

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Lee County Metropolitan Planning Organization
Thursday, September 7, 2023
City of Cape Coral Public Works Building
815 Nicholas Parkway East, Cape Coral, FL 33990
9:30 a.m.



Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at approximately 9:30 a.m. by Chair Mike Cook.

Roll Call

Those present introduced themselves. The roll was recorded by MPO staff. There was a quorum. Those members in attendance included Alicia Dixon with the Lee County Port Authority; Dawn Huff with LeeTran; Laura Dodd with Cape Coral; Nicole Monahan with the City of Fort Myers; Matt Noble with the Village of Estero; D'Juan Harris with the Charlotte County - Punta Gorda MPO; Sean Kingston with the Collier MPO; and Mike Cook with the Lehigh Acres Municipal Services Improvement District. Others in attendance included Don Scott and Ron Gogoi with the Lee County MPO; Victoria Peters and Amanda Tyner with FDOT; Steve Ludwinski with Corradino; and Andy Getch, Erik Schmidt, and Melody Matter with McCormick Taylor.

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

Ms. Dawn Huff with LeeTran provided the LeeTran report with updates on the South Transfer Station Park and Ride, Lehigh Park and Ride, ridership, and new staff.

Agenda Item #3 – FDOT Report

Ms. Victoria Peters with FDOT provided the FDOT report with an update on the draft tentative Work Program cycle.

New Business

Agenda Item #4 - *Review and Approval of the June 1, 2023 Meeting Summary

Mr. Matt Noble made the motion to approve the June 1, 2023 Meeting Summary. Ms. Laura Dodd seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #5 - *Review and Approve the August 3, 2023 Joint TAC Meeting Summary

Mr. D'Juan Harris made the motion to approve the August 3, 2023 Meeting Summary. Ms. Laura Dodd seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #6 - *Review and Approve the FY 2024 through FY 2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Roll Forward Amendments

Mr. Don Scott presented this agenda item for the review and approval of the FY 2024 through FY 2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Roll Forward Amendments. He reviewed the roll forward project information that was included in the agenda packet, [posted to the MPO website](#), and

shown as slides at the meeting. He asked if there were any questions. There were none. Chair Cook asked for a motion.

Mr. Matt Noble made the motion to approve the FY 2024 through FY 2028 Transportation Improvement Program Roll Forward Amendments. Ms. Dawn Huff seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #7 - *Review and Approve an Amendment to the FY 2023 - FY 2027 TIP to Add a SR 31 Movable Bridge Safety Project

Mr. Scott presented this agenda item for the review and approval of an Amendment to the FY 2023 through FY 2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add a SR 31 Movable Bridge Safety Project. He reviewed the amendment information that was included in the agenda packet, [posted to the MPO website](#), and shown as a slide at the meeting. Chair Cook asked for a motion.

Mr. D'Juan Harris made the motion to approve an Amendment to the FY 2023 through FY 2027 Transportation Improvement Program to add a SR 31 Movable Bridge Safety Project. Mr. Matt Noble seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #8 - *Review and Approve the Updated Public Involvement Plan

Mr. Scott presented this agenda item for the review and approval of the Updated Public Involvement Plan (PIP). He reviewed the information that was provided in the agenda packet, [posted to the MPO website](#), and shown as slides at the meeting. Chair Cook asked for a motion. Ms. Dawn Huff asked about the TDP (transit development plan) portion. Mr. Scott explained the process and requirements, long range plan, and consistency. Chair Cook asked if there were any other questions, comments, or a motion.

Ms. Dawn Huff made the motion to approve the updated Public Involvement Plan. Mr. Matt Noble seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #9 - *Approval of the SUN Trail Priorities

Mr. Ron Gogoi presented this agenda item for the review and approval of the Shared-Use Nonmotorized (SUN) Trail Priorities. He noted the SUN Trail priorities were not taken to the BPC (Bicycle Pedestrian Coordinating Committee) due to the meeting cancellation resulting from Hurricane Idalia, but they would be taken to their September meeting and then to the MPO Board in October. He provided a Power Point presentation that can be viewed at the following link: [SUN Trail Priorities](#). He asked if there were any questions. The committee briefly discussed project leadership, bridge sidewalk funding, JYLP overpass, SUN Trail funding cycle, Work Program cycle, other funded JYLP projects, Cape projects, Lee MPO projects, other projects funded in 2025, Senate Bill 106, and bridge funding. Chair Cook asked for a motion.

Mr. D'Juan Harris made the motion to approve the Shared-Use Nonmotorized (SUN) Trail Priorities. Ms. Nicole Monahan seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #10 - *Endorsement of the Aviation Priorities

Mr. Gogoi presented this agenda item for the endorsement of the Aviation Priorities. He introduced Ms. Alicia Dixon with the Lee County Port Authority (LCPA) to answer any questions. Mr. Gogoi then reviewed the aviation priorities that were emailed to the committee, [posted to the MPO website](#), and are included in the Power Point presentation available at the following link: [Aviation Priorities](#). He

asked if there were any questions. The committee briefly discussed local funding, revenue bonds, new tower opening, additional runway, and customer satisfaction award. Chair Cook asked for a motion.

Ms. Dawn Huff made the motion to endorse the Aviation Priorities. Mr. D'Juan Harris seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #11 - *Review and Approve the SS4A Safety Action Plan Scope of Services

Mr. Scott presented this agenda item for the review and approval of the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Safety Action Plan Scope of Services. He noted this was also supposed to go to the BPCC but did not because the meeting was cancelled. He added that it did go to the TMOC (Traffic Management and Operations Committee) and those comments were included in the updated scope. He reviewed the scope that was attached to the agenda packet, [posted to the MPO website](#), and shown as slides at the meeting. He asked if there were any questions. The committee discussed adding milestones, project time length, dashboard or website to track progress, performance measures, implementation grant, procuring funding for projects, changing requirements for grants, implementation on state roads, example of Charlotte County projects, direct recipient, intersection improvements on state highway systems, increased funding, scope focus on non-state roads, action plans being developed, incorporation into long range transportation plan, and congestion management plan. Chair Cook asked for a motion.

Mr. D'Juan Harris made the motion to approve the Safe Streets for All Safety Action Plan Scope of Services. Mr. Matt Noble seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #12 - Presentation on the District One Freight and Mobility Plan

Ms. Peters introduced Ms. Amanda Tyner with FDOT who then presented this agenda item on the District One Freight and Mobility Plan. The Power Point presentation can be viewed at the following link: [Freight and Mobility Plan](#) The committee discussed sidewalks on Old Metro, providing the presentation to City of Fort Myers Councilmembers, Complete Streets, freight routes, presentation to the MPO Board, Amazon facility on Alico Road and future plans, alternate gas provisions, and testing autonomous vehicles.

Other Business

Agenda Item #13 - Public Comments on Items not on the Agenda

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

Agenda Item #14 – Announcements

One announcement provided was a notice of the SR 31 public meeting being held on November 2, 2023.

Agenda Item #15 - Topics for next meeting

Mr. Scott suggested a presentation from LeeTran on mobility-on-demand for the next meeting.

Agenda Item #16 - Information and Distribution Items

There were no information and distribution items.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:00 a.m.

An audio recording of the meeting can be accessed here: [TAC September 7, 2023](#)

***Action Items †May Require Action**

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