

# CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Lee County Metropolitan Planning Organization  
Thursday, March 5, 2020  
City of Cape Coral Public Works Building  
815 Nicholas Parkway East, Cape Coral, FL 33990  
**3:00 p.m.**



## MEETING MINUTES

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The meeting was called to order at 3:03 p.m. by Chair Rick Anglickis.

### Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The roll was called. There was a quorum. Members in attendance included Carie Call, Karen Miller, Bev Larson, Tony Cardinale, Albert O'Donnell, Marion Briggs, Carmen Salome', Rick Anglickis, James Dodge, Ed Blot, Steve Henry, Ronald Talone, Randy Krise, Ted Tryka, Ty Symroski, and Kevin Berry. Others in attendance included John Majka, a member of the public; Michael Tisch with FDOT; Debbie Ferris with the Lee County School Board Transportation District; and Lee County MPO staff Don Scott, Ron Gogoi, and Calandra Barraco.

### Agenda Item #1 - Public Comments on Items on the Agenda

There were no public comments on items on the agenda.

### Agenda Item #2 - LeeTran Report

Mr. Scott showed the LeeTran Power Point slide presentation that was given by Ms. Dawn Huff at the earlier Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting. The slides included information on population growth in Lee County, economy, ridership, passenger trips, tram/trolley ridership, 2020 planning toolkit, comprehensive operational analysis, transit development plan, bus stop accessibility study, facility planning, farebox upgrade, and Lee County transit goals. The committee briefly discussed ridership for 2019, number of residents being served, cost per person, surveys conducted, decline in ridership, population increase, elimination of routes, Good Wheels closure, transfer of some Good Wheels riders to LeeTran, Good Wheels buses, LeeTran need for additional vehicles, TD trips/funding, reasons for Good Wheels closure, nature of transit, and airport shuttles.

Chair Anglickis introduced the newest CAC member that had been appointed by Commissioner Hamman, Ms. Carmen Salome'. Ms. Salome' said she is a former Lee County employee, long-time resident of Cape Coral, and involved in the Latino community.

### Agenda Item #3 - FDOT Report

Mr. Michael Tisch with FDOT gave the FDOT report. He said FDOT continues to evaluate the projects submitted by the MPO. He also mentioned the upcoming Big Carlos Bridge and I-75 public meetings.

## New Business

### Agenda Item #4 - \*Review and Approval of the February 6, 2020 CAC Meeting Summary

Ms. Bev Larson made the motion to approve the February 6, 2020 Meeting Summary. Mr. Randy Krise seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

### **Agenda Item #5 - \*Review and Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding for Purchase and Share of Terrestrial Laser Scanner**

Mr. Ron Gogoi presented this agenda item for the review and approval of the updated Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Lee MPO and the City of Cape Coral for sharing a LIDAR based Terrestrial Laser Scanner. Mr. Gogoi referred to the updated version of the MOU that had been handed out the committee members. Chair Anglickis asked if the version that was handed out was different than the one sent in the agenda packet. Mr. Gogoi replied that the version handed out was slightly different, and he reviewed the changes. Chair Anglickis asked if there was a motion.

**Mr. Ty Symroski made the motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding for Purchase and Share of a Terrestrial Laser Scanner. Mr. James Dodge seconded the motion.**

Mr. Krise asked about the total cost of the equipment. Mr. Gogoi said it was \$180,000 and included software, maintenance, and training. Mr. Krise asked about the lifetime usage expectancy. Mr. Gogoi said it could be up to 15-20 years. Mr. Scott said with technology changes it would more likely be five so that is why the agreement covers five years. Ms. Salome' asked the funding source for the purchase. Mr. Scott replied it is federal. Mr. Gogoi said this item will go to the MPO Board and Cape Council for approval.

**There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.**

### **Agenda Item #6 - \*Review and Approve the Bicycle Pedestrian Element Scope**

Mr. Don Scott presented this agenda item for the review and approval of the 2045 LRTP Bicycle, Pedestrian and Trails Element Scope of Services that was attached to the agenda packet and shown as a slide at the meeting. Mr. Scott noted that much of the information will come from the bicycle pedestrian plans from each of the municipalities, noting the City of Fort Myers is currently working on their update. The committee briefly discussed the GIS upgrades mentioned at the last meeting, sharing of GIS data, apps that can be used by residents, hard copies of bike maps, mapping of all sidewalks, ideas for map and facility designations, Google maps for cyclists/pedestrians, municipalities working with Google, and sharing data with Google. Chair Anglickis asked if this agenda item required action or just input. Mr. Scott said he was seeking approval. Chair Anglickis asked for a motion.

**Mr. Albert O'Donnell made a motion to approve the Bicycle Pedestrian Element Scope with the addition of coordination of data output with Google. Mr. James Dodge seconded the motion.**

Mr. Scott mentioned there is a Visitor and Convention Bureau (VCB) employee on the Bicycle Pedestrian Coordinating Committee (BPCC). Ms. Karen Miller asked if the VCB contributes funds for the bike map. Mr. Scott replied to date they have not. Mr. Gogoi said that they may contribute if asked as they have funds for education and PSAs.

**There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.**

### **Agenda Item #7 - +Review and Comment on the Draft FY 2020/2021 & FY 2021/2022 Unified Planning Work Program**

Mr. Scott presented this agenda item for the review and comment on the draft tasks included in the FY 2020/2021 and FY 2021/2022 Unified Planning Work Program. He noted every two years the MPO is required to develop and submit the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) to the FDOT and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). He reviewed the MPO funding and planned tasks for the next two years including information on Task 1.4 to add funding for computer software/upgrades for

GIS upgrades and Task 4.4 projects like the Cape Evacuation Study and the Bonita/Estero Rail Corridor Study. The committee briefly discussed the Cape Evacuation Study and Babcock Ranch. Mr. Scott continued his presentation on Task 4.4 projects. Mr. Dodge asked about the MPO Budget. Mr. Scott showed the Budget Table. Ms. Salome' asked how next year's budget compares with this year. Mr. Scott said the budgets are based on population data from the Census. He added that a mistake in Texas caused other areas to receive less funding. Mr. Krise asked how many employees the MPO has. Mr. Scott replied four. Chair Anglickis asked if this would come back for approval. Mr. Scott replied yes.

#### **Agenda Item #8 - Multi-modal Box Fund Candidate Projects and Preliminary Priorities**

Mr. Gogoi presented this agenda item for the discussion of the preliminary priorities list of multimodal box funded candidate projects. He said a preliminary list of project priorities is due by March 15, 2020 and the final approved list of priorities is due by July 1, 2020. Mr. Gogoi then reviewed the priority list of projects. He noted that he asked local municipalities to split projects into phases if the total cost exceeded \$500,000. Mr. Gogoi also mentioned the evaluation and ranking of the newly added Island Coast High sidewalk project in Cape Coral may impact the other rankings. Chair Anglickis asked if there were any questions. Mr. O'Donnell requested a clearer focus on walkability to schools when the item is brought back. Mr. Gogoi said he could bring back the criteria for scoring and ranking. Mr. Blot asked about project ranking and evaluation. Mr. Gogoi explained. Chair Anglickis noted all of the other projects were scored in 2019 and the order may change once the newly added project is scored.

#### **Agenda Item #9 - Update on the Long Range Plan Development Activities**

Mr. Scott presented this agenda item as an update on the Long Range Plan schedule and the updated project costs that were attached to the agenda packet. He provided a presentation with information on the LRTP schedule, modeling, cost feasible plan, and project costing tool comparison. He said he could find out more information on how the estimates were arrived at. There was a discussion on estimates for the project costing tool. Mr. Tisch noted there was a workshop coming up and it can be discussed there.

The costing data can be accessed here: <http://leempo.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/T11b.Costing-Data.xlsm>

#### **Other Business**

#### **Agenda Item #10 - Public Comments on Items not on the Agenda**

Ms. Larson commented on a flyer that Mr. John Majka was handing out at a meeting that she had attended the previous night and her concern that by using the MPO logo at the top of the flyer, Mr. Majka was misrepresenting the MPO and using it to further his cause for SR 80. Ms. Larson said she asked Mr. Majka to either tear off the MPO logo at the top of his flyer, pick up all of the flyers, or announce that the flyer was not approved by the MPO. Mr. Majka did not comply with any of these requests. Ms. Marion Briggs commented Mr. Majka's use of the MPO logo was a total misrepresentation of the MPO. There was a brief discussion on the SR 80 sidewalk/pathway project. Mr. Majka commented that he would like some way to get public comment and he began to show slides on the SR 80 project. Chair Anglickis stopped Mr. Majka's presentation in order to address Ms. Larson's concerns that had not been fully discussed by the committee. Mr. Scott noted that Mr. Majka had also done this with a letter written by Lee County, using their letterhead in his handouts and adding his wording without their permission. Chair Anglickis asked the MPO's options to prevent this. Mr. Scott said he would have a conversation with the MPO attorney. Chair Anglickis mentioned cease and desist. Ms. Salome' clarified that Mr. Majka was a member of the public and not a member of the CAC. Mr. Majka replied yes. The committee briefly discussed the situation clarifying Mr. Majka's actions with respect to the flyer and commenting on the situation.

**Ms. Marion Briggs made a motion for the MPO attorney to send Mr. Majka a letter asking him to cease and desist representing himself as having any affiliation with the MPO or any of its committees.**

Mr. Majka said he would greatly appreciate this, and he has asked for this. He said this was not for his driveway project but rather for two projects that need to be realigned. Chair Anglickis noted there was a motion on the floor from Ms. Briggs.

**Mr. Steve Henry seconded the motion.**

Chair Anglickis said the question had been called and all committee members voiced unanimous support. The committee requested the motion to be restated. Ms. Briggs restated her motion to request the MPO attorney send Mr. John Majka a letter asking him to cease and desist using any logo representing the MPO or any of our committees associated with the MPO. Chair Anglickis noted there was a motion and a second on the floor and asked for a vote.

**There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. James Dodge raised an administrative point asking about the necessity for FedEx copies of the agenda to be mailed if the information is emailed and available online. The committee discussed the topic. Ms. Barraco asked committee members to email her if they would like to be removed from the FedEx list, noting Mr. Ed Blot has already requested to only receive the email/digital version. Mr. Randy Krise and Mr. James Dodge also requested to only receive the email/digital version.

#### **Agenda Item #11 – Announcements+**

There were no announcements.

#### **Agenda Item #12 - Topics for next meeting**

Topics suggested for next meeting included additional LRTP items. Mr. Scott said the next meeting will be held in May. Chair Anglickis clarified that there was no meeting in April. Mr. Scott replied yes.

#### **Agenda Item #13 - Information and Distribution Items**

The information and distribution items included the MPOAC legislative update and the updated version of the MOU for Agenda Item #5.

**The meeting was adjourned at 4:36 p.m.**

\*Action Items    +May Require Action

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