

CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Lee County Metropolitan Planning Organization
Thursday, September 2, 2021
City of Cape Coral Public Works Building
815 Nicholas Parkway East, Cape Coral, FL 33990
3:00 p.m.



Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Chair Rick Anglickis. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call

The roll was recorded by MPO staff. There was a quorum. Members in attendance included Carie Call, Karen Miller, Bev Larson, Albert O'Donnell, Marion Briggs (3:09 p.m.), Rick Anglickis, Justin Thibaut, Ed Blot, Bruce Bohlander, Randy Krise, Ted Tryka, and Steve Henry. Others in attendance included Victoria Peters with FDOT; 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 presented the LeeTran report that was provided by Ms. Dawn Huff with LeeTran at the earlier TAC meeting. Mr. Scott said that Ms. Huff mentioned LeeTran was moving forward with its current projects, working on upcoming service changes, and bus driver shortages. The committee briefly discussed placement of bus shelters, funding for shelters, advertising on bus benches, and new bus shelter designs. Mr. Scott said he could check with LeeTran for any updates on bus shelters.

Agenda Item #3 – FDOT Report

Ms. Victoria Peters with FDOT provided the FDOT report. She commented FDOT is still working on the draft Tentative Work Program with an e-public hearing and in-person event scheduled for October. She said additional information on the Work Program events will be forwarded when it is available. She also mentioned Mobility Week was coming in October. She said she would provide additional information for that as the date approaches. The committee briefly discussed the recent SR 80 public construction meeting and the Three Oaks project. Mr. Scott said he would coordinate with Lee County DOT to provide an update on the Three Oaks project.

New Business

Agenda Item #4 - *Review and Approval of the August 5, 2021 CAC Meeting Summary

Ms. Bev Larson made the motion to approve the August 5, 2021 Meeting Summary. Mr. Steve Henry seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #5 - *Review and Approval of the Unified Planning Work Program Amendments

Mr. Don Scott presented this agenda item for the review and approval of the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) amendments to recognize carry forward federal planning funds and corresponding task changes, update the FTA 5305 funding amount, and add in the updated TD grant funding amount. The underline and strike through changes to the task sheets and existing and proposed

budget sheets were attached to the agenda packet, posted to the MPO website, and shown as slides at the meeting. Mr. Scott explained the FY 2022 UPWP, the MPO's budget, is being amended to update the various grant funding amounts to match the most recent allocations and reviewed the following changes: Changing the federal planning funds to recognize the increase in the amount of \$52,565 that is carry forward funds from FY 19/20, of that amount, \$17,000 is added to task 1.1 Program Management, \$11,000 is added to task 1.4 Office Equipment/Resources and \$24,565 is added to task 4.4 for Consultant Services; Revise the FY 2022 Federal Transit Administration 5305 funding to the allocation amount of \$300,534 in task 1.6 Transit Program Management and Support, this includes \$240,427 in federal 5305 funds and \$60,107 in soft match with the FTA 5305 federal funding is now being matched with toll revenue credits, this task is also being revised to reflect the current carry forward amount of \$226,900; Revise the task 4.3 Transportation Disadvantaged Program funding in the amount of \$35,718 to match the FY 2022 allocation. Mr. Scott noted all of these changes were addressed in the tables and the old tables were also included for reference. He reviewed the tables and said the deliverable dates were updated as well. He asked if there were any questions. Chair Anglickis asked if there was a motion. Mr. Bruce Bohlander asked about the Transportation Disadvantaged Program and funding. Mr. Scott explained. Chair Anglickis asked if there were any other comments or discussion. There was none.

Mr. Randy Krise made the motion to approve the Unified Planning Work Program Amendments. Ms. Bev Larson seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #6 - *Endorsement of the Aviation Priorities

Mr. Ron Gogoi presented this agenda item for the Endorsement of the Aviation Priorities. The individual priority lists were attached to the agenda packet, posted to the MPO website, and shown as slides at the meeting. Mr. Gogoi provided a brief Power Point presentation that included slides with information on Southwest Florida International Airport (RSW) priorities, RSW new tower, existing vs. planned terminal expansion, RSW landside pavement rehabilitation, RSW airside pavement rehabilitation, and Page Field project list. His presentation can be viewed here: <https://leempo.com/wp-content/uploads/Aviation-Priorities-Revised.pdf> The committee briefly discussed the time frame for funded projects, funding amounts for terminal expansion, total project cost for terminal expansion, upcoming bonds, repayment of bonds with FDOT funds and other airport revenues, status of RSW as busiest single runway airport in United States, second runway plans for RSW, San Diego airport previous ranking as busiest single runway airport and changes due to COVID, RSW new tower status, green/LEED projects, funding for bonds, current airport revenue sources, possibility that terminal expansion can generate more revenues, new set-up with terminal expansion, possibility of additional gates at RSW after terminal expansion, original design of RSW to support five concourses, ranking of priorities by LCPA, long range planning, funding in phases, capital reserves, terminal expansion as largest public works project in Lee County, placement of second runway, runway length, and airplane taxi lengths at other airports. Mr. Gogoi noted that endorsement was requested for this item.

Mr. Albert O'Donnell made the motion to endorse the Aviation Priorities. Mr. Justin Thibaut seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #7 - *Review and Approval of the Corridor Congestion Dashboard Scope of Services

Mr. Scott presented this agenda item for the review and approval of the draft scope of services for the corridor congestion dashboard project. The scope was attached to the agenda packet, posted to the MPO website, and shown as slides at the meeting. Mr. Scott explained the scope has been drafted to develop a corridor congestion dashboard to display and report existing and future Lee County specific data and performance measures. He mentioned the Corradino project that was included as part of

the LRTP update. He said this dashboard will be available online. He added the project will include placeholders for future enhancements to insert additional data, such as the origin and destination data that will be collected and analyzed as part of a separate project. Mr. O'Donnell asked about the budget of \$50,000 for the project. Mr. Scott said it was for the dashboard. Chair Anglickis clarified the project cost was for the final product. Mr. Scott replied yes, the final product deliverable is the dashboard with expansion possible at a later date. Ms. Miller asked if this will be done using existing data. Mr. Scott replied yes, adding that speed data from FDOT will also be used. Mr. Scott said this will include hourly, peak hour, and daily data. Ms. Call asked if a consultant had been selected. Mr. Scott replied yes, the consultant selected from the MPO's GPC list is Corradino. Chair Anglickis asked if there was a motion.

Ms. Bev Larson made the motion to approve the Corridor Congestion Dashboard Scope of Services. Ms. Karen Miller seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #8 - *Review and Approval of the General Planning Consultant Scope of Services

Mr. Scott presented this agenda item for the review and approval of the scope of services for the General Planning Consultant activities that will be undertaken over the next three years and select a volunteer to participate on the selection committee. The scope was attached to the agenda packet, posted to the MPO website, and shown as slides during the meeting. Mr. Scott said the Lee MPO currently has ten general planning consultants under contract that were selected back in 2018 to cover a variety of projects/tasks that are included in the MPO's Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). He noted most of these contracts expire in February, so we are now going out for selection of general planning consultants. He referenced the draft scope of work for the committee's review and added a committee member will need to be chosen to participate on the selection committee consistent with the process we have followed in the past. Chair Anglickis asked if all of the GPC contracts were expiring. Mr. Scott said eight expire in February and two expire in June. He noted the last time this item came up, the selection committee decided to approve all ten firms that applied. Chair Anglickis asked if there was a motion to approve the scope. Ms. Call abstained from the vote. The committee briefly discussed guarantees of work, alternatively going out for RFP instead of using one of MPO's GPCs, differing specialties of consultants, example of socio-economic data consultant, inclusion of public involvement consultant, and use of subcontractors.

Ms. Marion Briggs made the motion to approve the General Planning Consultant Scope of Services. Mr. Bruce Bohlander seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Chair Anglickis noted a member of the CAC needed to be selected to serve on the GPC selection committee. Mr. Randy Krise suggested Mr. Bruce Bohlander. Mr. Bohlander agreed to serve on the selection committee.

Agenda Item #9 - Information on the Development of the 2050 Regional Model and Schedule

Mr. Scott presented this informational agenda item on the Development of the 2050 Regional Model and Schedule. He noted the process for developing the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan has already started with FDOT releasing the base year data request items and the schedule for developing the 2050 regional model. He referred to the base year data request items that are due by June of 2022 and the project schedule out to adoption, both attached to the agenda packet, posted to the MPO website, and shown as slides at the meeting. Mr. Scott noted the new base year was 2019 instead of 2020 due to COVID impacts. He added that other MPOs are adopting earlier so there is a range between October and March. He commented that the 2045 LRTP update was not completed due to population projection corrections being made near Alico and Corkscrew based on the new

Amazon facility and additional housing developments. He said the FDOT model will be based on the new data. The committee discussed permitting, actual growth more than projected growth, land use, base year, parcel data, individual versus developer, public record, example of Three Oaks, history involving former Lee County manager, conjectures regarding growth, bringing in socio-economic data consultant to present to the CAC, flaw in the current system related to non-disclosures and confidentiality agreements, example of Amazon facility off Alico, ability for large companies to design in-house, examples of Cape Coral and Lehigh, employees per square foot versus traffic impact, air facility for Amazon at RSW, Lee County Amazon facility possibly largest in state, figuring out how to tap into future development knowledge, prior presentation from Lee County staff on Corkscrew Road developments, model changes, housing speculation, existing heavy traffic at Alico and I-75, large industrial impact, land zoning, DRGR lands, factoring in water quality and endangered species, using strategy of planning for largest impacts even if they don't happen, MPO already using projections over BEBR numbers, planning versus funding realities, grading and ranking better, better data available now, capacity of models to show multiple scenarios based on data, and recent growth in Florida as a result of favorable political climate.

Other Business

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

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

Agenda Item #11 – Announcements

Chair Anglickis asked if a member of the CAC would volunteer to be his alternate on the TMOG. Mr. Gogoi explained the TMOG was a subcommittee of the TAC. There was a brief discussion on the purpose of the TMOG, cameras and count stations, speed data collected, cell phone data, placing readers at certain locations, and TMOG meeting frequency/location/time. Ms. Call said she would attend the next TMOG meeting as a temporary alternate for Chair Anglickis. Mr. Scott then announced the next CAC meeting would be a joint meeting with the Collier MPO's CAC at the Estero Rec Center. Ms. Larson noted the joint meeting time was 1:00 p.m.

Agenda Item #12 - Topics for next meeting

Topics suggested for next meeting included joint Collier and Lee items.

Agenda Item #13 - Information and Distribution Items

The Information and Distribution Items included the FDOT RoadWatch Report.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:16 p.m.

An audio recording of the meeting can be accessed here: <https://soundcloud.com/user-390911534/09-02-2021-cacwma>

***Action Items *May Require Action**

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