Meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee
Monday March 16, 2015 at 1:30 P.M.
Property Appraiser’s Conf. Room, County Center 15th floor

I. Call To Order

II. Public Comment (3 minutes per speaker, please)

III. Approval of Minutes (February 16, 2015)

IV. Status Reports

A. Bicycle Friendly Business District (Christine Acosta, Tampa Downtown Partnership)
B. FDOT District 7 Safety Program Update (Stephen Benson, FDOT)
C. Air Quality Update (Gena Torres, MPO staff)
D. Unified Planning Work Program Annual Update – Calls for Idea (Allison Yeh, MPO staff)

V. Old Business & New Business

A. Next Meeting Date: April 20th at 1:30pm

VI. Adjournment

VII. Addendum

A. Summary of Last MPO Meeting
B. MPO Committee Reports
C. State Legislative Status Report

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CALL TO ORDER

Chair Charles White called the meeting to order at 1:40 pm with no quorum present. The meeting was held in the Property Appraiser’s office on the 15th Floor of the County Center Building.

Members present: Charles White, Melissa Zornitta (entered at 2:10 pm); Phillip Scearce; Melanie Calloway, Steve Griffin (arrived at 1:37 pm); Chris Bridges (proxy for Mike Williams); Alice Price; Jeff Sims (arrived at 1:44 pm, proxy for Reggie Sanford); Abbey Ahern (proxy for Mike English); Donna Wysong and Amber Wheeler.

Member excused: Jeanie Satchel, Christina Caputo and Mike English

Others present: Gena Torres, Beth Alden, Rich Clarendon, Linda Ferraro, MPO staff; Ken Sides, Jeff Trim, Sam Schwartz Engineering; Karen Kress, Tampa Downtown Partnership; Roger Roscoe, FDOT; Bob Agrusa, HDR.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

With no quorum present, the members heard Status Reports.

STATUS REPORTS
A. Livable Intersections

Mr. Ken Sides of Sam Schwartz Engineering gave a presentation on modern roundabouts compared to conventional roundabouts. Modern roundabouts reduce fatalities by more than 90% and injuries by 76%. They also reduce crashes by 35%. They are also more efficient in reducing the times that people stop and there is less delay in the flow of traffic.

Members were interested in knowing the volume of cars that can be efficiently moved through, and whether two-lane roundabouts were as safe as those shown in the presentation. Two-lane roundabouts, when designed properly, can give all the same
benefits. Another question was asked regarding educational outreach. The roundabout’s location, size, and even the party responsible for funding can influence if an educational program is needed

B. 34th Street Redesign

Ms. Torres showed a video of the study conducted last year by the City of Tampa showing proposed changes to 34th Street from Columbus Drive to Hillsborough Avenue. The study was conducted because of the high volume of speeding vehicles and crashes.

C. Florida Transportation Plan Update

Mr. Roger Roscoe, of FDOT stated that the Florida Transportation Plan or FTP is the state’s long range transportation plan. The FTP serves as the transportation plan for all of Florida, not just the Florida Department of Transportation.

The FTP also establishes the policy framework for allocating the state and federal transportation funds which flow through the department’s 5-year Work Program. In addition, the FTP identifies the roles and responsibilities of all partners for implementing this plan.

The FTP is the big box which provides the overall policy framework for the Strategic Intermodal System (SIS) and related modal system plans. The SIS provides a framework to link together the modal plans and integrates passenger and freight mobility, which cut across modal boundaries.

Updates to the various modal plans are guided by, and provide input to, the updates of the SIS strategic plan. Many of these plans have recently or are being updated:

- The SIS 2040 Highway Component – Cost Feasible Plan updated September 2014
- The Strategic Highway Safety Plan – last updated in 2012
- Rail System Plan– being updated in 2015
- There are active transit programs to carry forward the transit element of the FTP. For example, the 2014 Florida Transit Handbook.
- Seaport plan is being updated in 2015 and will be in combination with the Waterway Plan (by statute)
- Aviation plan - updated in 2012 Continuing Florida Aviation System Planning Process (CFASPP) ongoing process.
- Spaceport System Plan - adopted by Space Florida in April 2013
• Freight and Mobility Trade plan – policy element adopted in June 2013 and investment element in September 2014
• ITS Strategic Plan -- updated in October 2014.
• Bike/Ped – variety of plans and special studies

Mr. Roscoe stated that as FDOT develops the FTP, they will draw upon the SIS and statewide modal planning for critical information, including key issues, trends, and needs assessments.

D. Walk Wise/Bike Smart/Drive Safe Campaign

Ms. Karen Kress of the Tampa Downtown Partnership engaged members in an interactive survey, the purpose of which is to reinforce safe walking and biking habits. Members spoke about the need for more driver education and for buffered bikeways. The presentation is being made at local high school Drivers Education classes.

At this time, a quorum was present and the members went back to the beginning of the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (January 26, 2015)

Ms. Callaway made a motion to approve the January 26, 2015 minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Griffin and carried.

OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS
A. Next Meeting: March 16, 2015

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:54 pm.
Board & Committee Agenda Item

Agenda Item: Bicycle Friendly Business

Presenter: Karen Kress or Christine Acosta, Tampa Downtown Partnership

Summary: The Tampa Downtown Partnership is working on establishing a Bicycle Friendly Business District in the downtown. The city of Tampa is building a number of bicycle facilities in and around the downtown. Bikes are good for businesses and their employees. Through the Bicycle Friendly Business (BFB℠) program, employers are recognized for their efforts to encourage a more welcoming atmosphere for employees, customers, and the community. The cultivation of a bicycle friendly district encourages businesses to welcome patrons on bicycles, build community, increase physical activity and make streets less congested.

For more information visit the League of American Bicyclists website for more information: http://bikeleague.org/content/businesses.

Action: Discussion and any follow up as needed

Prepared By: Lisa Silva

Attachments: 1. Overview of the BFB program
2. Attributes of a Bicycle Friendly Business
THE BICYCLE FRIENDLY AMERICA℠ PROGRAM is all about Places. Our BFA℠ program provides recognition and guidance for states, communities, universities and businesses to showcase and enhance their bicycle-friendliness. The program provides a practical blueprint, hands-on assistance, and resources to help make Places better for bicycling.

THE BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESS℠ PROGRAM is based on our belief that bikes are good for businesses, employees, and the community. BFBs℠ are recognized for their efforts through an award system based on four essential elements to being bicycle friendly: Engineering, Education, Encouragement, and Evaluation & Planning.

BFBs BY THE NUMBERS (FALL 2014)

As of Fall 2014, more than 800 businesses have gained recognition at the Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum levels

THE LEAGUE OF AMERICAN BICYCLISTS is the nation’s oldest bicycle advocacy organization, leading the movement to create a Bicycle Friendly America for everyone. We believe that, when more people ride bikes, life is better for everyone. Our three areas of focus, PEOPLE, PLACES AND POLICY, all support this belief. The League is bringing together the most passionate, action-oriented people to lead the movement.

www.bikeleague.org

BENEFITS OF BECOMING A BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESS

Becoming a BFB benefits your bottom line while also enhancing quality of life in your community. What can you gain by becoming bicycle friendly?

» Recruitment: attract and retain the best and brightest
» Increase morale and quality of life for employees
» Foster a sense of community and camaraderie in workplace
» Enhance health and wellness benefits, and reduce costs on healthcare
» Catalyze a more alert, active, productive workforce
» Reduce absenteeism
» Showcase social responsibility, a commitment to sustainability and reducing environmental footprint
» Support and expand reliable, consistent transportation, particularly for employees in urban areas
» Create a culture of wellness
» Cut transportation spending by company, individual and community
» Support long-term health benefits, both physical and mental
WHY SHOULD WE APPLY?

Being designated as a Bicycle Friendly Business is a great way to gain national recognition for being a leader in wellness, sustainability and corporate responsibility.

As part of the BFB application process, your business will receive quality, customized feedback from League staff – the trusted source for best practices on what it means to be bicycle friendly. And BFBs are part of an elite network that share peer-to-peer communication and best practices.

Employees and customers want to invest in businesses that care – care about the environment, care about health and wellness, and care about the community. Earning a designation as a BFB is a clear way to show your business cares.

TESTIMONIALS

The BFB program works for businesses of all sizes, from multinational corporate headquarters to local shops and firms.

“Helping employees increase their physical activity level through support of bicycling has the benefit of lowering medical costs, reducing absence rates, increasing productivity and improving morale.”
American Family Insurance, Madison, WI

“Being a Bicycle Friendly Business is an important component of our sustainability plan.”
Highmark Corporate Headquarters, Pittsburgh, PA

“Employee well-being and reduced environmental impact are two positive outcomes to our support for bicycling. Employees have responded positively to the health, financial and wellness benefits of bicycle commuting.”
Ameriprise Financial, Corporate Headquarters, Minneapolis, MN

“Company morale has improved as a result of our Bike to Work program. A number of employees have had significant weight loss as a direct result of biking to work. An additional positive outcome is the regional recognition from having the most progressive program in the Midwest.”
The Burke Group, Rosemont, IL

“USAA invests tens of thousands of dollars each year to support cycling as an alternative commute mode and as an effective means to improve health.”
United Services Automobile Association (USAA), San Antonio, TX

JOIN US!

Contact Amelia Neptune – amelia@bikeleague.org – for more information on how to apply. Visit our website for more information: http://bikeleague.org/content/businesses
**Encouragement**

There are incentives for employees to bicycle to work such as the Bicycle Commuter Tax Benefit or other cash incentives for bicycling. BFBs make bicycling a preferred method of travel and offer encouragement through programming and recognition.

There is a Guaranteed Ride Home program that helps remove possible worry about bicycle commuting.

There are organized staff rides (with key members of management) and employees are encouraged to participate in other social rides, employee bike clubs, community bicycling events, national events like Bike Month and Bike to Work Day and commuter challenges like the National Bike Challenge.

The BFB is involved in building a Bicycle Friendly Community by supporting bike clubs/teams, organized rides, state/local/national bicycle advocacy groups and attending public meetings.

**Education**

Bicycling safety skills information is readily available in the business, perhaps even part of the company’s hiring packet, orientation and newsletters.

At the very least, a BFB will have bike maps, tips sheets and a list of opportunities for employees and others to take bicycling skills and maintenance classes (this could be done with the help of a local bike shop or League Cycling Instructor). In addition, a BFB might post bicycling skills videos on its website.

There may be a certified League Cycling Instructor on staff who offers bicycling education to employees and externally to customers or the public if applicable.

There is encouragement and opportunities for employees who drive to work to learn how to safely operate on the road with bicyclists.

A BFB works hard toward the vision of an inclusive Bicycle Friendly Community and strives to reduce distracted driving.

**Engineering**

There are shared bikes staff can use for non-commute trips, like errands and recreational outings. In cities where public bike sharing is available, a BFB might subsidize memberships.

There is plenty of secure, convenient, and high-quality bike parking for employees and guests. Special attention is paid to proximity to entrances, protection from the elements and potential theft.

There are showers, lockers and changing areas for employees — or subsidized gym membership for employees.

There is a repair area with tools, supplies and a workstand for employees to make adjustments, fill up their tires or perhaps have a full tune-up by an official repair person.

The business is easily accessible by bike through a network of dedicated bikeways or low-traffic streets. If not, the business is working with local government to advocate for improved conditions for bicyclists.

**Evaluation & Planning**

A BFB has set ambitious yet attainable goals to increase ridership and other key metrics, such as Bike to Work Day participation, or the number of employees and customers on a bike listserv. Measurable goals provide the business with something to target and to celebrate, as well as to motivate individual employees.

There is an appointed bike coordinator responsible for coordinating bike events, programs, and facilities for the business. This may be a volunteer coordinator or incorporated into a formal job description.

A BFB conducts an annual survey to learn more about the commuting habits of employees and potential barriers that may exist for employees to bike more.

There is a concerted effort to collect internal data on bike commuting for benchmarking and goal-setting purposes. Tools such as the National Bike Challenge can play an integral role in helping a company track its ridership.

Learn more at [www.bikeleague.org/business](http://www.bikeleague.org/business)
Board & Committee Agenda Item

Agenda Item: FDOT District 7 Safety Program Update
Presenter: Stephen Benson, FDOT
Summary: The District 7 Traffic Operations & Safety office has taken on the challenge of improving traffic flow and reducing crashes on state roadways.

The task of moving vehicles and doing so safely can sometimes be at odds with each other. The District 7 Traffic Operations & Safety office has aggressively and innovatively taken the task to heart. A summary of their initiatives district-wide will be shared as well as a local example of work underway to improve safety on a high-crash corridor.

Action: None. For information only.

Prepared By: Gena Torres
Attachments: HSIP Safety Summit 2015
District Seven Safety Summit

January 13, 2015
D-7 Auditorium, Tampa, FL

2013 Safety Topic

David Skrelunas, P.E
District Safety Programs Manager
2014 Local HSIP Projects

- 85 Applications received from 9 agencies.
  - Citrus County
  - City of Tampa
  - City of Clearwater
  - Hernando County
  - Hillsborough County
  - Pasco County
  - Pinellas County
  - City of Plant City
  - City of St. Petersburg

Citrus County

- $30,000 of FDOT consultant support approved for FDOT FY 2015 (current year).
- $74,000 approved in materials
  - Signage & signal equipment
- $1.5M (estimated) for installation of curve warning signage & pavement markings on 8 corridors (DBPB) – Completed 12/14
  - W Ozello Trail
  - W Homosassa Trail
  - S Lecanto Highway
  - S Old Floral City Rd
  - E Gobbler Rd
  - S Pleasant Grove Rd
  - N Citrus Ave
  - W Fort Island Trail
City of Tampa

- Himes Avenue Corridor Improvements
  - Replace the two-way left-turn lane with a raised separator island and dedicated bike lanes from Kennedy Boulevard to Columbus Drive.
  - $200,000 approved for safety funding for Design only in FDOT FY 15/16.
- 34th Street Corridor Improvements
  - Lane diet and roundabouts at major intersection from Hillsborough Avenue to Osborne Avenue
  - $300,000 approved for safety funding for Design in FDOT FY 14/15 (current year).
  - $40,000 in miscellaneous signing & signal materials.

City of Clearwater

- $125,000 in miscellaneous signing, pavement markings & signal materials.
**Hernando County**

- $50,000 in consultant technical support in FY 25 (current year).
- $116,000 in miscellaneous signing, markings and signal materials.
- $552,000 approved for installation of curve warning signage and markings (DBPB).
  - Hayman Road / CR 420
  - Ayers Road / CR 576
  - Hexam Road
  - Sunshine Grove Road / CR 493
  - Citrus Way / CR 491
  - Fort Dade Avenue / CR 484
  - Croom Road / CR 480
  - Lingle Road / CR 439
  - Mondon Hill Road / CR 484
  - Lockhart Road
  - Powell Road / CR 572
  - Osowaw Boulevard / CR 595
  - Shoal Line Boulevard / CR 597

**Hillsborough County**

- $240,000 Audible Vibratory Pavement Marking project – segments of Knights Griffin Rd from Stacy Rd to SR 39. (2 projects)
- $158,000 Audible Vibratory Pavement Marking project – Race Track Rd from Mobley to Boy Scout.
- $125,000 for signing, marking & signal materials.
- $468,000 in signal retiming support on 4 corridors
  - Bloomingdale from US 301 to Lithia Pinecrest
  - Boyette from Balm-Riverview Rd to Bell Shoals Rd
  - Fishhawk from Bell Shoals to Lithia Pinecrest
Pasco County

- $100,000 Signal retiming on Little Road from Fox Hollow to Denton
- $30,000 in engineering support FY 14/15 (current year)
- $51,000 for signing, marking & signal materials.
- $109,000 approved for installation of curve warning devices at 3 locations. FDOT FY 15 (DBPB)
  - Perrine Ranch Road from Meadowood Drive to CR 77 / Seven Springs Boulevard
  - Old Lakeland Highway from Clinton Avenue to CR 54
  - Sea Forest Drive from Main Street to Marine Parkway

Pinellas County

- $1.2 M Signal retiming on 5 corridors
  - 49th Street North from 46th Avenue North to 94th Avenue North
  - Bryan Dairy Road from 113th Street N to Belcher Road
  - McMullen-Booth Road/East Lake Road from Drew Street to Trinity Boulevard
  - Belcher Road from Bryan Dairy Road to 126th Avenue N
  - CR 1/Keene Road from East Bay Drive to Tampa Road
- Speed feedback signage – Bolesta Road, Old Keystone Rd, 58th Ave
- $211,000 for pedestrian crosswalk flashing beacons (RRFB) at various locations on Fort Harrison Street & Gulf Blvd.
- $116,000 approved for Median Modifications along Tampa Rd (DBPB)
- $570,000 approved for curve safety improvements at 9 locations
- $90,000 approved for signal & signing materials
**Plant City**

- $43,000 approved for signal & signing materials

**City of St. Petersburg**

- $83,000 approved for signal & signing materials
Results

- 58 projects approved (almost 70%)
- 14 design/construction projects
- 3 requests for in-house consultant staff support
- 32 requests for materials (signs, flashing beacons, markings, brite sticks, etc.)
- 9 requests for corridor signal retiming
Agenda Item: Air Quality Update
Presenter: Gena Torres, MPO Staff
Summary: The Environmental Protection Agency is currently reviewing the National Ambient Air Quality Standard for ozone. This pollutant is of concern to our region as it is formed when pollutants from cars and power plants react in sunlight. Two counties in the Tampa Bay air shed (Hillsborough and Pinellas counties) were designated as marginal in 1990. The standard was relaxed in 1997 to 85 ppb and then set at 75 ppb in 2008.

If the adopted ozone standard places the Tampa Bay Area in a non-attainment status, the local MPO's would be required to conduct conformity. Conformity involves demonstrating that the proposed projects in Hillsborough County, for instance those listed in our TIP, would not cause new air quality violations or worsen existing levels of ozone.

Action: None. For information only.
Prepared By: Gena Torres
Attachments: Air Quality Fact Sheet
On November 25, 2014, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued a proposal to review and potentially lower the National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) for the pollutant ozone. EPA proposes to make revisions to the primary and secondary standards for ozone to provide protection of public health and welfare, respectively. In addition, EPA proposes to revise some data handling conventions for ozone. Information regarding the current standard for ozone, the proposed standards for ozone, a timeline for EPA actions, a map of current ozone readings for the state of Florida, and links to relevant information is provided below.

**Current Ozone Standard**

- The Clean Air Act requires review of National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) every five years for each of the six “criteria” pollutants, one of which is ozone.
- The ozone NAAQS is currently set at a level of 75 ppb, and compliance with the standard is determined by calculating the three-year average of the annual fourth-high daily maximum 8-hour average.
- The ozone NAAQS was last reviewed in 2008.

**Proposed Ozone Standard**

- On November 25, 2014, EPA proposed that the revised primary (human health-based) and secondary (welfare-based) standards for ozone be set between 65 and 70 ppb while retaining the current method for determining compliance.
- EPA is accepting comments for a revised standard as low as 60 ppb or for retaining the existing standard of 75 ppb.
- EPA is proposing to revise the ozone monitoring season in Florida to a twelve-month season.
- Notice of EPA’s proposed revision to the ozone NAAQS was published in the Federal Register on December 17, 2014.
- EPA has provided for a 90-day comment period; comments on the proposed rule are due by March 17, 2015.

**Timeline**

- EPA proposes to finalize the new standard by October 1, 2015.
- States make recommendations to EPA for nonattainment areas by October 2016, based on 2013-2015 data, and will supplement the recommendation based on 2014-2016 in the first quarter of 2017.
- EPA will make final designations by October 2017.

**Potential Implications to Florida**

- If Florida has any areas designated as nonattainment for the revised NAAQS, Florida DEP would develop a State Implementation Plan (SIP) providing for the measures necessary to bring the areas into compliance with the revised NAAQS.
Transportation conformity would be required in these nonattainment areas. Transportation conformity means that a periodic demonstration must be made that transportation activities will not cause new air quality violations, worsen existing violations, or delay timely attainment of the NAAQS.

The ozone values depicted in the figure below are the compliance values for the 2012-2014 time frame. They are representative of current conditions. Designations will ultimately be based on monitor readings for the years 2014-2016. Given recent downward trends in ozone concentrations throughout the state, there may be no monitors that exceed the NAAQS at a level of 65 ppb or above at the time that the designations are made.

Links to Information:

EPA: [http://www.epa.gov/](http://www.epa.gov/)


Board & Committee Agenda Item

Agenda Item: Solicitation of Projects for FY 2015-2016 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

Presenter: Allison Yeh, MPO staff

Summary: The MPO’s transportation planning functions are supported primarily by federal and state grants. These functions must be identified in advance for two fiscal years and encompass the surface transportation planning efforts to be undertaken by FDOT, HART and other agencies with state and federal funds. These activities, products and budgeted funds are documented in the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). The current document is effective from July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2016 and can be found at http://www.planhillsborough.org/unified-planning-work-program/.

This month we are soliciting planning tasks from our partner agencies and citizen groups for the second fiscal year which begins July 1, 2015. Candidate projects will be considered for inclusion into the UPWP during the amendment process in late Spring 2015. The planning task categories are:

- Systems Planning
- Long Range Transportation Plan
- Transportation Improvement Plan
- Data Monitoring
- Public Participation
- Coordination in Region and State
- HART Planning Program
- FDOT Planning Program
- Other Projects

Recommended Action: None; for information only.

Prepared By: Allison Yeh, AICP, LEED GA

Attachments: None
CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Les Miller called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Kevin O’Hare encouraged the members to approve a resolution on the agenda to add a member of the School District to the MPO Board.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ms. Beth Alden read the various MPO Committee reports.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. MPO Minutes (February 3, 2015 Regular Meeting)
B. Committee Appointments

Commissioner Beckner made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items. The motion was seconded by Councilman Cohen and carried.

ACTION ITEMS

A. Board Seat for School District Resolution

At the January Policy Committee meeting, members reviewed a request from the School Board of Hillsborough County to be added as a voting member of the MPO. The Policy Committee recommended that the MPO support that request. The School Board membership on the MPO Board will become affective once an amendment to the Interlocal Agreement for the Creation of the MPO Board is signed by all members.

Commissioner Murman made a motion to support a resolution adding a School Board representative on the MPO Board. The motion was seconded by Mr. Burgin and carried.
B. Community Transportation Coordinator Annual Evaluation

MPO staff presented the annual evaluation of the Community Transportation Coordinator (CTC). Hillsborough County BOCC is the designated CTC and Sunshine Line is the operator. The MPO’s Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board (TDCB) is responsible for conducting the annual evaluation and has made the following recommendations:

- Maintenance of the System to continue to advocate for the Sunshine Line to ensure services are maintained; a standard will be developed to measure efficiency of passenger loads;
- Better Coordination between the contractors to identify opportunities for more coordinated trips; sponsor joint meetings of providers and sponsors to identify needs and gaps in the Coordinated system;
- Conduct an evaluation of the transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan (TDSP) to ensure current programs and projects are supporting access to the other quality of life priorities employment/work, education, shopping and recreation for the TD population; and work with HARTplus and Sunshine Line to document similar reporting standards and add to the TDSP.

There was discussion among the members about HARTplus leaving visually impaired clients at the wrong location for the HART Board meeting held Monday, March 2nd.

A motion was made by Commissioner Murman for Ms. Michele Ogilvie to work with HART and the Sunshine Line and report back to the MPO on coordination efforts. Councilman Suarez seconded the motion. Councilman Cohen wanted members of the TDCB board to also be involved in this coordination effort. Commissioner Miller amended the motion to include sensitivity and customer service training for the drivers. The amendment and comments were accepted and the motion carried.

Councilman Cohen made a motion to approve FY 2014 CTC Evaluation and transmit to the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged. The motion was seconded by Councilman Suarez and carried.

C. Florida New Starts Program: Letter of Support

Ms. Jean Duncan of the City of Tampa stated that the City is requesting funding through Florida’s New Starts transit funding program to extend and update the streetcar through downtown Tampa to the Marion Street Transit Center. This program provides matching funds for fixed guideway transit projects. A letter of support was included in the agenda packet.
Commissioner Murman made a motion to approve the letter of support. The motion was seconded by Councilman Cohen and carried.

D. Florida Greenways and Trails Update and Conservation Funds for Greenways

Mr. Brian Smith stated that greenways are long and narrow corridors of land and usually follow an abandoned railroad right-of-way but could be created along any corridor such as drainage canals, historic roads or electric/gas transmission lines.

To expand opportunities for state grants, the Florida Greenways & Trails Foundation has requested consideration of a 10% set-aside to greenways from the new land conservation funds resulting from November’s passage of the Florida Water and Land Conservation Amendment (Amendment 1).

Commissioner Murman made a motion to support the Greenways and Trails Foundation’s initiative to set aside a portion of the Florida Water and Land Conservation Amendment (Amendment 1) funds for regionally significant greenways. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Montelione and carried.

At this time, Chairman Miller asked for a motion to waive the rules to bring a new item up under New Business. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Montelione, seconded by Mr. Burgin and carried.

NEW BUSINESS ITEM

Mr. Joe Waggoner, Executive Director of the Tampa/Hillsborough Expressway Authority (THEA) asked the MPO for support for a Connected Vehicle Pilot Deployment Program Phase 1 solicitation application. THEA is coordinating with HART, City of Tampa and the private sector on this project.

Mr. Waggoner made a motion that the MPO support sending a letter in support of this procuring this application with the USDOT. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Montelione and carried.

STATUS REPORTS

A. Tampa Bay Express Toll Lanes and Express Bus Feasibility Study

Ms. Sara Hall and Scott Pringle presented the Tampa Bay Express (TBX) Master Plan which evaluates the use of express lanes within interstate corridors. The TBX gives drivers a new choice in transportation while reducing travel times and relieves congestion. The study also is looking at the possibility of utilizing the TBX lane for a
premium bus service connecting Wesley Chapel, USF, downtown Tampa, Westshore, Greater Gateway/Carillon and Downtown St. Pete.

B. Sustainable Revenue Streams and 2015 Legislative Session

Mr. Howard Glassman, Executive Director of the Statewide MPO Advisory Council briefed the members on the current legislative session and sustainable revenue streams. He has been working with the Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR) on the declining revenues and looking at various MPO’s Long Range Transportation Plans for the last 15 years.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Ms. Alden provided a summary of her activities over the past month. She reminded the members of upcoming meetings and workshops to be held. She also reported that staff members from Federal Highway will be in town on Tuesday to discuss the Performance Based Study the MPO recently completed and to possibly use it as a case study.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:26 am.
Committee Reports

Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting of February 11

The committee discussed:

- Modern roundabouts – Members saw great promise in their ability to reduce speeding, crashes, and congestion, plus providing a place for landscaping and public art, and were keenly interested in seeing them implemented locally. This was followed by a video showing how Tampa is redesigning 34th Street to include roundabouts.

- WalkWise/BikeSmart program – Members took part in an interactive survey, the purpose of which is to reinforce safe walking and biking habits. Questions focused on the need for more driver education and for buffered bikeways. The presentation is being made at local high school Drivers Education classes.

- Funding fixed guideway transit projects – Members expressed interest in how cities such as Orlando and Ft. Lauderdale secured state and federal funding for rail transit projects.

Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting of February 16

The committee members took the “Walk Wise, Bike Smart” pledge, and discussed:

- Florida Transportation Plan – The public forum dates for this year’s update of the statewide plan were announced, and members were encouraged to participate in shaping Florida’s transportation future.

- Modern roundabouts – Members were interested in knowing the volume of cars that can be efficiently moved through, and whether two-lane roundabouts were as safe as those shown in the presentation. Two-lane roundabouts, when designed properly, can give all the same benefits. Another question was asked regarding educational outreach. The roundabout’s location, size, and even the party responsible for funding can influence if an educational program is needed.

Policy Committee Meeting of February 24

The committee heard about the use of existing traffic cameras to provide more detailed data for traffic management, cell phones and connected cars, and:

- **Supported today’s resolution to add a board seat for the School District**, after requesting a copy of the District’s letter of interest and hearing from a CAC member.

- Staff Services Agreement - Discussed the MPO’s current staffing arrangement with the Planning Commission Executive Director, including how to tailor agency activities to better meet local government planning needs, and how to address key land use/transportation coordination issues such as affordable housing near employment centers.
• Revenue Sources Overview – Discussed what steps are needed to increase federal and state grant funding for local projects, and requested a comparison of how we’re doing in comparison to other metro areas, for discussion at the board’s March 31 workshop.

**Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) Meeting of February 11**

The committee learned that all of FDOT’s Bicycle/Pedestrian Safety Specialists and Bicycle Pedestrian Coordinators visited Hillsborough County in February to learn more about local examples of cultivating a great walk/bike network. Two projects highlighted: Coast Bikeshare in downtown Tampa – which several visitors took advantage of, to bicycle to Ybor City – and the Fletcher Avenue Complete Street project.

Building on the concept of bicycle-friendly businesses, the committee is embarking on developing **recommendations for bicycle parking**. The committee discussed secure parking as critical to using the bicycle for transportation. It has a number of design considerations.

Activities for **March Bicycle Month** include a Temple Terrace ride with Mayor Chillura.

**West Central Florida MPO Staff Directors Meeting of February 13**

The committee met at the FDOT District 7 office to review regional maps, and discussed:

• TBARTA Master Plan/Regional LRTP Update – The plan is based on the MPO’s long range plans. Some cross-county future bus route concepts need more coordination, among other edits. The MPOs will review the draft in April, and a workshop for the MPO Chairs is being organized for May 15 in Hillsborough County.

• Polk TPO’s long range plan update, called **Momentum 2040**.

• Regional tasks in this spring’s update of the MPOs’ Unified Planning Work Programs.

• The amended CCC Interlocal Agreement, which brings together the CCC with TBARTA, has been approved by all MPOs except Sarasota/Manatee.

• In its legislative request this year, TBARTA will not seek to add Polk County.

**Livable Roadways Committee (LRC) Meeting of February 18**

The committee heard an engaging presentation on modern roundabouts, followed by a video describing 34th Street roundabouts, for which a crash reduction grant has been submitted, and:

• **Commented on FDOT’s Tampa Bay Express lanes** project. The committee made a motion regarding the project’s impact on Waterworks Park and Ulele Restaurant at the proposed downtown exit ramp. The motion was to “reevaluate the Highland Street exit, and propose alternatives.”

• During old & new business, a member communicated concern over the removal of street trees along Kennedy Blvd due to construction of the Selmon Greenway. Available right-of-way is limited in that area. The Selmon Greenway Master Plan will be discussed at a future meeting.
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SB 0154  Relating to Hazardous Walking Conditions  Hays  02/20/15
(S: 0041 )
Hazardous Walking Conditions; Revising criteria that determine a hazardous walking condition for public school students; requiring a district school board to correct hazardous walking conditions and provide transportation to students who would be subjected to hazardous walking conditions; requiring state or local governmental entities with jurisdiction over a road with a hazardous walking condition to correct the condition within a reasonable period of time, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2015
11/25/14 SENATE Filed
12/17/14 SENATE Referred to Education Pre-K - 12; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Fiscal Policy
02/09/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Education Pre-K - 12, 02/18/15, 2:00 pm, 412 K
02/19/15 SENATE Favorable with CS by Education Pre-K - 12, 10 Yeas, 0 Nays
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02/20/15 SENATE Now in Community Affairs

HB 0191  Relating to Traffic Safety  Slosberg  01/15/15
(C: 0740 ) (S: 0460 )
Traffic Safety; Prohibits use of electronic communications devices by certain drivers; provides for voluntary checkoff on driver license applications to permit contributions to AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety. Effective Date: January 1, 2016
01/07/15 HOUSE Filed
01/15/15 HOUSE Referred to Highway & Waterway Safety Subcommittee; Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee; Economic Affairs Committee
01/15/15 HOUSE Now in Highway & Waterway Safety Subcommittee

SB 0192  Relating to Wireless Communications Devices  Altman  01/08/15
(C: 0001 0246 )
Wireless Communications Devices; Revising legislative intent to authorize law enforcement officers to issue citations as a primary offense to persons who are texting while driving; relating to the enforcement of the “Florida Ban on Texting While Driving Law” as a secondary action, etc. Effective Date: 10/1/2015
12/17/14 SENATE Filed
01/08/15 SENATE Referred to Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations

SB 0194  Relating to Transportation Services Procurement  Altman  01/08/15
Transportation Services Procurement; Requiring an agency to consider specified criteria when evaluating a proposal or reply received for procurement of specified transportation services, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2015
12/17/14 SENATE Filed
01/08/15 SENATE Referred to Transportation; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations

HB 0231  Relating to Transportation  Passidomo  01/22/15
(S: 0908 )
Transportation: Revises provisions relating to the rights & safety of vulnerable users of public rights-of-way; prohibits assault of bicycle riders; revises provisions for careless driving; provides penalties for specified infractions contributing to bodily injury of vulnerable users; requires traffic law & substance abuse education courses to include certain instruction; requires driver license examinations to include test of applicant’s knowledge of certain traffic laws; requires driver education courses offered by school district to include certain information.
Effective Date: July 1, 2015
01/12/15 HOUSE Filed
01/22/15 HOUSE Referred to Highway & Waterway Safety Subcommittee; Criminal Justice Subcommittee; Appropriations Committee; Economic Affairs Committee
01/22/15 HOUSE Now in Highway & Waterway Safety Subcommittee

SB 0246  Relating to Texting While Driving  Sachs  01/15/15
(C: 0192 ) (S: 0001 )
Texting While Driving; Revising penalties for violations of the Florida Ban on Texting While Driving Law to include enhanced penalties for such violations when committed in a school zone or school crossing; removing the requirement that specified provisions be enforced as a secondary action by a law enforcement agency, etc. Effective Date: 10/1/2015
01/07/15 SENATE Filed
01/15/15 SENATE Referred to Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Transportation; Fiscal Policy

HB 0257  Relating to Freight Logistics Zones  Ray  02/03/15
(I: 0956 )
Defines “freight logistics zone”; authorizes county or two or more contiguous counties to designate geographic area or areas within its jurisdiction as freight logistics zone; requires adoption of strategic plan which must include certain information; provides that certain projects within freight logistics zones may be eligible for priority in state funding & certain incentive programs; provides evaluation criteria for freight logistics zones. Effective Date: July 1, 2015
01/13/15 HOUSE Filed
01/22/15 HOUSE Referred to Transportation & Ports Subcommittee; Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee; Economic Affairs Committee
01/22/15 HOUSE Now in Transportation & Ports Subcommittee
01/27/15 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Transportation & Ports Subcommittee, 02/03/15, 1:30 pm, 404 H
02/03/15 HOUSE Favorable by Transportation & Ports Subcommittee; 12 Yeas, 0 Nays
02/03/15 HOUSE Now in Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee
SB 0270  Relating to Use of Wireless Communications Devices While Operating a Motor Vehicle  Soto  01/15/15
(C: 0009 )
Use of Wireless Communications Devices While Operating a Motor Vehicle; Providing a criminal penalty if a person operating a motor vehicle while using a wireless communications device causes the death of a human being or an unborn child, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2015
01/07/15 SENATE Filed
01/15/15 SENATE Referred to Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Transportation; Criminal Justice; Fiscal Policy

SB 0346  Relating to School Bus Stop Safety  Simmons  01/22/15
(I: 0487 )
School Bus Stop Safety; Citing this act as the "Gabby's Law for School Bus Stop Safety"; revising penalties for failure to stop a vehicle upon approaching a school bus that displays a stop signal; providing for criminal penalties under certain circumstances; amending provisions relating to application of specified provisions, disposition of penalty amounts received, and trauma payments, etc. Effective Date: 10/1/2015
01/14/15 SENATE Filed
01/22/15 SENATE Referred to Education Pre-K - 12; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Fiscal Policy

SB 0484  Relating to Regional Planning Councils  Simpson  02/03/15
(I: 0873 )
Regional Planning Councils; Requiring the state land planning agency to identify parties that may enter into mediation relating to the compatibility of developments with military installations; requiring electric utilities to notify the county, rather than the regional planning council, of its current plans to site electric substations; authorizing local governments to enter into agreements to create regional planning entities; revising the requirements for the statewide emergency shelter plan to include the general location and square footage of special needs shelters by county rather than by regional planning council region, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2015
01/23/15 SENATE Filed
02/03/15 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations

SB 0562  Relating to Growth Management  Simpson  02/05/15
(I: 0579 )
Growth Management; Requiring plan amendments proposing a development that qualifies as a development of regional impact to be subject to the state coordinated review process; providing that new proposed developments are subject to the state coordinated review process and not the development of regional impact review process, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2015
01/29/15 SENATE Filed
02/05/15 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Transportation; Rules

HB 0579  Relating to Growth Management  Gaetz (M)  02/11/15
(I: 0562 )
Requires plan amendments for developments that are DRIs to follow the state coordinated review process; provides that certain proposed developments that are considered DRIs are subject to the state coordinated review process & not the DRI review process. Effective Date: July 1, 2015
02/03/15 HOUSE Filed
02/11/15 HOUSE Referred to Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee; Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee; Economic Affairs Committee
02/11/15 HOUSE Now in Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee

SB 0582  Relating to Land Acquisition Trust Fund/Department of Transportation  Dean  02/19/15
Land Acquisition Trust Fund/Department of Transportation; Creating the Land Acquisition Trust Fund within the Department of Transportation; providing for the purpose of the trust fund and sources of funds; requiring that title to lands or related property interests acquired be vested by the state; requiring the department or its designee to manage lands or related property interests acquired in accordance with the purposes set forth in s. 28, Art. X of the State Constitution; providing for future review and termination or re-creation of the trust fund, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2015
01/30/15 SENATE Filed
02/05/15 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations
02/09/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Environmental Preservation and Conservation, 02/19/15, 2:00 pm, 37 S
02/18/15 SENATE Favorable by Environmental Preservation and Conservation; 8 Yeas, 0 Nays
02/19/15 SENATE Now in Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government

SB 0586  Relating to Implementation of The Water and Land Conservation Constitutional Amendment  Dean  02/20/15
Implementation of The Water and Land Conservation Constitutional Amendment; Providing that specified distributions to the Land Acquisition Trust Fund are not subject to the service charge under s. 215.20, F.S.; repealing provisions relating to beach erosion control project staffing, funding for the state's beach management plan, and the Florida Preservation 2000 Trust Fund; requiring specified public recreation projects to have been selected through the Department of Environmental Protection's competitive selection process prior to the release of funds, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2015
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02/18/15 SENATE Favorable with CS by Environmental Preservation and Conservation; 5 Yeas, 2 Nays
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SB 0824  
Relating to Public-private Partnerships  
Evers  
02/20/15  
Public-private partnerships; Deleting provisions creating the Public-Private Partnership Guidelines Task Force; deleting a provision that requires approval of the local governing body before a school board enters into a comprehensive agreement; revising the conditions necessary for a responsible public entity to approve a comprehensive agreement; deleting provisions relating to notice to affected local jurisdictions, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2015  
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02/20/15 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Fiscal Policy

HB 0873  
Relating to Regional Planning Councils  
Mayfield  
02/19/15  
Repeals provisions creating regional planning councils & regional planning agencies; repeals provisions specifying duties of such councils & agencies; transfers duties formerly performed by such councils & agencies to state land planning agency or local governments, as appropriate; authorizes local governments to create regional planning entities. Effective Date: July 1, 2015  
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02/20/15 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Fiscal Policy

SB 0908  
Relating to Transportation  
Altman  
02/26/15  
Transportation; Revising provisions relating to the passing of a vehicle; prohibiting passing and turning in front of a vulnerable user in an unsafe manner; prohibiting harassing, taunting, or throwing an object at a person riding a bicycle; providing criminal penalties; requiring traffic law and substance abuse education courses to include instruction on traffic laws relating to rights and safety of vulnerable users, etc. Effective Date: 10/1/2015  
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HB 0933  
Relating to Sector Plans  
La Rosa  
02/23/15  
Sector Plans: Revises provisions regarding adopted sector plans, long-term master plans, & specific area plans; revises date for recording conservation easement for certain lands; requires certain petitions to FLWAC to be filed with particularity; authorizes certain water permit durations to be commensurate with certain development orders; provides permitting criteria in certain situations; clarifies public interest test; specifies rule of statutory construction. Effective Date: July 1, 2015  
02/23/15 HOUSE Filed

HB 0989  
Relating to Expressway Authorities  
Núñez  
02/24/15  
Expressway Authorities: Revises qualifications for membership on governing body of certain expressway authorities & provides for termination from authority's governing body upon finding of ethics violation or failure to comply with notice of failure to comply with financial disclosure requirements. Effective Date: upon becoming a law  
02/24/15 HOUSE Filed

HB 1101  
Relating to Central Florida Expressway Authority  
Miller  
02/26/15  
Central Florida Expressway Authority: Revises provisions for appointments to governing body of authority; specifies end of terms of members appointed by Governor; removes requirement that authority elect one of its members as secretary; removes requirement that authority obtain approval of DOT before making changes to expressway in Lake County; removes requirement that title to former Orlando-Orange County Expressway System be transferred to state. Effective Date: July 1, 2015  
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HB 1123  
Relating to Railroad Walkways  
Fullwood  
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Railroad Walkways: Requires railroad companies to provide walkways adjacent to certain sections of tracks. Effective Date: July 1, 2015  
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SB 1186  
Relating to Transportation  
Brandes  
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Transportation; Providing that certain commercial sponsorship may be displayed on state greenway and trail facilities not included within the Shared-Use Nonmotorized Trail Network; requiring the governing body of any independent special district created to regulate the operation of public vehicles on public highways to consist of a certain number of members; authorizing a public transit provider to enter into agreements with a transportation network company for the provision of certain transit services, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2015  
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SB 1276  
Relating to Expressway Authorities  
Flores  
02/25/15  
Expressway Authorities: Revising qualifications for membership on the governing body of certain expressway authorities; providing for termination from an authority's governing body upon a finding of a violation of specified ethical conduct provisions or failure to comply with a notice of failure to comply with financial disclosure requirements, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law  
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SB 1278  
Relating to Railroad Walkways  
Clemens  
02/25/15  
Railroad Walkways: Requiring railroad companies to provide walkways adjacent to certain sections of tracks by a specified date; specifying requirements for the walkways; authorizing the Department of Transportation to grant waivers under certain circumstances; requiring a party alleging a violation to make a reasonable, good faith attempt at addressing the alleged violation with the railroad company; authorizing the department to impose a fine, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2015  
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SB 1298  
Relating to Insurance for Short-term Rental and Transportation Network Companies  
Simmons  
02/25/15  
Insurance for Short-term Rental and Transportation Network Companies; Establishing insurance requirements for short-term rental and transportation network companies and participating drivers during certain timeframes; prohibiting the personal insurance policy of a participating lessor of a short-term rental vehicle from providing specified coverage during certain timeframes except under specified circumstances; prohibiting the personal motor vehicle insurance policy of a participating driver from providing specified coverage during certain timeframes except under specified circumstances, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2015  
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