

CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Lee County Metropolitan Planning Organization

Thursday, June 1, 2023

City of Cape Coral Public Works Building

815 Nicholas Parkway East, Cape Coral, FL 33990

3:00 p.m.



Meeting Minutes

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

Roll Call

The roll was recorded by MPO staff. Members in attendance included Carie Call, Karen Miller, Bev Larson, Albert O'Donnell, Marion Briggs, Elaine Sarlo, Rick Anglickis, Ed Blot, Don Apking, Steve Henry, Bruce Bohlander, Liza King, David Loveland, and Ted Tryka. Others in attendance included members of the public Derek Felder and Marsha Ellis; Nancy Morgan with Quest; Victoria Peters and Patrick Bateman with FDOT; and Lee County MPO staff Don Scott and Ron Gogoi.

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

Ms. Marsha Ellis, a member of the public, made a public comment on Agenda Item #8 regarding safety.

Chair Anglickis asked the newest CAC members, Ms. Liza King and Mr. David Loveland, to introduce themselves. Ms. Liza King and Mr. David Loveland briefly introduced themselves.

Agenda Item #2 – LeeTran Report

Mr. Don Scott relayed the LeeTran report, that was provided by Ms. Dawn Huff from LeeTran at the earlier Technical Advisory Committee meeting, on the South Transfer Center project delayed opening, mobility-on-demand projects in Lee County, and ridership increases.

Agenda Item #3 – FDOT Report

Ms. Victoria Peters with FDOT provided the FDOT report on the apportionment plan update and Freight Office information sessions. Mr. Scott also mentioned the SR 78 project meetings and follow-up information on the electric buses that was sent out by email after the last CAC meeting.

New Business

Agenda Item #4 - *Review and Approval of the May 4, 2023 Meeting Summary

Ms. Bev Larson made the motion to approve the May 4, 2023 Meeting Summary. Mr. Steve Henry seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #5 - *Review and Approve FY 2023 through FY 2027 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment to add a Roadway Shoulder Safety Project

Mr. Don Scott presented this agenda item for the review and approval of the amendment to the FY 2023 through FY 2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add a rumble strip lane departure project. He noted the current FY 2023 through FY 2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is being amended to add a statewide safety road project in the current fiscal year. He added the project includes adding rumble strips to address lane departure crashes on state roads

without curb and gutter and with a posted speed of 50 mph or more. He further explained the rumble strips will be installed on the outside shoulders and centerline of undivided roadways and on divided roadways they will be installed on both the inside and outside shoulders and the possible locations. He referred to the TIP page and pictures of the pilot project on SR 70 in Manatee County were attached to the agenda packet, [posted to the MPO website](#), and reviewed as slides at the meeting. Those present discussed placement on roadways and types of roadways. Chair Anglickis asked for a motion.

Mr. Ted Tryka made the motion to approve the amendment to the FY 2023 through FY 2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Ms. Bev Larson seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #6 - *Review and Approve TA/SU/CARU Multimodal Projects Priorities

Mr. Ron Gogoi presented this agenda item for the review and approval of the recommended Multimodal Project Priorities that were attached to the agenda packet and [posted to the MPO website](#). Mr. Gogoi provided a Power Point presentation that can be viewed at the following link: [TA/SU/CARU](#). The committee discussed submission to FDOT's grant application system and SUN Trail, bus shelters and meeting needed regarding project, local funding from Fort Myers Beach, damage to bus shelters and Fort Myers Beach in general from Hurricane Ian, sidewalks and right-of-way on San Carlos Boulevard, project cost and estimate being provided by FDOT, safety project proposals, approval of priorities, and removal of project. Chair Anglickis asked for a motion.

Ms. Carie Call made the motion to approve the TA/SU/CARU Multimodal Project Priorities. Ms. Marion Briggs seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed.

Agenda Item #7 - *Endorsement of the FY 2024 through FY 2028 Transportation Improvement Program

Mr. Scott presented this agenda item to review and recommend endorsement of the FY 2023/2024 through FY 2027/2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to be forwarded to the MPO Board for their approval on June 16, 2023. He provided a Power Point presentation that can be viewed at the following link: [TIP Presentation](#). The committee briefly discussed the projects, costs, and alternative resurfacing option. Chair Anglickis asked for a motion. A link to the TIP document was included in the agenda packet, posted to the MPO website, and can be viewed here: [FY 2023/2024 through FY 2027/2028 TIP](#)

Ms. Bev Larson made the motion to recommend endorsement by the MPO Board of the FY 2023/2024 through FY 2027/2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Mr. David Loveland seconded the motion.

Mr. Ed Blot asked if the approval was just for the projects and not for specifics like means or methods. Mr. Scott replied yes, the approval is only for the projects in the years and not how the projects are being specifically done. Chair Anglickis asked if there were more questions. There were none. Chair Anglickis called the vote.

There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #8 - *Recommend MPO Support CY 2023 Transit Safety Performance Targets

Mr. Gogoi presented this agenda item for the review of and to recommend MPO adoption of the resolution supporting the LeeTran Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) Performance

Targets for Calendar Year 2023. The targets were attached to the agenda packet and [posted to the MPO website](#). Mr. Gogoi provided a Power Point presentation that can be viewed at the following link: [Transit Safety Performance Targets](#). He asked for committee recommendation for MPO support of the targets. The committee discussed demand response service, nature of injuries and safety events, penalties for not submitting, possible impacts on funding, safety of electric buses, oversight, submission to National Transit database, coordination with LeeTran on project funding and inclusion in Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), cause of injuries, examination of road safety conditions, Safe Streets for All grant data, revenue miles and vehicles, mechanical failures, assets, impact of COVID, and providing additional information on types of safety events. Mr. Gogoi said a motion to recommend MPO Board support of the targets was needed. Chair Anglickis said the motion would be to approve the resolution and the targets. Mr. Scott explained the CAC would recommend the MPO Board support the targets and then the MPO Board would make a resolution in support. Those present further discussed the targets and reporting.

Ms. Carie Call made the motion to recommend MPO Board Support of the Targets. Ms. Bev Larson seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed.

Agenda Item #9 - US 41 and Bonita Beach Road Project Development & Environment Study Presentation

Mr. Patrick Bateman with FDOT presented this agenda item on the US 41 and Bonita Beach Road Project Development & Environment Study. He provided a Power Point presentation that can be viewed at the following link: [US 41 and Bonita Beach Road Project](#). Mr. Bateman asked if there were any questions. The committee discussed future traffic volumes, walkovers, project costs, ADA requirements, comments from the Technical Advisory Committee, accommodation of added lanes and design, example at SR 82 and Daniels, maneuvering intersection, bid prices, right-of-way acquisition, design estimate, functionality of intersection, length of road behind Publix, use in other parts of country, modeling, increase of traffic flow, reduction of crashes, speed, movement of traffic, and design. Chair Anglickis thanked Mr. Bateman for the presentation.

Agenda Item #10 - Update on the 2020 Urbanized Area Allocation Discussions and Proposed Joint Lee and Collier Workshop Agenda Items for August

Mr. Scott presented this agenda item as an update on the 2020 Urbanized Area Allocation Discussions and Proposed Joint Lee and Collier Workshop Agenda Items for August. He provided a Power Point presentation that can be viewed at the following link: [Urbanized Area Allocations](#). The committee discussed St. James City and population density, funding needs to run an MPO, census urbanized area boundaries and need for matching to county boundaries, examples of other areas, combining MPOs, and 951 extension project.

Other Business

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

Ms. Marsha Ellis, a member of the public, emailed a public comment presentation on items not on the agenda prior to the meeting and presented the following emailed public comment presentation slides in-person to the committee: [Marsha Ellis Public Comment](#). The committee discussed the example of crossover near Burnt Store and Tropicana, signalized intersection at Burnt Store and Tropicana, the Lee County DOT Alico project not receiving any Federal funding, and 2020 lands.

Agenda Item #12 – Announcements

There were no announcements.

Agenda Item #13 - Topics for next meeting

Mr. Scott noted there was no Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting in July and a joint Collier meeting scheduled for August 3. Mr. Scott then provided a Power Point presentation on prior CAC meeting discussion items such as micro-surfacing and adaptive signals. His presentation can be viewed here: [Follow Up Items](#) Those present discussed the cost of micro-surfacing, cost comparisons, additional costs involved with resurfacing, bringing back cost percentages between micro-surfacing and traditional resurfacing, Lee County alternative resurfacing projects in Lehigh, use of micro-surfacing on lower volume roads, other alternatives to traditional resurfacing, justifications provided by FDOT, bringing back additional information on the ATMS system, possibility of working with Google maps, Bluetooth, use of cameras, following up on FDOT data with Mr. Steven Davis, attending July 12 Traffic Management and Operations Committee meeting, cell phone data, adjusting signal timing for traffic volumes, pre-programmed alternative plans, impact of Hurricane Ian, possible treatments to deal with traffic, LeeTran events and injuries data, and providing additional information on LeeTran's major injuries. Mr. Scott reminded the committee there was no meeting in July with the joint Collier meeting on August 3. The committee discussed the location of the joint meeting and 2020 lands.

Agenda Item #15 - Information and Distribution Items

There were no information and distribution items.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:45 p.m.

An audio recording of the meeting can be accessed here: [CAC June 1, 2023](#)

*Action Items *May Require Action

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