

February 16, 2010
Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC)
Meeting Minutes

Members Present:

Fred Ferrell
Carl Schweizer
Stewart Cruz
Mike Holmes
Ron Paradise
Darren Lear
Doug Gutierrez
Don Findell
Chad Lingenfelter
Jim Smith
Jim Kerr
Ric Goss
Bill McCord
John Dillard
Melissa Booker
Mary Schoelzel
Larry LaHue
Marian Ridgeway
Heather Blanck
Karl Welzenbach (non-voting)

Members Absent:

Aref Joulani

Others Present:

Pamela Blankenship, Recording Secretary
Jean Parlow
Bob Keeth
Stephan Harris
Lois Bollenback
Mike Marcum
Gary Huttman
Betty McKee
Josiah Banet
Lance Decuir
Robert Boggs
Paul McKittrick

Representing:

Daytona Beach
DB Int'l Airport
Daytona Beach Shores
DeLand
Deltona
Edgewater
Holly Hill
Lake Helen
New Smyrna Beach
Oak Hill/Pierson
Orange City
Ormond Beach
Port Orange
South Daytona
VC Traffic Engineering
FDOT District V
VC EMS
VC School Board
Votran
MPO Staff

Representing:

Ponce Inlet

Representing:

MPO Staff
MPO Staff
MPO Staff
MPO Staff
Daytona Beach
Daytona Beach
Burgess & Niple
FDOT
HNTB
FDOT
Palm Coast
Daytona Beach

I. Call to Order / Roll Call / Determination of Quorum

The meeting of the Volusia County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) was called to order at 3:03 p.m. by Chairman Doug Gutierrez. The roll was called and it was determined that a quorum was present.

II. Consent Agenda

Chairman Gutierrez noted that there had been a change to Item B of the consent agenda.

A) Approval of January 19, 2010 TCC Meeting Minutes

MOTION: *Mr. Holmes moved to approve the January 19, 2010 TCC meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Findell and carried unanimously.*

B) Review and Recommend Approval of Revised Enhancement Selection Criteria

Ms. Booker asked about the inclusion of traffic calming measures in the enhancement funds.

Mr. Welzenbach explained that calming measures fall under landscaping and include traffic circles, wider sidewalks and narrowing of lanes.

Mr. McCord asked about the paragraph that states there will be no more than \$1 million in transportation enhancement funds awarded to a single project in any application cycle; how that would affect the FEC Rail Trail. Would it need to be separated into separate years or phases.

Mr. Welzenbach replied that it was an MPO stipulation which was added because of a project that was submitted many years ago in Daytona Beach. He noted that there may need to be an exception and he would look into this further.

Ms. Bollenback noted that a statement could be added to say “waivers and unique exceptions may be made”.

MOTION: *Ms. Ridgeway moved to recommend approval of the revised enhancement selection criteria. The motion was seconded by Ms. Blanck and carried unanimously.*

III. Action Items

A) **Review and Recommend Approval Resolution 2010-01 Amending the FY 2009/10-2013/14 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) in Preparation for the New "Jobs Bill"**

Mr. Welzenbach stated that there were two amendments to the TIP: the first is a standard amendment for a railroad crossing safety project and the second is in case the Jobs Bill goes through and Volusia County receives money. There is a bridge replacement project that is eligible and staff recommends the MPO Board approve this candidate project to be submitted as a possible new stimulus project. He recently sent an email to the MPO Board, TCC, CAC, BPAC, City Managers and County Manager (at least three people in every jurisdiction received the email) asking for a list of projects that were ready to move forward. In addition, FDOT has also been calling the cities. He has not heard back from anyone except the County. Volusia County noted that the bridge replacement over the Tomoka River was ready to go. The MPO submitted a list to FDOT identifying ten projects which were ready to go according to the work program. The response from FDOT regarding those projects was that they were programmed for construction and FDOT was planning to do the design themselves. As it stands right now, the MPO can anticipate receiving \$6.2 million and has only one project ready estimated at \$400,000. He stated that there is urgency to this because the projects must be to construction within 90 days. He asked the TCC to see if they can find any projects that might be ready to go.

Mr. Holmes stated that the cities have no money to fund projects and with the requirements that are stipulated no one can do anything.

Mr. Ferrell noted that one of the issues is design-build. Some projects lend themselves to design-build. The City of Daytona Beach Shores has a project that they submitted to FDOT which will be ready in one month (SR A1A). It is hard to understand how FDOT can have so many projects on a pushbutton list that cannot be production ready in one month.

Mr. Welzenbach noted that if a project is submitted and is ready to go, FDOT will do the project in an effort to get it done quickly.

Mr. Ferrell stated that Daytona Beach Shores has a viable project but only portions of it could be done due to the costs involved.

Ms. Schoelzel requested that projects be submitted if a city thinks it may be eligible. She will have it reviewed and the city can work with the MPO to add it to the priority list.

Discussion ensued.

Mr. Ferrell requested Ms. Schoelzel answer three questions:

1. What needs to be done on US 92 to make it a design-build,
2. On the pushbutton list, what effort would be required to get the Volusia County projects ready, and
3. Daytona Beach Shores has a project being reviewed, should that be on the list?

Mr. McCord stated that Port Orange had three projects that they would like to submit: two are landscaping projects on state highway systems and the other is the intersection of Dunlawton Avenue and Spruce Creek Road. Right of way may be needed on the intersection.

Mr. Welzenbach stated that he would resend the email he had previously sent requesting projects.

Ms. Schoelzel noted that the projects would need to be put on the MPOs priority list.

Ms. Booker stated that the county has two projects they would like to submit if the cities are not going to submit any. The projects are the Maytown Road upgrade and resurfacing and Fatio Road upgrade and resurfacing.

Mr. Goss stated that Ormond Beach would be submitting a project.

Mr. Paradise added that he would recommend Deltona submit the repaving of Elkcam Boulevard.

MOTION: *Mr. McCord moved to recommend approval of Resolution 2010-01 amending the FY 2009/10-2013/14 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) in preparation for the new "Jobs Bill". The motion was seconded by Mr. Goss and carried unanimously.*

B) Review and Recommend Approval of TCC Bylaws

Chairman Gutierrez noted that there was a change in the bylaws to amend the election cycle from November to June.

Mr. Welzenbach explained that the change to the election cycle was to keep it in line with the MPO Board's cycle. There was one additional change he would like to add which is the requirement of the TCC members to submit a written summary report to the elected official who appointed them. MPO staff will provide the report to the TCC members.

Discussion continued.

MOTION: *Mr. McCord moved to recommend approval of the TCC Bylaws as amended. The motion was seconded by Mr. Holmes and carried unanimously.*

IV. Presentation and Status Reports

A) Presentation on ISB Coalition

Mr. Lance Decuir, FDOT, gave a brief PowerPoint presentation on the ISB Coalition Transportation Study. This is an 18 month study which will look at the future vision (long and short term) for the International Speedway Boulevard corridor. Public outreach efforts will be a key piece of the study. The ISB Coalition meets on the 1st Monday of the month from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. at Daytona State College.

Discussion ensued.

B) Presentation on Timeline for Call for Projects for Enhancement Priority Project Listings

Mr. Keeth stated that the annual call for projects will be issued on March 24th. After which, there will be five weeks for the cities to prepare their applications, which will be due on May 3rd. The MPO will then review the applications, and send them to the MPO Board for approval by the end of June. All the projects will then be compiled and submitted to FDOT in October, to allow them to incorporate those projects into the next year's Work Program.

C) 2035 LRTP Update

Ms. Bollenback explained that there are a number of public outreach efforts occurring in an effort to gather information for the 2035 LRTP. There is a survey available, and so far, there have been over 250 responses, both online and in print. MPO staff is working on creating the 2nd written survey which will include more detailed questions. She added that she hopes to develop the 2nd survey at the LRTP Subcommittee meeting tomorrow and bring it before the MPOs committees and Board in March.

Ms. Bollenback noted that the majority of the Make Your Mark events have been in east Volusia; upcoming events will focus more on west Volusia. She noted that she would like to schedule a few more events to gather a total of about 300 people's input. It is a challenge to process the information that is gathered at the events. The MPO has launched a website specifically for the LRTP and added that a press release had been distributed to the TCC members. She requested that they share it with anyone who may be interested. There have been a number of articles in the newspapers on the Make Your Mark events. Ms. Bollenback asked to be notified if the cities had done any advertising for the events so that it could be included as part of the public record.

Ms. Bollenback explained that she is requesting that the TCC allow the LRTP Subcommittee to refine Technical Alternative #1 using the information that is now available from the model run.

MOTION: *Mr. McCord made a motion to allow the LRTP Subcommittee to refine the Technical Alternative #1 project listing as needed, based on FDOTs future year modeling output. The motion was seconded by Mr. Holmes.*

Ms. Booker asked if the cities and TCEAs could be labeled on the maps.

The motion carried unanimously.

D) FDOT Report and ARRA Project Status Updates

Ms. Schoelzel stated that there was no construction report this month. She noted that the funding for the resurfacing project on SR A1A came in lower than expected and that low bid funding was moved back to bike/ped for the MPO to program.

Ms. Schoelzel gave a brief report on the status of the Stimulus projects.

E) Volusia County Construction Report

Ms. Booker gave the Volusia County construction report.

V. Staff Comments/Information Items

Ms. Bollenback noted that at the January TCC meeting, the appointment of the UPWP Subcommittee had been postponed. The UPWP basically lays out how the MPO will spend its money over the next two years. She asked for volunteers to serve on the UPWP Subcommittee, which will meet two to three times over the next several months. Ms. Blanck and Mr. Holmes volunteered to be on the subcommittee.

VI. TCC Member Comments

There were no TCC member comments.

VII. Press/Citizen Comments

There were no press or citizen comments.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:58 p.m.