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Meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee

Monday, March 4, 2024, 1:30 pm
County Center, 18th Floor – Plan Hillsborough Committee Room

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Agenda

- I. Call to Order & Introductions**
- II. Roll Call & Declaration of Quorum (Gail Reese, TPO staff)**
- III. Public Comment - 3 minutes per speaker, please**
- IV. [Approval of Minutes – February 5, 2024](#)**
- V. Action Items**
 - A. [TIP Amendment: I-4 Truck Parking Facility \(Connor Trejos-MacDonald, TPO Staff\)](#)**
 - B. [Multimodal Counts Report \(Ben Gordon, TPO Staff\)](#)**
- VI. Status Reports**
 - A. [Development of the FY25 & 26 UPWP \(Amber Simmons, TPO Staff\)](#)**
- VII. Old Business & New Business**
- VIII. Adjournment**

IX. Addendum

- A. [TPO Summary and Committee Reports](#)
- B. [FDOT Downtown Tampa Interchange Construction Open House March 5-7](#)

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**HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY
TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HYBRID MEETING OF FEBRUARY 5, 2024**

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Sims, called the meeting to order at 1:36 PM

Members Present: Jeff Sims, Mike Williams, Brian McCarthy, Jonathan Scott, Bob Campbell, Jesus Peraza Garcia, Sofia Garantiva, Jennifer Malone, Marcela Jimenez Ramirez, Robert Frey

Members Absent/ Excused: Michael English, Laura Lenhart, Gina Dew, Rob Wassum, Terrance McKloski

Others Present: Wade Reynolds, Lionel Fuentes, Connor Trejos-MacDonald, Vishaka Shiva Raman, Gena Torres, Harmoni McGee, Amber Simmons, Johnny Wong, Ben Gordon, Lisa Silva, Wyatt Bruttshell, Gail Reese (TPO Staff); Ashley Hanzel, Bill Schmidt (FDOT); Jeff Novaty (ACP for FDOT); Julie Scanlon

An in-person quorum has been met.

II. Public Comment (*Timestamp 0:01:49*) – None

III. Approval of Minutes (*Timestamp 0:02:12*)– January 8, 2024

Marcela Jimenez Ramirez moved to approve the minutes of January 8, 2024, seconded by Sofia Garantiva. The voice vote passed unanimously.

IV. Action Items

A. TIP Amendment: HART Fixed Guideway 5309/5337 and Fowler Ave from 51st St. to Riverhills Dr. (Vishaka Shiva Raman, TPO Staff) (*Timestamp 0:02:50*)

- Went over project overview for HART Fixed Guideway
- Looked at the summary of changes – add the project to the TIP
- Went over project overview for Fowler Ave
- Looked at the summary of changes – project limits, changing fund programs, reducing programmed funding by \$5,000
- Review of the project timeline
- Went over outreach for amendment

Recommended Action: Approve the TIP Amendments to add HART Fixed Guideway FTA Section 5309/5337 project, and update termini and funding Fowler Ave from 51st St to Riverhills Dr project, and recommend approval to the TPO Board.

Discussion:

It was asked if there was a reason the second project stopped and did not go to the bridge where the roadway changes; the transition of road type is not much further away. It was brought up that another project on Fowler currently being studied will include this piece. The design drawings have been requested. It was noted that the original project was \$17 million and went to Bruce B Downs; the new project was \$5,000 less. It was asked why the additional money is not included to take the project to Bruce B Downs. It was brought up that costs have increased, which is why the project location is shorter and the cost is slightly less. The price has almost doubled in 8 months. The Chair has reservations on this based on questions raised and making sure taxpayer money is being spent appropriately.

Bob Campbell moved to approve the TIP Amendments to add HART Fixed Guideway FTA Section 5309/5337 project; update termini and funding Fowler Ave from 51st St to Riverhills Dr project, and recommend approval to the TPO Board; seconded by Jesus Peraza Garcia. The voice vote passed unanimously.

B. 2024 Safety Performance Targets (Connor Trejos-MacDonald, TPO Staff) *(Timestamp 0:21:04)*

- Review of why the performance measures exist and the categories
- Showed the 5 required categories and 2 elected by Hillsborough County; these are reported on a 5-year rolling average
- Looked at the report card – met 5 of the 7 targets
- Went over takeaways
- Reviewed what the TPO can do to make additional improvements
- Looked at the 2024 proposed performance targets

Recommended Action: Approve the CY 2024 Safety Performance Targets and recommend approval to the TPO Board.

Discussion:

It was asked if HART was good with the metrics and if they were part of the process. Yes, both HART and FDOT were consulted on the methodology. There was a discussion on how the crash report data is gathered. It was noted that the actual numbers for 2023 were different based on information pulled from the DHSMV and the average has been higher than what is noted in this report. It was asked why the numbers are different. The TPO pulls the numbers from Signal4. DHSMV data has additional information reported that may not be specific to roadways. The TPO will double-check the Signal4 numbers. There was additional discussion about safety improvements and how those match up with the data. The TPO will pull the most recent numbers from Signal4 and update them as necessary.

Jonathan Scott moved to approve the CY 2024 Safety Performance Targets provided the most recent numbers are used and targets updated and recommended approval to the TPO Board, seconded by Jesus Peraza Garcia. The voice vote passed unanimously.

Chair Sims requested that staff come back to the TAC as to why there may be discrepancies with the numbers.

V. Status Reports

A. **Gibson Drive from Fern Hill Drive to US 301 PD&E** (Ashley Henzel, FDOT) *(Timestamp 0:44:04)*

- Review of project location and study area; purpose and need; the no-build alternative will remain as an alternative during the study
- Went over the consistency with the Long Range Transportation Plan
- Looked at the preferred build alternative typical section, environmental effects, right of way impacts
- Went over the evaluation matrix and estimated project costs
- Looked at the timeline – upcoming public hearing on February 20, 2024

Discussion:

It was asked if non-English speaking people could provide input. That availability should be on the website, will check; people can also call in and request Spanish-speaking. It was noted that the design looks like an urban gutter and that this is going towards an urban design. It will be a continuation of the urban section due to the growth in the area. Because this is part of the HIN, there are shared use paths on both sides of the road. The County just authorized funds to FDOT for US 301 and Boyette intersection. There is a THEA project on US 301 as well and they have data on that intersection. It was brought up that there are pockets of residential in this stretch and if spot walls were looked at. Noise was looked at in the study and noise walls would not be cost feasible or reasonable to provide noise abatement for the amount of homes. The threshold is not being met.

B. **2050 Plan Needs Assessment for Major Projects** (Wade Reynolds, TPO Staff;) *(Timestamp 1:01:30)*

- Went over where the list of major projects comes from
- Reviewed the 2045 Cost Feasible Projects
- Looked at the new projects for 2050 that will be tested against the models and some projects that are coming off the list as they are already far enough along or have been previously tested.
- Went over the next steps – modeling, survey, narrowing down the list, determining funding levels, and determining Cost Feasible projects

C. **Access 2050 LRTP Outreach Survey** (Harmoni McGee, TPO Staff) – deferred

VI. Old Business & New Business *(Timestamp 1:08:24)*

- A. **The next meeting is March 4, 2024**
- B. **It was noted that there is an RSVP button on the agendas, please click the button to let us know if you are attending or not.**

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 PM

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https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCsojHyZb_mkYIU3o32Tbg4w/featured



Hillsborough TPO Transportation Planning Organization

Board & Committee Agenda Item

Agenda Item:

TIP Amendment: I-4 Truck Parking Facility

Presenter:

Connor Trejos-MacDonald, TPO Staff

Summary:

Amend the Transportation Improvement Program to add \$5.3 million in construction funding to FY2025 for the I-4 Truck Parking Facility project (FPN 448698-1). The project will construct a new truck parking facility with approximately 120 spaces, six electric hookups to provide stand-by power for refrigerated trucks and auxiliary power for in-cab comforts, road ramp improvements, and pedestrian infrastructure to access nearby commercial amenities. This project was awarded a discretionary 2022 INFRA grant.

Recommended Action:

Approve the TIP Amendment to add construction funding to the I-4 Truck Parking Facility project.

Prepared By:

Elizabeth Watkins, TPO Staff

Attachments:

1. Comparative Report
2. [Presentation Slides](#)



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**FDOT
5 Year TIP
Hillsborough County, District 7**

MISCELLANEOUS

Status: Adopted **Adopted Date:** 06/14/2023

Item Number: 448698 1 **Description:** I-4 TRUCK PARKING FACILITY **LRTP:** Smart Cities, p. 39

Related Project: **Extra Description:** INCLUDES I-4/COUNTY LINE ROAD RAMP IMPROVEMENTS

Project Length: 0.221 ***SIS***

Type of Work: PARKING FACILITY

Fund	<2024	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	>2028	All Years
DESIGN BUILD - MANAGED BY FDOT								
NFPD	\$0	\$0	\$15,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$15,000,000
DI	\$0	\$0	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$10,000,000
DS	\$29,153	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$29,153
Totals:	\$29,153	\$0	\$25,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$25,029,153
PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING - MANAGED BY FDOT								
ACFP	\$1,311,404	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,311,404
DS	\$34,782	\$0	\$412,820	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$447,602
DIH	\$16,126	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$16,126
Totals:	\$1,362,312	\$0	\$412,820	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,775,132
RIGHT OF WAY - MANAGED BY FDOT								
DS	\$11,275	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$11,275
DIH	\$15,531	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$15,531
BNIR	\$8,015,139	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$8,015,139
Totals:	\$8,041,945	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$8,041,945
Item 448698 1 Totals:	\$9,433,410	\$0	\$25,412,820	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$34,846,230

Status: Amended **Amendment Date:** 2/14/2024 **Amendment Number:** 9

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BNIR	\$8,015,139	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$8,015,139
Totals:	\$8,041,945	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$8,041,945
Item 448698 1 Totals:	\$9,404,257	\$0	\$412,820	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$9,817,077

Status: Amended	Amendment Date: 2/14/2024	Amendment Number: 9
Item Number: 448698 1	Description: I-4 TRUCK PARKING FACILITY	LRTP: Miscellaneous
Related Project:	Extra Description: INCLUDES I-4/COUNTY LINE ROAD RAMP IMPROVEMENTS	
Project Length: 0.221		*SIS*
Type of Work: PARKING FACILITY		

Fund	<2024	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	>2028	All Years
DESIGN BUILD - MANAGED BY FDOT								
Modified NFPD	\$0	\$0	\$14,588,848	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$14,588,848
Modified DI	\$0	\$0	\$15,748,037	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$15,748,037
Modified DS	\$59,242	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$59,242
Totals:	\$59,242	\$0	\$30,336,885	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$30,396,127
Item 448698 1 Totals:	\$59,242	\$0	\$30,336,885	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$30,396,127





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Transportation Planning Organization

Board & Committee Agenda Item

Agenda Item:

Multimodal Counts Report

Presenter:

Ben Gordon, TPO Staff

Summary:

In 2017, Hillsborough TPO identified High Injury Network (HIN) corridors through its Vision Zero Action Plan. To quantify and correlate bicyclist and pedestrian activity and crashes along these corridors, the TPO must periodically collect data.

Traditional traffic count methods used for collecting motor vehicle counts along roadways are not effective in capturing bicycle and pedestrian activity along corridors or at roadway intersections. The most effective and accurate method for capturing such data is through the deployment of video equipment (cameras).

Accordingly, the TPO partnered with Benesch and its subconsultants in the fall of 2023 to deploy video equipment to quantify and document bicycle, pedestrian, and vehicular activity. With the counts now fully complete, staff will provide an overview of the study process and present key findings.

Recommended Action:

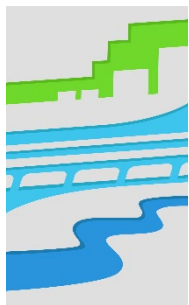
Accept the report and forward it to the TPO Board for their approval.

Prepared By:

Ben Gordon, TPO Staff

Attachments:

1. [Multimodal Counts Report](#)
2. [Presentation Slides](#)



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Board & Committee Agenda Item

Agenda Item:

Development of the FY 25 & 26 Unified Planning Work Program

Presenter:

Amber Simmons, TPO Staff

Summary:

The Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) is a federal and state mandated document that defines the transportation planning activities and products to be developed by the Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) and other transportation planning agencies. It describes how the TPO will use its federal and state planning funds. In Florida, UPWPs cover a two-year period. This FY 25 & 26 UPWP will cover the period from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026.

TPO staff is currently developing the UPWP, based on input from local governments, partner agencies and the recently adopted Plan Hillsborough Strategic Plan. The final UPWP must be adopted by the TPO Board at its May 2024 meeting. As information on the draft and final UPWP is developed, it will be made available on the TPO website.

Recommended Action:

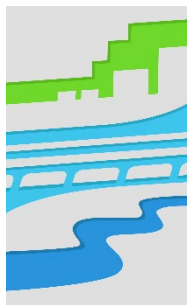
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Prepared By:

Sarah Caper, TPO Staff

Attachments:

[Presentation Slides](#)



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February 9, 2024

Re: FDOT Construction Open House (In-Person and Virtual)
Downtown Tampa Interchange (I-275/I-4) Safety and Operational Improvements Project
(Financial Project Numbers: 445057-1-52-01, 445056-1-52-01, 445056-2-52-01)

Dear Community Members:

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District Seven invites you to attend and participate in a Construction Open House. The FDOT's contractor, The Lane Construction Corporation, has begun construction activities as part of the Downtown Tampa Interchange (I-275/I-4) Safety and Operational Improvements project in Hillsborough County.

The project improvements include community spaces, trail connections, underpass improvements, lighting, aesthetics, and roadway improvements listed below.

Southbound I-275 to Eastbound I-4

- Providing a two-lane exit and constructing a new exit ramp bridge (to the inside of the interchange) from southbound I-275 to eastbound I-4
- Adding a 5th lane (auxiliary) along eastbound I-4 between I-275 and the Selmon Expressway exit*
- Providing a 2-lane exit to the Selmon Expressway*
- Changing the eastbound exit ramp from I-4 into Ybor City/East Tampa by relocating access at 14th/15th Streets instead of 21st/ 22nd Streets
- Widening the existing eastbound I-4 frontage road (13th Avenue) to two lanes

Westbound I-4 to Northbound I-275

- Widening the existing single lane ramp from westbound I-4 to northbound I-275 to two lanes
- Adding an additional merge lane on northbound I-275 between I-4 and the Martin Luther King Jr. exit

Westbound I-4 to Southbound I-275

- Widening the existing two-lane ramp from westbound I-4 to southbound I-275 to three lanes
- Widening the shoulders on southbound I-275 between Palm Avenue and Jefferson Street
- Shifting the exit ramp from southbound I-275 into downtown Tampa to the west of the current alignment

The open house will be held in-person and as a virtual option. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions to FDOT staff on the improvements and construction activities in-person and virtually via the online chat. The meetings will provide identical information, so you only need to attend one.

*Improvements may be completed under separate construction contract

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Virtual/Online Meeting Option

Tuesday, March 5, 2023, 11a.m. – 1p.m.

Those who wish to attend virtually can register at www.TampaBayNext.com. A video highlighting the project improvements will be shown at 11:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m., and 12:30 p.m. Staff will be available throughout the meeting time to receive feedback and answer questions via the online chat function. Display boards and exhibits showing the project improvements will be available for viewing during the meeting and will be posted online at www.TampaBayNext.com and www.FDOTTampaBay.com.

In-Person Meeting

Thursday, March 7, 2024, 5p.m. – 7p.m.

Hillsborough Bar Association Chester H. Ferguson Law Center
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Format: Display boards and exhibits showing the project improvements and construction activities will be available in an open house format. An informational presentation will run continuously during the open house. FDOT staff will be available to answer questions.

Complimentary on-site parking and designated handicap parking are available. Hillsborough Area Regional Transit (HART) bus routes 1 and 6 provides bus services to access the meeting site.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons requiring special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act to participate in this open house or persons who require translation services (free of charge) are asked to advise the agency at least seven (7) days prior to the open house by contacting: Roger Roscoe, FDOT Title VI Coordinator, at 1(813) 975-6411 or 1(800) 226-7220, or Roger.Roscoe@dot.state.fl.us. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800) 955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800) 955-8770 (Voice).

Comuníquese Con Nosotros: Nos importa mucho la opinión del público sobre el proyecto. Si usted tiene preguntas o comentarios, o si simplemente desea más información, por favor comuníquese con nuestro representante, Manuel Flores, (813) 975-4248, Manuel.Flores@dot.state.fl.us, Departamento de Transportación de la Florida, 11201 North McKinley Drive, Tampa, FL 33612.

For more information about the Downtown Tampa Interchange (I-275/I-4) Safety and Operational Improvements Project, please visit the website at <https://www.fdot.com/project/839/445057-1-52-01>.

Sincerely,
Gregory Deese, P.E.

Resident Engineer – District 7 CCEI Construction
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