



**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: December 10, 2012

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

Agenda

1. Call to Order of the Space Coast TPOs Technical and Citizens Advisory Committees
2. Approval of Minutes – October 8, 2012
3. Space Coast Transportation Planning Organization Actions
4. Bicycle/Pedestrian and Trails Advisory Committee Report
5. Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board Report
6. Presentation and Discussion RE: FDOT FY 2014 thru FY 2018 Tentative Five Year Work Program
7. Approval RE: Resolution 13-10, Approval of the Florida Department of Transportation Being the Designated Recipient of Federal Transit Administration Formula-Based (Section 5310) Funds for the Palm Bay-Melbourne Urban Area
8. Approval RE: Resolution 13-09, Support Passage of Distracted Driving Law
9. Discussion and Approval RE: WO13-10R 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan
10. Approval RE: Resolution 13-11, Amendment to FY 2012/2013 thru FY 2016/2017 Transportation Improvement Program
11. SR A1A Corridor Improvement Study Update
12. Staff Report
13. Local Government Report
14. Florida Department of Transportation Report
15. Public Comment
16. Adjourn

Technical Advisory Committee Members Present:

Stuart Buchanan (alternate)	Brevard County Planning & Development
Ed Wegerif	City of Cocoa
John Adair (alternate)	City of Cocoa Beach
Richard Hood	Town of Grant-Valkaria
Bonilyn Wilbanks	Town of Malabar
Todd Corwin (alternate)	City of Melbourne
Rick Cloutier	Melbourne International Airport
Kwabena Ofosu (alternate)	City of Palm Bay
Michael Jarusiewicz (alternate)	City of Rockledge
Jim Liesenfelt	Space Coast Area Transit
Ann Benedetti	St. Johns River Water Management
Courtney Barker	City of Titusville
Scott Morgan	West Melbourne

Citizens Advisory Committee Members Present:

Bob Lawton	Canaveral Port Authority
James McCarthy	City of Cocoa
Rodney Honeycutt	BOCC District 1
Bob Baugher	BOCC District 2
John Porter	BOCC District 2
Clarence Mills	BOCC District 4

Milo Zonka	BOCC District 5
Tres Holton	BOCC District 5
Bob Klapproth	City of Melbourne
Jim Brown	City of Melbourne
Anne Herzog Marhoefer	North Beaches Coalition
Ray Myers	City of Palm Bay
Sal D'Amato	South Beaches Coalition
Bob Wille	City of Titusville
Pete Petyk	City of Titusville
Sandra Michelson	West Melbourne

Others Present:

Bob Kamm	Space Coast TPO Executive Director
Georganna Gillette	Space Coast TPO Staff
Diana McCartney	Space Coast TPO Staff
Leigh Holt	Space Coast TPO Staff
Steven Bostel	Space Coast TPO Staff
Carol Holden	Space Coast TPO Staff
Kim Smith	Space Coast TPO Staff
Lorena Valencia	FDOT
John Moore	FDOT
Rebecca Ragain	Brevard County Planning
Tuck Ferrell	Friends of the Parkway, IHB
Chris Sinclair	Renaissance Planning Group, Inc.

Item 1. Call to Order

TAC Vice-Chairman, Scott Morgan called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Item 2. Approval of Minutes – October 8, 2012

TAC motion by Ms. Wilbanks, second by Mr. Hood, to adopt the meeting minutes of October 8, 2012.

CAC motion by Mr. Mills, second by Mr. Wille, 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 significant actions from the October 11, 2012 TPO meeting to include support of the Ellis Road PD&E study recommendations with two caveats:

1. Access management issues be thoroughly considered during the design phase
2. Assiduous work to reduce right of way impact, with serious consideration to piping the canal during the design phase

Item 4. Bicycle/Pedestrian/Trails Advisory Committee Report

Ms. Smith reported the BPTAC discussed the Pineda Causeway Bicycle Access Pilot Program and received an update on the Bike/Pedestrian Mobility Plan at their October 22nd meeting. The City of Melbourne was awarded a Safe Routes to School grant for improvements to sidewalks near Sherwood Elementary School. The initial Commit 2B Fit program has been very successful, with additional schools requesting to be included next year. Ms. Smith requested any groups planning to give away bicycles as part of the upcoming holiday season contact the TPO office regarding free helmets. FDOT held a public meeting concerning the Pineda Causeway Pilot Program on November 30, 2012, where signage and thermoplastic pattern concerns were voiced by bicyclists. FDOT is scheduled to attend the January 28th BPTAC meeting to further discuss these concerns.

Item 5. Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board

Mr. Liesenfelt reported the TDLCB held their annual public hearing on December 3rd. The LCB approved the Community Transportation Coordinator (CTC) Report which found 4 minor reporting issues that have already been rectified, or are currently being amended.

Item 6. Presentation and Discussion RE: FDOT FY 2014 thru FY 2018 Tentative Five Year Work Program

Ms. Valencia presented a video featuring the FDOT Five Year Work Program process. The FDOT Five Year Work Program public hearing will be held on December 11, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. in DeLand and will include a live webinar. Ms. Valencia gave a verbal report of programmed projects for Brevard County with associated costs.

CAC – Mr. Wille requested a written report be provided for the TPO Board members on Thursday.

Ms. Valencia stated a written report will be available for the public hearing. TPO staff will receive a copy to distribute to Board members.

CAC – Mr. Zonka inquired about inter-county fund equity.

Ms. Valencia replied Brevard County's allocation is 11.8%, but is scheduled to receive 12.5% of FDOT District 5 funds this year.

Item 7. Approval RE: Resolution 13-10, Approval of the Florida Department of Transportation Being the Designated Recipient of Federal Transit Administration Formula-Based (Section 5310) Funds for the Palm Bay-Melbourne Urban Area

Mr. Liesenfelt stated Section 5310 Funds are reserved for elderly and disabled transportation needs, and have in the past always been assigned to FDOT. The new MAP-21 Authorization designates urban areas over 200,000 in population be the recipient of the funds. This resolution will allow FDOT to remain the designated recipient of Section 5310 program funds.

TAC motion by Mr. Liesenfelt, second by Mr. Cloutier, to approve Resolution 13-10, Approval of the Florida Department of Transportation Being the Designated Recipient of Federal Transit Administration Formula-Based (Section 5310) Funds for the Palm Bay-Melbourne Urban Area.

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

The TAC motion passed unanimously.

Item 8. Resolution 13-09, Support Passage of Distracted Driving Law

Ms. McCartney stated studies and statistics show distracted driving to be a leading cause in the number of fatal and life altering crashes. Senate Bill 52 is coming up for consideration and the TPO strongly recommends and supports passage of a law banning distracted driving.

CAC - Ms. Marhoefer inquired what specifically would be included as causing a distraction to drivers.

Mr. Kamm responded Senate Bill 52 specifically lists wireless communication devices. Resolution 13-09, is more broad and encompasses all distractions to driving.

CAC - Mr. Holton stated Senate Bill 52 does allow exemptions for verbal communication such as Bluetooth.

TAC - Ms. Benedetti inquired how distracted driving laws would be enforced.

Mr. Kamm replied distracted driving would be a secondary offense, meaning you would need to be detained for another offense, and could then be additionally cited for distracted driving.

TAC motion by Mr. Liesenfelt, second by Ms. Barker, to approve Resolution 13-09, Support Passage of Distracted Driving Law.

CAC motion by Mr. McCarthy, second by Ms. Michelson, to concur with the TAC motion. Hearing one objection from Mr. Wille, the motion passed by simple majority.

The TAC motion passed unanimously.

Item 9. Discussion and Approval RE: WO13-10R 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan

Mr. Sinclair, Renaissance Planning Group, informed the group all projects on the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) must be identified as cost feasible prior to being included in the FDOT Five Year Work Program. Mr. Sinclair gave a power point presentation outlining the distinctive aspects of the proposed plan to include public surveys, meta-plan focus, economic growth vision and multi-modal corridor plans.

CAC - Mr. Wille stated the focus of this plan is a significant change from the LRTP's done in the past. He cautioned the group to examine the consequences of a priority shift away from capacity planning.

Mr. Kamm responded previous plans concentrated on capacity issues almost exclusively. The LRTP will integrate capacity enhancement with economic and land usage, redevelopment and rejuvenation planning. The LRTP will look at a broader spectrum, a Complete Streets type of corridor plan as well as capacity needs.

CAC - Mr. Porter stated when local governments upgrade public lands, the private sector generally follows. Central and north Brevard are in need of an upgrade.

CAC - Mr. Petyk stated capacity is a real issue for Brevard County. Bike lanes and sidewalks would help to alleviate the problem.

TAC motion by Mr. Corwin, second by Ms. Wilbanks, to approve WO13-10R 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan.

CAC motion by Mr. Porter, second by Mr. McCarthy, to concur with the TAC motion. Hearing no objections, the motion passed unanimously.

The TAC motion passed unanimously.

Item 10. Approval RE: Resolution 13-11, Amendment to FY 2012/2013 thru FY 2016/2017 Transportation Improvement Program

Ms. Gillette summarized three amendments to the FY 2013 through FY 2017 Transportation Improvement Program requested by FDOT.

CAC – Mr. Zonka inquired if this amendment completes the right of way funding for Section C of the Saint Johns Heritage Parkway.

Mr. Kamm responded yes.

TAC motion by Ms. Wilbanks, second by Mr. Cloutier, to approve Resolution 13-11, Amendment to FY 2012/2013 thru FY 2016/2017 Transportation Improvement Program.

CAC 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 11. SR A1A Corridor Improvement Study Update

Mr. John Moore, FDOT, presented an update on the SR A1A Corridor Improvement Study. He summarized the project timeline by stating corridor planning is ongoing, and will be followed by engineering analysis and design when the funding becomes available in July 2013.

CAC - Ms. Marhoefer inquired when the next SR A1A Action Team meeting will be held.

Mr. Moore replied that information will be sent to everyone via email.

Item 12. Staff Report

Mr. Kamm explained to the group the TPO is required by FDOT to re-evaluate their membership following each census. The TPO attorney, Mr. Gougelman, will brief the Board regarding the re-examination protocol during the TPO Board meeting. Mr. Kamm further stated Mr. Cumber, from All Aboard Florida, will be giving a televised presentation on the proposed Orlando to Miami rail line at the TPO Board meeting. The next TAC/CAC meeting will be held in February, 2013.

CAC – Mr. Brown voiced support for any railroad that travels through Brevard County with a projected station in Brevard County.

CAC – Mr. Baugher expressed support for a Cocoa station.

TAC – Ms. Barker stated the private railroad will be using public right of way land.

CAC – Mr. Zonka stated his support for the railroad now, in anticipation of future benefits to Brevard County.

TAC – Ms. Barker stated the All Aboard Florida project has precluded the Amtrak project for Brevard, leaving Brevard with no anticipated train stops.

CAC – Mr. Wille inquired if this is an actionable item.

Mr. Kamm responded this is only a report but the Committees may make a recommendation if they wish.

TAC motion by Ms. Barker, second by Mr. Cloutier, to state support for passenger rail projects that provide access to Brevard County residents.

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

The TAC motion passed unanimously.

Item 13. Local Government Report

Mr. Morgan invited everyone to a Safe Routes to School ribbon cutting ceremony to be held December 21, 2012, at Tallwood Park in West Melbourne.

Item 14. Florida Department of Transportation Report

Ms. Valencia provided an update on current completed projects and projects under construction in Brevard County. The Max Brewer Bridge regional award and photo of the People's Choice national award were displayed for the Committee members.

CAC – Mr. Wille asked for a brief background on the Max Brewer Bridge project.

Mr. Kamm provided a brief history of the Max Brewer Bridge project.

Item 15. Public Comment

There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 12:24 p.m.