MARTIN METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION JOINT CITIZEN'S/TECHNICAL/BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC/TAC/BPAC) MEETING

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Monday, November 28, 2022 @ 1:30 pm

MEETING MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1:32 PM by Joan Moore, BPAC Chair.

2. ROLL CALL

TAC Members in Attendance:

Kim DeLaney Robert Daniels Mark Cocco Samantha Lovelady Tim Voelker Ashman Beecher

TAC Members Excused:

Lisa Wichser Stuart Trent

TAC Members Not in Attendance:

Althea Jefferson David Dyess Sam Carver Ken DeAngeles

BPAC Members in Attendance:

Joan Moore, Chair
Pinal Gandhi-Savdas, Vice Chair
Julie Preast
Jody Garrett
Timothy Rossknecht
Mike Bocchino
Michael MacLeod
Hal Forsland
Arlette Cataldo

BPAC Excused Members:

Don Fabricy

BPAC Members Not in Attendance:

Dawn Arvin

CAC Members in Attendance:

John Patteson
Cindy Greenspan
Hilary Young
Blake Capps
Saadia Tsaftarides
Howard Lyndon Brown

CAC Members Excused:

Amy Eason Ann Kagdis Helen McBride

CAC Members Absent:

Trent Steele

Staff in Attendance:

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

Others in Attendance:

Christine Fasiska, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)
Jessica Rubio, FDOT
Sabrina Aubery, FDOT
Carol Scott, FDOT
Mike Melendez, FDOT
Karin Teuffer, Kimley-Horn
Bonnie Moser
Christopher Goetzfried, Capital Projects Administrator, Martin County

A quorum was present.

3. APPROVE AGENDA

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Pinal Gandhi-Savdas and seconded by Saadia Tsaftarides, the motion passed unanimously.

4. APPROVE MINUTES

A motion to approve the Joint CAC/TAC/BPAC Meeting Minutes of April 4, 2022, was made by Julie Preast and seconded by Samantha Lovelady, the motion passed unanimously.

5. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC - None

6. AGENDA ITEMS

A. FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT) FY24 – FY28 DRAFT TENTATIVE WORK PROGRAM.

Beth Beltran introduced Jessica Rubio from FDOT who presented the FDOT FY24 – FY28 Draft Tentative Work Program. The Martin MPO Policy Board approved a List of Project Priorities (LOPPs) for FY24 – FY28 last June. These priorities were transmitted to FDOT's District 4 Office. FDOT staff developed its Draft Tentative Work Program after considering the LOPPs submitted.

Blake Capps asked why the traffic signal on US-1 at Constitution Boulevard in Hobe Sound is not warranted. Beth responded that FDOT did a traffic study to see if a signal was warranted. FDOT said it was not warranted, but the Board of County Commissioners will put local funds towards the installation of a traffic signal at that intersection.

A motion to approve the FDOT FY24 – FY28 Draft Tentative Work Program was made by Julie Preast and seconded by Pinal Gandhi-Savdas, the motion passed unanimously.

B. FLORIDA TURNPIKE ENTERPRISE FY24 – FY28 DRAFT TENTATIVE WORK PROGRAM

Beth Beltran introduced Carol Scott from Florida Turnpike Enterprise to present the FY24 – FY28 Draft Tentative Work Program. She gave an overview of the agenda item and mentioned the one project for construction funding is the bridge replacement south of Becker Road. Lisa Wichser suggested that the temporary bridge used during the construction phase should be left permanent and used for the future widening.

Robert Daniels had a comment in regards with FDOT doing a better job of maintaining the shoulders along I-95 and the Turnpike because of the debris that is left when they have construction. He also mentioned that this is a tourist environment, and we should do a better job of maintaining the garbage that is on the road.

A motion to approve the Florida Turnpike Enterprise FY24 – FY28 Draft Tentative Work Program was made by Robert Daniels and seconded by Samantha Lovelady, the motion passed unanimously.

C. TRANSPORTATION NETWORK RESILIENCY STUDY

Beth Beltran introduced Karin Teuffer from Kimley-Horn who gave a brief overview on the Transportation Network Resiliency Study. She explained that the intent of this study is to provide a mechanism/methodology on how to consider resiliency/climate change in the transportation planning process.

Julie Preast is concerned about the older communities if the roads are to be raised because a lot of the homes are built right on grade. She is worried about the storm water going into the homes.

Pinal Gandhi-Savdas asked if the cost goes up significantly when you have to apply these new methods. Karin Tueffer stated that it depends on what horizon you want to plan for and the importance of that road. There are a lot of various factors to consider.

A motion to approve the Transportation Network Resiliency Study was made by Robert Daniels and seconded by Pinal Gandhi-Savdas, the motion passed unanimously.

D. US-1/PALM CITY ROAD INTERSECTION FEASIBILITY STUDY SCOPE OF SERVICES

Joy Puerta, MPO Planner, presented this item, stating that the intent of this study is to improve safety and mobility for all modes at the US-1/Palm City Road intersection, as well as manage speeds along SW Palm City Road. She requested approval and was available to answer questions.

Julie Preast mentioned the traffic going south is the problem and was concerned Palm City Road might be closed. Joy Puerta stated that the Corradino Group will give us a better understanding of what are the other alternatives that can happen to resolve the problem.

A motion to approve the US-1/Palm City Road Intersection Feasibility Study Scope of Services was made by Julie Preast and seconded by Robert Daniels, the motion passed unanimously.

E. 2023 SAFETY PERFORMANCE TARGETS

Beth Beltran gave an overview of the agenda item. She stated that the State Departments of Transportation and MPOs are required to continue to adopt Safety Performance Targets to meet Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) requirements. The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) has again identified "Vision Zero" Targets for all five of the Safety Performance Measures.

A motion to approve the 2023 Safety Performance Targets was made by Samantha Lovelady and seconded by Saadia Tsaftarides, the motion passed unanimously.

7. COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Hal Forslund complimented the nice work that has been done from Indian Street to Jefferson Street. His concern is that in Port Salerno it needs some updating on the pavement especially on the crosswalks because they are faded away. The drivers do not yield to the pedestrians. Julie Preast suggested that to gain more support for what is needed in that area is to attend the Salerno Neighborhood Advisory Meeting which can be found on the Martin County website.

Julie Preast mentioned the debris on the Roosevelt Bridge and if someone can take care of it because US-1 is heavily travelled.

8. NOTES - None

9. NEXT MEETING

CAC – February 8, 2023 TAC – February 6, 2023 BPAC – February 13, 2023

10. ADJOURN

Seeing no other business items remaining on the Agenda and no additional comments, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 2:29 PM.

Alor Cadorna, Administrative Assistant

Date

Approved by:

Lisa Wichser, TAC Chair

Minutes Approved on April 3, 2023

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