Hybrid Virtual & In-Person Meeting of the Citizens Advisory Committee

Wednesday, May 5, 2021 at 9:00 AM

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I. Call to Order & Introductions

II. Chairman’s Request: Per the MPO Bylaws, all speakers are asked to address only the presiding Chair for recognition; confine their remarks to the question under debate; and avoid personalities or indecorous language or behavior.

III. Public Comment - 3 minutes per speaker, please

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IV. Members’ Interests

V. Approval of Minutes –April 7, 2021

VI. Action Items

A. MPO/FDOT Joint Certification Statement (Johnny Wong, MPO Staff)

B. Public Participation Plan Amendment (Davida Franklin, MPO Staff)

C. Transportation Improvement Program Amendment for Downtown Interchange (Vishaka Shiva Raman, MPO Staff)

VII. Status Reports

A. TIP Preliminary Draft (Johnny Wong, MPO Staff)

B. USF – Green ARTery Trail Study (Wade Reynolds, MPO Staff)
VIII. Unfinished Business & New Business  11:40
A. I-275 Boulevard Study (Rich Clarendon, MPO Staff)
B. Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Transportation Improvement Program – May 3rd meeting Follow-Up (Amy Espinosa)
C. TBARTA CAC Report (Rick Richmond)
D. New Member Orientation
E. Next Meeting: June 2, 2021

IX. Adjournment

X. Addendum
A. Links to Articles of Interest to Members:
   • FDOT Strategic Highway Safety Plan Update
   • Florida Outdoor Recreation Survey
B. Announcement
   • Palma Ceia Neighborhood Commercial District planning process
C. MPO Meeting Summary & Committee Report
D. Florida MPOAC Legislative Update

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I. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS
Chair Bill Roberts called the meeting to order at 9:05AM. There was a roll call for attendance and introductions were made.

Members present in-person: Carolyn Brown, Bill Roberts, Edward Mierzejewski, Beatriz Zafra, Terrance Trott arrived at 9:37, Amy Espinosa, and Barbara Kennedy Gibson. In-Person quorum was present.

Members present virtually: Steven Hollenkamp, Nicole Rice, Alexis Boback arrived at 10:06, Christine Acosta, Artie Fryer, Don Skelton, Jr, Cliff Reiss arrived at 9:51, Ricardo Fernandez, Rick Richmond, and Vivienne Handy (phone).

Members absent: David Bailey, Hoyt Prindle, and Jeff Lucas.

Others present: Rich Clarendon, Cheryl Wilkening, Gail Reese, Beth Alden, Joshua Barber, Dayna Lazarus, Vishaka Shiva Raman, and Johnny Wong MPO Staff; Megan Arasteh, FDOT; and Jessica Knox (Metric Engineering).

II. CHAIRMAN’S REQUEST
Per the MPO Bylaws, all speakers are asked to address only the presiding Chair for recognition; confine their remarks to the question under debate; and avoid personalities or indecorous language or behavior.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT
There were no public comments.

IV. MEMBERS’ INTERESTS

A. Christine Acosta – list of high points from National Bicycle Summit:
   ● Globally, 50% of food deliveries are made on 2 wheels.
   ● League of American Bicyclists hosted and assessment for communities, business, and schools. Reworking enforcement of various traffic and bicycle laws
   ● Good design results in self-enforcement – something CAC would be interested in, design can reduce education and enforcement
   ● Term emerging Mobility As A Service (MAAS) – getting traction.
   ● Tremendous amount of attention of worsening crash and fatality statistics, report linked in Agenda.
● Question from Chair Roberts: Design encouraged self-enforcement, what are best practices?
Ms. Acosta: Some automated, advanced speed cameras, messages if higher speeds, lights will turn red, narrower roadways, bulb outs, and roundabouts. Mindset, don’t need to beg for enforcement, need design to make it very difficult to speed.

B. **Amy Espinosa** – recently saw a video by Dayna Lazarus on non-discrimination plan. Would be very interested in the results of that work.

C. **Chair Roberts** – HART study of the CXS project, would the committee like to hear an occasional progress report of that study? Will be passed along to HART.

*(Lack of quorum in person, skipped to Status Reports until quorum met in person)*

V. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Amy Espinosa made a motion to approve the March 3, 2021 CAC minutes. The motion was seconded by Barbara Kennedy Gibson and carried unanimously by voice vote.

VI. **STATUS REPORTS**

A. **Nondiscrimination Plan Update** (Joshua Barber and Dayna Lazarus, MPO Staff)

2021 Title VI, Nondiscrimination Plan Update

Mr. Barber began by noting the MPO is required to adopt a plan every three years. Demonstrates compliance with Federal Nondiscrimination Laws. Last one adopted in 2018. Medium to advance equitable programs and policies. Expanded to include Hillsborough Planning Commission. Went over areas covered, law requirements, scope of work, history of racism and planning in Hillsborough County (including disclaimer and content warning), and mapping process for current update. Ms. Lazarus summarized Community Engagement: went over process of community engagement. Background of outreach program, focus on underserved groups, Three Phase Engagement process (brand, webpage, survey, field outreach, designed ongoing engagement phase), and recommendations (agencywide, MPO, Planning Commission).

● Amy Espinosa – inquired about the maps and where they can be found.
● Artie Fryer – suggested that individuals that attended Middleton and Blake High schools be contacted as these were segregated for black people at one time.
● Ed Mierzejewski – commented that in the 60’s, the American Highway Association had the red book, guidelines for design of highways in urban areas. Specifically sited blighted areas and riverfronts.
● Nicole Rice – Hard issue if we don’t look at how we use the dollars in regard to CRAs. How are we using development dollars in areas other than higher-end development? Can the Planning Commission work in tandem with groups overseeing development opportunities? Has any consideration been given to plat language and removing discriminatory language from these types of contracts?
• Steven Hollenkemp – asked what success looks like in three years and if there is a video tape of this presentation.
• Christine Acosta – Inquired if workarounds not compliant with exclusionary land-use policies are being advanced through the Tampa City Council and being applied in some neighborhoods in South Tampa? Is that being reenacted in real time? Requested to be put on the next agenda, what’s happening in the City Council, are they renewing some of these practices in current times.
• Beth Alden (via chat): Link to the YouTube video of the MPO Board Policy Committee workshop on the Nondiscrimination Plan: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WNSmj1xNedI&list=PLzwNyAnHaDIsuCIRUdbBWvsB_SuWMG3h0&index=29. Received initial guidance and feedback on scoping out the historical research from Commissioner Les Miller, who was a graduate of Middleton High. (The original Middleton, not the one that exists today.) Nikki's suggestion about plat policies is something the BOCC could discuss as a follow-up to the Equity Profile project they are just now kicking off.
• Chair Roberts: Ms. Acosta’s request is recorded and see what we can bring back, particularly as it relates to MPO and transportation issues within the city.

(Terrence Trott has joined, now have quorum. Moved back to Action Items)

VII. ACTION ITEMS

A. Nominate Alternate for Under 30 Representative on CAC (Rich Clarendon, MPO Asst Dir.)
Consider nominating someone as the alternate for At Large Under Age 30 on the CAC, Jonathan Knudsen. Mr. Knudsen has agreed to serve.

Ed Mierzejewski made a motion to approve Jonathan Knudsen as the alternate for the CAC Member At Large Under Age 30 Alternate, the motion was seconded by Amy Espinosa. Voice Vote: Motion passes with two Negative votes from Rick Fernandez and Nicole Rice

• Ms. Rice lost some audio during this vote. Questioned if the nominee was the individual with contracts. Asked for clarification, confirmed by Rich Clarendon. Opposed nomination. Requested to make a motion to reopen the conversation. Chair Roberts noted the motion is out of order as vote has been taken but said her no vote would be recorded.

B. TIP Amendment for I-4 FRAME Project Presentation from Megan Arasteh (FDOT), Vishaka Shiva Raman (MPO Staff)

Ms. Arasteh said the Department of Transportation in District 7 is working to find solutions to manage congestion and promote a more reliable and safe transportation system by using modern communication systems and technology to modernize its arterial roadways. One strategic focus area that FDOT would like to bring forward is Integrated Corridor Management (ICM), which is defined as managing the available capacity of major corridors through institutional (FDOT, local agency and transit) collaboration and aggressive, proactive strategies
and solutions that are synthesized by decision support software. To bring ICM to this region, FDOT District 7 is leading a Connected Vehicle initiative known as the I-4 FRAME (Florida’s Regional Advanced Mobility Elements) project - coordinated among both Districts 1 and 5 – to connect the cities of Orlando and Tampa with Connected Vehicle technology and incorporate Integrated Corridor Management (ICM) strategies along the corridor. The U.S. Department of Transportation has awarded the state $10 million for the I-4 FRAME project. This amendment will add $14,498,681 to the current Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) towards railroads and utilities, construction, and capital phases. This will be consistent with the Smart Cities funding allocation in the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). District 7: design completion November 2021, Contractor Selection February 2022. District 1, 5, Turnpike: design completion June 2022, Contractor Selection October 2022. Vishaka Shiva Raman – presented the funding breakdown and recommendation to amend the TIP to include this project.

- Mr. Fernandez – Questioned whether communications devices will be installed on SR 60, MLK, and Hillsborough Ave; has the system been initiated anywhere else in the country and what are the results; will data be made available; what percentage of vehicles will need to be enabled with the technology to make this project effective?
- Nicole Rice – Inquired why funding would be provided to this type of project instead of upgrading current signal control procedures; why is the investment being made on the assumption drivers will have the new technology instead of upgrading current infrastructure?
- Steven Hollenkamp – Questioned about US 92 which runs through downtown Plant City and the impact on programs currently being put in place to slow traffic down in this area.
- Eric Lam (via chat): Inquired about addressing any privacy & data concerns that may arise?
- Christine Acosta (via chat): Please provide more information on Vehicle-to-Ped/Bike detection systems shown on cartoon slide. Some reports indicate this technology is not fully developed. Is concerned slide conveys that it is fully developed, which may be premature.
- Chair Roberts – Questioned if any funding is intended to include on-board units to people who want to take advantage of this earlier rather than later?

Terrance Trott made a motion to approve the amendment to the TIP for the I-4 FRAME project, the motion was seconded by Ed Mierzejewski. Roll Call Vote: Motion carries 13 – 3: No votes from Rick Fernandez, Christine Acosta, and Nicole Rice

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. TIP Ad Hoc Subcommittee (Amy Espinosa): What we feel should be improved around the language of the TIP. Johnny Wong is very engaged and wants to make sure the language is clarified. Has committed to introduce the TIP to subcommittee for discussion before the meeting in May in order to clarify. Next subcommittee meeting is the evening of May 3. Will be looking over the TIP information and see what they can do to improve it.

- Johnny Wong: Met with subcommittee. Many suggestions already under way. Making it simple and brief. Very productive feedback from the subgroup. They want to know what the
TIP processes are better structured. Better understand relationship between TIP, UPWP, and the LRTP. Many of these issues already in progress. CAC has mentioned it is tough to go over in one meeting. Bringing a draft forward in two meetings: May 5th in draft form (discussion) and again on June 2nd for action (near final format), June 9th, public hearing/ adoption.

• Nicole Rice – wanted to know if ways discussed to make it easier for the public to understand the TIP? Hard to advocate. Can that be addressed in the meetings you are leading? Are you planning on using visuals to help understand how decisions are made? It is very hard to mobilize people to care about this, is this a priority?
• Ricardo Fernandez, Amy Espinosa, and Nicole Rice – what the TIP is, how new members should engage with this document, suggestions that have been made from the subcommittee.
• Chair Roberts – for new members and members who have been here for a while, there are many opportunities to make recommendations throughout the year. They are taken seriously.

B. TBARTA CAC Report (Rick Richmond)
There was no TBARTA meeting scheduled last month. Next meeting on April 14th.

• Chair Roberts – there is a bill in the State Senate to abolish TBARTA, no companion bill in the House, still alive, nothing out there to replace.
• Nicole Rice – the Senate bill, is it required to have a house companion bill to defund or can than push it through without? Chair Roberts confirmed a house bill would also be needed.
• Chair Roberts – normal course would be companion bills in the House and the Senate. In this case, Senator Brandes expects to attach the TBARTA defunding bill to some sort of a funding bill to get it through the Senate.

C. Charter County Surtax (Johnny Wong, MPO Staff)
Not much to report. The Supreme Court invalidated the legality of the tax. The IOC will no longer exist. Initiative to bring back to ballot in 2022.

• Nicole Rice – Inquired to why there is no appeal process and the need to put it back on the ballot.
• Johnny Wong: We are in a holding pattern. There is still a class action suite filed by a Temple Terrace resident. Not sure what happens to the money until after then. Send specific questions to Johnny Wong.
• Chair Roberts – Board of County Commissioners has authority to determine what happens to money already raised; actively bringing back to voters in 2022.

D. I-275 Boulevard Concept (Rich Clarendon, MPO Asst. Dir)
The concept to convert I-275 to a boulevard is in a holding pattern. It would require a feasibility study upwards of $800,000 which would consume the consulting budget. Boulevard study did not receive many board votes. It needs to be complimented with some sort of fixed guideway transit system.
• Mr. Fernandez – Are we any more suspended this year than we were last year? We will do it when we find the funding to do it? Authorization for the study was passed two years ago. Issue raised last year about the budget. The boulevard study was the top line item with a price point of $800K and was being presented to fail. A suggestion was made to break study it into smaller increments to begin at a smaller price point that would allow study to progress. Was a smaller price point ever presented?
• Christine Acosta – reiterated Rick’s request that we break the feasibility study into smaller bites. Make developable land and resulting tax revenue phase one of the study.
• Nicole Rice – also wants to stand behind where Mr. Fernandez and Ms. Acosta stand on this. We just approved $10 million for the flow of traffic on I-4. We have the ability to reprioritize long-term projects locally. Does not feel this project has been presented well.
• Ed Mierzejewski – Thinks first thing to be done, how to carry the 180 - 200K people who use the area to determine potential economic opportunities.
• Chair Roberts – The investigation of the boulevard needs take all these things into account. Reminder, the RRT plan being advanced by TBARTA relies on using the existing interstate corridor.
• Terrance Trott – Need to look at gains and losses. We can’t see what might happen without the actual study being done.
• Nicole Rice – Corridor development is higher-end, price points per square foot going up; look at that data. Is it possible to make a motion to get the economic impact for the 2040 plan based on the information we already have with current development?
• Chair Roberts – The staff will bring to the committee whatever land-use or economic development information might be available along that corridor to find the starting point. This item will be put on the agenda for the next meeting. Request members of the committee come to a meeting with specific ideas that could be made part of a study.

E. Chair Roberts recognizes Ed Mierzejewsk: this is probably his last meeting after four years, plus, to the committee. Thanked Ed again for his service to the county.

F. Next Meeting May 5, 2021, start of the TIP approval process.

G. New Business

• Terrence Trott – Would like someone to talk to the committee about maps. Or, at least social media, when it comes to communicating MPO business. Please have someone come in and talk about how we communicate information out. Having a website means people have to go looking. We need information sent to people. One stop shopping goes along with that.

IX. Meeting adjourned at 12:01 PM
MPO/FDOT Joint Certification Statement

Presenter
Johnny Wong, MPO staff

Summary

The Metropolitan Planning Organization is established and funded by federal and state laws and rules. Many federal and state requirements apply. The federal government evaluates our compliance every four years, and a public meeting is held at that time. The last such meeting was held in 2021.

In between these major review events, the MPO’s planning process must be certified as following federal and state rules through a cooperative review conducted by the FDOT District 7 office and the MPO. This concludes with a Joint MPO/FDOT Certification statement and summary of notable achievements, recommendations, and corrective actions.

Staff will review notable achievements from the past year.

Recommended Action

Support re-certification of the MPO and authorization for the MPO Chairman to sign a Joint Certification Statement.

Prepared By
Johnny Wong, PhD, MPO Staff

Attachments

1. MPO/FDOT Joint Certification Summary
2. MPO/FDOT Joint Certification Statement
The annual Joint FDOT/MPO Certification for January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020, review was conducted on March 22, 2021, as required by federal guidelines to assess the MPO’s compliance with the federal transportation planning process and applicable state laws. The Hillsborough County MPO was found to be in compliance with federal and state guidelines for metropolitan transportation planning.

The following is a summary of the Department’s findings:

Notable Achievements

- **Data & Analytics Platform**
  The MPO launched a data & analytics platform which greatly enhanced our technical capacities and played a key role in supporting our plans & studies. The platform itself materialized as a result of coordination among the MPO, all of the partner agencies within the metropolitan planning area, District 7 staff, and FDOT Central Office GIS staff, who provided us with a real-time traffic data feed. The data visualizations and statistical analyses were critically important to our performance measures program and were used to update the transportation element of the forthcoming Hillsborough County Comprehensive Plan update.

- **Vision Zero Speed Management Action Plan**
  The MPO’s Vision Zero Speed Management Action Plan was approved in July of 2020 and was one of the first studies to have identified countermeasures and policies for addressing the role that speed plays in serious injury & fatal crashes. In recognition of this innovative planning work, the Plan was awarded the John W. Barr District Transportation Achievement Award and was named the 2020 Project of the Year by the Tampa Bay Institute of Transportation Engineers.

- **Regional Long Range Transportation Plan**
  The MPO worked with our regional partners to create a Regional Long Range Transportation Plan document, which succinctly summarizes the most important projects planned to link Hillsborough County with its neighboring counties.

- **Race Equity Resolution**
  One of the most notable achievements for this past year was our agency’s response to national conversations about race and equity. In an effort to expand scope & scale of nondiscrimination work that we have already accomplished, staff worked with members of our Citizens Advisory
Committee to draft a Racial Equity Resolution committing the MPO to ensuring robust access to all transportation modes with a specific focus on the needs of African-Americans, Latinx, and other historically disenfranchised communities. The Resolution was approved unanimously in August.

Recommended Actions

- **MPO Website:**
  The MPO needs to evaluate their website for ADA compliance, ease of access and operations (i.e., missing links/links that go to incorrect document). Also, the MPO needs to save all version of the current UPWP on the website.

- **MPO Priority Lists**
  MPO staff needs to advocate for partially funded projects to maintain their position on the priority list until fully funded. While we understand that it is ultimately the MPO’s board decision, MPO staff should encourage and educate the board members on the importance of maintaining these priorities.

Corrective Actions

- None
Pursuant to the requirements of 23 U.S.C. 134(k)(5) and 23 CFR 450.334(a), the Department and the MPO have performed a review of the certification status of the metropolitan transportation planning process for the Hillsborough County MPO with respect to the requirements of:

2. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d-1) and 49 C.F.R. Part 21;
3. 49 U.S.C. 5332 prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or age in employment or business opportunity;
4. Section 1101(b) of the FAST Act and 49 C.F.R. Part 26 regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in USDOT funded projects;
5. 23 C.F.R. Part 230 regarding the implementation of an equal employment opportunity program on Federal and Federal-aid highway construction contracts;
6. The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) and the regulations found in 49 C.F.R. Parts 27, 37, and 38;
7. The Older Americans Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6101) prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance;
8. Section 324 of 23 U.S.C. regarding the prohibition of discrimination on the basis of gender; and

Included in this certification package is a summary of noteworthy achievements by the MPO, attachments associated with these achievements, and (if applicable) a list of any recommendations and/or corrective actions. The contents of this Joint Certification Package have been reviewed by the MPO and accurately reflect the results of the joint certification review meeting held on March 22, 2021.

Based on a joint review and evaluation, the Florida Department of Transportation and the Hillsborough County MPO recommend that the Metropolitan Planning Process for the Hillsborough County MPO be certified.

Name: David Gwynn, P.E. Date
Title: District Secretary (or designee)

Name: Harry Cohen Date
Title: MPO Chairman (or designee)
Board & Committee Agenda Item

**Agenda Item:**
Public Participation Plan Amendment

**Presenter:**
Davida Franklin, MPO Staff

**Summary:**
The Metropolitan Planning Organization has a Public Participation Plan (PPP) that describes the MPO’s strategies and techniques to inform and engage the public in transportation planning issues with the purpose of maximizing participation and effectiveness.

The PPP spells out how the public can review and comment on pending decisions. This includes acting on a Long Range Transportation Plan, Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), and amendments to these documents.

For TIP amendments, the review and comment period for TIP amendments coincides with formal presentations made to the MPO advisory committees (at a minimum CAC and TAC) as an Action Item on the agenda for review and comment before the MPO’s consideration, which includes posting on PlanHillsborough.org at least two weeks before the MPO meeting.

Beginning this year, the MPO changed its meeting schedule and now meets on the second Wednesday of the month. The TAC and the CAC normally meet a week ahead of the MPO. Therefore, the minimum public review and comment period on TIP amendments needs to change from 21 days to 14 days.

**Recommended Action:**
Approve the proposed amendments to the PPP.

**Prepared By:**
Rich Clarendon, AICP

**Attachments:**
Proposed changes to the PPP

Proposed Changes to MPO Public Participation Plan

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TIP Amendments require a 2114-day review period, no public advertisement, and are generally considered at a public meeting. Additionally, an official transcript or record of comments must be kept for a public hearing.

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TIP Amendment

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Board & Committee Agenda Item

**Agenda Item**
Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment: FPN: 445056-1 I-4/SR 400 WB to I-275/SR 93 NB from W of 14th Ave to Floribraska Ave

**Presenters**
Vishaka Shiva Raman, MPO Staff

**Summary**
The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) has requested this amendment to the Fiscal Year (FY) 2020/21–2024/25 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to purchase seven (7) parcels for the Downtown Interchange Operational Improvements. This amendment will add $2.5 million towards Right-of-Way acquisition.

This project has been identified in the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) as part of the FDOT Strategic Intermodal System (SIS) Cost Feasible Projects.

**Recommended Action**
Approval of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment: 445056-1 I-4/SR 400 WB to I-275/SR 93 NB from W of 14th Ave to Floribraska Ave.

**Prepared By**
Vishaka Shiva Raman, MPO Staff

**Attachments**
I-4/ I-275 Interchange Concept Diagram
TIP Comparative Report
LRTP Reference Page
Amendment to FY2020/21 - FY2024/25 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for Right of Way acquisition funding for seven (7) parcels for the constructability of the Downtown Tampa Interchange Operational Improvements.
### FDOT
### 5 Year TIP
#### Hillsborough County, District 7

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Board & Committee Agenda Item

**Agenda Item**
Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Update, Preliminary Draft

**Presenter**
Johnny Wong, MPO Staff

**Summary**
Staff has prepared a preliminary draft of the Transportation Improvement Program document for the fiscal year period of 2021/22 – 2025/26. The TIP document includes three important lists:

1. **Existing priorities funded for construction:** these are priorities that are under construction or have funding to begin construction within the next five years. This list also includes partially funded projects, which are listed to show community support, while they await completion.
2. **Candidates for new funding:** these are priorities that need federal and state funding because they have been shown to address urgent transportation needs in the community. This list organizes projects into the appropriate investment program and ranks them in priority order based on the estimated impact they will have on the community’s goals.
3. **All other projects:** this list is quite large and includes projects programmed by the FDOT based on our previous year’s priority list. It also catalogs all projects in our partners’ local Capital Improvement Programs, even though the MPO does not control what projects appear in the CIPs.

Staff will present these three preliminary lists so that committee members can become more familiar with the TIP and its elements prior to the June meeting, during which the committee will take action.

Based on feedback received from the CAC’s TIP subcommittee, staff will also present information on the TIP development process and timeline; the relationship between the TIP and Long Range Transportation Plan; the prioritization methodology and process; and, how projects are created – from idea to construction.

**Recommended Action**
None. For information only.

**Prepared By**
Johnny Wong, PhD, MPO Staff

**Attachments**
- Draft Transportation Improvement Program 2021/22-2025/26
Board & Committee Agenda Item

**Agenda Item:**
USF-Green ARTery Trail Study

**Presenter:**
Wade Reynolds, Hillsborough MPO

**Summary:**
The USF-Green ARTery trail study will evaluate conceptual and new connections from the University area to the existing and proposed trail system in Tampa and Hillsborough County. With the redevelopment of the University Mall, expansion of the Veterans Administration, and continuing growth around the University of South Florida, safe nonmotorized spaces are an increasing priority. The study area contains several high-volume roadways, and safe crossings and connections will be a primary focus. The study kicked off in March and will explore the feasibility of a trail connecting the University of South Florida (USF) and Veterans Hospital with the planned Green ARTery Perimeter Trail and other neighborhoods to the south of Fowler including proposed safe crossing locations on Fowler and other roadways. This study will focus on the potential alignments for the trail, in coordination with area property owners and agency partners.

**Recommended Action:**
None, for information only

**Prepared By:**
Wade Reynolds, Hillsborough MPO

**Attachments:**
Project Webpage
ADDENDUM ITEMS
MPO Board Meeting of Wednesday, March 10, 2021

CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & INVOCATION

The MPO Vice Chairman, Commissioner Pat Kemp called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m., led the pledge of allegiance. The regular monthly meeting was held virtually via WebEx.

The following members were present via teleconference:

Commissioner Pat Kemp, Cheri S. Donohue, Melanie Williams, Councilman Joseph Citro, Commissioner Gwen Myers, Derek Doughty, Joe Waggoner, Charles Klug, Joe Lopano, Commissioner Kimberly Overman, Commissioner Mariella Smith, Councilman Guido Maniscalco, Nate Kilton, John Dingfelder and Jessica Vaughn.

The following members were absent: Commissioner Harry Cohen (medical leave).

Presentation of Awards for MPO Speed Management Action Plan

Beth Alden, MPO Executive Director, introduced the presentation of awards for the MPO Speed Management Action Plan. Ms. Alden noted they are very honored to be the recipient of two awards.

Jodi Godfrey and Michelle Cod from the Institute of Transportation Engineers were present. Jodi Godfrey was pleased to award Hillsborough County with the 2020 Tampa Bay ITE Project of the Year Award for their outstanding performance and lasting contribution on their Speed Management Action Plan. Gena Torres with MPO Staff and Paula Flores with GPI Consultants accepted this award.

Jodi Godfrey recognized the project of the year is awarded to the Hillsborough MPO for the commitment to Vision Zero.

The John W. Barr Transportation Achievement Award was presented by Vishal S. Kakkad, President of Institute of Transportation Engineers Florida-Puerto Rico District to MPO project managers Paula Flores, GPI MPO Consultant and Gena Torres, MPO Staff. This award speaks for the MPO’s diligent work in introducing fatal crash rate in Hillsborough County for the last five years.

REVIEW OF MINUTES – February 10, 2021

No action was taken on the minutes. This meeting is totally virtual with no quorum in place.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chris Vela noted his comments on the expressway projects through the CAC and commented on the THEA bond validation authority. Mr. Vela made a reference to red lining in the Tampa area in correlation with Dana Lazarus presentation.
Gina Robles, Assist Principal, St. Stephens Catholic School, pointed out the dangerous intersection of Carr Road/Boyette Road and noted they requested a traffic light. Their need has been acknowledged but there is no funding for the new design or installation.

Commissioner Kemp urged that Ms. Robles comments be brought to the BOCC and recognized Mr. Vela concerns with THEA and this could be a future item with the MPO and include Mr. Vela in that presentation.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS and ADVANCE COMMENTS**

Davida Franklin, MPO Staff, gave an update on the MPO committees. On March 1, the TAC committee held status reports on Flamingo Fare Update, In-Road Safety Lights, Hillsborough County School Route Program Development Process and SRTS Projects, Selmon Expressway Project Development & Environment Studies and Port Tampa Bay Master Plan. The BPAC heard status reports on HART Transit Oriented Development Study – Members asked if bike-sheds were being considered around station areas as well as safe bicycle parking at stations. Members also commented on necessary densities to support transit, including the allowance of Accessory Dwelling Units as a strategy. Members also mentioned the need to allow greater numbers of bicycles on buses (they currently hold two each) and the committee also heard from interested potential members but did not take action to approve membership due to lack of an in-person quorum. On Feb 17, the committee heard status reports on new members, Florida Department of Health Hillsborough Community Health Assessment and Selmon Expressway East PD&E. Under Action items, the TDCB approved Election of Officers and Gloria Mills was reelected as Vice Chair and Mark Harshbarger was elected as Officer at Large. The TDCB adopted the 2019-2020 FY Community Transportation Coordinator Evaluation. While not required for this FY, staff in coordination with the CTC decided to conduct an evaluation this to evaluate the impact of COVID-19 on CTC operations and performance standards. The Community Transportation Coordinator is designated every 5 years. The Hillsborough County Board of Commissioners has served as the CTC for Hillsborough County since 1990. The next designation is due by June 2021. The Board approved a motion to recommend that the MPO Board approve the re-designation as the Hillsborough Board of County Commissioners as the CTC and the Sunshine Line as the operator and forward this recommendation to the Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged and approve MPO Resolution 2021-1. The Board approved a renewed contract with Life Concepts, Inc d/b/a Quest. This is in line with Section 5310 program requirements and Board processes. Glenn Brown and Kristina Melling volunteered to serve on the Transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan Subcommittee. The TDCB heard status reports on Florida Department of Health Hillsborough Community Health Assessment and Sunshine Line Update.

We received correspondence from J. Caughey regarding the I75x bus line, a story telling forum thank you, Chris Vela noting Mr. Prasad, Janet Scherberger regarding walk bike Tampa sidewalk code support, emails regarding BLM, Eric Holt regarding road construction that will effect Westchase commuters, email regarding South Selmon from Chris Vela and newspaper article, article regarding Bayshore speed limit 30MPH, IOC thank you from Robert Hunter, letter of support from the Ybor City Development Corporation Board Chair, and communication regarding transportation methodology and school siting.

We received social media comments from Sarah H. regarding road widening does not make things safer, Chris Vela regarding self driving cars will make streets will deadlier and Karen Mullins who shared a historic photo from 1924 that demonstrated efforts to increase driver safety awareness.

Beth Alden, MPO Director, provided an update on the Policy Committee that met this morning. They were given a presentation on the Hillsborough County Non-Discrimination Plan.
Bill Roberts, CAC Chair, presented the committee report on the CAC. On March 3, the committee nominated the At-large business Representative. Sharon Gaumond was nominated, with Eric Lam as her alternate. The committee heard status reports on Port Tampa Bay Master Plan Update; several members were concerned about recent state legislative proposals to preempt decision-making by local port authorities. They also heard status reports on Hillsborough County School Route Program Development Process and SRTS Projects and Flamingo Fares Update. Under new and unfinished business, the CAC discussed THEA’s proposed expansion of the South Selmon Expressway. Several members echoed comments made by a member of the public questioning the need for the expansion, concerns about traffic impacts to the surrounding community, and reactions received from nearby neighbors.

The Chairman also appointed an ad hoc subcommittee to dig into the Transportation Improvement Program, to make sure members understood the process as well as the substance of the TIP’s projects and priorities.

Joe Lopano thanked Bill Roberts for his service. Commissioner Kemp also agreed Bill Roberts has great dedication to his years of service.

**STATUS REPORT**

**A. Near Road Air Quality**

Sterlin Woodard with EPC introduced the EPC Air Monitoring Network for public health protection and research. Mr. Woodard explained there are 11 air monitoring stations that continuously monitor for Ozone, NO2, Co, SO2 and particulate matter. The near-road monitoring station near I-275 is to enhance understanding of mobile source impacts. The Purple Air PA-II-SD PM 2.5 Air Sensor is $250.00. Jason Waters, Air Monitoring Manager for EPC reviewed the EPA’s criteria air pollutants. The EPC Air Monitoring Program during COVID-19 emergency has continued without interruption, EPA/FDEP declared air monitoring mission critical and essential. The EPC operates the near-road site at Munro Street to meet specific requirements and Mr. Waters reviewed the daily near-road site data and air pollutions. Amy Stuart, Professor at USF, presented the traffic-related air pollution (TRAP). Ms. Stuart explained the complex mix of air pollutants that are elevated near roadways, the important pollutants and health effects. The inequality in health effects of air pollution include asthma, cardiovascular mortality, lung cancer mortality and overall life expectancy is lower for those with lower incomes and for blacks. Black, low-income and Hispanic populations typically have higher TRAP exposure level’s and this is true for the Tampa area too. The mitigating measures include transportation system design, roadway design, traffic management, land use specifications, building specification and enabling person choices. The pros of traditional monitoring are accurate, reliable, high standard of quality, and long lifetime equipment. The limitations are expensive, sparse in spatial and pollutant representation, time lag in data availability, difficult for non-expert to access and understand and lack of trust in government data. The emerging monitoring methods are systematic mobile monitoring on government and industry vehicles and smart cities sensor systems in government infrastructure. Ms. Stuart reviewed the low-cost monitors/sensors and provided examples of community monitoring. In summary, traffic-related air pollution is an important public health problem, low-income and black people are impacted, there are many systems scale policy options for mitigation, low-cost monitoring is likely to expand and there is an opportunity for EPC and MPO to engage with communities to meet their needs by providing necessary expertise and advice.

Commissioner Kemp pointed out the intersection of transportation and air quality and then noted the micro plastic pollution in our water is caused by our tires and commented on crowd sourcing and pollution. Ms. Alden thanked the EPC for their presentation and pointed out there has been a lot of questions of crowd sourcing and pollutions and would like to discuss further with EPC.
B. Community Health Assessment

Grisel Cisneros, Florida Department of Health, stated the Hillsborough Community Health Assessment and the Florida Department of Health (DOH) in Hillsborough County completes a comprehensive assessment of their communities every three to five years. The results are used to develop the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) and provides direction for many of the DOH’s efforts during the three to five-year cycle. The DOH have been mobilizing for action through planning and partnerships (MAPP) model in 6 phases. The primary data was collected February – June 2019 that included 5304 surveys, 25 key informants interviewed and 4 focus groups. There was secondary data collected from various websites. There was a prioritization meeting on July 24th where the survey results were presented along with the secondary data. Ms. Cisneros reviewed the top 10 health problems and high need zip codes. The next steps will be to review the inventory of existing assets, programs, initiatives in those areas then prepare an action plan and monitor. A link was included to the Community Health Assessment in the agenda packet.

Commissioner Kemp noted it was an excellent presentation. Cheri Donohue noticed her zip code was included as a community in need and wanted to know how she could help mitigate.

C. FDOT Safety Program News: Busch Blvd

Ginger Regalado, FDOT District 7, provided highlights from the District’s safety program on the recent constructed project to improve pedestrian safety on East Busch Blvd. FDOT District 7 conducted a Pedestrian Safety Study and Road Safety Audit to determine the best locations for the recently installed Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons (PHBs) along Busch Boulevard in Hillsborough County. In addition, through the District's Walk Bike Drive initiative, District 7 launched a comprehensive safety initiative to education the public about the PHBs. Ms. Regalado provided video on PSA to promote Safety and asked if everyone could put on their website to promote safety. Social media quiz, large billboards, law enforcement partnerships and on street education are other examples of educating the public on pedestrian safety and PHB. FDOT has a working relationship with local partnerships of Hillsborough County which is essential to get the word out and noted FDOT has completed signal cabinet wraps and aesthetic treatment that show all communities are involved.

Commissioner Overman would like a link to these videos so she can share on social media and websites.

D. Plan Hillsborough Annual Report

Melissa Zornitta, Planning Commission Director, presented the Plan Hillsborough Annual Report. This report describes the progress over the past year to implement the Strategic Plan and uses the framework of the Plan's seven Strategic Priorities. Ms. Zornitta highlighted 57 plan amendments and 297 consistency reviews to link land use and transportation. Strategies for Transportation Alternatives and New Development Scenarios (STANDS), City and County Policy Workshops, South County policy workshops, South County studies and Speed Management Action Plan. They have enhanced digital communication and digital forms, pivoting remote work and virtual meetings, new video productions and leveraging technology. Ms. Zornitta provided an update on citizen engagement, planning partnerships, enabling transportation choices, opportunities for Regional Collaboration and internal agency enhancements. The 2021 Strategic Plan Implementation Activities continue to be a focus and priority for staff, agencywide sharing of implementation ideas of all staff, surveying staff for new and innovative ideas, continued cross-functional teams and potential fall/winter staff retreat. A consolidated annual report is attached in the agenda packet that provides detailed information regarding the performance and progress from a strategic perspective.
E. Bylaws Amendment for Policy and Livable Roadways Committees

Lisa Silva, MPO Staff, presented the bylaws amendment for Policy and Livable Roadways Committees. In November 2020, during New Business at the LRC meeting, there was a discussion about adding a School District and/or School Parent Representative to the LRC membership. All new members require Bylaw Amendments. In January 2021, the Policy Committee discussed a name change for the MPO, consistent with the Fictitious Name Act, to Hillsborough Transportation Planning Agency and a limit a term for officers to two consecutive years. A copy of the Bylaws Amendment with revisions highlighted are included in the agenda packet.

Executive Director’s Report

The Legislative developments includes funding from federal Pandemic Recovery Act is coming to our area what that means in terms of our ability to apply additional funds to MPO priorities. We will be talking about that next month at our MPO Policy Committee which will be a workshop on our priorities for the Transportation Improvement Program this Year. You will be hearing from all of the local government agencies like HART who are submitting priorities for consideration. At the State level there are a couple of Regional Bills that are affecting TBARTA. On Regional Planning the MPO Chair’s Coordinating Committee for West Central Florida has been part of the TBARTA Organization of a number of years. TBARTA has narrowed to focus on a smaller geographic area and transit specifically so the MPO will take the lead again in Multimodal Transportation Planning but to reflect that in the State Law so one of the TBARTA Bill would make that change. The other would be to remove both TBARTA and the MPO Chair’s Coordinating Committee from the State Statue. This doesn’t mean that our Regional Coordination would go away for the MPOs because we have signed the interlocal agreement. Lastly, they have been talking about a fictitious name for the Regional Coordination as well so to more clearly describe what they are doing the name that has been suggested is Gulf Coast Transportation Planning Council. There is a TMA Leadership Group virtual meeting this Friday at 9:30am and the link is on our website. Lastly, the MPO Staff has created two different Financial scenarios in the Long-Range Transportation Plan. One with the sales tax and one without the sales tax. The funding estimates are a result of the coordination with all four local governments and HART about their needs and their process in it to address those needs and the sales tax. The financial scenario in the Long-Range Plan is not only based on their cost estimates and needs it also forecasts our system performance in these two financial scenarios so maintenance, safety, travel time reliability, access to bus service, performance metrics are already calculated out in those two different scenarios.

OLD & NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Overman would like to make sure the MPO Staff meet with stakeholders to bring heightened level of coordination and analysis of the 2045 LTRP. Councilman Dingfelder requested for a report from FDOT on technical options for wrong way driver. Councilman Dingfelder would also like staff to look for potential funding for the entire North Florida Avenue on traffic calming right now there are funds up to MLK and he pointed out South of Gandy issues up to Kennedy has been two lanes and would like to discuss possible solutions.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:06pm.
Committee Reports

Meetings of the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) on March 1

On March 1, the committee held status reports on:

- Flamingo Fare Update
- In-Road Safety Lights
- Hillsborough County School Route Program Development Process and SRTS Projects
- Selmon Expressway Project Development & Environment Studies
- Port Tampa Bay Master Plan

Meeting of the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) March 3

On March 3, the committee nominated the At-large business Representative. Sharon Gaumond was nominated, with Eric Lam as her alternate.

The committee heard status reports on:

- Port Tampa Bay Master Plan Update; several members were concerned about recent state legislative proposals to preempt decision-making by local port authorities.
- Hillsborough County School Route Program Development Process and SRTS Projects
- Flamingo Fares Update

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Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) on February 10

The BPAC heard status reports on:

- HART Transit Oriented Development Study – Members asked if bike-sheds were being considered around station areas as well as safe bicycle parking at stations. Members also commented on necessary densities to support transit, including the allowance of Accessory Dwelling Units as a strategy. Members also mentioned the need to allow greater numbers of bicycles on buses (they currently hold two each).
• The committee also heard from interested potential members but did not take action to approve membership due to lack of an in-person quorum.

**Meeting of the Livable Roadways Committee (LRC) on February 17**

On Feb 17, the committee heard status reports on:

- New Members
- Florida Department of Health Hillsborough Community Health Assessment
- Selmon Expressway East PD&E

**Meeting of the Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board (TDCB) on February 26**

Under Action items, the TDCB approved:

- Election of Officers
  Gloria Mills was reelected as Vice Chair and Mark Harshbarger was elected as Officer at Large
- CTC Evaluation
  The TDCB adopted the 2019-2020 FY Community Transportation Coordinator Evaluation. While not required for this FY, staff in coordination with the CTC decided to conduct an evaluation this to evaluate the impact of COVID-19 on CTC operations and performance standards.
  - CTC Designation
    The Community Transportation Coordinator is designated every 5 years. The Hillsborough County Board of Commissioners has served as the CTC for Hillsborough County since 1990. The next designation is due by June 2021. The Board approved a motion to recommend that the MPO Board approve the re-designation as the Hillsborough Board of County Commissioners as the CTC and the Sunshine Line as the operator, and forward this recommendation to the Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged and approve MPO Resolution 2021-1.
  - Coordination Contract for Life Concepts, Inc.
    The Board approved a renewed contract with Life Concepts, Inc d/b/a Quest. This is in line with Section 5310 program requirements and Board processes.
  - TDSP Subcommittee
    Glenn Brown and Kristina Melling volunteered to serve on the Transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan Subcommittee.

  The TDCB heard status reports on:

  - Florida Department of Health Hillsborough Community Health Assessment
  - Sunshine Line Update
Greetings readers! Welcome to the newest edition of the Florida Transportation Legislative Newsletter. Session ends in 11 days and tomorrow is officially the last day for committee meetings! The budget is being produced and members of both chambers are meeting to hammer out those final details. The budget has to be published for 72 hours before a final vote can be taken on it so there is about one week left to finish the budget. This 72 hour “cooling off” period allows the members and the public the opportunity to see what is in the budget before a vote is taken. Some details that are out there so far related to the spending priorities are a pause on the effort by Florida DOT to update their software system they use to develop the work program. The work program is the 5-year list of projects and all of the funding that goes on each project. There is a lot of money that goes through FDOT and the current system is, well rather old, not that I am criticizing being old. I am older than their system so who am I to speak loudly? In terms of software though, their system is in need of an update. With the new system envisioned by the Florida DOT, staff will be able to do more analysis with a new system and more easily meet the requirements of the federal government that have come about since the current system was designed. We will see how that goes.

In other financial news, we reported that Florida was due to receive about $10B in federal aid a few weeks ago and some of that money could/should come to transportation. We received word over the weekend that we should not expect to see a list of projects coming from that funding until next week.

Noteable events in the past week that are newsworthy include House Bill 1 was signed by the Governor. This is called the anti-riot bill and it has been very controversial. The repeal of M-CORES has passed it’s one and only House Committee after passing through the Senate and is awaiting a full House Floor vote. The ports pre-emption bill passed the House and a bill prohibiting businesses from requiring customers to show proof of vaccination passed. This last bill attached a $5K fine for requiring a “vaccine passport”. I sure hope this doesn’t send the cruise industry over to Alabama to load their passengers onto their boats when cruises resume. Money has been set aside for the replacement of the windows in the capitol building and it comes with the removal of the metal grates that cover the windows. The grates help keep out the sun so the building doesn’t heat up but they also make the building look like it could be a prison facility. It will be a good look to lose the grates. Other improvements to the capitol grounds are planned as well. To wrap this up, it looks like the unemployment benefits will not change this year. A proposal to increase from $275 a week to $375 a week and to extend benefits by another two weeks was suggested. The answer is no.
Key dates for the 2021 Florida Legislative Session are shown immediately below. All updates to bills shown in the last section of the newsletter are in RED so you can quickly distinguish between updates and old news. Your MPOAC Legislative Update will keep you apprised of changes to existing bills.

Grab a cup of coffee and enjoy this edition of the Florida MPOs Legislative Update.

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**Important Dates for the 2021 Legislative Session**

- August 1, 2020 - Deadline for filing claim bills (Rule 4.81(2))
- January 29, 2021 5:00 p.m. - Deadline for submitting requests for drafts of general bills and joint resolutions, including requests for companion bills.
- February 26, 2021 5:00 p.m. - Deadline for approving final drafts of general bills and joint resolutions, including companion bills.
- March 2, 2021 - Regular Session convenes (Article III, section 3(b), State Constitution) 12:00 noon, deadline for filing bills for introduction (Rule 3.7(1))
- April 17, 2021 - Motion to reconsider made and considered the same day (Rule 6.4.(4)) All bills are immediately certified (Rule 6.8)
- April 20, 2021 50th day – last day for regularly scheduled committee meetings (Rule 2.9(2))
- April 30, 2021 60th day – last day of Regular Session (Article III, section 3(d), State Constitution)

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**Legislation of interest**

This is a summary of transportation related bills filed and published on the legislature’s website as of April 19, 2021. The bills are listed in numerical order for your convenience. As the session progresses and the number of bills tracked in this newsletter grows, this ordering of bills will make it easier to follow the status of any bill you are tracking. All new bills and any updates to bills shown below are in RED so you can quickly distinguish between updates and old news.

**HB 35: Legal Notices – (Fine; Co-Introducer: Grieco)** – Comparable bill SB 402 by Rodrigues. Provides for website publication of legal notices; provides criteria for such publication; authorizes fiscally constrained county to use publicly accessible website to publish legally required advertisements & public notices; requires government agency to provide specified notice to residents concerning alternative methods of receiving legal notices. Filed in the House. Referred to Civil Justice and Property Rights Subcommittee; Judiciary Committee. On Committee agenda-- Civil Justice and Property Rights Subcommittee, 02/03/21, 4:30 pm, Webster Hall. Passed Civil Justice and Property Rights Subcommittee, now in Judiciary Committee. Passed Judiciary, Now on House Floor, 1st Reading. Passed the House YEAS 85, NAYS 34. Sent to the Senate.
**HB 53: Public Works Projects – (DiCeglie)** – Revises definition of term "public works project"; prohibits state or any political subdivision that contracts for public works project from requiring specified acts by certain persons engaged in such project or prohibiting certain persons from receiving information about public works opportunities. Referred to Government Operations Subcommittee; Public Integrity and Elections Committee; State Affairs Committee. Added to Government Operations Subcommittee agenda. Passed Government Operations Subcommittee. Laid on the table and Committee Substitute filed. Referred to Public Integrity & Elections; State Affairs. Now in Public Integrity & Elections. Passed Public Integrity & Elections. Laid on the table, Amended version filed and referred to State Affairs Committee. Passed State Affairs Committee. This was the final committee so it can head to a full floor vote.

**SB 54: Motor Vehicle Insurance – (Burgess; Co-Introducers: Rouson)** – Related Bill HB 273 by Plakon, SB 420 by Hooper and HB 719 by Grall. Repealing provisions which comprise the Florida Motor Vehicle No-Fault Law; revising the motor vehicle insurance coverages that an applicant must show to register certain vehicles with the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; revising financial responsibility requirements for owners or lessees of for-hire passenger transportation vehicles; providing an exception to the circumstances under which a person who is damaged may bring a civil action against an insurer; revising coverages subject to premium discounts for specified motor vehicle equipment; specifying persons whom medical payments coverage must protect, etc. APPROPRIATION: $83,651. Referred to Banking and Insurance; Judiciary; Rules. Passed Banking and Insurance; YEAS 10 NAYS 2. Now in Judiciary. On Committee agenda-- Judiciary, 02/15/21, 2:30 pm, 412 Knott Building. Passed Judiciary; 7 YEAS, 2 NAYS. Now in Rules. Passed Rules, 12 YEAS, 3 NAYS. On the full Senate Floor, on 2nd reading. On Special Order Calendar. Seems stuck on Special Order.

**HB 57: Transportation – (Andrade)** – Similar Bill SB 1194 by Hooper. Similar to SB 1500 by Harrell (this bill seems to be moving). Revises provisions relating to motor vehicle sales tax, competitive solicitations, vehicles displaying flashing lights, annual cap on project contracts, airport restrictions, arbitration of contracts by & membership of State Arbitration Board, borrow pit operation, & performance standards for certain extraction locations. Filed in the House. Referred to Tourism, Infrastructure and Energy Subcommittee; Ways and Means Committee; Infrastructure and Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee; Commerce Committee. Added to Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee agenda. Passed Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee. Original reference to Ways and Means Committee; Infrastructure and Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee removed. Now in Commerce Committee. Passed Commerce Committee.

**HB 59: Growth Management – (McClain; Co-Introducer Sabatini)** – Similar Bill SB 496 by Perry. Requires local governments to include property rights element in their comprehensive plans; provides statement of rights that local government may use; requires local government to adopt property rights element by specified date; prohibits local government's property rights element from conflicting with statutorily provided statement of rights; provides that certain property owners are not required to consent to development agreement changes; prohibits municipality from annexing specified areas; requires DOT to afford right of first refusal to certain individuals; provides requirements & procedures for right of first refusal; authorizes certain developments of regional impact agreements to be amended. Filed in the House. Referred to Local Administration and Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; Civil Justice and Property Rights Subcommittee; State Affairs Committee. On Committee agenda-- Local Administration and
Veterans Affairs Subcommittee, 02/04/21, 12:00 pm, Sumner Hall. Passed Local Administration and Veterans Affairs Subcommittee 12 YEAS, 6 NAYS. Added to Civil Justice & Property Rights Subcommittee agenda. Passed Civil Justice & Property Rights Subcommittee. Passed out of State Affairs. Now on the House Floor for a full House vote, on 1st reading. On 2nd reading. Passed the House, YEAS 82, NAYS 32. Passed the Senate 38 YEAS, Zero Nays.

SB 62: Regional Planning Councils – (Bradley) – Revising a requirement for the Executive Office of the Governor to review and consider certain reports, data, and analyses relating to the revision of the state comprehensive plan; eliminating the advisory role of regional planning councils in state comprehensive plan preparation and revision; repealing provisions relating to the Florida Regional Planning Council Act; authorizing local governments to recommend areas of critical state concern to the state land planning agency, etc. RPCs would be able to host MPOs under the bill as currently written. Referred to Community Affairs; Judiciary; Rules. On Committee agenda-- Community Affairs, 01/26/21, 3:30 pm, 37 Senate Building. CS by Community Affairs; YEAS 6 NAYS 3. Now in Judiciary. Watch this bill to see if it becomes the subject of an amendment to a bill that is moving while on the Senate and/or House Floor.

SB 100: Highway Projects – (General Bill by Appropriations - Harrell) – Repealing provisions relating to applications for funding for technical assistance relating to areas in and around a proposed multiuse corridor interchange; requiring that $35 million transferred to Florida’s Turnpike Enterprise be used for a specified purpose beginning in a specified fiscal year and annually for up to 30 years thereafter; requiring that certain increased revenues be used to fund specified projects beginning in a specified fiscal year and annually thereafter; requiring the department, in coordination with the Florida Turnpike Enterprise, to evaluate certain roadways for development of specific controlled access facilities and to include such projects in the work program, etc. Referred to Transportation; Appropriations. Favorable by Transportation; YEAS 5 NAYS 3, Now in Appropriations. CS by- Appropriations; YEAS 17 NAYS 2. Passed the full Senate; YEAS 39 NAYS 1. To be sent to the House. In the House the bill was referred to Appropriations Committee, passed Appropriations Committee and is now on 2nd reading on the House Floor.

SB 138: Electric Vehicles – (Brandes) – Related Bill SB 140 by Brandes. Identical Bill HB817 by Toledo. Revising the Department of Transportation's goals relating to mobility; requiring the department to establish the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Grant Program; providing for the distribution of grants to certain entities to install electric vehicle charging infrastructure; specifying that certain rules adopted by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services may not require specific methods of sale for electric vehicle charging equipment used in, and services provided in, this state, etc. APPROPRIATION: $5,000,000. Referred to Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations. Passed Transportation, 8 YEAS, Zero NAYS. Now in Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development. On Committee agenda-- Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development, 03/23/21, 8:30 am, 110 Senate Building. Passed Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; YEAS 11 NAYS 0. Now in Appropriations.
SB 140: Fees/Electric Vehicles – (Brandes) – Related Bill SB 138 by Brandes. Identical Bill HB819 by Learned. Creating additional fees for electric vehicles; creating a license tax and an additional fee for plug-in hybrid electric vehicles; requiring, on specified dates, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to increase the additional fees, subject to certain requirements; providing that certain vehicles are exempt from specified fees, etc. Referred to Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations. Passed Transportation, 7 YEAS, 1 NAYS. Now in Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development. On Committee agenda-- Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development, 03/23/21, 8:30 am, 110 Senate Building. Passed Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; YEAS 11 NAYS 0. Now in Appropriations.

HB 139: Electronic Transactions for Title Certificates and Registrations – (Fernandez-Barquin) – Authorizes tax collectors to accept applications for motor vehicle & vessel certificates of title by electronic or telephonic means, to collect electronic mail addresses for use as method of notification, & to contract with vendors to provide electronic & telephonic transactions; provides that electronic signature that meets certain requirements satisfies signature required for application for certificate of title; specifies tax collection systems for which certain fees may be used for integration with Florida Real Time Vehicle Information System; requires DHSMV to provide tax collectors & approved vendors with certain data access & interface functionality; specifies authorized uses; requires DHSMV to ensure approved vendors protect customer privacy & data collection. Filed in the House. Referred to Tourism, Infrastructure and Energy Subcommittee; Infrastructure and Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee; Commerce Committee. Added to Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee agenda. Passed Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee. Laid on the table, Committee Substitute filed. Referred to Infrastructure & Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee; Commerce Committee. Now in Infrastructure & Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee. Added to Commerce agenda. Passed Commerce and completed 2nd reading on House Floor. Set for full House Floor vote on 04/20/2021.

HB 229: Hazardous Walking Conditions for K-12 Students – (Salzman) – Comparable Bill SB 178 by Cruz. Requires DOT to develop & adopt standards & criteria to identify hazardous walking conditions; Revises provisions relating to the transportation of students subjected to hazardous walking conditions & funding for such students. Filed in the House. Referred to Early Learning and Elementary Education Subcommittee; Tourism, Infrastructure and Energy Subcommittee; Appropriations Committee; Education and Employment Committee. Passed Early Learning & Elementary Education Subcommittee and was amended. Amended version was laid on the table and a substitute version was sent forward. Referred to Education & Employment Committee, passed Education & Employment Committee and sent to the House Floor. On 2nd reading.

HB 267: State Preemption of Seaport Regulations – (Roach; Sirois) – Identical Bill SB 426 by Boyd. Preempts to state regulation of commerce in state seaports; provides exceptions; provides construction. Referred to Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee; Local Administration & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; Commerce Committee. Now in Tourism,
Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee. Passed Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee, Laid on Table and Committee Substitute taken up. Referred to Referred to Local Administration & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; Commerce Committee. Now in Local Administration & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee. Passed Local Administration & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee with an amendment. Passed Commerce Committee, headed to House Floor for a full House vote.

**HB 273: Motor Vehicle Insurance Coverage Exclusions – (Plakon)** – Similar to SB54 by Burgess, SB 420 by Hooper and HB 719 by Grall. Provides private passenger motor vehicle policies may exclude identified individuals from specified coverages; provides exceptions. Filed in the House. Referred to Insurance & Banking Subcommittee; Commerce Committee. Now in Insurance & Banking Subcommittee. Favorable by Insurance & Banking Subcommittee. Added to Commerce Committee agenda. Passed Commerce Committee, headed to House Floor for a full House vote.

**HB 337: Impact Fees – (DeCeglie)** – Identical to S750 by Gruters - Specifying instances when a local government or special district may collect an impact fee; requiring local governments and special districts to credit against the collection of impact fees any contribution related to public facilities; providing annual limitations on impact fee rate increases; requiring school districts to report specified items regarding impact fees, etc. Referred to Local Administration & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; Referred to Ways & Means Committee; Referred to State Affairs Committee. On committee agenda of Local Administration & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee. Passed Local Administration & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee. Now in Ways & Means Committee. Added to Ways & Means Committee agenda. Passed Ways & Means Committee with an amendment. Passed State Affairs Committee, now on House Floor and has been amended on the floor.

**SB 342: Vehicle and Vessel Registration – (Diaz)** – Requiring tax collectors to determine service charges collected by privately owned license plate agents for motor vehicle titles; requiring that additional service charges be itemized and disclosed to the person paying them; requiring a license plate agent to enter into a contract with the tax collector for a certain purpose; requiring tax collectors and approved license plate agents to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the department for a certain purpose, etc. Filed in the Senate. Referred to Transportation; Finance and Tax; Rules. Passed Transportation 7 YEAS, Zero NAYS. Passed Finance and Tax; YEAS 8 NAYS 0. Now in Rules. On Committee agenda-- Rules, 04/06/21, 9:30 am, 412 Knott Building. Passed Rules 16 YEAS, Zero NAYS. Next stop is a full Floor vote, placed on Special Order. Passed the Senate on a floor vote of 40 YEAS, Zero NAYS. Sent to the House.

**HB 353: Bicycle Operations Regulations – (Hage)** – Identical to SB738 by Baxley - Providing an exception to the requirement that a person operating a bicycle ride upon or astride a seat attached thereto, etc. Filed in the House. Referred to Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee; Commerce Committee. Now in Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee. Added to Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee agenda. Passed Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee. Now in Commerce Committee. Passed Commerce Committee. On the House Floor for a full House vote, on 2nd reading. Passed the House; YEAS 115, NAYS 0. Sent to the Senate, substituted for SB 738. Passed Senate 39 YEAS, Zero NAYS.
HB 357: Photographic Enforcement of School Zone Speed Limits – (Duran and Rodriguez) – Authorizes county or municipality to contract with vendor to install cameras in school speed zones to enforce speed limits; provides civil penalty for violation found through recording of photographic images; provides for disposition & use of funds; provides for determination of liability; provides nonapplication of violation to driver license points assessment, conviction, driving record, or provision of motor vehicle insurance coverage; requires referral to DHSMV resulting in prohibition of motor vehicle registration renewal & transfer of title; provides for removal of penalties. Filed in the House. Referred to Criminal Justice & Public Safety Subcommittee; Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee; Justice Appropriations Subcommittee; Judiciary Committee. Now in Criminal Justice & Public Safety Subcommittee. Passed Criminal Justice & Public Safety Subcommittee. Now in Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee.

HB 365: Motor Vehicle Rentals – (Caruso) – Similar to SB 566 by Perry and S 708 By Brandes - Provides requirements for sales taxes & surcharges on motor vehicle leases & rentals by motor vehicle rental companies & peer-to-peer car-sharing programs; specifies insurance requirements for shared vehicle owners & shared vehicle drivers; provides for liability; provides for exclusions; provides right of contribution to shared vehicle owner's insurer for certain claims; requires provision of certain information regarding liens; specifies recordkeeping, record-sharing, disclosure, & driver license verification & data retention requirements; provides for consumer protections. Filed in the House. Referred to Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee; Ways & Means Committee; Commerce Committee. Now in Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee. On the agenda for Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee. Passed Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee. Now in Ways and Means. Passed Ways and Means with an amendment. Passed Commerce Committee, now on House Floor and on 2nd reading.

SB 376: Jacksonville Transportation Authority Leases – (Gibson) – Related Bill HB 6015 by Duggan. Removing a limitation on the term of a lease into which the authority may enter, etc. Filed in the Senate. Referred to Transportation; Community Affairs; Rules. Favorable by Transportation; YEAS 8 NAYS 0. Now in Community Affairs. Passed Community Affairs, now in Rules.

SB 380: Child Restraint Requirements – (Perry) – Identical Bill HB297 by Hinson - Increasing the age of children for whom operators of motor vehicles must provide protection by using a crash-tested, federally approved child restraint device; increasing the age of children for whom a separate carrier, an integrated child seat, or a child booster seat may be used, etc. Referred to Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Transportation; Rules. On Committee agenda- Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Transportation; Rules. On Committee agenda- Transportation, 02/03/21, 9:00 am, 37 Senate Building. Favorable by Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; YEAS 8 NAYS 0. Now in Transportation. On Committee agenda-- Transportation, 02/16/21, 3:30 pm, 110 Senate Building. Passed Transportation; 8 YEAS, Zero NAYS. Now in Rules. Passed Rules, next stop is a full Senate Floor vote. Passed Senate YEAS 38 NAYS 0. Now being sent to the House.

HB 389: Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority – (Mariano) – Identical to SB 422 By Rouson - Renames Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority Metropolitan Planning Organization Chairs Coordinating Committee as Chairs Coordinating Committee; removes requirement that authority provide administrative support & direction; authorizes mayor's
designated alternate to be member of governing board of authority; requires that alternate be elected member of & approved by city council; requires alternate to attend meetings in mayor’s absence & have full voting rights; revises quorum requirements; requires simple majority of members present for action to be taken; deletes requirements for authority to present regional transit development plan & updates to TBARTA Metropolitan Planning Organization Chairs Coordinating Committee, coordinate plans & projects with committee, & participate in regional M.P.O. planning process. Referred to Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee; Local Administration & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; Commerce Committee. Now in Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee. Passed Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee. Now in Local Administration & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee.

SB 420: Motor Vehicle Insurance Coverage Exclusions – (Hooper) – Similar to SB54 by Burgess, HB273 by Plakon and HB 719 by Grall - Providing that private passenger motor vehicle policies may exclude certain identified individuals from specified coverages under certain circumstances; providing that such policies may not exclude coverage under certain circumstances, etc. Referred to Banking and Insurance; Judiciary; Rules. Passed Banking and Insurance. Passed Judiciary. Now in Rules. Passed Rules and will be on a full Senate Floor vote on 04/21/2021.

SB 422: Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority – (Rouson) – Identical to HB 389 by Mariano - Renaming the Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority Metropolitan Planning Organization Chairs Coordinating Committee as the Chairs Coordinating Committee; providing that a mayor’s designated alternate may be a member of the governing board of the authority; revising a provision requiring the authority to present the regional transit development plan and updates to specified entities, etc. Filed in the Senate. Referred to Transportation; Community Affairs; Rules. On Committee agenda-- Transportation, 02/16/21, 3:30 pm, 110 Senate Building. Passed Transportation; 8 YEAS, Zero NAYS. Now in Community Affairs.

SB 426: State Preemption of Seaport Regulations – (Boyd) – Identical Bill HB 267 by Roach. Preempting to the state the regulation of commerce in state seaports; providing exceptions, etc. Referred to Transportation; Community Affairs; Rules. Passed Transportation, Now in Community Affairs. On Committee agenda-- Community Affairs, 03/24/21, 8:30 am, 37 Senate Building. Passed Community Affairs; YEAS 5 NAYS 3. Now in Rules. On Committee agenda-- Rules, 04/14/21, 9:00 am, 412 Knott Building. Passed Rules and will be on a full Senate Floor vote on 04/21/2021.

SB 496: Growth Management – (Perry) - Similar to HB 59 by McClain. Specifying requirements for certain comprehensive plans effective, rather than adopted, after a specified date and for associated land development regulations; requiring local governments to include a property rights element in their comprehensive plans; prohibiting a local government’s property rights element from conflicting with the statement of rights contained in the act; providing that the consent of certain property owners is not required for development agreement changes under certain circumstances; requiring the Department of Transportation to afford a right of first refusal to certain individuals under specified circumstances, etc. Filed in the Senate. Referred to Community Affairs; Judiciary; Rules. Passed Community Affairs, On Committee agenda-- Judiciary, 03/15/21, 3:30 pm, 412 Knott Building. Passed Judiciary; YEAS 11 NAYS 0. Now in Rules. Passed Rules; YEAS 17 NAYS 0. On the Senate Floor, on 2nd reading. HB 59 was substituted for SB 496 on the Senate Floor.
SB 566: Motor Vehicle Rentals – (Perry) – Similar to HB365 by Caruso and SB708 by Brandes - Specifying the applicable sales tax rate on motor vehicle leases and rentals by motor vehicle rental companies and peer-to-peer car-sharing programs; specifying the applicable rental car surcharge on motor vehicle leases and rentals by motor vehicle rental companies and peer-to-peer car-sharing programs; specifying insurance requirements for shared vehicle owners and shared vehicle drivers under peer-to-peer car-sharing programs; providing an exemption from vicarious liability for peer-to-peer car-sharing programs and shared vehicle owners, etc. Filed in the Senate. Referred to Banking and Insurance; Transportation; Appropriations. On Committee agenda-- Banking and Insurance, 03/16/21, 9:30 am, 412 Knott Building. On Committee agenda-- Banking and Insurance, 03/24/21, 8:30 am, 412 Knott Building. Passed Banking and Insurance; YEAS 11 NAYS 1. Now in Transportation. On Committee agenda-- Transportation, 03/30/21, 3:30 pm, 110 Senate Building. Passed Transportation, 8 YEAS Zero NAYS. Now in Appropriations. Passed Appropriations, will see a full Senate Floor vote on 04/22/2021.

HB 605: Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety – (Hunschofsky) – Identical to SB950 by Book - Revising and providing requirements for the driver of a motor vehicle overtaking a bicycle or other nonmotorized vehicle, an electric bicycle, or a pedestrian; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to provide an awareness campaign, and include information in certain educational materials, regarding certain safety precautions; exempting a motor vehicle driver from certain provisions relating to no-passing zones when overtaking a bicycle or other nonmotorized vehicle, an electric bicycle, or a pedestrian; revising requirements for vehicles turning at intersections; prohibiting persons riding bicycles in a bicycle lane from riding more than two abreast, etc. Filed in the House. Referred to Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee, Infrastructure & Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee, Commerce Committee. Now in Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee. Added to Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee agenda. Passed Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee. Laid on the table and Committee Substitute adopted. Referred to Infrastructure & Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee; Commerce Committee. Now in Infrastructure & Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee. Added to Infrastructure & Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee agenda. Passed Infrastructure & Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee. Now in Commerce Committee. Passed Commerce Committee.

SB 684: Department of Transportation – (Brandes) – Identical to HB 707 by Chaney - Requiring the Department of Transportation to allow persons to purchase certain commuter passes for their motor vehicles; requiring that funds collected from the sale of the commuter passes be deposited in specified trust funds and used for the operation and maintenance of the Pinellas Bayway System; requiring the department or the enterprise, as appropriate, to use a specified portion of funds collected from the sale of commuter passes during a specified period of time for landscaping and beautification, etc. Referred to Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations. Passed Transportation. Now in Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development.

HB 719: Motor Vehicle Insurance – (Grall) – Similar to SB54 by Burgess, HB 273 by Plakon and SB 420 by Hooper - Repeals provisions relating Florida Motor Vehicle No-Fault Law; revises garage liability insurance requirements; revises minimum coverage requirements for proof of financial responsibility for motor vehicles; revises amount of certificate of deposit

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required to elect certain method of proof of financial responsibility; revises excess liability
coverage requirements; revises financial responsibility requirements for owners or lessees of
for-hire passenger transportation vehicles; revises coverages of motor vehicle policy which are
subject to stacking prohibition; revises insurance requirements for transportation network
companies or TNC drivers or vehicle owners. APPROPRIATION: $83,651. Filed in the House.
Referred to Civil Justice & Property Rights Subcommittee, Insurance & Banking Subcommittee,
Judiciary Committee. Now in Civil Justice & Property Rights Subcommittee. Passed Civil
Justice & Property Rights Subcommittee. Original reference removed: Insurance & Banking
Subcommittee. Referred to Judiciary Committee, Passed Judiciary Committee. Headed to a
full House Floor vote.

SB 738: Bicycle Operations Regulations – (Baxley) – Identical to HB353 by Hage -
Providing an exception to the requirement that a person operating a bicycle ride upon or astride
a seat attached thereto, etc. Referred to Transportation; Community Affairs; Rules. On
Committee agenda-- Transportation, 02/16/21, 3:30 pm, 110 Senate Building. Passed
Transportation; 8 YEAS, Zero NAYS. Now in Community Affairs. Passed Community Affairs.
Now in Rules. On Committee agenda-- Rules, 03/18/21, 9:00 am, 412 Knott Building --Not
Considered (Note: This usually means that the committee ran out of time before this bill could
be considered). Passed Rules; YEAS 17 NAYS 0. On the Senate Floor for a full vote, Placed
on Special Order Calendar, 04/01/21. Laid on the table, refer to HB 353. HB 353 Passed both
chambers.

SB 750: Impact Fees – (Gruters) – Identical to HB337 by DiCeglie - Specifying instances
when a local government or special district may collect an impact fee; requiring local
governments and special districts to credit against the collection of impact fees any contribution
related to public facilities; providing annual limitations on impact fee rate increases; requiring
school districts to report specified items regarding impact fees, etc. Referred to Community
Affairs; Finance and Tax; Appropriations. On Committee agenda-- Community Affairs, 03/24/21,
8:30 am, 37 Senate Building. Passed Community Affairs; YEAS 5 NAYS 3. On Committee
agenda-- Finance and Tax, 03/31/21, 11:00 am, 110 Senate Building. Passed Finance and Tax;
6 YEAS, 2 NAYS. Now in Appropriations. On Committee agenda-- Appropriations, 04/15/21,
9:00 am, 412 Knott Building. Passed Appropriations Committee. Headed to a full Senate Floor
vote on 04/21/2021.

SB 950: Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety – (Book) – Identical to HB605 by Hunschofsky -
Revising and providing requirements for the driver of a motor vehicle overtaking a bicycle or
other nonmotorized vehicle, an electric bicycle, or a pedestrian; requiring the Department of
Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to provide an awareness campaign, and include information
in certain educational materials, regarding certain safety precautions; exempting a motor vehicle
driver from certain provisions relating to no-passing zones when overtaking a bicycle or other
nonmotorized vehicle, an electric bicycle, or a pedestrian; revising requirements for vehicles
turning at intersections; prohibiting persons riding bicycles in a bicycle lane from riding more
than two abreast, etc. Filed in the Senate. Referred to Transportation; Appropriations
Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations. On
Committee agenda-- Transportation, 03/30/21, 3:30 pm, 110 Senate Building. Passed
Transportation; 8 YEAS, Zero NAYS. Original reference(s) removed: Appropriations
Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations.
HB 1113: Traffic and Pedestrian Safety – (Fine) – Similar to SB 1412 by Perry - Requires study to be conducted which recommends installation of specified pedestrian crosswalk before installation occurs; requires pedestrian crosswalk on public highway, street, or road which is located at point other than at intersection with another public highway, street, or road to conform to specified requirements; provides coordination requirements for such devices & signals; requires entity with jurisdiction over public highway, street, or road with certain pedestrian crosswalk to ensure that crosswalk conforms to specified requirements or authorizes entity to remove any such crosswalk; requires DOT to submit certain request for authorization to Federal Government; requires applicable entities to replace or remove specified traffic control devices within specified timeframe after date of federal authorization or denial, as applicable; authorizes retrofitting. Filed in the House. Added to Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee agenda. Passed Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee. Now in Infrastructure & Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee. Added to Infrastructure & Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee agenda. Passed Infrastructure & Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee. Now in Commerce Committee. Added to Commerce Committee agenda. Passed Commerce Committee. Headed to a full House Floor vote, on 2nd reading.

SB 1126: Department of Transportation – (Harrell) – Clarifying that the Department of Revenue is responsible for a certain transfer from the State Treasury to the General Revenue Fund of a portion of documentary stamp tax distributions credited to the State Transportation Trust Fund; deleting a requirement that the department provide space and video conference capability at each of the department’s district offices as an alternative to physical appearance by a person requesting a hearing before the Commercial Motor Vehicle Review Board within the department; requiring the department, when proposing any project on the State Highway System which will close or modify an existing access to an abutting property owner, to provide notice to affected property owners, municipalities, and counties at least 180 days before the design phase of the project is completed, etc. Filed in the Senate. Referred to Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations. Passed Transportation. Now in Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development. On Committee agenda— Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development, 03/24/21, 2:30 pm, 110 Senate Building. Passed Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; YEAS 10 NAYS 0 with a committee substitute (meaning amended). Now in Appropriations. On Committee agenda-- Appropriations, 04/15/21, 9:00 am, 412 Knott Building. Passed Appropriations Committee. Headed to a full Senate Floor vote on 04/21/2021.

SB 1194: Transportation – (Hooper) – This bill is becoming the catch-all bill, the train. Similar to HB57 by Andrade - Providing that certain governmental entities may not prohibit certain vendors from responding to competitive solicitations of certain contractual services; requiring contractors wishing to bid on certain contracts to first be certified by the Department of Transportation as qualified; exempting airports from certain restrictions regarding entities performing engineering and inspection services; revising and providing definitions; revising requirements for arbitration of certain contracts by the State Arbitration Board, etc. Filed in the Senate. Referred to Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations. On Committee agenda-- Transportation, 03/24/21,
8:30 am, 110 Senate Building. Passed Transportation; YEAS 7 NAYS 0. Original reference(s) removed: Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development. Remaining references corrected to Appropriations. Now in Appropriations. On Committee agenda-- Appropriations, 04/15/21, 9:00 am, 412 Knott Building. Passed Appropriations. On Committee agenda-- Rules, 04/20/21, 8:30 am, 412 Knott Building.

**SB 1412: Traffic and Pedestrian Safety – (Perry)** – Similar Bill HB 1113 by Fine. Citing this act as the "Sophia Nelson Pedestrian Safety Act"; requiring a traffic engineering study to be conducted which recommends installation of a specified pedestrian crosswalk before such installation occurs; requiring a pedestrian crosswalk on a public highway, street, or road which is located at any point other than at an intersection with another public highway, street, or road to conform to specified requirements; providing coordination requirements for certain devices and signals; requiring that traffic control signal devices at adjacent intersections be taken into consideration, etc. Filed in the Senate. On Committee agenda-- Transportation, 03/24/21, 8:30 am, 110 Senate Building. Favorable by Transportation; YEAS 7 NAYS 0. Now in Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development. On Committee agenda-- Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development, 04/08/21, 9:00 am, 110 Senate Building. Passed Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development 8 YEAS, 3 NAYS. Now in Appropriations.

**SB 1500: General Bill by Transportation – (Harrell)** – Requiring drivers to change lanes when approaching a road and bridge maintenance or construction vehicle displaying warning lights on the roadside; authorizing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to conduct compliance reviews for a specified purpose; authorizing the department to conduct investigations and examinations relating to violations of provisions relating to title certificates; prohibiting the Central Florida Expressway Authority from constructing any extensions, additions, or improvements to the Central Florida Expressway System in Lake County without prior consultation with, rather than consent of, the Secretary of Transportation, etc. Referred to Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations. Passed Transportation; YEAS 7 NAYS 0. Now in Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development.