



**Polk Transportation Planning Organization
Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)
DRAFT MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, May 26, 2016**

Polk County History Center, 2nd Floor Meeting Room
100 East Main Street
Bartow, FL 33830

Members Present:

Sherry Carver
Amy Palmer, Vice Chair
Bob Wieggers
April Brown
Jeff Schmucker
Addie Javed
Valerie Ferrell Vaught
Doug Leonard
Kathy Bangle, Chairman
Chuck Barmby
Angelo Rao
Sean Byers
Rodney Wetzel

Others Present:

Maureen Decker
Lori Carlton
Deborah Chesna
Carol Scott
Tony Sherrard
William Roll
Gloria Rake
Tom Deardorff
Ronnie Blackshear
Ryan Kordek
Jean Parlow
Diane Slaybaugh
Curtis Knowles
Xiomara Meeks
Theo Petritsch
Peyton McLeod
Bruce Hall

Representing:

CFRPC
City of Auburndale
City of Bartow
City of Davenport
Town of Frostproof (CFRPC)
City of Haines City
City of Lake Alfred
Town of Lake Hamilton
City of Lake Wales
City of Lakeland
City of Lakeland
City of Winter Haven
LAMTD

Representing:

Envisors/Pennoni
FDOT
FDOT
Florida Turnpike
FDOT
Kimley-Horn
Polk Long-Range Planning
Polk TPO Staff
Polk TPO Staff
Polk TPO Staff
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Sprinkle Consulting
Sprinkle Consulting
Littlejohn Engineering

Call to Order, Roll Call

Chairman Kathy Bangle called the TAC meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Roll call was taken. A quorum was present with 13 members in attendance.

Approval of Minutes

Motion: Amy Palmer motioned to approve the March 24, 2016 meeting minutes as presented. Doug Leonard seconded the motion. Motion carried without dissent.

Agenda Review

Ryan, TPO Administrator highlighted the significant topics and action items on the committee's agenda.

1. Endorse Draft Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Action Plans.

Theo Petritsch, with Sprinkle Consulting presented the High Crash Corridor Bike/Pedestrian Safety Study and Action Plans for review and endorsement. The goal of the plans is to reduce the number and severity of pedestrian and bicycle crashes in Polk County. The Temporal, Environmental and Demographic Analyses were reviewed and explained. The High Crash Location Identification Prioritization Methodology along with the Actions and Performance Measures were also reviewed.

Motion: Angelo Rao motioned to endorse the plans as presented. Addie Javed seconded the motion. Motion carried without dissent.

2. Complete Street Evaluations

William Roll, Kimley Horn and Associates staff presented the Complete Streets Corridor Feasibility Study Update. The two corridors reviewed were Lakeland Hills Boulevard and Rifle Range Road. Key issues of both corridors were reviewed.

3. Endorse Multi-Use Trail Master Plans

Bruce Hall, Littlejohn Engineering staff presented the plans. A public hearing is scheduled for this item at the TPO Board meeting on April 14, 2016 and the board will hear public comments prior to taking action on these items. The North Ridge to Van Fleet, Lakeland Highlands, Bartow to Ft. Meade and Poinciana Trails were included in the plan. The connection linkages, key considerations and features for each project were reviewed.

Motion: Chuck Barmby motioned to endorse the plans as presented. April Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried without dissent.

4. US 27 Project Development and Environmental Study

Tony Sherrard, FDOT staff, gave an update on the Study. The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is nearing the completion of the PD&E study for the planned widening of US 27 from the Highlands County Line to just north of State Road 60 in southeast Polk County. This is the last remaining 4-lane section of US 27 in Polk County. The committee was asked to recommend that the TPO Board endorse the preferred improvement alternative as being consistent with the TPO's Adopted Momentum 2040.

Motion: Addie Javed motioned to make the recommendation to the TPO Board to endorse the plan as presented. Doug Leonard seconded the motion. Motion carried without dissent.

5. Review/Approve Draft Amendments to Momentum 2040

Jean Parlow, TPO staff presented an amendment to widen SR 570 from south of CR546 to north of the E Toll Plaza from two to four lanes. The total cost of the project is \$36 million.

Motion: Chuck Barmby motioned to approve the amendment as presented. Sherry Carver seconded the motion. Motion carried without dissent.

6. Review/Approve Draft Amendments to the TPO's Fiscal Years 2015/16 – 2019/20 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP)

Xiomara Meeks, TPO staff presented 11 amendments to the draft FY 2015/16-2019/20 TIP. It is important that projects appear in the TIP accurately in order to remain eligible for federal funding, and therefore, the TPO is requested to make amendments to the TIP several times a year as certain refinements to programmed projects are made.

Motion: Chuck Barmby motioned to make the recommendation to the TPO Board to approve the amendments. Doug Leonard seconded the motion. Motion carried without dissent.

7. Review/Approve TPO's Fiscal Year 2016/17 - 2020/21 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Xiomara Meeks, TPO staff presented the TIP for review and approval. The TIP includes the adopted priority project and FDOT's Five Year Work Program. Obligated fiscal year 2015 projects that are federally funded and local government CIP transportation projects are also included.

Motion: Doug Leonard motioned to make the recommendation to the TPO Board to approve the TIP as presented. Marisa Barmby seconded the motion. Motion carried without dissent.

8. Review/Approve TPO's Draft 2016 Priority Transportation Projects

Ryan Kordek, TPO staff presented the 2016 priority transportation projects which include highway, congestion management, complete streets, safety and multi-use trail projects. Many of the candidate projects are a result of the TPO's Neighborhood Mobility Audits or Complete Street Projects.

Motion: Doug Leonard motioned to make the recommendation to the TPO Board to approve the Priority Projects as presented. Addie Javed seconded the motion. Motion carried without dissent.

9. Communications and Reports

- A. Strategic Intermodal System (SIS) Plan Update.
 - 2045 Multi-Modal Unfunded Needs Plan

- Pamphlet was included in packet

10. Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Respectfully transcribed by Cherie Simmons, TPO Office Manager

Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, states that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by a board, agency or commission with respect to any matter considered at a meeting or hearing, he will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

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