

**METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BPAC) MEETING**

Martin County Administration Building Commission Chambers

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Monday, June 8, 2026 @ 1:00 PM

MEETING MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM by Troy McDonald, Chair.

2. ROLL CALL

Bolivar Gomez, Senior Planner, called roll.

BPAC Members in Attendance:

Troy McDonald, Chair

Julie Preast, Vice Chair

Don Fabricy

Michael Mann

Mike Bocchino

BPAC Members Excused:

Bonnie Moser

Hal Forslund

Michael MacLeod

Bradford Davey

Yvette Goodiel

Pinal Gandhi-Savdas

BPAC Members Not In Attendance:

Dawn Arvin

Carolyn Parker

Staff in Attendance:

Ricardo Vazquez, Principal Planner

Bolivar Gomez, Senior Planner

Others in Attendance:

Damaris Williams, FDOT

Martha Morales, FDOT

A quorum was present.

3. APPROVE AGENDA

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Julie Preast and was seconded by Mike Bocchino. The motion passed unanimously.

4. APPROVE MINUTES

- BPAC Meeting – April 13, 2026
- BPAC Meeting – May 6, 2026

A motion to approve the Meeting Minutes of April 13, 2026, and May 6, 2026, was made by Julie Preast and was seconded by Don Fabricy. The motion passed unanimously.

5. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – No comments from the public.

Ricardo Vazquez, Principal Planner, opened the meeting by thanking Don Fabricy, who informed staff that this would be his final meeting as a member of the BPAC. Mr. Fabricy thanked the committee for having him and expressed gratitude for his time on the committee. Bolivar Gomez, Senior Planner, also introduced Michael Mann, the newest member of the BPAC who is serving as the Local Business Merchant representative. Mr. Mann provided details on his background as well as the businesses he owns.

6. AGENDA ITEMS

A. FINAL DRAFT FY27-FY31 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

Bolivar Gomez presented the final draft FY27-FY31 TIP. He stated that the TIP is a comprehensive list of all the federally and state funded transportation projects that will be occurring in Martin County in the next five years. He went on to state that locally funded projects are also included in the TIP as reference as well. He stated that the TIP came before the BPAC in the form of a draft at the last scheduled meeting, and since that time, no changes have been made. He went on to mention that as part of the TIP development, a 45-day public review period is required to allow the public an opportunity to review and submit comments. Mr. Gomez stated that no comments had been received for the Final Draft TIP, as well as no comments from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT). He completed the presentation by stating that the final draft will be going to the MPO Policy Board for final approval at their next meeting on June 15, 2026.

A motion to approve the Final Draft FY27-FY31 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) was made by Julie Preast and was seconded by Mike Bocchino. The motion passed unanimously.

B. FINAL DRAFT FY28-FY32 LIST OF PROJECT PRIORITIES (LOPP)

Mr. Gomez stated that the Draft FY28-FY32 List of Project Priorities (LOPP) came before the committees in February 2026. He also stated that following the committee meetings, the Draft LOPP went before the MPO Policy Board on February 23, 2026. Mr. Gomez noted that the MPO Board did have changes to the Roadway Needs List, which included the addition of the FEC Railroad Bridge over the St. Lucie River project (Priority #6), and in addition, FDOT requested that the MPO Board separate the US-1/Kanner Highway Intersection Improvement Project (Priority #7) into two separate projects. One project will include the triple left turn lanes on Kanner Highway turning north onto US-1 and a dedicated right-turn lane on US-1. The extension of the right-turn lane along US-1 was moved to a standalone project (Priority #8). Mr. Gomez went on to mention that the Draft FY28-FY32 LOPP also includes the Safety Priority List, the Transportation Alternatives Program priority list, and the Public Transit Program of Projects. Mr. Gomez completed by stating that the Draft LOPP will be going to the MPO Board for final approval during their meeting on June 15, 2026.

A motion to approve the Draft FY28-FY32 LOPP was made by Don Fabricy and was seconded by Mike Bocchino. The motion passed unanimously.

C. CONTINUITY OF OPERATIONS PLAN (COOP) UPDATE

Ricardo Vazquez explained that the COOP is a document that ensures that the Martin MPO will continue to operate in the event of an emergency, such as a hurricane. He stated that the Plan remains relatively the same, and the only updates included the decorative graphics were removed and the cover was replaced to make the document more accessible.

Ms. Preast asked if this is something that is updated every two years. Mr. Vazquez stated that the MPO reviews it annually to see if any changes are needed, and that the only major change occurred during 2020 to include language regarding pandemics.

A motion to approve the COOP Update was made by Mike Bocchino and was seconded by Don Fabricy. The motion passed unanimously.

D. SR-5/US-1 AT SR-76/KANNER HIGHWAY INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT UPDATE

Mr. Gomez introduced Damaris Williams, FDOT Project Manager, to give an update on the Kanner Highway Intersection Improvements Project. She explained that the project's purpose is to add triple left-turn lanes from Kanner Highway onto northbound US-1, as well as a right-turn lane from US-1 onto Kanner Highway. Ms. Williams noted that extending the proposed right-turn lane would require additional right-of-way, which would increase project costs and potentially delay implementation of both the triple left-turn lanes and the originally proposed right-turn lane. She stated that the project is slated for Fiscal Year 2030, and that the construction cost is \$2.8 million.

Ms. Prest asked if anything was being done to extend the left-turn lane on Kanner Highway, as traffic backups as far back as the cemetery located south of the US-1 and Kanner Highway intersection. Ms. Williams stated that the project limit is only within the intersection of US-1 and Kanner Highway. Ms. Prest asked about the US-1 and Palm City Road intersection and its status. Ms. Williams noted that US-1 and Palm City Road has not been programmed for Design yet at this time.

Discussion ensued regarding other projects occurring within the vicinity of US-1 and Kanner Highway, and the importance of project construction phases not overlapping which could potentially create further congestion.

7. COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS – Mrs. Prest requested an update regarding the Safe Routes to School Grant Application. Mr. Gomez gave an update and stated that a member of the MPO Board expressed concern about the proposed sidewalk project and had interest in requesting a vote rescission. However, there did not seem to be enough interest in supporting a rescission vote during the May 11, 2026, MPO Policy Board meeting, and as such, no motion was made requesting one. Mr. Gomez stated that the grant application is still progressing and is with FDOT Central Office.

Troy McDonald asked about the proposed property tax bill and how it would affect what the MPO does. Mr. Vazquez stated that the local match for the Transportation Disadvantaged Trip & Equipment Grant would be the only aspect of the MPO it would potentially impact. Mr. McDonald clarified that he was interested more in how the proposed bill would impact construction projects and local matching.

8. COMMENTS FROM FDOT – None

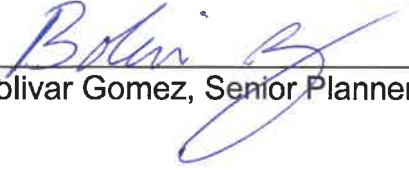
9. NOTES

NEXT MEETING

- September 14, 2026 – Martin County Commission Chambers @ 1:00 PM

ADJOURNMENT: 1:36 P.M.

Prepared by:



Bolivar Gomez, Senior Planner

9/15/26

Date

Approved by:



Troy McDonald, Chair

9/15/26

Date

Minutes Approved on September 14, 2026

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