



**MARTIN METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
POLICY BOARD MEETING**

Martin County Administrative Building Commission Chambers
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Monday, October 17, 2022 @ 9:00 am

MINUTES

- 1. CALL TO ORDER** – MPO Chair Troy McDonald called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.
- 2. PRAYER** - Pastor Jim Harp, Stuart Alliance Church led the Invocation.
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – MPO Chair Troy McDonald led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 4. ROLL CALL**

PRESENT:

Troy McDonald, Chair
Doug Smith, Vice Chair
Commissioner Edward Ciampi
Commissioner Stacey Hetherington
Commissioner Harold Jenkins
Commissioner Christopher Collins
Commissioner James Campo

REPRESENTING:

City of Stuart Commission
Martin County Board of County Commission
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City of Stuart Commission
Town of Sewall's Point Commission

ABSENT:

Council Member Guyton Stone

Village of Indiantown Council

Staff in Attendance:

Beth Beltran, MPO Administrator
Ricardo Vazquez, Senior Planner
Joy Puerta, Planner
Lucine Martens, Planner
Alor Cadorna, Administrative Assistant

Others in Attendance:

Christine Fasiska, FDOT-D4

Ronald Kareiva, FDOT-D4

James Brown, FDOT- Turnpike

Victoria Williams, FDOT- Turnpike

Jessica Josselyn, Kittelson & Associates

Pastor Jim Harp, Stuart Alliance Church

Tony Norat, FDOT

Edward Ng, The Corradino Group

Ashman Beecher, Martin County Transit Administrator

5. APPROVE AGENDA

A motion to approve the Agenda was made by Commissioner Stacey Hetherington and seconded by Commissioner Doug Smith, the motion passed unanimously.

6. APPROVE MINUTES

MPO Policy Board Meeting – June 20, 2022

A motion to approve the MPO Policy Board Minutes of June 20, 2022 was made by Commissioner Stacey Hetherington and seconded by Commissioner Doug Smith, the motion passed unanimously.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

8. AGENDA ITEMS

A. FY23-FY27 ROLL FORWARD

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENT

Beth Beltran introduced the item and stated that the TIP Roll Forward Amendment was already approved through an administrative amendment and submitted to FDOT, because the amendment was due to FDOT before October, and the MPO Board meeting in September was cancelled. She explained that the purpose for the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Roll Forward Amendment was to roll forward the FY22 Work Program funds to be incorporated into the FY23 TIP.

B. TRANSIT EFFICIENCY STUDY SCOPE OF SERVICES

Beth Beltran introduced the item and Jessica Josselyn with Kittelson & Associates who presented the Transit Efficiency Study Scope of Services. Jessica gave a brief overview of the study and was available to answer questions.

Commissioner Smith asked if Kittelson & Associates will look at a better model for the study. Jessica Josselyn stated that they will be adding different strategies and will be coming up with performance metrics to meet the MPO Board's criteria.

Commissioner Campo asked in regards with ridership, where was the highest demand. Ashman Beecher, Transit Administrator stated that along US-1 corridor is the highest demand for ridership.

Commissioner Ciampi mentioned that there is no bus stop or service to Palm City. Ashman Beecher stated that they are currently working on a plan for route expansion into Palm City.

Commissioner Collins asked how to determine the demand of ridership if people are not using the service. Jessica Josselyn mentioned transit propensity to pull different layers of data and putting it into the model. She added that there will be variety of different components that they will look at and it is very data intensive.

A motion to approve the Transit Efficiency Study Scope of Services was made by Commissioner James Campo and seconded by Commissioner Doug Smith, the motion passed unanimously.

C. WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT SCOPE OF SERVICES

Beth Beltran introduced the item and Edward Ng with The Corradino Group. Edward presented the Website Development Scope of Services. The scope of services includes several required activities such as project administration and presentations, website development including planning, design, pre-launch, launch and website hosting and maintenance.

A motion to approve the Website Development Scope of Services was made by Commissioner Stacey Hetherington and seconded by Commissioner Doug Smith, the motion passed unanimously.

D. DEVELOPMENT REVIEW INTERACTIVE MAP SCOPE OF SERVICES

Beth Beltran introduced the item and gave a brief update on the Development Review Interactive Map. The updated map will include the Federal Highway Administration Adjusted Urban Area Boundary, as well as the Martin County Urban Service Boundary, as requested by the Martin MPO Policy Board. She requested approval and was available to answer any questions.

A motion to approve the Development Review Interactive Map Scope of Services was made by Commissioner Edward Ciampi and seconded by Commissioner Harold Jenkins, the motion passed unanimously.

E. US 1 AND SR76/KANNER HIGHWAY INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS

Beth Beltran introduced the item and turned over the presentation to Ronald Kareiva of FDOT who is managing the project. Mr. Kareiva gave a brief visual presentation on the US 1 and Kanner Highway Intersection Improvements, which include a dedicated right turn lane on US-1 onto Kanner Highway, and triple left turn lanes on Kanner Highway onto US-1.

Commissioner Ciampi asked if there is any way we can expedite the start of the construction. Mr. Kareiva stated that the main limitation on beginning construction sooner is when the design would start, and right now design is scheduled to start in 2024. There would need to be an advancement of funds into an earlier fiscal year to advance the construction. Commissioner Smith asked if the MPO can draft a letter to the district secretary to request an advancement of the funds for the design to get this project going.

A motion to draft a letter to the District Secretary requesting advancement of funds for design of US 1 and SR76/Kanner Highway Intersection Improvements was made by Commissioner Edward Ciampi and seconded by Commissioner James Campo, the motion passed unanimously.

F. CR 714 REALIGNMENT PROJECT UPDATE

Beth Beltran informed the MPO Policy Board that there has not been a lot of change since the last meeting. She would like to continue this item in December when Secretary O'Reilly is scheduled to talk about the Draft Tentative Work Program.

G. TIP MODIFICATIONS AND AMENDMENTS

Beth Beltran gave a brief overview of the item and explained the modifications and administrative amendments that will allow FDOT to begin work on projects earlier than October 1, 2022. The FY23 TIP was modified to add additional funds to two I-95 resurfacing projects, as well as an amendment to the FY22 TIP to include the modified I-95 resurfacing projects as well as including the Avalon Drive Sidewalk project.

H. REGIONAL UPDATE

Beth introduced the item and stated that the Martin MPO, Indian River MPO and St. Lucie Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) have completed their 2045 Long Range Transportation Plans (LRTPs), and the development of the 2045 Regional LRTP (RLRTP) is needed. Since the February 2021 Martin MPO Board meeting, the scope of services for the 2045 RLRTP has been slightly modified. The development of the 2045 RLRTP is ready to move forward. She requested approval and was available to answer any questions.

A motion to approve the Updated Scope of Services for the RLRTP was made by Commissioner Stacey Hetherington and seconded by Commissioner Harold Jenkins, the motion passed unanimously.

9. COMMENTS FROM ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS - None

10. COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Chair McDonald expressed the excitement about Monterey Road and the Grade Separation Study that FDOT is looking at. Christine Fasiska of FDOT stated that the District is not pursuing any grant funding for that project and as of right now construction is not ready.

11. COMMENTS FROM FDOT – None

12. NOTES

- Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged (CTD) awarded the Martin MPO with the 2022 Planning Agency of the Year Award.

ADJOURNMENT: 10:14 AM

Approved by:



Troy McDonald, Chair

12-12-22

Date

Prepared by:



Alor Cadorna, Administrative Assistant

12/12/22

Date

Minutes Approved on December 12, 2022

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