# HERNANDO/CITRUS METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)

# March 7, 2019

The Hernando/Citrus Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) held a regular meeting on March 7, 2019, at the Citrus Transit Center, 1300 South Lecanto Highway, Lecanto, Florida. The meeting was advertised in the Tampa Bay Times and the Citrus Chronicle and the agenda was available online at: <a href="http://www.hernandocountyus./hernandocitrusmpo">www.hernandocountyus./hernandocitrusmpo</a>.

#### MEMBERS PRESENT

Cayce Dagenhart, Hernando County Planning Department Walt Eastmond, Citrus County Public Works Department Scott Herring, Hernando County Public Works Lon Frye, Citrus County Transit Bill Geiger, City of Brooksville Jannina Stampfli, Hernando County Transit Myra Monreal, City of Inverness

#### MEMBERS ABSENT

Cynthia Jones, Citrus County Planning Department Chuck Dixon, Citrus County School District Chris Mundell, Hernando County School District

#### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Steve Diez, MPO Executive Director Carlene Riecss, Transportation Planner III Colleen Conko, Administrative Assistant III Lee Beasley, LRB Consulting Group, Inc. William Roll, Tindale Oliver and Associates, Inc. Roger Roscoe, Florida Department of Transportation, District Seven

#### CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chairperson Dagenhart called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Introductions were made. A quorum was declared.

Proofs of publications of the Notice of Public Meeting were entered into the record by Ms. Riecss.

Chairperson Dagenhart announced that she will be leaving her position with the Hernando County Planning Department and will begin her new position with the Hernando/Citrus Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) starting on Monday, March 11, 2019.

## **ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

#### Nomination and Election of 2019 TAC Chairman

It was announced that the 2019 Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Chairman must be a representative from Citrus County.

Chairperson Dagenhart opened nominations for the 2019 TAC Chairman.

Mr. Frye nominated Mr. Eastmond to serve as the 2019 Chairman to the TAC.

No further nominations were made.

*Motion:* Mr. Frye moved to approve Mr. Eastmond as Chairman to the TAC for the 2019 calendar year. Mr. Geiger seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Nomination and Election of 2019 TAC Vice-Chairman

It was announced that the 2019 TAC Vice-Chairman must be a representative from Hernando County.

Nominations were opened for the 2019 TAC Vice-Chairman.

Mr. Herring nominated Mr. Geiger to serve as the 2019 Vice-Chairman to the TAC.

No further nominations were made.

*Motion: Mr. Herring moved to approve Mr. Geiger as the Vice-Chairman to the TAC for the 2019 calendar year. Mr. Frye seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.* 

#### **REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES – DECEMBER 10, 2018**

*Motion: Mr. Frye moved to approve the December 10, 2018, TAC meeting minutes as presented. Mr. Herring seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.* 

#### **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

#### New MPO Website

Mr. Diez reported that the MPO website has been redesigned to make it a more efficient and user friendly.

## Workshop – April 17, 2019

Mr. Diez reported that a workshop has been scheduled for Wednesday, April 17, 2019, beginning at 10:00 a.m., at the Hernando County Building Division Training Facility to discuss the relationship between the priority lists and the annual Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) process.

## Three Sisters Trail Project

Mr. Diez provided the TAC with an update regarding the Three Sisters Trail Project. He noted that the trail is the number one (1) trail project for Citrus County. Mr. Diez noted that Ms. Lee Beasley, Consultant, LRB Consulting Group, Incorporated, and Mr. Eastmond submitted a County Incentive Grant Program (CIGP) application to the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) on behalf of Citrus County.

Ms. Beasley reported that she had been contacted by Mr. Stephen Benson, Metropolitan Planning Administrator of FDOT District Seven, to let her know that after the period of submittal closes he will review the CIGP application and contact MPO staff.

## 2045 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (LRTP) UPDATE

Mr. Diez introduced Mr. William Roll, Consultant, Kimley Horn and Associates, Incorporated.

Mr. Roll provided the TAC members with a presentation for the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) update regarding the goals and objectives.

Mr. Herring inquired about what kind of impact autonomous vehicles will bring when planning transportation for the LRTP. Mr. Roll responded that safety, mobility and livability will be key areas of support. He noted that there are four (4) key areas of performance targets that are assumed in the LRTP: Safety Performance, Bridge and Pavement Condition, System Performance and Transit Asset Management Plan.

Chairman Eastmond inquired about the method used to calculate population growth. Mr. Roll responded that they are using the Bureau of Economic and Business Research (BEBR) medium high projection.

Mr. Roll provided the TAC with the following 2045 LRTP schedule:

- November 2019 LRTP Adoption (LRTP must be adopted by December 2019)
- Fall 2019 LRTP Finalization
- Summer 2019 LRTP Cost Feasible Plan Public Review Period Public Hearing
- Spring 2019 LRTP Needs Assessment Additional Public Outreach

Ms. Dagenhart complimented Mr. Roll for his format in Chapter 2 of the 2045 LRTP. She noted that Mr. Roll presented complicated ideas and information in chapter two (2) in a clear and understandable fashion.

Ms. Beasley clarified that the goals, objectives and performance measures are going to be utilized to prioritize cost feasible projects. She noted that the cost feasible projects that are included in the five-year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) are based from the previous LRTP. Ms. Beasley stated that department goals are prioritized for interstate and intermodal systems in a ten-year period in addition to the five-year period.

Discussion ensued regarding the performance measures and key indicators in the LRTP.

Ms. Monreal noted the importance of making sure trails are referenced in the goals, objectives and performance measures.

Mr. Roll responded to Ms. Beasley's question regarding the comment deadline date. He noted that comments need to be submitted at least five days prior to the MPO meeting (March 19, 2019).

Ms. Dagenhart asked for clarification regarding person-miles in the Chapter Two (2). Mr. Roll responded stated that FDOT produced performance measures that include the percent of vehicle miles, but do not provide reliable travel time. He noted the complexity of predicting travel time reliability and person-miles.

## *Motion: Mr. Herring moved to approve Chapter Two* (2) *of the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) as amended to include trail and multi-use path miles performance measures. Ms. Dagenhart seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.*

## 2019 HERNANDO COUNTY TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT PLAN (TDP) UPDATE

Mr. Diez provided the TAC members with an update of the 2019 Hernando County Transit Development Plan (TDP). He noted that that plan is being produced by Tindale Oliver and Associates, Incorporated. Mr. Diez reported that public workshops have already been scheduled. He noted that the Hernando County TDP will be adopted by September 1, 2019, and that Citrus County will adopt their TDP by September 1, 2020.

## AGENCY UPDATES / OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Stampfli reported that Hernando County Transit is working on the second phase of the ADA Transit Stop Improvement Program. She noted that the program will provide transit information for 21 bus stop locations. Ms. Stamfli reported that phase III of the project will be completed August 2019.

Mr. Geiger reported that the FDOT will be hosting a public hearing for the Good Neighbor Trail (GNT) Gap which is a section of the Coast to Coast (CTC) Trail on March 14, 2109, beginning at 5:30 p.m., at the Jerome Brown Community Center.

Mr. Roll reported that performance measures are included for bicycles and pedestrians relating to congestion and total network. He noted that trails and multi-use paths were missing and that performance measures will be added to include trail and multi-use path miles.

## ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

There being no further business to discuss Chairman Eastmond adjourned the meeting at 10:56 a.m. It was announced that the next TAC meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 8, 2019, beginning at 10:00 a.m., at the Hernando County Building Division Training Facility, 1661 Blaise Drive, Brooksville, Florida.

## The March 7, 2019, TAC Meeting Minutes are anticipated to be approved on May 8, 2019.

Walt Eastmond, TAC Chairman

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