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## Instituting New Practice of Annual Reporting

The MPO has instituted the practice of preparing an Annual Report to provide a starting point, or benchmark, to evaluate the efficacy of the MPO's adopted plans, policies, and annual activities of its staff and advisory committees charged with implementing the MPO's Vision, Mission and Strategic Plan. The 2017 Strategic Plan for the Collier MPO, adopted December 9, 2016, assigns the MPO Executive Director the task of developing an Annual Report and presenting the Annual Report at the first Board meeting of each calendar year, which typically occurs in February. The 2017 Annual Report is the first of its kind and thus establishes a reporting template. You may view the Annual Report on our website, [CollierMPO.com](http://CollierMPO.com). To receive a copy of the Report please call the MPO office at (239) 252-5804.



### MPO Vision & Mission

The Collier MPO adopted the following Mission and Vision Statements in June 2017.

**Mission Statement:** Provide transportation planning leadership through a collaborative effort to maintain a safe, efficient, integrated and multi-modal transportation system.

**Vision Statement:** The MPO strives to provide a fully, integrated and multi-modal transportation system that safely and efficiently moves people and goods while promoting economic development and protecting natural and man-made regional assets.

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## Improvements to Public Outreach

During 2017, the Collier MPO staff worked tirelessly on improving our public outreach and focusing on Title VI & Environment Justice. The MPO Board adopted a Government to Government Public Involvement Policy in June 2017 establishing a communications policy with three tribal entities:

- The Miccosukee Tribe of Indians of Florida
- The Seminole Tribe of Florida
- The Council of the Original Miccosukee Simanolee Nation Aboriginal Peoples

Staff also incorporated extensive review of Census socio-economic data and identified EJ Focus Communities in the Draft Existing Conditions Report Comprehensive Pathways Plan Update presented to the PAC. The analysis will be further refined by the consultant, Tindale-Oliver Associates, as part of the work underway on the new Bicycle & Pedestrian Master Plan.

Staff was able to get out of the office more often in 2017 to attend special events throughout the County. We wanted to let people know who we are and what we do, as well as get them involved in our public involvement process. MPO staff attended and hosted various events last year along with trainings throughout the state. Between February and December 2017 the MPO office received 52 public comments/inquiries through email and/or phone. MPO staff can proudly say that all 52 comments were addressed, achieving a 100% response rate. As for 2018, we hope to expand our outreach even further as we embark on updating our Public Involvement Plan. Staff is off to a good start with Senior Planner, Eric Ortman's interview on Univision. To watch a clip of the interview please follow the link below:

[https://youtu.be/d1ekNc\\_JVfg](https://youtu.be/d1ekNc_JVfg)



**We want to hear from you!** The MPO places a high value on public involvement. Please contact us with any comments, questions or article ideas! We also have several citizen positions open on our committees. For more information about the committees or becoming a member, please contact Gabrielle Gonzalez by email at [gabriellegonzalez@colliergov.net](mailto:gabriellegonzalez@colliergov.net) or by phone at (239) 252-5804. You can also visit our website at [www.CollierMPO.com](http://www.CollierMPO.com), or by scanning the QR code on the cover, to stay up to date with all things MPO.



## Your Collier MPO Board Members



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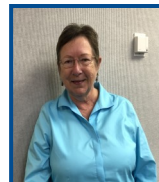
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## Studies & Plans Underway

The MPO has embarked on a new walkability study for Golden Gate City. The **Golden Gate City Walkable Community Study** will address safety, access, and mobility for people of all ages and abilities who walk, bike, drive, and use transit in the community. Recently the MPO held a series of public meetings at the Golden Gate Community Center with help from Blue Zones and Jacobs Engineering. The meetings were a success and staff received useful insight from community leaders and residents for the development of the study. MPO staff will be visiting various locations throughout Golden Gate City to continue to gather information and comments from members of the public. There will be another public meeting in April where Jacobs Engineering will present their recommendations for the area. This plan will assist staff in prioritizing future projects for Golden Gate City and the MPO hopes this brings some improvements to the area. Should you have any comments or ideas for walking and biking initiatives in the Golden Gate City area please reach out to Senior Planner, Brandy Otero, at (239) 252-5859.



The MPO has also been hard at work with the development of the **Bicycle & Pedestrian Master Plan**. The MPO expects this plan to highlight key areas of focus within Collier County where walking and biking improvements can be made. The MPO kicked off the master plan with a stakeholder meeting in October and will be hosting a series of public meetings within the 2018 year. Collier MPO is seeking input from the public on experiences with walking and bicycling in the County. The MPO is also interested in specific comments on places where walking and bicycling improvements may be needed. To provide comments, please visit the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan page on the [colliermpo.com](http://colliermpo.com) website or contact Senior Planner, Eric Ortman at (239) 252-5874.



## Preparing for 2018

As we embark on the new year staff would like to thank all of those involved in the MPO process last year. This year we hope to build upon these efforts. Goals have been addressed, deliverables, measures, and targets accomplished. Although the work on these focus areas will continue, the MPO is in an excellent position to shift its focus to strengthening other aspects of the program. The draft 2018 Strategic Plan proposes the following focus areas for the Board's consideration:

- Improved Regional Collaboration – a continuation and intensification
- Improved Public Outreach – shifting the focus to EJ and Title VI to embrace the entire community in all its diversity
- Improved Data Gathering, Analysis and Reporting – to further the Mission and Vision of the Board

As always, please visit our website for more information on any of the topics in this newsletter. You may reach our office for any questions, comments, or concerns you may have at (239) 252-5804. We appreciate your participation in the Metropolitan Planning Process.







## 2018 Meeting Schedule

Collier Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)  
2885 S. Horseshoe Drive, Naples, FL 34104

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**STRIKETHROUGH = CANCELLED MEETING**

**DATES IN RED = ADDED MEETING**

### Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) – Monthly at 9:00 a.m.

All MPO Board Meetings are held on the second Friday of the month. MPO Board Meetings will be held at the Board of County Commissioners Chambers, 3299 E. Tamiami Trail, Naples, unless otherwise noted.

February 9, 2018	March 9, 2018	*April 13, 2018	May 11, 2018
June 8, 2018	September 14, 2018	October 12, 2018	**October 19, 2018
November 9, 2018	December 14, 2018		

\* This is the Collier MPO road-show meeting held at the Marco Island Community Meeting Room, 51 Bald Eagle Drive Marco Island, FL 34145

\*\* This is a JOINT MEETING with Lee MPO, location TDB

### Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) – Monthly at 9:30 a.m.

All TAC Meetings are held on the last Monday of the month. TAC Meetings will be held at the Collier Growth Management Department, Planning & Regulation Building Conference Rooms 609/610, 2800 North Horseshoe Drive, Naples, unless noted below.

January 29, 2018	February 26, 2018	March 26, 2018	April 30, 2018
May 21, 2018	August 27, 2018	September 24, 2018	*October 4, 2018
October 29, 2018	November 26, 2018		

\* This is a JOINT MEETING with Lee TAC held at the South Regional Library, 21100 Three Oaks Parkway Estero, FL 33928

### Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) – Monthly at 2:00 p.m.

All CAC Meetings are held on the last Monday of the month. CAC Meetings will be held at the Collier Growth Management Department Construction and Maintenance Building, Main Conference Room, 2885 South Horseshoe Drive, Naples, unless noted below.

January 29, 2018	February 26, 2018	March 26, 2018	April 30, 2018
May 21, 2018	August 27, 2018	September 24, 2018	*October 4, 2018
October 29, 2018	November 26, 2018		

\* This is a JOINT MEETING with Lee CAC held at the South Regional Library, 21100 Three Oaks Parkway Estero, FL 33928

### Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) – Monthly at 9:00 a.m.

All BPAC Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of the month. BPAC Meetings will be held at the Collier County Growth Management Division, Planning & Regulation Building Conference Rooms 609/610, 2800 North Horseshoe Drive, Naples, unless noted below.

<del>January 16, 2018</del>	February 20, 2018	March 20, 2018	April 17, 2018
May 15, 2018	August 21, 2018	*August 28, 2018	September 18, 2018
October 16, 2018	November 20, 2018		

\* This is a JOINT MEETING with Lee BPAC held at Lee Health, 23190 Fashion Center Drive, Suite 105 Estero, FL 33928. Meeting will begin at 11 a.m.

### Congestion Management Committee (CMC) – Bi-Monthly at 2:00 p.m.

All CMC Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of every other month. CMC Meetings will be held at the Collier County Growth Management Department Main Conference Room, 2885 South Horseshoe Drive, Naples, unless noted below.

January 17, 2018	March 21, 2018	May 16, 2018	July 18, 2018
September 19, 2018	November 21, 2018		

### Local Coordinating Board (LCB) for the Transportation Disadvantaged – Quarterly at 2:30 p.m.

All LCB Meetings are held quarterly on the first Wednesday of the corresponding month. LCB Meetings will be held at the Collier County Government Center Building F, Information Technology Training Room 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, 3299 E. Tamiami Trail, Naples, unless noted below.

March 7, 2018	May 2, 2018	September 5, 2018	December 5, 2018
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