

**JOINT TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE LEE COUNTY AND  
COLLIER COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION'S**

March 3, 2011  
9:00 a.m.

The Joint Technical Advisory committee meeting of the Lee County and Collier County Metropolitan Planning Organization's was held at the Estero Community Park & Recreation Center located at 9200 Corkscrew Palms Boulevard, Room 103A, Estero, Florida 33928.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The MPO Staff stated that it would be Lee County's turn to chair this meeting as Collier did it the last time.

The meeting was called to order at 9:07 a.m. by Chairman Loveland. He stated that we would wait to do the roll call until a quorum arrived for Collier County.

**REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

**Agenda Item 6A – Status of SR 82 Projects**

Mr. Scott presented this item and stated that both MPOs just made comments on the value engineering study for SR 82 because there were some inconsistencies for what we had talked about for bicycle/pedestrian facilities throughout the route and FDOT is responding to them. He stated we will watch this as we move forward into design.

Mr. Mohlke asked if in the eastern side of this project will it be built as an access class 2 or access class 3 roadway.

Ms. Scott replied that the PD&E would have determined the classification of that road and that was completed awhile back.

Mr. Mohlke asked what the classification is.

Mr. Scott stated that he believes it was classified as a level 3.

Ms. Seaton stated that a quorum has arrived for Collier County.

## **ROLL CALL**

Those members present for Collier County included:

George Archibald – City of Naples  
Allison Bradford – Collier County Transportation Planning  
Chuck Mohlke – City of Everglades City  
Dale Bathon – Collier County Transportation Engineering  
Michelle Arnold – Collier County ATM  
Erv Dehn – City of Naples Airport Authority  
Ken Heatherington – SWFRPC

Ms. Seaton stated that Collier County had a quorum.

Those members present for Lee County included:

Matt Noble – Lee County Department of Community Development  
David Loveland – Lee County DOT  
Josh Philpott – Lee County Port Authority  
Steve Myers – LeeTran  
Dawn Huff – Lee County School Board  
Persides Zambrano – City of Cape Coral Department of Public Works  
Kitty Sayers – Cape Coral Mini Bus Service  
Lynnee Rodriguez – City of Fort Myers Planning  
Eliana Hayes – City of Fort Myers Engineering  
Walter Fluegel – Town of Fort Myers Beach  
Trinity Scott – FDOT

Ms. Marion stated that Lee County had a quorum.

Others present included: Jeff Perry with WilsonMiller; Darla Letourneau with BikeWalkLee; Lawrence Massey and Johnny Limbaugh with FDOT; Jerri Burns with LCSD; Mike Horsting with LeeTran; Gavin Jones as citizen; Lorraine Lantz, Sue Faulkner and Tamika Seaton with Collier MPO Staff; and Don Scott, Ron Gogoi and Meghan Marion with Lee MPO Staff.

## **Agenda Item #2 – Election of a Chairperson**

**MOTION BY MR. MOHLKE TO NOMINATE MR. LOVELAND AS THE JOINT TAC CHAIRMAN. SECONDED BY MS. SAYERS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

## **Agenda Item #3 – Public Comments**

None.

## **Agenda Item #4 – Approval of Agenda**

**MOTION BY MR. MOHLKE TO APPROVE THE AGENDA. SECONDED BY MR. HEATHERINGTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### **ACTION ITEMS**

## **Agenda Item #5A – Update and Approval of Regional SIS Priorities**

Mr. Scott presented this item and stated that Table One is the Staff recommendation.

Mr. Mohlke stated that he like all of the analysis that was done on the projects.

Mr. Bathon spoke regarding Priority Number 3 he asked if the item should be considered as one project or two.

Chairman Loveland outlined what was being looked at.

Mr. Scott replied that it was listed in the past as one project but should it be that way now, probably not. He asked what the recommendation would be.

Mr. Bathon stated that they would like to see the Everglades Interchange moved up and move down the I-75 project from Golden Gate Parkway to Pine Ridge Road.

Mr. Scott stated so it would be number 3 “951/884”, number 4 “Everglades Interchange”, and number 5 “Golden Gate Parkway/I-75”.

Mr. Bathon replied correct.

Chairman Loveland stated that he thought number two was programmed.

Mr. Scott replied that it is in the tentative work program but that he didn't want to remove it in case there are changes that come up before the FDOT Work Program is adopted.

Discussion occurred.

Ms. Scott suggested removing the 2011 from the top of the table and adding a date adopted instead.

**MOTION BY MS. ZAMBRANO TO APPROVE THE REGIONAL SIS PRIORITIES WITH THE FOLLOWING CHANGES: MOVING PRIORITY NUMBER 4 TO 3, SPLITTING PRIORITY NUMBER 3 INTO TWO DIFFERENT PROJECTS MAKING THE I-75 @ SR 951/SR 84 NEW PRIORITY NUMBER 4 AND I-75 @ SR 951 NEW PRIORITY NUMBER 5, MAKING PRIORITY NUMBER 5 NEW PRIORITY NUMBER 6, AND REMOVING THE 2011 FROM THE TITLE AND JUST PUTTING AN ADOPTED DATE. SECONDED BY MS. SAYERS. MOTION CARRIED WITH MR. HEATHERINGTON OPPOSED.**

#### **Agenda Item #5B – Approval of Changes to the Regional Pathways Map**

Mr. Scott presented this item.

Ms. Faulkner presented the items that came from Collier.

Mr. Fluegel asked if Estero Boulevard was considered for the inclusion of this. He stated that it is a priority for his Town Council.

Mr. Noble said not at this time.

Mr. Fluegel stated that they have over 1,000 bicycles for rent and they are in season and there are a number of bicyclists and pedestrians all over the island. He stated that this would be the best example of a complete street.

Discussion continued.

**MOTION BY MR. NOBLE TO APPROVE THE REGIONAL PATHWAYS MAP WITH THE ADDITION OF ESTERO BOULEVARD AND CHANGES IN PROJECT PHASES THROUGHOUT LEE COUNTY. SECONDED BY MR. FLUEGEL. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### **Agenda Item #5C – Prioritization of Regional Pathways Projects**

Mr. Scott presented this item and stated that the Staff proposed priority order is on page two.

Ms. Hayes asked why applications were not submitted with the Collier projects.

Ms. Scott stated the project information sheets are not required for the regional enhancement projects, there is a separate application. She stated that Lee County chose to do both and Collier didn't.

Ms. Scott stated that before she will consider priority number 3 she will need cost estimates.

Mr. Bathon asked if these projects would be federally funded because they don't own the property.

Ms. Scott replied yes.

Mr. Bathon stated that priority number three projects should be removed from the list.

Ms. Zambrano asked how much money is available.

Ms. Scott replied about \$1.3 million district-wide.

Mr. Bathon was concerned about priority number 2.

Ms. Scott stated that there is a design phase underway for that project.

Ms. Lantz stated that projects number 2 and 6 were put on the list for historical reasons because they have been put on the list in the past and ranked.

Ms. Scott stated that the CAT Bus Shelters project number 7 is a stretch, that it needs additional scoping, but that she will try and get it funded if that is a priority.

Discussion occurred.

**MOTION BY MR. NOBLE TO APPROVE THE PRIORITIZATION OF THE REGIONAL PATHWAYS PROJECTS WITH THE REMOVAL OF**

**PRIORITY NUMBER 3. SECONDED BY MR. MOHLKE. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Agenda Item #5D – Update and Approval of First Order and Second Order Network**

Mr. Scott stated that we had talked about putting together a subcommittee in the past to discuss first order and second order and now we would like to have volunteers to sit on that Committee. He stated that the date and location are on the staff report. He stated that we would like to get away from a first order and second order and just have a regional roadway facility designation.

Mr. Mohlke, Ms. Zambrano, Mr. Noble, Ms. Hayes, Ms. Arnold, Mr. Bathon, LeeTran, and Mr. Heatherington volunteered Mr. Hutchinson to serve on the Joint Committee.

Mr. Scott stated that when we send out the information we will send it out to everyone based on the interest shown.

**Agenda Item #5E – Review and ranking of the Proposed TRIP Projects for FY 11/12 through FY 16/17**

Mr. Scott presented this item.

Mr. Bathon stated that under 15/16 he would like the CAT facility above the Collier Boulevard construction project and move the LeeTran facility above the Collier Boulevard construction project as well.

Mr. Scott stated that in 13/14 the Collier/US 41 intersection is shown in the Long Range Transportation Plan for 2021-2025 and he believes that should be removed from the list unless he can get something that shows they will be amending the LRTP.

Mr. Bathon stated he would have to find out.

Ms. Scott asked that when you get some clarification can you let FDOT know.

Chairman Loveland stated that the SR78 project has been funded for ROW by FDOT.

Ms. Zambrano stated lets change it to just CST and leave it on the list.

Ms. Scott asked if the city has the match.

Ms. Zambrano stated that she was told right of way donations can be match.

Mr. Limbaugh stated that if your match isn't real money you have to ask for more money.

Ms. Scott stated that she is going to put it in at \$10 million and Cape Coral will have to put in a request for change in the funding of that project.

Ms. Zambrano stated that they will work out the details.

**MOTION BY MS. ZAMBRANO TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED TRIP PROJECTS FOR FY 11/12 THROUGH FY 16/17 WITH THE FOLLOWING CHANGES: IN FY 13/14 CHANGE THE SR 78 FROM BURNT STORE ROAD TO CHIQUITA BLVD PHASE FROM ROW/CST TO JUST CST AND THE REQUESTED TRIP FUNDS FROM \$5 MILLION TO \$10 MILLION; IN FY 15/16 CHANGE PRIORITY #1 TO PRIORITY #3, CHANGE PRIORITY #2 TO PRIORITY #1, AND CHANGE PRIORITY #3 TO PRIORITY #2. SECONDED BY MS. HAYES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### **Agenda Item #6B – Review and Update of the Planning Study List**

Mr. Scott presented the list and asked if there were any additions or changes.

Chairman Loveland asked that any additions or corrections be sent to Staff.

#### **Agenda Item #6C – Discussion on Lee-Collier Transit Connection**

Mr. Scott presented this item and stated that this week the Lee County BOCC voted 3-2 to approve the interlocal agreement to go forward with providing service and LeeTran will now move forward with implementation.

Mr. Myers stated that they are now waiting on the Collier BOCC to approve the interlocal agreement and are looking at an implementation date of October 1, 2011.

### **Agenda Item #7 – Florida Department of Transportation**

Mr. Limbaugh stated that the President did sign a continuing resolution for the federal funds to get us through the next two weeks. He stated the US 41 Corkscrew to San Carlos widening project is underway.

### **Agenda Item #8 – Transit Update**

Mr. Myers with LeeTran stated that there was no report.

Ms. Arnold with CAT stated that they just celebrated 10 years.

Mr. Philpott with the Lee County Port Authority gave a presentation on the update of the RSW and Page Field Airport Facilities.

### **Agenda Item #9 – Members' Comments**

Mr. Mohlke asked Mr. Limbaugh how the new census data available at the TAZ level will eventually be incorporated in some fashion in the updating of documents including perhaps the LRTP's so that we can better conform. He asked when will this likely happen.

Mr. Limbaugh replied that some of the information is available. He stated that when the MPO's decide to take the information and include it in their documents it will be up to the MPO's to set that schedule.

Mr. Scott stated that Lee County is talking about doing a major update in 2012.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Joint Lee-Collier TAC meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

## **CALL TO ORDER THE LEE COUNTY TAC MEETING**

Chairman Loveland called the Lee County TAC meeting to order at 10:48 a.m. and stated that a quorum was present.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

### **Agenda Item #13A – Approval of the January 6, 2011 TAC meeting minutes**

**MOTION BY MR. NOBLE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 6, 2011 TAC MEETING. SECONDED BY MS. HUFF. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **Agenda Item #13B – Approval of Amendments to the FY 2010/2011 and FY 2011/2012 UPWP**

Mr. Scott presented this item.

Mr. Fluegel stated that the completion date for the Town of Fort Myers Beach E.A.R. should be 2012 not 2011.

Ms. Lantz asked if there would be additional amendments to de-obligate.

Mr. Scott replied yes, if we do it that way.

**MOTION BY MS. ZAMBRANO TO APPROVE THE AMENDMENTS TO THE FY 2010/2011 AND FY 2011/2012 UPWP WITH THE DATE OF COMPLETION CHANGED FOR THE TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH E.A.R. TO 4/1/2012. SECONDED BY MR. FLUEGEL. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### **Agenda Item #13C – Endorsement of the MPO submitted Local Transportation Enhancement and Congestion Management Applications**

Mr. Scott presented this item.

Ms. Zambrano asked why this didn't come through the local jurisdictions.

Mr. Scott stated that these projects came up during some of the Committee meetings and then were pursued by staff based on those discussions.

**MOTION BY MS. ZAMBRANO TO ENDORSE THE MPO SUBMITTED LOCAL TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT AND CONGESTION MANAGEMENT APPLICATIONS. SECONDED BY MR. NOBLE. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Agenda Item 13D – Recommendation of MPO Endorsement of Safe Routes to School Applications**

Ms. Huff presented this item.

**MOTION BY MR. NOBLE TO RECOMMEND MPO ENDORSEMENT OF SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL APPLICATIONS. SECONDED BY MS. HAYES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Mr. Gogoi stated that LeeTran is updating their Transit Development Plan (TDP) and they are having a focus group and they would like to have volunteers.

Mr. Horsting stated that it is a one time two hour focus group.

Mr. Noble, Mr. Fluegel and Ms. Sayers volunteered to sit on the Focus Group for LeeTran.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Lee County TAC meeting adjourned at 11:07 a.m.