

TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Lee County Metropolitan Planning Organization

Wednesday, March 8, 2023

Fort Myers Collaboratory

2031 Jackson Street,

Fort Myers, FL 33901

10:00 a.m.



Meeting Minutes

Agenda Item #1 - Call to Order

Chair Jay Anderson called the meeting to order at approximately 10:00 a.m.

Agenda Item #2 - Roll Call/Introductions

The committee members introduced themselves. Roll was recorded by MPO staff. There was a quorum.

Members Present

Bill Walker	Lehigh Acres Municipal Services Improvement District
Carl Karakos	City of Fort Myers
Ian Sikonia	Lee County Port Authority
James Lear	Cape Coral Police Department
Jay Anderson	Community Traffic Safety Team
Jillian Scholler	Lee County Department of Transportation
Laura Dodd	City of Cape Coral
Sean Kingston	Collier MPO
Teresa Lewis	Lee County MPO Bicycle Pedestrian Coordinating Committee

Others in attendance included: Ron Gogoi and Brian Raimondo with the Lee County MPO; Sean Pugh, Tom Arsenault, and Steven Davis with FDOT; and Christopher Speese with Atkins.

Agenda Item #3 - Public Comments on Items on the Agenda

There were no public comments on items on the agenda.

Agenda Item #4 – Approval of January 11, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Ms. Teresa Lewis made the motion to approve the January 11, 2023 Meeting Minutes. Mr. Carl Karakos seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #5 - SR 78 (Bayshore Rd) Median Modification Presentation

Mr. Christopher Speese with FDOT provided a Power Point presentation on the SR 78 (Bayshore Road) Median Modification project. The project limits are from North Evalena Lane to New Post Road. The presentation can be accessed here on slides one through twelve: [SR 78 Project](#)

Agenda Item #6 - SR 865 (San Carlos Boulevard) Median Modification Presentation

Mr. Christopher Speese with FDOT provided a Power Point presentation on the SR 865 (San Carlos Boulevard) Median Modification project. Project limits are from Linda Loma to Kelly Road. The presentation can be accessed here on slides thirteen through sixteen: [SR 865 Project](#)

Agenda Item #7 - SR 739 (Metro Parkway) CFI Updates

Mr. Christopher Speese with FDOT provided a Power Point presentation on the SR 739 (Metro Parkway) CFI updates. The presentation can be accessed here on slides seventeen through twenty-two: [SR 739](#)

Agenda Item #8 - Road Ranger Camera Presentation

Mr. Tom Arsenault with FDOT provided a Power Point presentation on the Road Ranger Cameras. In response to questions from committee members, he stated that the Ranger Mobile Camera can be activated only by an operator at the Regional Traffic Management Center, and that there is only one Road Ranger vehicle operating in Lee County. The presentation can be accessed here: [Road Ranger Cameras](#).

Agenda Item #9 - Report on Multimodal Fund Proposals

Mr. Ron Gogoi provided a Power Point presentation on local government proposals for MPO federal funds that included bike/ped and transit projects on off system roadways. The presentation also covered MPO's own proposals that involved bike ped projects on state highways. The presentation can be accessed here: [Multimodal Fund Proposals](#)

Agenda Item #10 - Report on Transportation Bills in the 2023 Florida Legislative Session

Mr. Gogoi provided a Power Point presentation on noteworthy transportation bills and appropriations project requests from the Lee County area in the FY 2023/24 Florida Legislative Session. The presentation can be accessed here: [Transportation Bills](#)

Agenda Item #11 - Local Agency/FDOT/MPO Updates

Mr. James Lear with the Cape Coral Police Department provided an update on the implementation of traffic safety sub grants including Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety and Distracted Driving. He also provided an overview of the FY 2023 Highway Safety Matrix and the ranking of City of Cape Coral for the various traffic safety priority areas. It was confirmed by Mr. Arsenault that a law enforcement agency from a jurisdiction can apply for grants in a traffic safety priority area even if that jurisdiction was not among the highest 25% for serious injuries and fatalities for that priority area if there were funds left unused. The presentation can be accessed here: [Cape PD Grant](#).

Agenda Item #12 - Public and Member Comments on Items Not on the Agenda

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

Agenda Item #13 – Announcements

Mr. Gogoi announced that the Lee MPO had received the Safe Streets For All (SS4A) Action Plan grant for \$300,000. The local match is \$75,000. He added the MPO and FHWA will have to execute an interlocal agreement to be able to use the funds. He also informed the committee that FDOT District 1 will be developing an Action Plan independently for the state highways in Lee County which would leave more money from the MPO grant to be used on off system roadways. The two Action Plans will be combined together after completion to make them whole.

Agenda Item #14 - Topics for next meeting

There were no topics suggested for the next meeting.

Agenda Item #15 - Information and Distribution Items

There were no information and/or distribution items.

Mr. Carl Karakos made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Teresa Lewis seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:00 p.m.

An audio recording of the meeting can be accessed at: [TMOG Audio March 8, 2023](#)

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