



**Space Coast Transportation Planning Organization
Technical Advisory Committee/Citizens Advisory Committee**

Brevard County Government Center
2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Way, Melbourne, Florida
Building C, 2nd Floor, Space Coast Room

Meeting Date: Monday, July 11, 2011

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

Agenda

- Item 1. Call to Order
- Item 2. Approval of Minutes, May 9, 2011
- Item 3. Space Coast Transportation Planning Organization Actions
- Item 4. Bicycle/Pedestrian/Trails Advisory Committee Report
- Item 5. Space Coast TPO Executive Committee Report
- Item 6. Approval RE: Commit 2B Fit Program Endorsement
- Item 7. Approval RE: Pineda Causeway Bicycle Access Pilot Program
- Item 8. I95/Ellis Road PD&E Update and Approval RE: Supplemental SU Funding
- Item 9. Approval RE: Resolution 12-02, Amendment to FY 2011 thru FY 2015 TIP
- Item 10. Adoption RE: Resolution 12-03, FY 2012 thru FY 2016 TIP
- Item 11. Discussion: 2010 SOS/Adoption FY 2011 Project Priorities
- Item 12. St. Johns Heritage Pkwy Southern Interchange
- Item 13. Staff Report
- Item 14. Local Government Report
- Item 15. Florida Department of Transportation Report
- Item 16. Public Comment
- Item 17. Adjourn

Technical Advisory Committee Members Present:

Lydia Jackson	Brevard County Planning & Development
Rick Cloutier	Melbourne Airport Authority
Mike Connors	Brevard Public Schools Transportation
George Gaudy	Van Pool Services, Inc.
Scott Morgan	City of West Melbourne
Howard Ralls	City of Melbourne
Todd Corwin (Alternate)	City of Melbourne
Lorena Valencia	Florida Department of Transportation
Courtney Barker	City of Titusville
Christine Hartnett	Canaveral Port Authority
Bob Torres	City of Cocoa Beach
Richard Hood	Town of Grant-Valkaria
Linsley Pietsch	Space Florida

Citizens Advisory Committee Members Present:

Jim Brown	City of Melbourne
Harry Santiago	City of Palm Bay
Bob Lawton	Canaveral Port Authority
Clarence Mills	BOCC District 4
Harry Pearson	North Beaches Coalition
Milo Zonka	BOCC District 5
Ayn Samuelson	BOCC District 4
Bob Baugher	BOCC District 2
Tres Holton	District 5
Jill Liles	City of West Melbourne
Leslie Jane Lindsey	City of Melbourne
Friley Knight (Alternate)	City of Cocoa
Rodney Honeycutt	BOCC District 1
Bob Klapproth	City of Melbourne

Others Present:

Bob Kamm	Space Coast TPO Executive Director
Georganna Gillette	Space Coast TPO Staff
Laura Carter	Space Coast TPO Staff
Diana McCartney	Space Coast TPO Staff
Leigh Holt	Space Coast TPO Staff
Steven Bostel	Space Coast TPO Staff
Jane Lim-Yap	Kittelson & Associates, Inc.
Karl Passetti	Kittelson & Associates, Inc.
Jessie Blouin	DRMP, Inc.
Amy Sirmans	FDOT
Chris Rizzolo	FDOT/URS
Elia Twigg	City of Palm Bay
Tuck Ferrell	Friends of the Parkway

Item 1. Call to Order

TAC Vice-Chairman, Mr. Morgan called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Item 2. Approval of Minutes – May 9, 2011

Motion by Mr. Cloutier, second by Ms. Pietsch to approve the TAC/CAC meeting minutes of May 9, 2011.

Motion by Mr. Mills, second by Ms. Liles to concur with the TAC motion. Hearing no objections, the motion passed unanimously.

The TAC motion passed unanimously.

Item 3. Space Coast Transportation Planning Organization Actions

Mr. Kamm reported on the actions taken by the TPO Board at their May 12th, 2011 meeting. The TPO Board actions included adoption of Complete Streets Policy, revised Phase II Project Priorities 90-Day List, and the FY 2011 Space Florida Project Priorities 90-Day List. The Board also approved the TPO Guidelines for Project Programming Recommendations, the Executive Directors Performance Evaluation, and amendment to the FY 2011 thru FY 2015 Transportation Improvement Program.

Mr. Kamm noted that the presentation on the Spaceport Area Transportation Study, by Strategic Mobility 21, was very well received, and the final report should be available soon.

Item 4. Bicycle/Pedestrian/Trails Advisory Committee Report

Ms. Gillette stated although there was no quorum present at the BPTAC meeting June 27th the members agreed to send letters of endorsement for the Pineda Causeway Bicycle Access Pilot Program and Commit 2B Fit, a school based program that is part of Safe Routes to School promoting healthy living and encourages walking and biking to school.

Item 5. Space Coast TPO Executive Committee Report

Mr. Kamm reported the Executive Committee discussed at their meeting on May 24th the Executive Directors request to amend his contract based on proposed changes to the Florida Retirement system. After further study, however, it was determined the contract should not be amended. With regard to discussion of salary adjustments for staff, the Committee members agreed to bring the issue back in September, at which time it could be addressed during the budgetary process.

Item 6. Approval RE: Commit 2B Fit Program Endorsement

Ms. Gillette stated the District has requested a letter of support from the TPO for the Commit 2B Fit Program. Commit 2B Fit will involve ten schools during the first year and fifteen schools in years three and four. A copy of the draft letter for the SCTPO Chairman's signature is in the agenda package for the Committees consideration. The letter will be part of the application for the program.

Motion by Mr. Cloutier, second by Mr. Ralls to approve endorsement of the Commit 2B Fit Program.

Motion by Mr. Zonka, second by Mr. Mills to concur with the TAC motion. Hearing no objections, the motion passed unanimously.

The TAC motion passed unanimously.

Item 7. Approval RE: Pineda Causeway Bicycle Access Pilot Program

Ms. Holt reported the legislature did not adopt a statewide bicycle limited access pilot program, however, staff has asked DOT's District 5 office to move forward with a pilot program for the Pineda Causeway. In an effort to transmit the TPOs support of this pilot program, a draft letter to District 5 Secretary Downs has been prepared and included in the agenda package for your review and endorsement. The Florida Bicycle Association, who is very supportive of the TPOs efforts, will be moving this issue forward in Tallahassee.

Motion by Mr. Cloutier, second by Mr. Ralls to approve support letter of the Pineda Causeway Bicycle Access Pilot Program.

Motion by Mr. Baugher, second by Ms. Liles to concur with the TAC motion. Hearing no objections, the motion passed unanimously.

The TAC motion passed unanimously.

Item 8. I-95/Ellis Road PD&E Update and Approval RE: Supplemental SU Funding

Mr. Kamm stated due to unforeseen circumstances the consultant requested postponing the I-95/Ellis Road PD&E presentation that would have covered updating the study as it relates to utilizing the drainage system and enclosing the canal on Ellis or other drainage alternatives.

Mr. Kamm requested the Committees to consider the authorization of an additional \$30,000 of SU funds to complete the PD&E based on additional work requested by the TPO.

Mr. Ralls inquired if more time was going to be needed to accommodate the additional study elements. Mr. Kamm responded he did not anticipate any need for additional time to complete the study.

Ms. Liles asked if the drainage issue was going to be properly addressed. Mr. Kamm responded that this is a sensitive area and that there is a need to reach a delicate balance in the water drainage issues. This is the reason why we have asked that all options be thoroughly reviewed.

Mr. Kamm noted a public meeting was to be held soon and he would make sure that the south end of the County was advised when it was scheduled.

Motion by Mr. Cloutier, second by Mr. Ralls to approve supplemental SU Funding to complete the I-95/Ellis Road PD&E.

Motion by Mr. Zonka, second by Mr. Mills to concur with the TAC motion. Hearing no objections, the motion passed unanimously.

The TAC motion passed unanimously.

Item 9. Approval RE: Resolution 12-02, Amendment to FY 2011 thru FY 2015 Transportation Improvement Program

Ms. Valencia reviewed each of the requested changes to the current FY 2011 thru FY 2015 Transportation Improvement Program and stated the changes needed to be done prior to October 1st.

Mr. Zonka requested an update for the planned use of SU funds, stating that now it has been opened up to additional types of uses he would like to see how the funds are being programmed in the next couple of years.

Mr. Kamm responded a request has been made to the Department for a periodic update on use of SU funds to include not only on what was available but to also show what has been funded with this funding source. Ms. Valencia stated they should be able to provide this information at the next meeting.

Motion by Mr. Ralls, second by Mr. Cloutier to adopt Resolution 12-02, Amendment to the FY 2011 thru FY 2015 Transportation Improvement Program.

Motion by Mr. Zonka, second by Mr. Baugher to concur with the TAC motion. Hearing no objections, the motion passed unanimously.

The TAC motion passed unanimously.

Item 10. Adoption RE: Resolution 12-03, FY 2012 thru FY 2016 Transportation Improvement Program

Ms. Gillette provided a summary of the FY 2012 thru FY 2016 Transportation Improvement Program. The TPO is required by Federal law to adopt a Transportation Improvement Program each year. A public meeting was held on June 22nd to allow interested citizens the opportunity to ask questions and give their ideas on the proposed projects.

Motion by Mr. Cloutier, second by Ms. Pietsch to adopt Resolution 12-03, FY 2012 thru FY 2016 Transportation Improvement Program.

Motion by Mr. Baugher, second by Ms. Liles to concur with the TAC motion. Hearing no objections, the motion passed unanimously.

The TAC motion passed unanimously.

Item 11. Discussion: 2010 State of the System Report/Adoption FY 2011 Project Priorities

Part I: 2010 State of the System Report

Ms. Jane Lim-Yap from Kittelson and Associates, presented the 2010 State of the System Report. The presentation was broken into three steps, Trends and Conditions, Segment Rankings and Project Strategies/Priorities.

Mr. Kamm pointed out the completed projects on I-95 are causing the SIS rankings to be as they are, but the rankings should change to accommodate the widening in future SOS reports.

Mr. Ralls asked if there was any crash data as it relates to the segments to see if our rates are high compared to the State average or other areas.

Mr. Kamm responded a new crash data system is currently being worked on by the University of Florida and will be available next year. This new program will allow better data and more analysis.

Mr. Zonka stated FDOT has GIS files on-line that have 5-year crash history.

Mr. Morgan commented that the presentation reported population growth had trended downward while the trend in age shows an increase in those 69 and older. Is there any way to track this by person using their driver license?

Ms. Lim-Yap responded the older population might have licenses but not all of them would be driving, and there are data points to show those 17 and older who have a license. In general, though, it is trending down.

Mr. Kamm stated we also need to be sensitive to the loss of jobs at the Kennedy Space Center which will also impact VMT.

Part II: Adoption FY 2011 Project Priorities

Ms. Gillette presented the FY 2011 Project Priorities process and explained that every year staff requests proposed projects from all of the municipalities, the County, and other transportation providers. The Growth Management Sub-Committee then reviews and prioritizes the projects. The list is then presented to the TPO Board for approval and submitted to FDOT, who will select those projects they can fund and include in their 5-year Work Program.

Ms. Gillette reminded members in April; the TPO adopted the 2010 list by phase and in May adopted a 90-Day list which was for smaller projects that would be ready to go should additional funding become available due to low bids. The FY 2011 Project Priorities is the final phase and Attachment "A" provides the detailed list of projects by various categories.

Ms. Gillette presented the Priority list in detail describing the projects and associated funding.

Mr. Zonka inquired about the Babcock St., widening with dedicated bus travel lane project. Ms. Gillette stated this was a recommendation of the Growth Management Sub-committee to be considered in the PD&E update.

Mr. Kamm pointed out the PD&E, which was done on Babcock Street about 10 years ago, recommended widening the street and it is believed that there could be more done on this corridor and the PD&E needs to be re-evaluated.

Mr. Kamm stated that the dedicated bus lanes should be removed from the priority list at this time.

Mr. Zonka stated he is aware there is a new Federal Surface Transportation Bill being submitted by Senator Mica that looks as though it may have significant cuts. Would the projects that are already listed as fully funded be subject to change based upon the new Transportation Act.

Ms. Gillette responded that is a possibility.

Ms. Gillette stated the FDOT's Work Program schedule has been moved up this year and DOT will be presenting their draft Work Program in October.

Mr. Kamm wanted to thank all of the agencies who participated in the Growth Management Sub-committee for their time and all of their hard work in putting the list together.

Ms. Samuelson wanted to bring to Ms. Gillette's attention that under B1, SR A1A, Ocean to SR 404 (Pineda) there is a small gap with no sidewalk and to keep this in mind and perhaps address this gap as part of the project limits.

Mr. Kamm reminded members that FDOT, under their resurfacing projects, are willing to take on and add some of these types of fixes.

Motion by Mr. Cloutier, second by Ms. Courtney Barker to adopt the FY 2011 Project Priorities.

Motion by Mr. Baugher, second by Mr. Zonka to concur with the TAC motion. Hearing no objections, the motion passed unanimously.

The TAC motion passed unanimously.

Item 12. St. Johns Heritage Parkway Southern Interchange PD&E

Mr. Karl Passetti, Kittelson & Associates, presented to the members the St. Johns Heritage Parkway Southern Interchange PD&E on behalf of Mr. Jack Freeman, who is the project manager. Mr. Passetti reviewed the four alignment alternatives and various interchange configurations that had been considered. The local preferred alternative, Alignment 1 with PARCLO Interchange has been

selected. Next steps include a public hearing with completion of the study anticipated by early 2012. Federal funds are available for Design, Right-of-Way is to be dedicated and Construction remains unfunded.

Mr. Kamm pointed out to the members the costs reflected in the presentation include the ultimate constructed facility. It is possible the interchange will initially only be a two lane facility and local contributions along with ROW donations could significantly impact the final costs.

Mr. Torres asked if dedicated bike lanes are being included on the Parkway. Mr. Kamm stated those facilities were a major consideration and final design will need to accommodate how to address movement of bicyclist and pedestrians safely.

Ms. Samuelson asked when we would know more about any donations and other funding sources for this project. Mr. Kamm stated he knows that discussions are underway but did not have any details.

Mr. Pearson inquired as to when the entire Parkway will be completed. Mr. Kamm stated construction on the first part of the Parkway is scheduled to start in six months. Additional segments are in various stages and it depends on available funding. There is no set date when the Parkway will be complete.

Mr. Holton commented the original concept and justification for the project, which was previously known as the Palm Bay Beltway, was from Malabar to US192. Funding is available in LOGT bonds in the County coffers and the City of Palm Bay has funding. However, the Parkway has grown into a regionally significant facility that now includes two interchanges. The original Parkway costs have therefore increased to include the interstate connections at Micco and Ellis.

Item 13. Staff Report

Mr. Kamm reminded members there will be no meeting in August. The September meeting will be on Tuesday due to the Labor Day Holiday. The next meeting is on September 6th.

Mr. Kamm stated with regard to the Federal Transportation Act reauthorization that the House is seeking a two year renewal, and the Senate a six year bill. Senator Mica needs to schedule a date to bring it to the floor; however, the calendar is full.

Mr. Holton stated that one of the most significant items he has seen is that "earmarks" would no longer be determined at the Federal level but instead be handled at the State.

Item 14. Local Government Report

Mr. Kamm acknowledged the cities that have adopted Complete Streets policies, and reported on the recent public meeting held in Suntree regarding connecting St. Andrews to the new Pineda Causeway extension. It was a lively discussion and a recommendation will be made at an upcoming Board of County Commissioners meeting.

Item 15. Florida Department of Transportation Report

Ms. Valencia provided an update on current completed projects and projects under construction in Brevard County.

Mr. Kamm noted that staff had compiled a report on how much funding has been expended in Brevard on the I-95 Corridor. Approximately \$700 million has been programmed to date.

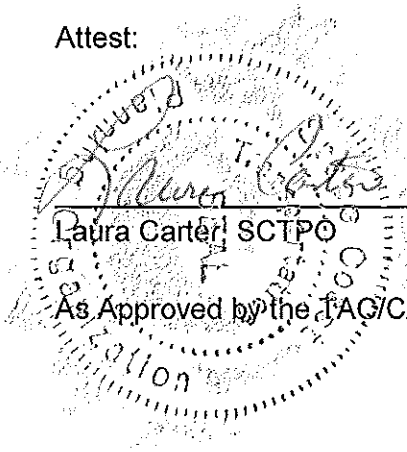
Item 16. Public Comment

Mr. Ferrell commented that the Parkway needs to continue to be a priority as a jobs connector and safe evacuation route.

Item 17. Adjourn

There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 11:56 p.m.

Attest:



Laura Carter, SCTPO

As Approved by the TAC/CAC on 10/10/11