

CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Lee County Metropolitan Planning Organization
Thursday, January 5, 2023
City of Cape Coral Public Works Building
815 Nicholas Parkway East, Cape Coral, FL 33990
3:00 p.m.



Meeting Minutes

In the absence of Chair Rick Anglickis and Vice-Chair Albert O'Donnell, Citizen Advisory Committee member Mr. Ed Blot was asked to chair the meeting. The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by acting Chair Ed Blot. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call

The roll was recorded by MPO staff. There was a quorum at 3:25 p.m. with the arrival of Mr. Josh Goergen. Members in attendance included Bev Larson, Joshua Goergen (3:25 p.m.); Ed Blot, Steve Henry, Don Apking, Randy Krise, and Jessica Russo. Others in attendance included Joshua Jester and Bill Howell with FDOT; Nicole Harris with Stantec; members of the public Patty Whitehead, Marsha Ellis, and Derek Felder; and Lee County MPO staff Don Scott, Ron Gogoi, and Calandra Barraco.

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

Mr. Derek Felder, a member of the public, provided a public comment on Agenda Item #6 regarding the Sunshine project. Ms. Marsha Ellis, a member of the public, provided a public comment on Agenda Item #6 regarding the Kingston development on Corkscrew Road. Ms. Patty Whitehead, a member of the public, provided a public comment on Agenda Item #6 regarding the Kingston development on Corkscrew Road. Mr. Scott noted he would be addressing cost estimates in his presentation for Agenda Item #6. The committee members agreed to hold further discussion on these items until Agenda Item #6 was presented.

Agenda Item #2 – LeeTran Report

LeeTran had nothing to report.

Agenda Item #3 – FDOT Report

FDOT had nothing to report, but Mr. Scott mentioned upcoming public meetings.

Acting Chair Blot decided to take the non-action agenda items in order to allow additional time to achieve quorum.

Agenda Item #9 - Presentation on the I-75 South Corridor Master Plan Updates

Ms. Nicole Harris with Stantec, FDOT's consultant for this project, presented this agenda item as an update on the I-75 South Corridor Master Plan. Ms. Harris provided a Power Point presentation that included slides with information on an introduction to the Mater Plan, 2045 No-Build Year of Need, preliminary list of proposed projects, proposed typical sections, weave section, public outreach, and next steps. The presentation can be viewed here: [I-75 Master Plan South Corridor Update](#) The committee and members of the public present discussed south section configuration, traffic needs, volume of through trips, traffic increases as headed north, placement of through lanes in high traffic areas, distances between exits, Sarasota/Manatee configurations, bringing information on Sarasota/Manatee configurations back to committee, and funding.

Agenda Item #10 - Review of the Draft Tentative Work Program for FY 2023/2024 through 2027/2028

Mr. Gogoi presented this agenda item as a review of the Draft Tentative FDOT Work Program for FY 2023/2024 through FY 2027/2028. The FDOT Draft Tentative Work Program, which covers fiscal years 2024 through 2028 and is developed consistent with FDOT's plans and project priorities, the MPO's project priorities and available funding and the summary of changes from FDOT were [attached to the agenda packet](#). Mr. Gogoi provided a Power Point presentation that included slides with information on the Federal and State funded priorities, the TA and SU Multimodal Priorities, Coconut Road project, Daniels Parkway project, Carbon Reduction Program Priorities, and Carbon Reduction Fund use and remaining balance. He asked if there were any questions. His presentation can be found here: [Work Program](#) **During Mr. Gogoi's presentation, a quorum was achieved at 3:25 p.m. with the arrival of Mr. Josh Goergen.** The committee and members of the public present discussed the dates in the tables, funding of projects, reorganization of projects, prioritizing sidewalks, Safe Routes to School criteria, Carbon Reduction funds criteria, resurfacing categorization, noteworthy projects, funding sources, bus routes, capital funding for bus purchases, electric buses, allocation of Carbon Reduction Program funds, Daniels rest area project, adding electric buses or additional routes, Fort Myers micromobility study, funding depletion, approval date on table header, transportation bill, and uncertainty of future.

New Business

Agenda Item #4 - *Review and Approval of the November 3, 2022 Meeting Summary

Ms. Bev Larson made the motion to approve the November 3, 2022 Meeting Summary. Mr. Josh Goergen seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #5 - *Election of Officers for 2023

Mr. Don Scott presented this agenda item for the Election of Officers for 2023. He said according to the CAC bylaws, a Chair and Vice-Chair are to be elected at the first regularly scheduled meeting of each calendar year. The current voting members were listed on the CAC roster that was [attached to the agenda packet](#). Mr. Scott noted that both the current Chair, Mr. Rick Anglickis, and the current Vice-Chair, Mr. Al O'Donnell, indicated that they would be willing to serve again.

Ms. Bev Larson made the motion to re-elect Mr. Rick Anglickis as CAC Chair and Mr. Al O'Donnell as CAC Vice-Chair for 2023. Ms. Jessica Russo seconded the motion. There were no other nominations. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #6 - *Review and Approve the Proposed 2045 LRTP Amendments

Mr. Scott presented this agenda item for the review and approval of the proposed amendments to the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). MPO staff is proposing the LRTP amendments/modifications to be voted on by the Board at their January 20th meeting. The proposed amendments to the Needs and Cost Feasible Plan tables and maps were [attached to the agenda packet](#) in underline and strike through format. He provided a Power Point presentation that included slides with information on a map of the Corkscrew area, traffic volumes, updated needs plan, updated language, updated project tables, review of projects, funding and revenues, and a map of the Hickey Creek area with respect to the Sunshine Boulevard extension project. His presentation can be viewed here: [2045 LRTP Amendments](#) The committee and members of the public present discussed the

financial feasibility of projects, objective of public concerns and comments, protection of panther, Kingston development, and growth in Florida and Lee County,

Mr. Randy Krise made the motion to approve the proposed Amendments to the LRTP. Ms. Bev Larson seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #7 - *Review and Approve the 2050 Zonal Data Scope of Work

Mr. Scott presented this agenda item for the review and approval of the scope of services for the development of the socio-economic data that will be used in the update of the Regional Transportation Model. He referred to and reviewed the draft scope of services for the development of the 2050 socio-economic data that will be used in the update of FDOT's Regional Transportation Model which was attached to the agenda packet and [posted to the MPO website](#).

Mr. Josh Goergen made the motion to approve the 2050 Zonal Data Scope of Work. Ms. Jessica Russo seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #8 - *Recommend MPO Support of FDOT's New Bridge, Pavement and System Performance (PM3) Targets

Mr. Ron Gogoi presented this agenda item to recommend MPO Support of FDOT's Statewide PM2 and PM3 Targets for the Second Performance Period. He provided a Power Point presentation that included slides with information on the performance measure targets and performance periods and two and four year performance measure targets for bridge and pavement. He asked if there were any questions. His presentation can be viewed here: [Performance Measure Targets](#) The committee discussed improving targets, pavement status in state, condition of I-75 pavement, requirements, pavement issues in other states, meeting targets, funding, increased congestion, loss of performance, peak hour performance, calculations, impact fees, traffic congestion readings, and longest commute times.

Ms. Bev Larson made the motion to recommend MPO support of FDOT's Statewide PM2 and PM3 Targets for the Second Performance Period. Mr. Steve Henry seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Other Business

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

A member of the public, Ms. Marsha Ellis, provided a public comment on the Alico Connector project. The committee and members of the public present discussed the public comment. Mr. Scott said he would research the project and bring additional information back at the next meeting.

Agenda Item #12 – Announcements

Mr. Scott announced there would be no February CAC meeting due to the Joint MPO Board meeting with Charlotte – Punta Gorda MPO. He added the next CAC meeting would be in March.

Agenda Item #13 - Topics for next meeting

Topics suggested for the next meeting included the Alico Connector project and the Lee County project tiers. The committee also briefly discussed Hurricane Ian related funding and restoration.

Agenda Item #14 - Information and Distribution Items

There were no information and distribution items. Mr. Scott provided information on the CAC's electric vehicle resolution that went to the MPO Board. He added that he would do additional research on statewide legislation.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:39 p.m.

An audio recording of the meeting can be accessed here: [CAC January 5, 2023](#)

*Action Items †May Require Action

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