

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

9:30 a.m., Thursday December 3, 2009
Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council
1926 Victoria Avenue, Fort Myers, Florida
239-338-2550



AGENDA

Call to Order

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes

1. *Minutes of the November 5, 2009 TAC Meeting

New Business

2. *Endorsement of FDOT's Draft Tentative Work Program for FY 2010/2011 through FY 2014/2015 (FDOT)
3. +Update on the Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan Negotiations (Don Scott)
4. Review the LRTP Media Distribution List (Meghan Marion)
5. Agenda Items/Issues for an upcoming Joint Meeting with the Charlotte MPO (Lee/Charlotte)
6. Tasks for the FY 2010/2011 and 2011/2012 Unified Planning Work Program (Don Scott)

Other Business

7. LeeTran Report
8. FDOT Report
9. Announcements
10. Topics for next meeting
11. Information and Distribution Items

Adjournment

* Action Items + May Require Action

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MINUTES OF THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Held on November 5, 2009

The following members were present for the regular meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee on November 5, 2009 at the offices of the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council, 1926 Victoria Avenue, Fort Myers, Florida.

Those in attendance included:

David Loveland	Lee County Depart. of Transportation
Bill Horner	Lee County Port Authority
Steve Myers	LeeTran
Dawn Gordon	Lee County School Board
Persides Zambrano	Cape Coral Department of Public Works
Kitty Sayers	Cape Coral Mini Bus Service
Eliana Hayes	Fort Myers Department of Engineering
John Patterson	Town of Fort Myers Beach
Phil Tindall	Collier MPO
David Hutchinson	SWFRPC
Mark Clark	FDOT

Others in attendance included: Johnny Limbaugh with FDOT; and Don Scott, Ron Gogoi and Meghan Marion with Lee MPO.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:33 a.m. by Chairman Loveland.

Ms. Marion announced that a quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Agenda Item #1 – Minutes of the September 3, 2009 TAC Meeting

MOTION BY MS. ZAMBRANO TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 3, 2009 TAC MEETING. SECONDED BY MR. MYERS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item #2 – Minutes of the October 1, 2009 Joint Lee-Collier TAC Meeting

Ms. Zambrano stated that the agency description for Rick Burris should be Lee County Department of Community Development not just Department of Community Development. She also stated that on page 8, first sentence should read Del Prado Extension not just Del Prado.

MOTION BY MS. ZAMBRANO TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 1, 2009 JOINT LEE-COLLIER TAC MEETING AS AMENDED BY CORRECTING THE AGENCY DESCRIPTION FOR RICK BURRIS AND ADDING THE WORD EXTENSION TO DEL PRADO ON PAGE EIGHT. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Scott stated that he had a walk on item dealing with zonal data issues.

MOTION BY MS. ZAMBRANO TO APPROVE A MODIFICATION OF THE AGENDA TO ADD THE WALK ON ITEM AS ITEM 9A. SECONDED BY MS. GORDON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Item #3 – Review and Approval of the Lee County Goods and Freight Study

Mr. Scott presented this item.

Ms. Zambrano stated that Figure 4.3 is missing the Mid-Point Bridge and on page 5-8 she would like to see the dates of the maps changed so we know what version they are. She also stated that on page 6-3 and 6-9 there were some typos.

Mr. Scott stated that the recommendation to change the Goals and Objectives and include them in the Long Range Plan update has already been done.

Mr. Scott stated that through this process one of the recommendations has been to start a committee of freight and goods stakeholders. He stated that he didn't really want to go that far but would like to have a representative on the TAC Committee to represent the Freight and Goods Community.

Chairman Loveland agreed with Mr. Scott and stated that it is hard enough to get people to attend the current meetings we have.

Mr. Hutchinson stated that freight issues are multi-MPO and multi-jurisdictional.

Mr. Limbaugh replied that FDOT is working on the district wide model but it is not freight specific. At this current time FDOT has a study going on for the Intermodal Logistics Center.

Mr. Horner made some comments about typos on the following pages 6-9, 6-10 8-4, 8-5, 8-6 and 8-7.

Ms. Zambrano made some more comments about page 8-7.

Mr. Hutchinson stated he would like to see consideration and incorporation of the Intermodal Logistics Center into the Long Range Plan.

Mr. Limbaugh stated that there was an open application process for the Intermodal Logistics Center Site.

Chairman Loveland stated he would like to see the Moore Haven chosen for the site.

Mr. Tindall asked if Immokalee was included in the sites.

Mr. Limbaugh replied no because they didn't apply for it.

MOTION BY MR. HUTCHINSON TO RECOMMEND MPO APPROVAL OF THE LEE COUNTY GOODS AND FREIGHT STUDY WITH THE AMENDED CHANGES. SECONDED BY MR. HORNER. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item #4 – Review and Approve 45 Day Comment Period for the L RTP Public Involvement Plan

MOTION BY MS. ZAMBRANO TO RECOMMEND MPO APPROVAL OF THE 45 DAY COMMENT PERIOD FOR THE L RTP PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PLAN. SECONDED BY MR. PATTERSON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item #5 – Review and Approve 45 Day Comment Period for the Revisions to the Public Involvement Plan

MOTION BY MS. ZAMBRANO TO RECOMMEND MPO APPROVAL OF THE 45 DAY COMMENT PERIOD FOR THE REVISIONS TO THE PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PLAN. SECONDED BY MR. MYERS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item #6 – Review and Approve the 45 Day Comment Period for the Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan

MOTION BY MR. HUTCHINSON TO RECOMMEND MPO APPROVAL OF THE 45 DAY COMMENT PERIOD FOR THE LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY (LEP) PLAN. SECONDED BY MS. GORDON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item #7 – Approval of the Ranking of the Bicycle/Pedestrian RFP Proposals

Mr. Scott presented this item.

MOTION BY MS. ZAMBRANO TO RECOMMEND MPO APPROVAL OF THE RANKING OF THE BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN RFP PROPOSALS. SECONDED BY MR. HORNER. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item #8 – Review and Update of the Federal Stimulus Project List

Mr. Scott presented this item.

Chairman Loveland stated that you should show the projects that are funded separately.

Mr. Scott asked if we can move the trolley lane up so that if we get the stimulus money to fund it as it still is a concern and the lane needs to come out if we don't.

Chairman Loveland stated that he would like to see line item 22 moved to item 7 and line item 13 moved to item 6.

Mr. Hutchinson stated that he would like to see some future discussion on moving the partially funded projects above other projects to get projects completely funded and off the list.

MOTION BY MR. HUTCHINSON TO RECOMMEND MPO APPROVAL OF THE FEDERAL STIMULUS PROJECTS LIST AS AMENDED TO MOVE LINE ITEM 22 UP TO LINE ITEM 7 AND LINE ITEM 13 UP TO LINE ITEM 6 AND WOULD LIKE FUTURE DISCUSSION ON PARTIALLY FUNDED PROJECTS. SECONDED BY MS. ZAMBRANO. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item #9 – Review and Comment on the Updated Strategic Intermodal System 2035 Plan

Mr. Limbaugh stated that this is the list of SIS facilities that will be funded based on the revenue forecasts through 2035 in the plan. He stated that the FDOT is asking the MPOs to review this and send any comments to them by November 13, 2009.

Chairman Loveland asked where Daniels Parkway went on the list.

Mr. Limbaugh asked staff to send out the email from Mr. Baxter showing the SIS projects between 2015 and 2020.

Mr. Hutchinson asked that FDOT give more time for review.

Walk on Item 9A – Review and Approve the 2007 Base Year Zonal Changes for Nineteen Zones in the Cape Coral CRA for the 2035 LRTP Update

Mr. Scott stated that the hotel/motel numbers for the City of Cape Coral don't match the numbers submitted by the Consultant but at this time he would not recommend changing the numbers.

Chairman Loveland stated that he doesn't agree with that.

Mr. Scott stated that since that time there are zones that are recommended to be changed in the City of Cape Coral.

Ms. Zambrano stated that AIM will be fixing the numbers so that it is something that the City of Cape Coral can stand by. She stated that AIM will need two weeks.

Chairman Loveland stated that if we don't give approval to the base year data today then we are bumping against the wall to get the rest of the information moving forward.

Mr. Limbaugh stated that this is the only model in the whole district that is not validated.

Chairman Loveland would like to see a special meeting scheduled to approve the base data.

Mr. Scott stated that he will schedule a meeting for November 19, 2009 and that it will be a joint TAC/CAC meeting.

Agenda Item #10 – Update on the JARC and New Freedom Program and Grant Submittals

Mr. Scott stated that nine applications were submitted for the following agencies: Senior Friendship Centers, Creative Resources Inc., LARC, Hope Community Services, Bluebird Checker, Mount Sinai Baptist, Eden Florida, Good Wheels and Dr. Piper. Mr. Scott continued with recommended grants funded for each agency.

Mr. Myers stated that these recommendations would go before the BOCC for final ranking and award.

OTHER BUSINESS

Agenda Item #11 – LeeTran Report

No report.

Agenda Item #12 – FDOT Report

Mr. Clark stated that FDOT is preparing the Work Program for the Public Hearing at the December 18th MPO meeting.

Mr. Limbaugh stated that the SR 82 from Ortiz to Lee Blvd bids came in yesterday and the low bid is \$21 million and the high bid is \$31 million.

Ms. Zambrano asked what the estimate was.

Mr. Limbaugh replied \$38 million.

Agenda Item #13 – Announcements

None.

Agenda Item #14 – Topics for next meeting

None.

Agenda Item #15 – Information and Distribution Items

Distributed in agenda packet.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

**ENDORSEMENT OF FDOT'S DRAFT TENTATIVE WORK
PROGRAM FOR FY 2010/2011 THROUGH FY 2014/2015**

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS: To review FDOT's Draft Tentative Work Program and make a recommendation of endorsement or recommend changes for FDOT's consideration.

FDOT staff will present the Draft Tentative Work Program for fiscal years 2010/2011 through 2014/2015 for committee review and consideration. **Attached** is the summary of additions, deletions and changes between the current adopted program and this tentative work program. The new fifth year has been added reflecting the priorities that were adopted by the MPO Board last spring. Staff will provide more information on the program at the meeting.

The information contained in this table is DRAFT and subject to change. Any changes between this information and that included in the Draft Tentative Work Program will be discussed at the meeting.

**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
5 YEAR TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM
2011 THROUGH 2015 SUMMARY OF ADDITIONS RESCHEDULINGS AND DELETIONS
LEE COUNTY**

FM #	ROAD	DESCRIPTION	TYPE OF WORK	PHASE	FROM FY TO FY	10/11	11/12	12/13	13/14	14/15	COMMENTS
Additions											
4166492	I-75 Airport Access	At SWFIA Collector/Distributor System	Interchange	ENV						4,750,000	New Phase
4110381	I-75	From S of Luckett to S of SR 80	Add Lanes and Reconstruct	CST						29,535,840	New Project
4110371	I-75	From S of SR 82 to S of Luckett	Add Lanes and Reconstruct	CST						34,439,778	New Project
4137141		Bonita Springs Traffic Signal Reimbursement	Traffic Signal Reimbursement	OPS						13,000	New 5th Year
4136361		Cape Coral Traffic Signal Reimbursement	Traffic Signal Reimbursement	OPS						13,000	New 5th Year
4136381		Ft. Myers Beach Traffic Signal Reimbursement	Traffic Signal Reimbursement	OPS						800	New 5th Year
4126363		Lee County Computerized Signal System Phase II	Traffic Control System	PE			350,000				New Project - Phase II of the Lee County Computerized Signal System - Design Build Criteria Package
4126364		Lee County Computerized Signal System Phase II	Traffic Control System	D/B							New Project - Phase II of the Lee County Computerized Signal System
1957641		Lee MPO Identified Operational Improvements	Traffic Ops Improvement	CST				12,121,390		5,000,000	New 5th Year
4274121	SR 78	At Pondella Road	Pedestrian Safety Improvement	CST		157,127					New Project - Install crosswalk, ped signals, skip guide lines for NB dual left turns, sidewalk connection, add sign EB right turn lane only.
4273061	SR 884	At Six Mile Cypress	Traffic Signals	PE			49,030				New Project - Replace Signal Equipment to include Mast Arms, Heads for Every Lane, Backplates and updated Pedestrian Features.
4126721		Lee County Traffic Signal Reimbursement	Traffic Signal Reimbursement	CST			335,355			172,000	New 5th Year
4274071	US 41	From Collier County Line Bonita Springs	Bike Path	CST		118,366					New Project - Add Bicycle Lanes and signage
1957652	US 41	From Corkscrew Road to San Carlos Boulevard	Landscaping	CST				50,000			New Project - JPA Required with Lee County Parks for Landscaping
4281061	Academy Boulevard	From Nicholas Parkway to Veterans Parkway	Sidewalk	CST					570,000		New Project - LAP Agreement Required with City of Cape Coral - Construction of sidewalk on both sides of the road

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4281091	Michigan Avenue	From Michigan Ave. Link to Clotilde	Sidewalk	CST				232,495			New Project - LAP Agreement Required with City of Fort Myers Construction of sidewalk on
4281111	Oasis Blvd/Gleason	From Beach Parkway to Surfside Boulevard	Sidewalk	CST					520,000		New Project - LAP Agreement Required with City of Cape Coral
4281481		Rail Feasibility Study	Planning	PLN			231,089				New Project - JPA Required with Lee MPO - Includes \$100,000 of
4281511	Daniels Parkway	From Chamberlain Parkway to Gateway Boulevard	Capacity	CST		6,424,148					New Project - JPA Required with Lee County - Includes \$5,184,036 of Local Funds
4281071	Hanson Street	From Cortez Boulevard to US 41	Sidewalk	CST			250,516				New Project - LAP Agreement Required with City of Fort Myers Construction of sidewalk on both sides of the road.
4206521		SWFIA Runway 6R/24L Phase I	Capital	CAP						12,000,000	New 5th Year - Includes \$6,000,000 of Local Funds
4184251		SWFIA Midfield Entrance Road	Capital	CAP						3,889,333	New Project - Includes \$972,333 of Local Funds - Expand Midfield Entrance Road from 4 Lanes to 6 Lanes from TreeLine to Terminal
4279831		SWFIA	CAP	CAP						1,600,000	New Project - Includes \$800,000 of Local Funds - Permitting and Mitigation
4101151		Lee Transit Planning	Planning	PLN						175,833	New 5th Year - Includes \$17,583 of Local Funds - FTA Section 5303 Transit Planning
4073291		Lee County Transit	Operating	OPS						1,070,000	New 5th Year - Includes \$535,000 of Local Funds - FTA Section
4101251		Lee County Transit	Operating	OPS						788,300	New 5th Year - Includes \$394,150 of Local Funds - FTA Section
4101401		Lee County Transit	Operating	OPS						3,454,920	New 5th Year - Includes \$1,694,929 of Local Funds - FTA Section
4256681		Lee MPO	Planning	PLN						781,178	New 5th Year - Lee MPO Planning Funds

Reschedulings (advanced)

4258411	SR 82 (Immokalee Road)	From Lee Blvd to Shawnee	Capacity	PE						5,669,000	From FY 2014 to FY 2011
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Reschedulings (deferred within the 5 Year Program)

Deletions											
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4251281	US 41 (SR 45)	From East of Brown Road to SR 78 (Pine Island Road)	Sidewalk	PE			66,427				Project limits incorporated into existing project (FM # 4251271 - US 41 Sidewalk) No change in year programmed.
4251291	US 41 (SR 45)	From Hancock Bridge Parkway to Marianne Avenue	Sidewalk	PE			132,150	369,429			Project limits incorporated into existing project (FM # 4251271 - US 41 Sidewalk) No change in year programmed.
4251331	US 41 (SR 45)	From US Bus 41 to Del Prado Boulevard	Sidewalk	CST				808,169			Project limits incorporated into existing project (FM # 4251321 - US 41 Sidewalk) No change in year programmed.
4203541		SWFIA Capital Improvements	Capital	CAP		162,000		93,700	623,401		Project funding moved to existing project (FM # 2065701) No change in amount or year programmed.
4203781		SWFIA Capital Improvements	Capital	CAP		9,988,000					Project funding moved to existing project (FM # 2065701) No change in amount or year programmed.

UPDATE ON THE BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN MASTER PLAN NEGOTIATIONS

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS: Staff will give an update on the Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan negotiations and outline progress to date and seek direction or input from the Committee's on how we are planning on proceeding with the project.

Staff is in the process of negotiating the contract with the Consultant and we have provided the existing data that we have on existing bicycle/pedestrian facilities, crash data, zonal data and transit route information. The Consultant is going over the data to determine how much of an effort they will need to go through in regards to data collection. In addition, the Consultant is currently identifying how they would like to go about conducting the project and we will be seeking input on this process at the meeting.

REVIEW THE LRTP MEDIA DISTRIBUTION LIST

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS: Review and update the LRTP Media Distribution List to be included in the LRTP PIP as an appendices.

Review the Media Distribution List provided and email MPO Staff any additions or corrections so that we may include it in the LRTP PIP as an appendices.

**DETERMINE AGENDA ITEMS AND ISSUES TO BE
DISCUSSED AT AN UPCOMING JOINT MEETING WITH THE
CHARLOTTE COUNTY-PUNTA GORDA MPO**

Discussion Item:

At a previous TAC meeting, several items were raised that led to a discussion about having a Joint Lee MPO and Charlotte MPO meeting. The intent of that meeting would be to ensure that we are coordinating on projects that affect both Counties and to determine how we are going to deal with those projects in the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). The two staffs have talked and are attending each other's TAC meeting to identify the issues that will be discussed Jointly so that we can ensure that we get all of the background information that is needed and to help determine what additional tasks need to be done to address these items. At the Lee TAC, three items were raised for discussion and those included the Babcock DRI and how this will be addressed in the LRTP update for both MPO's, the Zemel property and future plans in this area and finally the development of Burnt Store Road Corridor. MPO staff attended the Charlotte TAC meeting and they raised one additional item that they would like to discuss and that is the development of the Seminole Gulf Railway Corridor and current activities. Staff would like to discuss these items in further detail so that we can determine what needs to be done before the meeting is scheduled and we would also like to find out if there are other Lee/Charlotte issues that we need to consider for the upcoming agenda.

TASKS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2010/2011 AND 2011/2012 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP)

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS: Recommend tasks to include in the FY 2010/2011 and FY 2011/2012 Unified Planning Work Program.

This is the time of year to start identifying new tasks for the two year UPWP that will need to be distributed in draft format for review by March 15th with the final document approved by the MPO Board by May 15th. During last year's update staff projected, for planning purposes only, the budget and tasks out through 2010/2011 to identify and fund the completion of multi year tasks and to identify any new tasks that the MPO would be doing. Listed below are some of the new tasks that we identified last year or recommendations that staff would like to address over the next two years:

- The transit study for Cape Coral in FY 2010/2011 that was identified during last year's discussion on this.
- Remove the transit LOS item and funding as this has changed from a state planning requirement to an individual MPO's decision whether to do it or not.
- Staff would like to collapse some of the tasks together to reduce the duplication (example – two tasks for the LRTP that could be reduced to one).
- Staff would like to add 2010 base year data collection task to address the next model update more efficiently than we have experienced during this LRTP update.
- The addition of Charlotte MPO coordination items.
- Further define continuing tasks if the Transit Authority.
- Data collection activities that include collecting truck counts on the major roadways.

Other tasks will be updated to bring those tasks through completion (such as the LRTP update) but staff is also looking for input from the Committee's on any additional tasks that they think we should be considering before we start the development of the document.