

**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
OF THE
COLLIER METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
Collier County Growth Management Division
Planning & Regulation, Rooms 609 & 610
2800 North Horseshoe Drive
Naples, FL 34104
9:30 A.M.**

January 28, 2019 Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order

Ms. Arnold called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m.

2. Roll Call

Mr. Ortman confirmed that a quorum was present. Mr. Ortman noted that the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council (SWFRPC) has decided that they will no longer be participating as a non- voting member for the Committee. **Ms. McLaughlin** stated that she will be reaching out to SWFRPC and ask if it would make a difference if they were a voting member. **Ms. Olson** noted that the Conservancy would like to be a voting member also. **Ms. McLaughlin** indicated she would look into it.

TAC MEMBERS PRESENT

Don Scott, Lee County MPO
Lorraine Lantz, Collier County Transportation Planning
Michelle Arnold, PTNE
April Olson, Conservancy (*non-voting*)
Ute Vandersluis, City of Naples Airport Authority
Tim Pinter, City of Marco Island
Tim Brock, Everglades City

TAC MEMBERS ABSENT

Daniel Smith, City of Marco Island
Andy Holland, Chair
Justin Lobb, Collier County Airport
Dan Hall, Collier County Traffic Operations
Gregg Strakaluse, City of Naples
Sean McCabe, SWFRPC (*non-voting*)

MPO STAFF

Anne McLaughlin, MPO Executive Director
Eric Ortman, MPO Senior Planner
Karen Intriago, Administrative Assistant

FDOT

Victoria Peters, FDOT

OTHERS PRESENT

3. Approval of the Agenda

Mr. Pinter moved to approve the Agenda. Second by Ms. Lantz. Carried unanimously.

4. Approval of December 3, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Mr. Pinter moved to approve the December 3, 2018 Meeting Minutes. Second by Mr. Brock. Carried unanimously.

5. Open to Public for Comments on Items Not on the Agenda

None.

6. Agency Updates

A. FDOT

Ms. Peters noted that the Tentative Work Program is open for public comment till January 30th. In between the draft and the Tentative, FDOT made a few changes to incorporate a PD&E for I-75 and Pine Ridge Rd. Ms. Peters stated that Manatee Rd. to North of Tower Rd. right of way and construction was funded for the project. SR82 from Gator Slough Lane to SR29 construction was moved from FY19 to FY20. The new Letting for the project will be July 1st.

B. MPO Executive Director

Ms. McLaughlin stated that the Dangerous by Design Report supports what the Bicycle and Pedestrian Masterplan is trying to accomplish. (A copy of the report was provided to the Committee)

7. Committee Action

A. Elect Chair and Vice Chair

Mr. Pinter nominated Ms. Lantz for Chair. Second by Mr. Brock. Carried unanimously.

Mr. Pinter nominated Mr. Brock for Vice- Chair. Second by Ms. Arnold. Carried unanimously.

B. Endorse Golden Gate Walkable Community Study

Ms. McLaughlin stated the Golden Gate Walkable Community Study has been revised to reflect clear definition of the most critical routes and segments in Golden Gate; clarification of maps and text; a distinct listing of potential projects by priority tier; and improved analysis of safety crash data. The new maps show existing and proposed sidewalk improvements based on the three tiers. The map is accompanied by a detailed spreadsheet. Ms. McLaughlin noted that the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee endorsed the plan last week. Staff would also like to receive endorsement by the TAC.

Ms. Lantz stated that she wanted to congratulate MPO staff for the revised Golden Gate Walkable Community study. Noted that the plan delivers an easier approach for agencies to figure out what will help the community the most in a rank order. Ms. Lantz questioned if defining mid-term as 3- 5 years is achievable based on funding.

Ms. McLaughlin noted that the consultant was optimistic on how quickly things would be completed. Ms. McLaughlin stated that this approach is an optional implementation and that this is a matter that could be discussed. The Walkability Study would be incorporated to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan by reference. This gives the County the ability to pull projects from both plans. Ms. McLaughlin stated that the MSTU per the Golden Gate City requested that minor changes be done to Appendix D, their concern was that the plan was committing them to provide funding.

Ms. Arnold moved to Endorse the Golden Gate Walkable Community Study. Second by Mr. Pinter. Carried unanimously.

C. Endorse Public Participation Plan

Ms. McLaughlin stated that the plan was taken back in house to address some of the comments that were received from County Transportation Planning Staff. The plan has been reworked to clarify certain commitments in terms of public outreach, at the same time staff has maintained the changes that were originally in the draft. MPO staff posted and distributed the Draft for the required 45-day public comment period, no comments were received. Ms. McLaughlin noted that the reason that the draft doesn't contain an QR code and updated links is due to the MPO website being under construction and

staff is waiting for the updated website. Staff would like to take the plan through the committees followed by the Board in February or March.

Ms. Lantz noted that some of her previous concern was that the MPO was doing a lot of the activity but were not showing up in the Public Participation Plan. Noted that she is glad that a lot of it was put back into the plan. Ms. Lantz asked where the documents would be posted for the public to view.

Ms. McLaughlin stated that the documents will be posted to the MPO website as well as sent out through email blast.

Ms. Peters asked if FDOT should be mentioned in the plan as a planning partner.

Ms. McLaughlin stated that FDOT's interaction is mentioned in the plan in various place, noted that staff would be able to include them in the plan as a planning partner.

Under Board discussion it was noted that the 2016 data set, the references to snail mail and including FDOT as a planning partner should be updated in the plan.

Mr. Brock moved to Endorse Public Participation Plan with the changes noted. Second by Ms. Vandersluis. Carried unanimously.

D. Review and Comment on Revised FDOT Tentative Work Program FY2020 – 2024

Ms. McLaughlin noted that any comments the committee may have need to be submitted before January 30th.

Ms. Peters thanked MPO and County staff for their support in putting together the Work Program. Ms. Peters stated that when the study of I-75 was added to the Tentative Work Program, the County indicated that they will be observing the sidewalk project from Whipoorwill Ln to Napa Blvd.

8. Reports and Presentations (May require committee action)

A. Update and Input on Draft Bicycle & Pedestrian Master Plan

Ms. McLaughlin stated that MPO staff has been working with the consultant to address comments received on the draft Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan (BPMP). Staff presented the draft BPMP to BPAC last week and received a few comments from the committee. Staff would also like to receive comments from this committee to move forward. Ms. McLaughlin noted that the Board of County Commissioners adopted a Complete Street Policy, staff has incorporated language for that policy to the BPMP. Naples Pathway Coalition (NPC) is working on a vision plan for a Spine Trail Network, this vision plan resembles the BPMP in terms of revisiting the Sun- Trail Network and trying to add a costal connector. Staff is working with NPC on interconnecting with the Spine that was previous identified on Livingston and draw some cross connection through the Gordan River of Greenway. The maps in the plan have been cleaned up to reflect the new analysis. The bike facility gaps on collectors and arterials has been refined based on the refined Environmental Justice Data. This will reflect were a bike lane will be appropriate or a shared used lane.

Mr. Pinter noted that Map 1 shows the City of Naples all the way through the southern boundary but Maps 2,3,4 are all shifted to the south and are missing the bottom half of the City of Naples. Several facilities are in the bottom half of the City of Naples and can be missed if the maps are not corrected.

Ms. Mclaughlin provided the committee with updates as noted below:

- Tindal Oliver has incorporated public comments received from Wiki Maps into Map 6 and 7. Map 7 reflects the facility gaps that were identified.
- Map 8 reflects the bicycle facility gaps that overlap with public comments

- Map 9 reflects the complete streets and safety study corridors. When staff overlaid their own crash data with FDOT's crash data analysis, there was a high correlation between the two. Complete streets look at how a road functions not just in terms of moving traffic and land usage but also from a safety perspective. The Plan recommends investigating and addressing these corridors holistically. Ms. McLaughlin noted that FDOT conducted a road safety audit in which US41 and Airport Road were the subject to this study in 2015. In this study, FDOT recommended slowing the speed down, creating a gateway effect and prioritizing bicycle and pedestrian usage. Staff would like to revisit this study and take it through the committee and have the Board adopt some of the recommendations.
- Building on FDOT's study, staff recommends extend a similar study down to downtown Naples and US 41. FDOT would like to implement the downtown Naples Mobility Study and suggested that staff take another look at Goodlette Frank Road, because if traffic is taken away from US41 there will be more traffic on Goodlette Frank Road
- Map 10 is the existing alignment of the SunTrail network.
- Map 11 has been added in to show portion of the overlay analysis of existing and proposed facilities with public comments. This map also highlights the proposed NPC Spine Trail Network. The inset shows what is currently being used in the on-street system that is called Coastal Paradise Bike Group.
- The Shoulders on SR29 and US41 are highlighted in the plan to show that there is an outer loop for cycling. FDOT is looking at safety consideration for these locations.

Ms. McLaughlin noted that Chapter Five reflect the results of the new analysis. The table segments in Chapter 5, that identifies gaps has been updated to show how those segments satisfy the safety and environmental justice criteria. The other table that has been updated is the local road scoring map to include refinements to the EJ areas. A map overlaying the Cost Feasible Plan of the Long-Range Transportation Plan has also been included. Ms. McLaughlin noted that the reason for the complete streets study on Goodlette Frank Road from US41 to Golden Gate is because Goodlette Frank Road is an important connector road and provides access to the Gordan River Greenway. The CRA reached out to MPO staff that they would like to add in the connection on Lake Trafford Rd. towards the lake. Ms. McLaughlin stated that the focus for the past month has been on recalibrating the needs analysis, adding the public comments and looking into the policy document. The BPAC proposed that they would like to look at the routine resurfacing projects from the MPO Board and the Board agreed. Ms. McLaughlin stated that staff is hoping to bring forward a final review draft to the committees in February and to the Board in March. Staff is looking forward in receiving comments so that the draft could be revised if needed.

9. Member Comments

Ms. Vandersluis stated that the Naples Airport is hosting a couple open house on February 29, 2019, one at the commercial terminal and the other one at the public library downtown for their Master Plan Project.

Mr. Scott noted that Lee County ranking dropped from number one to eight on the ranking for Dangerous by Design.

Ms. McLaughlin noted that Dayna Fendrick from the BPAC stated that there is a group in Everglades City that is putting together a bike and pedestrian plan. Ms. McLaughlin noted that once this plan is adopted it would be included in the BPMP.

10. Distribution Items

None.

11. Next Meeting Date

February 25, 2019

12. ADJOURNMENT

With no further comments or items to attend to, Ms. Lantz adjourned the meeting at 11:38 a.m.