

**CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE of the
COLLIER METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
VIRTUAL MEETING
ZOOM PLATFORM
MEETING MINUTES
July 8, 2020 2:00 p.m.**

1. Call to Order

Ms. Homiak called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.¹

2. Roll Call

Ms. McLaughlin called the roll and confirmed a quorum was present.

CAC Members Present

Karen Homiak, District I
Josh Rincon, Representative of Minorities
George Dondanville, At-Large
Dennis DiDonna, At-Large
Fred Sasser, City of Naples
Tammie Pernas, Everglades City
Pam Brown, District V
Robert Phelan, Marco Island

CAC Members Absent

Bob Melucci, District IV
Rick Hart, Persons with Disabilities
Neal Gelfand, Chair, District II
Suzanne Cross, City of Naples

MPO Staff

Anne McLaughlin, Executive Director
Brandy Otero, Principal Planner
Josephine Medina, Planner
Karen Intriago, Administrative Assistant

Others Present

Colleen Ross, Jacobs Engineering
Kelly Andrew, *Public Member*
Zachary Karto, Collier County, CAT
Tara Jones, Jacobs Engineering

¹ **Mr. Gelfand** did not attend the meeting. **Ms. McLaughlin** asked **Ms. Homiak** to chair the meeting in his absence.

Bill Gramer, Jacobs Engineering
Victoria Peters, FDOT
Trinity Scott, Collier County
Valerie Nowotnick, Minute Taker

3. Approval of the Agenda

Mr. Rincon moved to approve the agenda. Mr. DiDonna seconded. Carried unanimously.

4. Approval of the May 18, 2020 and June 10, 2020 Meeting Minutes.

Ms. Pernas moved to approve the May 18, 2020 minutes. Mr. Sasser seconded. Carried unanimously.

Mr. Sasser moved to approve the June 10, 2020 minutes. Mr. Rincon seconded. Carried unanimously.

5. Public Comments for Items not on the Agenda

N/A.

6. Agency Updates

A. FDOT

Ms. Peters – FDOT is doing PD&E on old US 41 and potential widening Collier County side. Also reviewing complete streets. Typical sections and concepts are being reviewed. Late fall or early winter, depending upon COVID status and project status, there will be public hearing/meeting. Will be given to TAC/CAC prior to any meeting. Mr. Tim Brock (with TAC committee) mentioned another PD&E project on SR 29 – separate from PD&E on segments for SR 82 – around I-75. Suggested pathways and they will be considered.

B. MPO Executive Director

Ms. McLaughlin – None.

7. Committee Action

A. Provide Input on 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Preliminary Draft Cost Feasible Network Alternative 4, Initial Scoring Analysis and Project Cost Estimates

Ms. McLaughlin – introduced Tara Jones with Jacobs Engineering to discuss the 2045 LRTP and specifically Alternative 4. **Ms. Jones** - referenced materials in agenda packet including traffic maps, etc. Reviewed Alternative 2 and Alternative 3 results. Goal is to refine list to create fiscally constrained projects. Alternative 4 will reflect the confirmed projects. Alternative 4 plan will be submitted to FDOT on July 15, 2020.

Mr. DiDonna – why was Veterans Memorial removed and no other access to Lee County within 25-year plan. **Ms. Jones** – Veterans Memorial section going to I-75 was included. Still on needs list but is unfunded and not on cost feasible plan because I-75 Interchange is not on FDOT SIS cost feasible plan. Additional access to Lee County is on unfunded needs list and not on cost feasible right now. **Mr. Gramer** – further clarified connections from Collier to Lee County.

Ms. Jones – discussed charts in agenda packet pertaining to current needs assessment evaluation matrix. Evacuation route projects were prioritized. Mentioned how projects affect environmental resources and scoring model for criteria. GIS map indicates evacuation routes with overlays of wetlands and conservation areas. Included map of 2014-2018 total crash heat map showing high accident locations. Reviewed other maps including Collier County Trails, Bicycle/Pedestrian, Health Care/Educational/Recreational/Cultural Facilities, Demographics, Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Boundaries, and Potential Sea Level Rise. Explained how criteria was applied in maps. **Ms. McLaughlin** – maps were not available to send out prior to meeting but they will be distributed. Will also be posted on MPO website. **Ms. Jones** – received comments regarding scoring [from TAC]. Weighted score was questioned. Once all comments are received, there may be further changes. Also explained color coding of Needs Assessment Evaluation Matrix (Blue, Green, Yellow, White).

Ms. Brown – SR 29/New Market Road – is project scheduled for 2040 as map id #7, and as #12 in 2045. **Ms. Jones** - It was on the needs list but is ranked 12th and is funded on the SIS. **Ms. Brown** – questioned why project continues to be pushed out. **Ms. Jones** – project scores do not represent the order in which it is implemented. The projects are on cost feasible plan and then determine how to move forward. **Ms. McLaughlin** – would be helpful if scoring criteria is explained for project. **Ms. Jones** – it was in FDOT SIS cost feasible plan. SR 29 is new evacuation route (new corridor). Provided thorough explanation of how project progressed through scoring criteria process. Discussion with **Ms. Peters** and **Ms. Brown** concerning exact location of project and current status with FDOT. **Ms. McLaughlin** – all designated projects on map are in the cost feasible plan. Ranking is based on criteria but is not indicative of prioritization of projects. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) has additional data on projects and references SR 29. Will review and send to Ms. Brown. **Ms. Peters** – will check with FDOT for updates on design phase status. **Mr. Gramer** – this meeting basically constitutes project workshop as we cannot have actual meeting due to COVID.

Mr. Dondanville – inquired about City of Naples project (map id #57) – asked about location. **Mr. Gramer** – intersection of Goodlette and US 41 – discussing improvements to intersection.

Ms. Jones – public meeting tentatively scheduled for July 29, 2020 from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm. Also implementing an interactive tool to allow maps to be reviewed by public. **Ms. McLaughlin** – send comments by close of business on Friday, July 10, 2020 on materials provided in agenda packet.

8. Reports and Presentations (May Require Committee Action)

9. Member Comments

Ms. Brown – looking for Ms. Lantz’s information regarding County impact fee districts that was mentioned in prior minutes. **Ms. Homiak** – map was mailed out. **Mr. DiDonna** – can district share excess impact fees with adjoining district. **Ms. Brown** – impact fees can be used for adjoining district – not necessarily excess fees. **Mr. Gramer** – will get details of reallocation of fees prior to next meeting. Brief discussion among members regarding getting further information on reallocation of impact fees. **Ms. McLaughlin** – will forward information on topic to all committee members.

10. Distribution Items

11. Next Meeting Date

August 7, 2020 – 2:00 p.m.

TBD – Virtual or In-Person Meeting depending on Governor’s Executive Order

12. Adjournment

With all business having been conducted, Ms. Homiak adjourned the meeting at 3:10 pm.