



**JOINT CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
OF THE WEST CENTRAL FLORIDA MPO CHAIRS COORDINATING COMMITTEE
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MEETING – TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2009, REPORT

AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

The Sarasota-Manatee MPO CAC representative, Mr. Rod Warner chaired the meeting. There was quorum at the location of the meeting with representation from the Pinellas County MPO, the Polk County TPO, the Hillsborough, Pasco, and Sarasota-Manatee MPOs. One additional Joint CAC member and staff from the Sarasota-Manatee and Pinellas County MPOs participated via teleconference. FDOT provided video-conference support from their Tallahassee Central Office. The newly appointed Pasco County MPO Coordinator, Mr. James H. Edwards was also present at the meeting.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Pierre Mathurin, member of the Hillsborough County Citizens Advisory Committee handed out a quarterly report from The American Public Transportation Association (APTA) on transit ridership throughout the nation. As a part of this item, Mr. Rod Warner urged the JCAC members to write to their representatives to remind them that for every dollar Florida drivers pay in federal gas taxes; roughly 14 cents are spent in transportation in other states. That should be a Reauthorization priority for Florida's Legislators.

III. COMMITTEE ACTIONS

1. 2035 REGIONAL LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE

Hugh Pascoe of the Hernando County MPO provided a presentation and update on the status of the CCC's Cost Affordable Regional Long Range Transportation Plan, and the existing coordination with TBARTA. The presentation also illustrated a description of the 11 travel corridors that were prioritized as a basis to develop the cost affordable alternative of the 2035 Regional LRTP, and the status of the Multi-Use Trail Element.

The Joint CAC provided comments for consideration by the CCC when approving the Draft 2035 Cost Affordable Regional Long Range Transportation Plan at their November 13, 2009 meeting. The vote was unanimous.

2. AMENDMENT TO THE CCC's REGIONAL ROADWAY NETWORK

Ali Atefi of the Pasco County MPO staff provided a map and a table in support of adding Trinity Boulevard and Little Road to the regional highway network.

The Joint CAC acted to recommend the CCC to approve the amendment of their regional highway network at their November 13, 2009 meeting. The vote was unanimous.

3. TRANSPORTATION REGIONAL INCENTIVE PROGRAM (TRIP) PROJECT PRIORITIES- FDOT DISTRICT 7

Hugh Pascoe presented the updated 2009 TRIP funding requests for District Seven. FDOT staff reported to have added other sources of revenue to fund several of the high priority TRIP projects after considerable cuts in TRIP funding occurred due to the current economic conditions. It was also reported that MPOs in FDOT District One have reconfirmed their existing TRIP priorities.

The Joint CAC acted to recommend the CCC to adopt the updated TRIP priority list for District Seven at their November 13, 2009 meeting. The vote was unanimous.

4. REGIONAL TRAILS PROJECT PRIORITIES OF THE SARASOTA/MANATEE MPO AND POLK TPO

Ryan Kordek of the Polk County TPO provided a presentation that included maps depicting the joint ranking of candidate regional multi-use trails approved by the Boards of the Sarasota-Manatee MPO and the Polk TPO, and their cost. It was also reported that the two MPO Chairmen submitted the priority list of ranked regional trail projects to the FDOT District 1 Secretary, Mr. Stan Cann requesting funding consideration in the new Regional Transportation Enhancement Program.

The Joint CAC acted to recommend the CCC to approve the regional trail priorities at their November 13, 2009 meeting. The vote was unanimous.

5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

The draft meeting minutes prepared by the Polk County TPO for the July 7, 2009 meeting of the JCAC were approved after a few corrections were made. The vote was unanimous.

IV. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. TAMPA BAY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (TBARTA) STATUS REPORT

Michelle Green of TBARTA staff provided a presentation of the TBARTA Master Plan approved in May of 2009. The presentation emphasized the high degree of coordination with the CCC to ensure the compatibility of transit initiatives in both planning efforts. It was also reported that TBARTA will define the priorities of transit corridors in the Mid-Term and Long-Term planning scenarios during the month of December 2009.

2. AIR QUALITY COMPLIANCE ISSUES

Carl Mikyska of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Robert Magee of FDOT's Policy Planning Department in Tallahassee provided a Power Point presentation on air quality and transportation conformity as an information item.

3. MOBILITY FEES

Gena Torres of the Hillsborough County MPO discussed the implications of Senate Bill 360, the Community Renewal Act regarding the local governments' ability to manage the approval of new development. It was also reported that because there are still many unanswered questions related to already approved development and previous development agreements, committed transportation improvements and impact fee credits, among others, the MPOs Advisory Council (MPOAC) has recommended that the Legislature delay for one year its action on this bill. It was

also reported that the next Stakeholders meeting is scheduled for November 9, 2009 in Tallahassee.

4. FDOT REPORT

Lee Royal and Manon Lavoie did a presentation on FDOT activities regarding the status of the Cost Affordable SIS Plan and the Transportation Enhancement Program.

V. NEXT MEETING

Mr. Rod Warner, Chairman of the Sarasota-Manatee MPO Citizens Advisory Committee presented a schedule of JCAC, and CCC meetings for the year 2010. It was clarified that the next JCAC meeting is schedule for March 2, 2010 and will be hosted by the Pinellas County MPO.

VI. Adjournment