

**METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC) MEETING**
Martin County Administration Building Commission Chambers
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Wednesday, June 3, 2026 @ 9:00 AM

MEETING MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 AM by Saadia Tsafarides, Chair.

2. ROLL CALL

Beth Beltran, MPO Administrator, called roll.

CAC Members in Attendance:

Saadia Tsafarides, Chair
Howard Brown, Vice Chair
Mark Fecteau
Hilary Young
Cindy Greenspan
Glen Alexander
William Stuckey

CAC Members Excused:

Ann Kagdis
Matthew Sexton

CAC Members Not In Attendance:

Staff in Attendance:

Beth Beltran, MPO Administrator
Bolivar Gomez, Senior Planner

Others in Attendance:

Victoria Williams, FDOT Florida Turnpike Enterprise
Damaris Williams, FDOT

A quorum was present.

3. APPROVE AGENDA

A motion to approve the agenda was made by William Stuckey and was seconded by Glen Alexander. The motion passed unanimously.

4. APPROVE MINUTES

- CAC Meeting – May 6, 2026

A motion to approve the Meeting Minutes of May 6, 2026, was made by Hilary Young and was seconded by William Stuckey. The motion passed unanimously.

5. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC - None

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 the MPO's short-range plan for the Martin MPO, and lists 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. The draft TIP was approved by the CAC and MPO Policy Board in May 2026, and since that time, no changes have been made. He went on to mention that as part of the TIP development, a public review period is required to allow the public an opportunity to review and submit comment. Mr. Gomez stated that no comments had been received for the Final Draft TIP, and that the 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 Hilary Young and was seconded by Glen Alexander. The motion passed unanimously.

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

Beth Beltran stated that the Draft FY28-FY32 List of Project Priorities (LOPP) came before the committees in February 2026. The Draft FY28-FY32 LOPP includes the Unfunded Roadways Needs List, the Safety Priority List, the Transportation Alternatives Program priority list, and the Public Transit Program of Projects. Following the committee meetings, the Draft LOPP went before the MPO Policy Board, in which the MPO Policy Board did have changes to the Roadway Needs List. The changes included the addition of the FEC Railroad Bridge over the St. Lucie River project (Priority #6), and also 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). Priority #12 is the new project on the roadway list, which is the Resurfacing and Safety Improvements Project on Martin Highway from East of Fox Brown Road to East of I-95. Ms. Beltran then reviewed the Safety Priority List, which included Bridge Road at SE Powerline Avenue westbound turn lane, and proceeded to review the Transportation Alternatives Program Priority list and the Public Transit Program of Projects.

William Stuckey asked why the Palm City Road complete street improvements had moved down on the priority list. Ms. Beltran explained that the MPO did a Feasibility Study at US-1 and Palm City Road, which garnered large attendance at the open houses, and that the neighborhood recommended for complete street improvements. When speaking with FDOT, FDOT staff recommended a separate priority project in order to move forward with the needed intersection improvements. In addition, Ms. Beltran went on to say that the reason why the Palm City Road complete street project had moved down is additional coordination is needed between the County and City of Stuart in order to determine what the scope of the project will be, as it is a county-owned road within the City of Stuart. Mr. Stuckey said that additional coordination seems to be needed and understood the reason for the Palm City Road complete street improvements being further down on the list.

Glen Alexander asked about the Bridge Road corridor and what the status was for widening or other potential improvements. Ms. Beltran stated that there have been discussions about the potential need for widening Bridge Road and that FDOT and the county were aware of the safety concerns. Mr. Alexander said that the difficulty is there are not many residents that live off Bridge Road to voice concerns. He stated that there are no shoulders on Bridge Road and that potential short-term improvements should occur. He also mentioned that with the Atlantic Fields development coming, there are a lot of travelers coming off I-95 and speeding along Bridge Road. It can be dangerous when it rains and that placing shoulders would be beneficial. Ms. Beltran mentioned that she would contact Martin County to see if there were any short-term improvements that could be made.

Howard Brown asked about the status of the improvements on Tommy Clements Street in Indiantown. Ms. Beltran confirmed that the dedicated left-turn lane onto Tommy Clements had been completed as well as a dedicated right-turn lane coming southeast had also been completed.

Saadia Tsafarides asked about the dip on Dixie Highway next to Salerno Road, adjacent to the Mangia Clam Restaurant. Ms. Tsafarides stated that the dip seems to be getting lower. Ms. Beltran said she would speak to county staff about that location.

Mark Fecteau asked about a possible Kanner Highway and I-95 reconfiguration, stating that he had seen somewhere that the intersection would be reconfigured. Ms. Beltran asked for clarification on what the possible source was, as several years ago interim interchange improvements were completed. She went on to say that at one time FDOT was examining placing a diverging diamond at the intersection but it did not come to fruition. Mr. Fecteau commented that he may go back and look to see if he could find the

source material and would follow up with staff if needed. Discussion ensued regarding the MPO process and the length of time it takes for a project to be completed.

A motion to approve the Draft FY28-FY32 LOPP was made by William Stuckey and was seconded by Cindy Greenspan. The motion passed unanimously.

C. CONTINUITY OF OPERATIONS PLAN (COOP) UPDATE

Bolivar Gomez explained that the COOP is a document that ensures that the Martin MPO will continue to operate in the event an emergency, such as a hurricane. He stated that the content of the document remained the same, but the formatting was updated to make the document more accessible.

A motion to approve the COOP Update was made by Howard Brown and was seconded by Hilary Young. The motion passed unanimously.

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

Ms. Beltran 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.

Mr. Alexander stated that there will be impacts to the gas station and also impacts to some of the tenants within the shopping center. Mr. Fecteau voiced support and the need for the improvement.

7. COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS – None

8. COMMENTS FROM FDOT – None

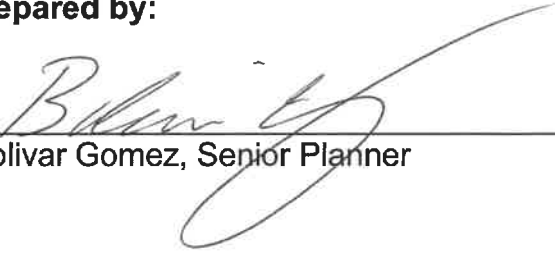
9. NOTES

NEXT MEETING

- September 2, 2026 – Martin County Commission Chambers @ 9:00AM

ADJOURNMENT: 9:47 A.M.

Prepared by:



Bolivar Gomez, Senior Planner

9/2/26
Date

Approved by:



Saadia Tsaftarides, Chair

9/2/26
Date

Minutes Approved on September 2, 2026

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