

Space Coast Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) 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: May 6, 2013

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

Agenda

- 1. Call to Order of the Space Coast TPO's Technical (TAC) and Citizens Advisory Committees (CAC)
- 2. Approval of Minutes April 8, 2013
- 3. Space Coast Transportation Planning Organization (SCTPO) Actions
- 4. Bicycle/Pedestrian and Trails Advisory Committee (BPTAC) Report
- 5. Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council (MPOAC)
- 6. Central Florida Metropolitan Planning Organization (CFMPO) Alliance
- 7. Approval RE: Work Order 13-10K, 2012 State of the System
- 8. US I-92/Babcock Street Intersection Improvement Project Update, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)
- 9. Malabar Road Project Development and Environmental Study, Lance Decuir, Atkins
- 10. Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Policy Issues Workshop 2
- **11.** Legislative Report
- 12. Staff Report
- 13. Local Government Report
- 14. Florida Department of Transportation Report
- 15. Public Comment
- **16.** Adjourn
- 17. Glossary of Terms

Technical Advisory Committee Members Present:

Rebecca Ragain Brevard County Planning & Development Devin Swanson Brevard Public Works

Christine Hartnett Canaveral Port Authority

Ed Wegerif City of Cocoa

John Adair (alternate)City of Cocoa BeachFrank GuertinIndian Harbour BeachJenni LambCity of Melbourne

Rick Cloutier Melbourne International Airport

Sue Hann City of Palm Bay Michael Jarusiewicz (alternate) City of Rockledge

Jim Liesenfelt Space Coast Area Transit

Arturo Interiano (alternate) City of Titusville Scott Morgan West Melbourne

Citizens Advisory Committee Members Present:

Canaveral Port Authority Bob Lawton James McCarthy City of Cocoa Rodney Honeycutt **BOCC District 1 Bob Baugher BOCC District 2** Peter Fusscas **BOCC District 3 BOCC District 4** Clarence Mills Tres Holton **BOCC District 5** Bob Klaproth City of Melbourne Jim Brown City of Melbourne William Rettinger City of Palm Bay City of Titusville **Bob Wille**

Pete Petyk City of Titusville

Sandra Michelson City of West Melbourne

Others Present:

Bob Kamm Space Coast TPO Executive Director

Laura CarterSpace Coast TPO StaffGeorganna GilletteSpace Coast TPO StaffDiana McCartneySpace Coast TPO StaffLeigh HoltSpace Coast TPO StaffSteven BostelSpace Coast TPO StaffCarol HoldenSpace Coast TPO StaffKim SmithSpace Coast TPO Staff

Gene Varano Florida Department of Transportation
David Cooke Florida Department of Transportation
Libertad Acosta-Anderson Florida Department of Transportation

Lance DeCuir Atkins/FDOT
Vic Poteat Atkins/FDOT

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Chris Sinclair Renaissance Planning Group
Scott Swearengen Renaissance Planning Group
Tuck Ferrell Friends of the Parkway, IHB

Item 1. Call to Order

TAC Chairman, Sue Hann called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

Item 2. Approval of Minutes - March 11, 2013

Motion by Mr. Cloutier, second by Mr. Swanson, to adopt the meeting minutes of April 8, 2013.

Motion by Mr. Mills, second by Mr. McCarthy, 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 April 11, 2013 TPO meeting to include:

- 1. Approval of SCTPO Social Media Policy
- 2. Approval of SCTPO Policy Changes to PLC-1, Agency Organization and Operation and PLC-4, Travel
- 3. Approval of Executive Director's performance evaluation and staff compensation
- 4. Approval of resolutions in recognition of TAC/CAC Committee and TPO Board members' service
- 5. Presentation RE: LRTP Policy Issues Workshop 1 by Chris Sinclair

Item 4. Bicycle/Pedestrian/Trails Advisory Committee (BPTAC) Report

Ms. Smith reported the BPTAC met on April 15, 2013, and was given a presentation on the School Travel Survey and an update on the Bicycle/Pedestrian Mobility Plan. The next BPTAC meeting is scheduled for June 17, 2013. The annual Bike to School Day event, scheduled for May 8^{th,} has twenty-two local schools planning to participate. The annual BPTAC awards will be presented at the May 9th TPO Board meeting.

Ms. Hann invited everyone to a ribbon cutting ceremony for the Al Tuttle Trail on Wednesday, May 8th.

Item 5. Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council (MPOAC)

Mr. Kamm reported the MPOAC met on April 25th in Tallahassee. The major topic of discussion was legislative issues which will be addressed later in this agenda.

Item 6. Central Florida Metropolitan Planning Organization (CFMPO) Alliance

Mr. Kamm reported the CFMPO Alliance is working on regional prioritization of strategic intermodal system (SIS) and trail projects.

Item 7. Approval RE: Work Order 13-10K, 2012 State of the System

Mr. Kamm stated the State of the System is an annual report to assess how well the transportation system is performing. This work order will allow the TPO general consultant, Kittelson and Associates, to commence this task.

Motion by Mr. Swanson, second by Mr. Cloutier, to recommend approval of Work Order 13-10K, 2012 State of the System.

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

The TAC motion passed unanimously.

<u>Item 8. US 1-92/Babcock Street Intersection Improvement Project Update, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)</u>

Mr. Gene Varano, FDOT, reviewed intersection improvements scheduled for Babcock Street from Melbourne Avenue to Fee Avenue. Project construction is anticipated to begin by July, 2013, with a total construction cost of \$5.17 million. Further project details can be found at www.cflroads.com. Proposed improvements include:

- · Adding turn lanes at intersections
- Roadway resurfacing with drainage improvements
- Installing new roadway lighting system
- · Access management improvements
- Addition of continuous sidewalks
- Aesthetic improvements (landscaping)

TAC - Mr. Cloutier asked if construction would take place during night time hours and when the project was expected to be completed.

Mr. Varano replied the project has no day or night construction restrictions and is expected to take 390 days.

TAC - Mr. Swanson asked if the contract had been awarded.

Mr. Varano responded the contract was awarded to VA Paving.

CAC - Mr. Holton inquired why Valkaria versus Indian River county line was chosen as the southern terminus in the original PD&E study in which this intersection improvement project was identified.

Mr. Kamm responded the northern limit was NASA Blvd. and the Indian River County line would make the project too long to manage.

CAC - Mr. Wille asked about the project drainage improvement costs.

Mr. Varano responded FDOT has a responsibility to correct any known issues, so several blocks of land were purchased to improve drainage issues.

CAC - Mr. Wille stated correcting drainage issues will improve our water supplies and be an environmental asset to the community.

CAC – Mr. Petyk stated widening roads exclusively for vehicles is an expensive solution to congestion.

Mr. Varano replied the roadway will include bike lanes.

Mr. Kamm stated FDOT, the county, the City of Melbourne, and redevelopment agencies collaborated to achieve this project which includes attractive sidewalks, walking trails, medians, and landscaping.

CAC - Mr. Wille asked who would be responsible for vicinity maintenance.

Mr. Varano replied each agency will maintain its own section with cooperative efforts enhancing the entire community.

Item 9. Malabar Road Project Development and Environmental Study

Mr. Lance DeCuir, Atkins LLC, provided a presentation on the PD&E study currently underway for Malabar Road from SR 507 (Babcock Road) to US 1. The project website containing up to date information is www.SR514Malabar.com. A public meeting is scheduled for June 11, 2013 at Palm Bay Hospital. The presentation included:

- Project Overview
- Funding sources
- Project schedule
- Public Involvement

TAC – Ms. Hann stated Malabar Road is an evacuation route and asked how the proposed additional rail project tracking will be addressed.

Mr. DeCuir responded a bridge will be evaluated over the proposed expansion of the FEC Railway.

Item 10. Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Policy Issues Workshop 2

Mr. Chris Sinclair, Renaissance Planning Group, summarized the responses received from Workshop 1 and the beta test survey. Workshop 2 encompassed scenario planning stories and steps.

Mr. Swearengen, Renaissance Planning Group, provided detailed information on the beta test survey results and stated the actual survey is expected to be released by month end.

Mr. Kamm stated a TPO Board member requested a survey option be included for a reduction in services.

Mr. Morgan stated it is important to provide significance for option choices.

Mr. Wille stated funding is a complex process, so questions need to be very clear to avoid incorrect results.

Mr. Sinclair stated a symposium will be held to discuss initiatives, plans, strategies, and coordination efforts from various agencies.

Item 11. Legislative Report

Ms. Holt advised members the legislative session concluded with:

- \$118 million in the budget for east coast passenger rail from Jacksonville to Miami
 - All Aboard Florida (AAF) is in the midst of public hearings, with the final meeting scheduled on May 9, 2013
 - FDOT is continuing to negotiate with FEC to build trails along the rail line from Orlando to Miami
- The transportation bill did not pass
- Space Florida received \$7 million for financing, \$1.5 million for space tourism, and retained \$20 million in the FDOT work program
- \$50 million remains in the budget for funding Close the Gaps statewide trail system
- The distracted driving law passed
- No sweep of the State Transportation Trust Fund, the work program remains fully funded

Ms. Holt stated the Close the Gaps \$50 million is a budget line item, which could be vetoed by Governor Scott. She asked for approval to write a letter to Governor Scott on behalf of the SCTPO in support of the Close the Gaps funding.

Motion by Mr. Interiano, second by Mr. Cloutier, to approve sending a letter to Governor Scott supporting funding for Close the Gaps legislation if deemed necessary.

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

The TAC motion passed unanimously.

Item 11. Staff Report

Mr. Kamm informed everyone of an additional SCTPO website address, www.sctpo.com. He also stated the last page of this and all future agenda packages will contain a current glossary of acronyms and abbreviations used by the TPO.

Mr. Wegerif inquired if the TPO will be endorsing any Tiger grant projects.

Mr. Kamm said the TPO has not yet received any endorsement requests.

Item 12. Local Government Report

There was no discussion.

Item 13. FDOT Report

Mr. Kamm stated an updated Brevard Status of Contracts report was available.

Item 14. Public Comment

There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Attest:	
	Carol Holden, SCTPO
As App	proved by the TAC/CAC on