

**BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE of the
COLLIER METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
609/610 Conference Room, Growth Management Division
2800 N Horseshoe Dr**

**May 17, 2022 - 9:00 A.M.
Meeting Minutes**

1. **Call to Order**
Mr. Matonti called the meeting to order at 9:03 am.
2. **Roll Call**
Mr. Philips called roll and confirmed a quorum

Members Present

Anthony Matonti, Chair
Alan Musico
Andrea Halman
Kim Jacob
Patty Huff
Dayna Fendrick
George Dondanville

Members Absent

Mark Komanecky
Claudia Keeler
Joe Bonness

MPO Staff Present

Scott Philips, Principal Planner
Anne McLaughlin, Executive Director

Others Present

Steven Andrews, FDOT
Matt Dockins, RK&K / FDOT
Lorraine Lantz, Collier County Transportation Planning
Michael Tisch, Collier County Transportation Engineering
Michelle Avola-Brown, NPC [arrived late]
Megan Greer, Blue Zones [arrived late]

3. **Approval of the Agenda**

Ms. Fendrick moved to approve the agenda. Second by Ms. Huff. Carried unanimously.

4. **Approval of the April 19, 2022 Meeting Minutes**

Ms. Halman moved to approve the April 19, 2022 minutes. Ms. Fendrick seconded. Carried unanimously.

5. **Open to the Public for Comment on Items Not on the Agenda**

None.

6. **Agency Updates**

A. **FDOT:** [Update provided by Ms. McLaughlin.] Deborah Chesna announced she is leaving FDOT.

B. **MPO:** MPO Board approved updated SUN Trail alignment.

Ms. Huff: Who is responsible for construction at 92/41? Took out trees and removed part of bike path. **Ms. McLaughlin:** Not aware of project, will look into it and report back.

7. **Committee Action**

None.

8. **Reports & Presentations (May Require Committee Action)**

8.A. **Immokalee TIGER Grant Complete Streets Project – Collier County**

Mr. Tisch: project adds 20 miles of new sidewalk, a shared-use path, bike boulevard, street lighting, bus shelters, new CAT Transfer Station, landscaping, and stormwater drainage improvements; project cost \$22.9 million

Ms. Fendrick: What are the characteristics of a bike boulevard? **Mr. Tisch:** Signage and bike sharrows. **Ms. Halman:** Why not doing anything on New Market? How will new Loop Rd affect it? **Mr. Tisch:** Sidewalks were just installed on both sides of New Market. **Ms. Halman:** It's still dangerous; all the schools are located on one side; lots of trucks use New Market; can hardly cross it. **Ms. Lantz:** PD&E for new Loop Rd. just finished; no construction start date. **Mr. Tisch:** anticipates Phase 1 construction to start in November; largest grant County ever received. **Ms. Fendrick:** Does it build off Walkability Study? **Ms. Lantz:** Yes. Grant includes 80% of Tier 1 sidewalks. **Mr. Tisch:** Public meeting at CRA office on May 25th from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

8.B. **Old 41 PD&E Study – FDOT**

Mr. Andrews: Introduced Matt Dockins, RK&K, to give presentation in agenda packet.

Mr. Dockins: Design cost \$3M, construction cost estimate \$85M; improves safety, adds bike/ped facilities, address congestion, and serve County industrial park; 2 alignment alternatives: 1) New quadrant road southeast corner Bonita Beach Rd intersection (former racetrack property)

alleviates congestion at Bonita Beach Rd and Old 41 intersection, provides cut through to I-75; 2) cut off connection to US 41 south of Veterans Memorial Blvd and remove existing signal on US 41; add signals at Veterans Memorial Blvd and Railhead Drive (industrial park); provide U-turn bulb-outs to allow trucks to make left turn/turn around; working with MPO to find funding for design, ROW, and construction; held two public workshops in April, one in-person, one virtual, received 300 comments; FAQs to be added to project website.

Ms. Huff: Will new traffic signals add to congestion; does project continue north of Bonita Beach Rd? **Mr. Dockins:** Signals can be timed to platoon through corridor; will lessen congestion at either end of project. No plans to go further north. **Ms. Fendrick:** Why is a sidewalk not included in Lee County section? **Mr. Dockins:** City of Bonita Springs request – not a lot of destinations on east side. When racetrack property development occurs, a sidewalk will be required. **Ms. Fendrick:** The sidewalk just ends? **Mr. Dockins:** Extends to entry to Spanish Wells. Shared-Use Path will T into railroad crossing, coordinating with railroad. **Mr. Matonti:** ROW costs mostly attributable to new quadrant road? **Mr. Dockins:** ROW will be donated by new development; ROW costs attributable to stormwater ponds, intersections, railroad crossing. [in response to further questions]; new quadrant road is consistent with Bonita Beach Rd Vision Plan; the four historic sites are the roadway, the railroad track, the racetrack, and the donut shop.

9. Member Comments

Ms. Huff: Reported the USBR 15 study team gave a status update to the Everglades City Council; cyclist riding on 29 forced off road by pickup truck and required surgery. A police report will be filed with the Collier County Sheriff.

Mr. Dondanville: Good news. 311 County system works. Immediate hookup with right department.

10. Distribution Items

None.

11. Next Meeting Date

August 16, 2022 – 9:00 a.m. In-Person Only Meeting

12. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:22 a.m.