

**GAINESVILLE-HALL METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MP0)
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES CONFERENCE ROOM
FEBRUARY 16, 2005 2:00 PM**

**TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING**

Voting Members present: Chairman Kip Padgett; Jason Crane; Perry Eisenach; Neil Kantner; Phillippa Lewis Moss; John McHenry; Kevin McInturff; Bill Meyer; Jerry Presley; Scott Puckett; Chris Rainwater

Nonvoting Members present: Andy Edwards

Voting Members Absent: Vice-Chair Stan Brown

Non-voting Members Absent: Steven Ballowe, Freida Black; Chad Bolton; Joe Burnett, Ken Cochran, Steve Cronic, Tony Dittmeier, Kit Dunlap, Dennis Fordham, Frank Hooper, Gerald Lanich; Randall Moon

Staff present: Grace Grindle

Others present: Dania Aponte, GRTA; Tracy Clymer, Atlanta Regional Commission; Brent Cook, GDOT; Janice Crowe, HAT; Verdell Hawkins, GDOT; Brandon Kirby, GDOT; Russell McMurry, GDOT; James Miller, Hall County Department of Public Works; James Riker, City of Flowery Branch

CALL TO ORDER Kip Padgett, Chairman

1. WELCOME

Mr. Padgett welcomed everyone and thanked him or her for coming.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 17, 2004

MOTION: Kevin McInturff made a motion to approve the Minutes of the November 17, 2004 meeting. The motion received a second from Phillippa Lewis Moss and passed by a unanimous vote.

3. PRESENTATION ON AIR QUALITY NON ATTAINMENT REQUIREMENTS

Tracy Clymer, Atlanta Regional Commission, went over the Air Quality Conformity Requirements and how they impact the Gainesville-Hall MPO.

4. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AMENDMENT PROCESS

John McHenry went over the federally required process by which the Transportation Improvement Program, the list of projects that are funded over the next three years,

is amended to reflect changes in scope or funding. He also discussed two minor amendments the Dawsonville and Winder Highway widenings that will be open for traffic by Fall 2007, an earlier date than had been previously planned.

5. DRAFT FY 06 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM

John McHenry discussed the Unified Planning Work Program which documents the Gainesville-Hall MPO's metropolitan transportation planning activities and budget for the upcoming State Fiscal Year July 1 through June 30. Phillipa Lewis Moss discussed the funding for Hall Area Transit's new facility. Mr. Meyer mentioned that they would like to hire an entry-level planner to assist with the MPO activities.

6. STATUS OF GHMPO BIKE/PED PLAN

Mr. McHenry said they had sent out RFQs to 130 GDOT Preapproved Consultants for a comprehensive bicycle and pedestrian plan. Proposals are due March 1st and they plan to have one of the consultants on board by the end of March for a six-month study. The focus is not just for recreational users but also for people getting back and forth from work.

7. UPCOMING MEETING DATE – April 20th at 2 PM

8. OTHER

9. ADJOURN

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. McHenry made a motion to adjourn, with a second from Ms. Moss, and the meeting was adjourned by the Chairman at 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kip Padgett, Chairman

Grace Grindle, Sr. Secretary