

**HERNANDO/CITRUS  
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BPAC)  
Meeting Minutes – April 29, 2020**

The Hernando/Citrus Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) scheduled a regular meeting on April 29, 2020, via zoom. The meeting was advertised in the Tampa Bay Times and the Citrus Chronicle and the agenda was available online at: [www.hernandocounty.us/hernandocitrusmpo.us](http://www.hernandocounty.us/hernandocitrusmpo.us).

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Sherry Bechtel, City of Inverness  
Dennis Henize, Citizen-at-Large, Hernando County  
James McLean, Citizen-at-Large, Citrus County  
Dennis Reiland, Citizen-at-Large, Citrus County  
Scarlett Sharpe, Citizen-at-Large, Hernando County  
James Lipsey, Hernando County School District  
Sergeant, Kelly Brown, Hernando County Sheriff's Office  
Deputy Heath Schaffer, Citrus County Sheriff's Department  
Nicole Bell, Hernando County Parks and Recreation

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Steve Diez, MPO Executive Director  
Carlene Riecss, Transportation Planner III  
Cayce Dagenhart, Transportation Planner II  
Alaina Kidd, Administrative Assistant III  
Alex Henry, Florida Department of Transportation

**CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Chair Scarlett Sharpe called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. Introductions were made. A quorum was declared.

The Committee joined in Pledge of Allegiance.

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

**APPROVAL/MODIFICATION OF AGENDA**

**Motion:** Ms. Bechtel made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. McLean seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

## REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES FEBRUARY 26, 2020

Dennis Henize stated his last name was spelled incorrectly under the approval for minutes section.

**Motion:** Dennis Henize moved to approve the February 26, 2020 BPAC Meeting Minutes as amended. Mr. Dennis Reiland seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

## CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

### 1. MPO Issues List

Ms. Riecss advised a copy of the issues list that is given to the MPO board was provided in their packets.

### 2. Extension – Public Transportation Joint Participation Agreement GI178

Ms. Riecss explained the MPO is asking for an extension to the 5305 (d) GI178 grant which was just awarded in February because it expires 6/30/20. Ms. Sharpe asked why the timeframe is so limited, Ms. Riecss advised of the timeline approval.

## ACTION ITEMS

### 1. Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)- Draft FY 2020/21-FY2021/22

Ms. Riecss advised the UPWP that was presented to them in February outlining the new two year work program was submitted to FDOT and FHWA. MPO staff received comments and they have been addressed in the final version. The UPWP will be scheduled for the May 14, 2020, MPO meeting for approval as it is due to the FDOT on May 15, 2020.

**Motion:** Ms. Bechtel made a motion to approve the UPWP. Mr. McLean seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

### 2. Draft FY 2021-FY 2025 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP)

Ms. Riecss explained the TIP is in draft form and incorporates local Capital Improvement Programs (CIPs), and the FDOT's Five year Tentative Work program. There are a few changes and documents that will be included in the final TIP. MPO staff asks the board to review and comment before the next meeting in May. The final TIP will be provided to the MPO for approval in July.

**Motion:** Mr. McLean made a motion to approve the draft Transportation Improvement Plan. Mr. Reiland seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

### 3. Introduction of Draft LOPP for FY 2021/22

Ms. Riecss gave an overview of the List of Priority Projects and changes. She advised that the list is not due to FDOT until October 1, 2020. She asked the

members to review and comment, and also advised they will have additional opportunities to review. No motion was needed if the committee had no comments.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There were no citizen comments.

**ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 3:50 pm.

The next BPAC meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 27, 2020, beginning at 3:30 p.m., possibly via zoom or at the Hernando County Building Division Training Facility, 1661 Blaise Drive, Brooksville, Florida.