long Range Transportation Plan, or any specific committee recommendations that may have come out of any MPO meeting;
- I. Capitalize on opportunities for developer implementation of bicycle pedestrian improvements;
- J. Capitalize on opportunities for Public Private Partnerships to implement bicycle pedestrian improvements:
- K. Partner with community groups to host public events to educate the community about the Bicycle Pedestrian Master Plan and seek their involvement and support in implementing the bike/ped improvements identified in the Plan: and
- L. Review and assess Demonstration and Special Projects, and Spot improvements identified in the Master Plan and develop strategies for addressing these needs;
- M. Review and assess bicycle and pedestrian signage countywide for consistency and, and identify opportunities for providing signage and way finding;
- N. Oversee the implementation of the MPO Bike Ped Safety Action Plan and update it as needed; and
- Participate in FDEP updates of the Florida Greenways and Trails Master Plan, and in any trail alignment updates
 to the Lee County portion of the SUN Trail Network.
- O.P. Periodically update the Bike Facilities Map of Lee County, and develop, update, and maintain interactive bicycle and pedestrian maps and/or map apps as needed.

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Section 3. RELATIONSHIP TO THE TMOC AND OTHER AGENCIES

- A. Proposals affecting motorized traffic operations shall be coordinated with the <u>Lee County MPO's</u> Traffic Management Operations Committee (TMOC) by participation of a BPCC member on the (TMOC). This member shall be appointed by the committee at a regular BPCC meeting.
- B. The committee should work directly with local and state government agencies, and other governmental and non-governmental institutions as necessary to coordinate their bicycle and pedestrian planning and programming activities.

Section 4. MEMBERSHIP

- A. VOTING MEMBER: The voting membership of this committee shall consist of four (4) At Large Citizens, and representatives from each of the following agencies:
 - * City of Bonita Springs
 - City of Cape Coral
 - . City of Fort Myers
 - * Town of Fort Myers Beach
 - · City of Sanibel
 - Village of Estero
 - Lee County Department of Community Development
 - Lee County Community Traffic Safety Team
 - * MPO Citizen Advisory Committee
 - LeeTran
 - School District of Lee County
 - Lee County Injury Prevention Coalition
 - ❖ Lee County Parks & Recreation
 - Lee County Visitor and Convention Bureau
 - Lee Memorial Health System
 - Lee County Port Authority
- B. -NON-VOTING ADVISORY MEMBER: This committee shall also include a non-voting advisory member from Collier County Transportation Planning, and law enforcement agencies in Lee County. The Community Educator, Region 2, John Hopkins All Children's Hospital, will also be a non-voting advisory member in this committee This committee shall include non-voting members from law enforcement agencies in Lee County and the Blue Zones Project.
- C. –Each voting agency member shall appoint one-a staff person and an alternate to represent it on the committee and may also appoint one or more alternate members to represent it in the absence of its appointed representative. A voting agency member which includes one of the five municipalities may choose to appoint, at its discretion, a non-staff person from the general public as its representative due to staff availability constraints. However, in such cases, the appointee must reside within the municipal city limits of that member agency.
- D. —In the case of At Large Citizen Members, appointments shall be made by the MPO Policy Board. All such appointments are subject to ratification by a majority of members of the MPO at a regular MPO meeting at which a quorum is present.
- E. -The At Large Citizen Members of the BPCC shall be citizens and year-round residents of the Metropolitan Planning Organization's transportation study area. Members or their immediate family members (spouse, child, parent or sibling) shall not be declared candidates or elected officials of the Lee County Commission, municipalities in Lee County or Lee County Constitutional Officers. The At Large members shall not be employees of any of the local governments represented on the MPO or of the state or federal departments of transportation. Should the status of any of these BPCC members change in such a way as to disqualify him/her_

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from membership under the terms of this paragraph, his/her membership shall automatically terminate. Those who thus become ineligible for BPCC membership shall provide written notice to the MPO staff and the BPCC Chairman. These requirements will also apply to non-staff members from the general public appointed by a municipality.

- F. At Large Members shall be granted an excused absence if they contact MPO staff prior to the meeting via email or by phone with a follow up email as to why they were unable to attend the meeting. Excused absences are counted as a regular absence. However, MPO staff will keep a record of excused and unexcused absences and present this record to the MPO Board if the member is in violation of the participation requirements. Should any member be absent from three (3) consecutive regular BPCC meetings, or from four (4) out of six (6) consecutive regular BPCC meetings within a twelve (12) month period, staff recommendation will be made to the MPO Board to remove this member for lack of participation, regardless if the absence was excused or unexcused. This requirement will also apply to non-staff members from the general public appointed by a municipality, however, MPO staff recommendation for removal of the member will be made to the Town, Village, or City Council of that municipality through its Office of the Clerk.
- G. Should a temporary circumstance prevent an At Large Member from participation, a leave of absence may be granted by the BPCC for a period of no more than three (3) months. The member should submit the request to MPO Staff in writing and address it o the BPCC Chairman. This requirement will also apply to non-staff members from the general public appointed by a municipality.
- H. All At Large Members will be required to complete the BPCC Application in Appendix C before they are appointed by the MPO Policy Board to ensure that they meet all the requirements. This will also apply to non-staff members from the general public appointed by a municipality.
- I. Agency appointees shall try to attend the meetings regularly. If they are unable to attend these meetings on a regular basis they should inform MPO staff, and have another staff person appointed immediately by the Department Head or the Appropriate Official. This does not apply to non-staff members from the general public appointed by a municipality.

Section 5. OFFICERS

- A. The officers of this committee shall consist of a Chair and a Vice Chair, both of whom shall be regular (i.e. not alternate) voting members of the committee.
- B. An election for both officers shall be held at the first regularly scheduled meeting of each calendar year.
- C. The term for each office shall be one calendar year, unless at the end of the year the Chair has served for less than six months, in which case his or her term shall continue until the end of the following calendar year.
- D. An officer shall not serve consecutive terms in the same office.
- E. The Vice Chair shall automatically become Chair the year following his or her election (or sooner if a vacancy occurs in the Chair), with subsequent elections being held only to fill the office of Vice Chair, unless both offices should simultaneously become vacant.
- F. A Vice Chair shall be elected at the first meeting of each calendar year, unless the Chair has served for less than six months, and at the first meeting following the occurrence of a vacancy in the office.
- G. The Chair shall preside at meetings of the committee and shall be responsible for the conduct of the meetings. The Chair shall be authorized to speak for and to sign correspondence and documents on behalf of the committee. The Chair shall appoint subcommittees and members to chair them and appoint members to represent the committee on joint task forces or other committees. The Chair shall consult with the MPO staff agency on the scheduling of meetings and their agendas.
- H. The Vice Chair shall, during the absence of the Chair or his inability to serve, have and exercise all of the duties and powers of the Chair. The Vice Chair shall also perform such other duties as may be assigned him by the Chair.
- I. In the absence of both the Chair and the Vice Chair from a meeting, a temporary Chair shall be elected.
- J. The Chair, or his/her designee, shall present a monthly report of the BPCC meetings to the MPO Policy Board.

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Section 6. MEETINGS

- A. Meetings shall be held monthly at 10 a.m. on the Tuesday the week before the Technical Advisory Committee meeting, or as deemed necessary by the Chair and MPO staff.
- B. The members shall be sent agendas, and whenever possible, minutes of the previous meeting, no less than eight days before the date of each meeting. Agendas shall be sent to members either by regular mail or e-mail. Meetings may be cancelled, rescheduled, or relocated at the discretion of the Chair or MPO staff. However, on such occasions an eight (8) day advance notice shall be given to members by email. Members shall inform MPO staff at least twenty-four hours before the meeting whether they will attend.
- D. A quorum shall consist of 6 primary members, or their alternates.
- E. A joint meeting between the BPCC and the Collier County-MPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee, and a joint meeting between the BPCC and the Charlotte County-Punta Gorda-MPO Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee shall be held respectively as needed for the purpose of regional coordination. Quorum requirements for the BPCC in such meetings shall be 6 members.
- H. When a BPCC member abstains from a vote due to a conflict they must complete Form 8B which is included in Appendix B. BPCC member's conflicts of interest and compliance issues are guided by Section 112.3143 of the Florida Statutes.
- Meetings will be open to the public. The public may be allowed the right to speak or participate in the discussion at the discretion of the Chair.

Section 7. SUBCOMMITTEES

Subcommittees may be appointed by the Chair to address specific projects or issues.

Section 8. PUBLIC COMMENT PROCEDURE FOR MEETINGS AND WORKSHOPS

- A. <u>Fach BPCC agenda will provide for public comment period for items on the agenda and and items not on the agenda.</u>
- Public comments will be limited to three minutes per speaker. The three minute limit may be modified by the Chair through an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the voting members present or their alternates.

Section 89. AMENDMENTS

- A. These Bylaws may be amended at any meeting by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the voting members present or their alternates-present, provided a copy of the proposed amendment(s) shall have been mailed or emailed to each member at least four calendar days before the meeting.
- B. Amendments shall be effective upon ratification by the MPO Policy Board.

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FDOT DISTRICT 1 PEDESTRIAN BICYCLE COORDINATOR REPORT

INFORMATION ITEM:

Deborah Chesna with FDOT will provide a report on the ongoing bicycle pedestrian activities taking place in Florida and in the District.

LEE MPO FUNDING ALLOCATIONS FOR FY 2022

INFORMATION ITEM:

FHWA has released the FY 2022 appropriation amounts for the existing and new Core Programs under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Legislation. MPO staff will present Florida's appropriation amounts for the Core Programs as well as the sub allocated apportionments to the Lee MPO for being in a metropolitan area with more than 200,000 urbanized area population. The Lee MPO sub allocation apportionments include Transportation Alternative (TA), Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG), and the new Carbon Reduction Program funds.

TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH MARGARITAVILLE UPDATE

INFORMATION ITEM:

Staff has been in communication with TPI, and they have helped us put together an update of the Margaritaville development project that MPO staff can present at the April 26th BPCC meeting. The development is under construction and is located in the Town of Fort Myers Beach downtown walkable district at the base of Matanzas Pass Bridge. The resort is on over seven acres of land and beach that sprawls both sides of Estero Boulevard connected by a pedestrian overpass. The redevelopment area was devastated by Hurricane Charley on Friday August 13, 2004. Seventeen years to the date, on Friday August 13, 2021, ground was broken on the nearly \$200M resort.

APPOINTMENT OF A MEMBER TO THE MPO'S TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

INFORMATION ITEM:

The BPCC bylaws call for a representative from this committee to serve on the MPO's Traffic Management Operations Committee. The purpose of the participation of a BPCC member is to ensure coordination on proposals from the TMOC impacting motorized traffic operations. Mr. Dan Moser was the primary member from the BPCC on this committee. Mr. David Wheaton is the current alternate. With the resignation of Mr. Moser from the BPCC, the committee will be asked to appoint a primary member at the April 26th BPCC meeting, unless the current alternate agrees to serve as the primary representative.