

**HERNANDO/CITRUS METROPOLITAN PLANNING AGENCY (MPO)
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)
Wednesday, February 26, 2020, 10:00 a.m.**

**MEETING LOCATION:
Hernando County Building Training Facility, 1661 Blaise Drive, Brooksville, FL**

AGENDA

A. CALL TO ORDER

1. Moment of Silence
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Introduction of Committee Members and Staff
4. Declaration of Quorum

B. ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS – Election of 2020 Chairman and Vice-Chairman

C. APPROVAL/MODIFICATION OF AGENDA (Limited to Board and Staff comment only)

D. REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 6, 2019

E. CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. MPO Issue List
2. 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan
3. Safety Performance Measures
4. Citrus Transit Development Plan Major Update Status

F. ACTION ITEMS

1. Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) – Draft FY 2020/21-FY 2021/22

G. CITIZEN COMMENTS

H. ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING – The next regular meeting of the TAC will be held on Wednesday, April 29, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. at the Citrus County Transit Center, 1300 South Lecanto Highway, Lecanto, FL

The meeting agenda and back-up materials are available online at:

www.hernandocounty.us/hernandocitrusmpo

B. ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS

1. Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman

Pursuant to the By-Laws, the TAC will elect a Chairman and Vice-Chairman at the first meeting of the new calendar year. The officers are to alternate between Hernando and Citrus County.

The 2019 Chairman was Walt Eastmond from Citrus County and the Vice Chairman was Bill Geiger from City of Brooksville.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the TAC elect a Chairman from Hernando County, and a Vice-Chairman from Citrus County for the 2020 calendar year.

AGENDA ITEM D

D. REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the November 6, 2019, TAC Meeting are attached for review and approval.

Attachment: Meeting Minutes November 6, 2019

**HERNANDO/CITRUS METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)
Meeting Minutes – November 6, 2019**

The Hernando/Citrus Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) held a regular meeting on November 6, 2019, at Hernando County Building Division Training Facility, 1661 Blaise Drive, Brooksville, Florida. The meeting was advertised in the Tampa Bay Times and the Citrus Chronicle. The agenda was available online at: www.hernandocitrusmpo.us.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Walt Eastmond, Citrus County of Public Works Department
Chuck Dixon, Citrus County School District
Bill Geiger, City of Brooksville
Myra Monreal, City of Inverness
Chris DeAnnutis, TBARTA
Steve Gouldman, City of Brooksville Community Development
Chris Hanning, Hernando County Department of Public Works

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Lon Frye, Citrus County Transit
Cynthia Jones, Citrus County Planning Department

OTHERS PRESENT:

Steve Diez, MPO Executive Director
Cayce Dagenhart, Transportation Planner II
Alaina Kidd, Administrative Assistant
Roger Roscoe, Florida Department of Transportation District Seven
Justin Hall, Florida Department of Transportation District Seven
Amber Russo, Florida Department of Transportation District Seven
Jeff Novotny, American Consulting Representing FDOT
Mark Young, Engineering Division Director for Citrus County
Michael Gilbert, Citrus County Schools

CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chairperson Eastmond called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. Introductions were made. A quorum was declared.

Proof of publication of the Meeting Notice was entered into the record by Ms. Dagenhart.

REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES – October 16, 2019

Mr. Chris Hanning moved to approve the October 16, 2019, TAC meeting minutes as presented. Mr. Chris DeAnnutis seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Tentative Meeting Schedule for 2020

Mr. Diez went over the proposed meeting dates for 2020. There was discussion among the board and Wednesday was selected as the weekday on which to meet.

2. US 41 from SR 44 to SR 200-Alternative Analysis

Mr. Diez discussed that the 1999 PD&E was included due to questions from an MPO Board member regarding identification of businesses that would be affected by right of way acquisition. Ms. Monreal commented that the study is outdated and needs to be updated. Mr. Eastman suggested a presentation to provide information to the Board.

3. Committee Feedback

Mr. Roscoe wanted to make the MPO staff aware that that FDOT would like to present next years tentative 5 year work program to the MPO Board and Committees during the week of December 14-18, 2020. Staff responded they would work with FDOT to schedule accordingly.

2045 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (LRTP) - COST FEASIBLE PLAN/DRAFT ADOPTION REPORT

Mr. Diez reviewed the 2045 LRTP plan. He indicated the public comment period began October 30, 2019 and ends November 30, 2019 so it would be appropriate for committee members to make comments. He also advised that revenue estimates may be down this year due to decrease in gas taxes collected. Mr. Diez reported the LRTP is scheduled for adoption by the MPO on December 4, 2019.

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION- SR 50 from Brooksville Bypass/SR 50A/East Jefferson St to Interstate 75 PD&E

Mr. Novotny reviewed a powerpoint presentation relating to the PD& E for the section of SR 50 from the Brooksville Bypass to I-75, a distance of approximately 8.2 miles. The scope includes widening SR 50 from four to six lanes, as well as evaluating intersection improvements. There will be median separation and paved shoulders for sidewalks or bike lanes. He announced there will be a public hearing/ open house on December 10, 2019 at 5:30 at the Brooksville Wesleyan Church. The project will ultimately be approved by FDOT.

ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 10:52 a.m. It was announced that the next TAC meeting will be provided to members once the 2020 calendar is finalized.

TAC Chairperson

AGENDA ITEM E

E. CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION ITEMS – Carlene Riecse, Transportation Planner

1. MPO Board Issue List

Attached is a listing issues identified by the MPO for review

2. 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan

The LRTP was adopted by the MPO at their December 4, 2019, meeting. It has been posted to the MPO's website.

3. Annual Safety Performance Measures

4. Citrus County Transit Development Plan (TDP) Major Update.

Attachments: Issue List, Performance Measures, TDP update

MPO ISSUES LIST

Issue	Date	Detail	Status	Comments
Traffic signal US 19 and Hexam Road	1/30/2018 12/10/2019	Safety concerns, FDOT was asked for a signal	Awaiting Funds	FDOT indicated the signal is warranted and will cost \$1.3 Million to install. FDOT requested Hernando County contribute \$300,000 toward the cost. County agreed (\$225,000 gas tax and \$75,000 developer NE corner).
Traffic signal US 19 and St. Andrews	1/30/2018 10/2/2019	Concern regarding number of severe crashes	Project completion delayed to Summer 2020	In March 2018, FDOT installed flashing beacons at this intersection. Subsequently, additional crashes occurred and FDOT reanalyzed and approved signal warrant. Due to high demand for steel, signal poles are being delayed. Anticipated completion is Summer 2020 (6 month delay)
JD Floyd Elementary	12/12/2018 8/20/2019 2/8/2020	Traffic is backing up on local roads	Under Review	A joint school Board meeting was held in December 2019 to discuss school related issues. The Hernando County Engineer has indicated that further study at JD Floyd and Explorer K8 is planned in an effort to identify potential remedies to the traffic back up.

US 19 and Thrasher	1/30/2018 3/19/2019	Requested FDOT review safety remedies	Pending Funding	At the May 15, 2019, MPO meeting, FDOT reported that a northbound right turn lane has been determined warranted and should be under construction by next year. MPO send a letter of support to FDOT. FDOT has indicated funding is not available. It is anticipated this will be a 3-R (resurfacing) project.
Committee Quorums	5/15/2019	MPO issues with quorums	Monitoring	The MPO was experiencing committee quorum issues. New members have been added which is helping the issue. Item will continue to be monitored.
US 19 Trail (Green Acres to Jump Court)	1/30/2018	Verify timing of trail Timing	FDOT has verified trail will occur	Based on the FDOTs FY 2020-2024 Work program, construction of the 10' wide trail is scheduled for 2021.

MPO BOARD ISSUES – ADDRESSED

Issue	Date	Detail	Status	Comments
MPO Budget Discussion	8/20/2019 9/17/2019 10/30/2019	Funding Budget issues were discussed	Nothing further at this time	Presentation was provided to the MPO Board on 10/30/19. No further requests for information by the MPO Board.
Intersection of US 19 and CR 550	9/18/2018	Request for south bound turn lane onto US 19	Right turn lane cannot be installed	There is inadequate right of way at this intersection to construct a right turn lane.
Anderson Snow Road Sidewalk	12/12/2018 1/15/2019	Safety concerns students	Application is not being amended at this time	TA application was submitted for Amero Lane sidewalk. Discussion occurred re: amending the Amero application to include Anderson Snow

RESOLUTION 2020-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE HERNANDO/CITRUS METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION ESTABLISHING SAFETY PERFORMANCE MEASURE TARGETS

WHEREAS, the Hernando/Citrus Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) has been designated by the Governor of the State of Florida as the Metropolitan Planning Organization responsible for the comprehensive, continuing, and cooperative transportation planning process for Hernando and Citrus Counties; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) final rule (23 CFR Part 490) required States to set targets for five safety performance standards by August 31, 2017 and annually thereafter; and,

WHEREAS, the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) final rule (23 CFR Part 490) required Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) to set targets for five safety performance standards within 180 days of the State establishing and reporting its safety targets and annually thereafter; and,

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) has reestablished targets for five performance measures based on five-year rolling averages for:

- (1) Number of Fatalities,
- (2) Rate of Fatalities per 100 million Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT),
- (3) Number of Serious Injuries,
- (4) Rate of Serious Injuries per 100 million VMT, and
- (5) Number of Non-Motorized Fatalities and Non-Motorized Serious Injuries; and

WHEREAS, the FDOT has adopted a long-term "Vision Zero" aspirational target for eliminating traffic related fatalities and serious injuries in the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the FDOT has readopted short-term safety targets in the 2019 Highway Safety Plan report; and

WHEREAS, the FDOT coordinated the establishment of safety targets with the 27 Metropolitan Planning Organizations in Florida including the Hernando/Citrus Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO); and

WHEREAS, the Hernando/Citrus Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) may establish safety targets by agreeing to plan and program projects that contribute toward the accomplishment of the State's targets, or establish its own target establishing and reporting its safety targets; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the *Hernando/Citrus Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)* as follows:

- I. The *Hernando/Citrus Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)* supports FDOT's long-term "Vision Zero" target for eliminating traffic related fatalities and Serious Injuries in the State of Florida.
- II. The *Hernando/Citrus Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)* reestablishes a short-term target of a five percent per year reduction in traffic fatalities and serious injuries. This reduction will be measured in the future based on a five-year rolling average. The initial baseline will be established using three years of data to include 2016, 2017, and 2018.
- III. The *Hernando/Citrus Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)* will plan and program projects that contribute to the accomplishment of said targets.

ADOPTED in Regular Session this 13th day of February 2020.

***HERNANDO/CITRUS
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION***

Attest:

Ariana Kidd

Ariana Kidd

(SEAL)

John Allarco

John Allarco, MPO Chairperson

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

BY

[Signature]
MPO Attorney

Fact Sheet

What is Citrus County Transit?

Citrus County Transit (CCT) provides deviated fixed-route transit services in Citrus County. The service was revised recently and it is now available in four areas, including Beverly Hills, Crystal River, Hernando, and Inverness. Most routes operate approximately every two hours from 6:00 AM to 6:45 PM on weekdays. The regular cash fare is \$1.00, with free fares offered to adults age 60 and older, children under 12, persons with disabilities, veterans, and those who receive Medicare.

What is the *Citrus County Transit Development Plan*?

A Transit Development Plan is being developed by Citrus County in collaboration with the Hernando/Citrus Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to serve as a guide for the future of public transportation in Citrus County. It will represent the County's vision to promote transit growth and improvement over the next decade, from 2021 to 2030.

Why Do We Need Your Input?

Public participation is an important part of developing the 10-Year Transit Development Plan, and numerous public outreach activities will support the plan, including grassroots outreach, stakeholder interviews, open house public workshops, online surveys, and web and email outreach.

Your participation and input are needed so we can learn more about the public transportation needs and issues in Citrus County.



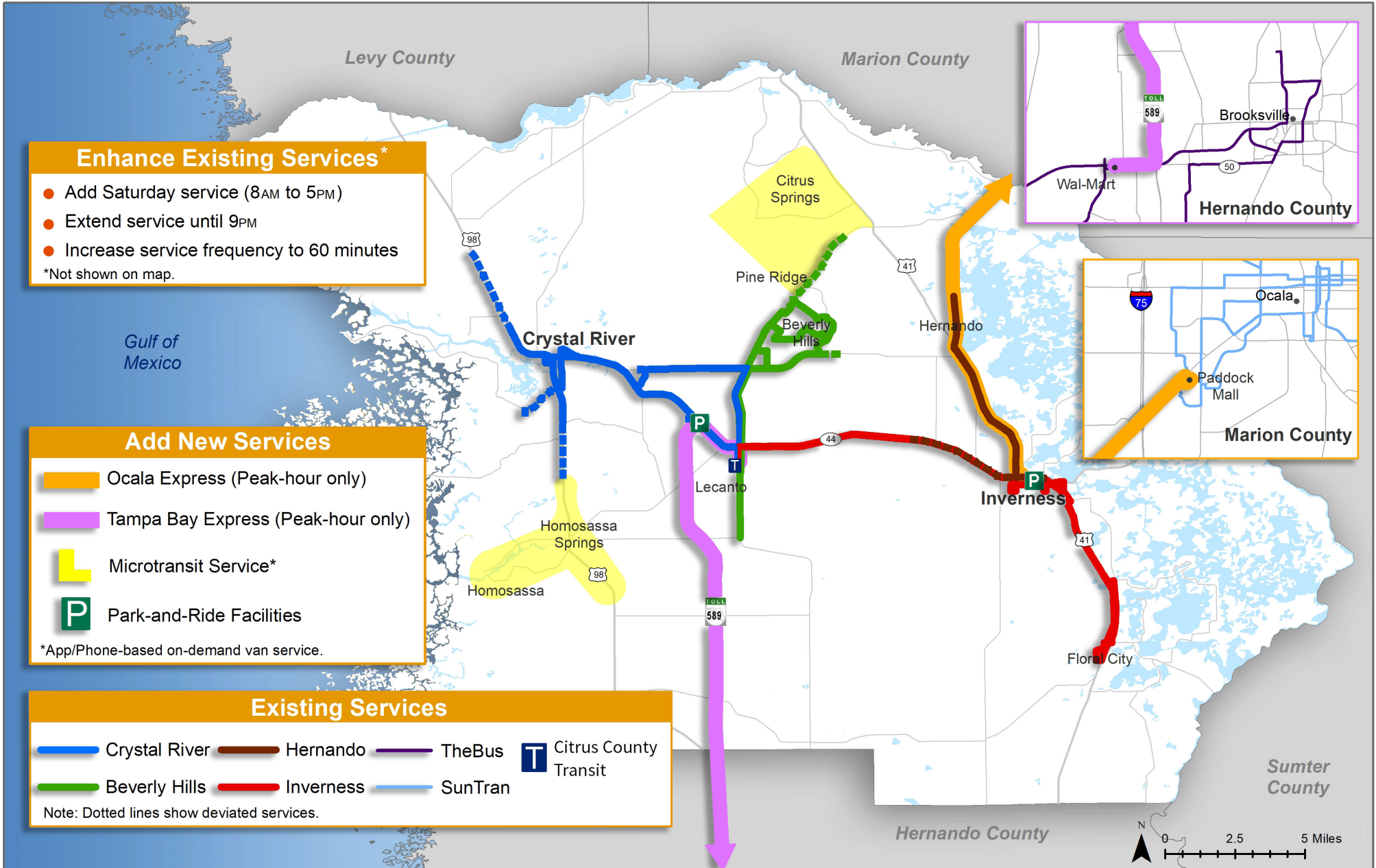
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10-Year Needs Plan



F. ACTION ITEMS

1. Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for FY 21 – FY 22

As required by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), a new two year Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for FY 21-FY 22 must be developed and a draft submitted to Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Authority (FTA) by March 15, 2020. After a comment period, a final UPWP must be adopted by the MPO by May 15, 2020.

The UPWP defines annual transportation planning efforts, with proposed budget cost and funding sources for the work tasks outlined in the document. The work tasks include: Administration, Data Collection, Project Planning, Regional Coordination and Public Participation.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the TAC review and comment on the draft UPWP.

Attachment: Draft UPWP will be provided under separate cover
