



Gainesville - Hall Metropolitan Planning Organization

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**CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
DEVELOPMENT SERVICE CENTER
4:00 PM APRIL 27, 2006
MEETING MINUTES**

- Voting Members present:** Maurice Robbins, Hugh Tyner, Ken Cochran, Doris Evans, Mack Jones, Berlinda Lipscomb, Charles Mensinger, Ron Petrie, Frank Simpson, J.R. Wright, Brent Hoffman
- Voting Members Absent:** Cooper Embry, Harold Goss, Phil Kinsey, Lee Steigele, Jim Syfan, Amos Goude-lock
- Others Present:** Stan Brown, Kip Padgett, Bill Meyer, John McHenry, Srikanth Yamala

CALL TO ORDER

1. WELCOME

Mr. Robbins welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 23, 2006 MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: Mr. Tyner made a motion to approve the Minutes of the February 23, 2006 meeting. The motion was received and seconded by Mr. Cochran and passed by a unanimous vote.

3. RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE DRAFT FY 2007 WORK PROGRAM

Mr. Yamala presented the Draft FY 2007 Work Program explaining the cost estimates, identifying funding sources, etc. He noted the only significant change was due to the carry over of unused 2005 funds.

MOTION: Mr. Cochran made a motion to approve the Draft FY 2007 Work Program. The motion was received and seconded by Mr. Petrie and passed by a unanimous vote.

4. RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE CONSULTANT FOR LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION (LRTP) UPDATE

Mr. Meyer asked the Committee for their approval on the selection of Wilbur Smith and Associates to do consulting work on the Long Range Transportation Plan. Approval by the Hall County Commission will also be required.

MOTION: Mr. Hoffman made a motion to approve awarding the contract to Wilbur Smith and Associates. The motion was received and seconded by Mr. Mensinger and passed by a unanimous vote.

5. DISCUSSION ON FOCUS AREAS FOR UPCOMING LRTP UPDATE

Mr. Meyer presented some areas the consultants could begin work on such as intersection improvements, east/west connectivity etc. Other ideas that were presented were Palmour Drive, bicycle/pedestrian paths, and the south side/east perimeter. He asked the Committee to continue thinking of other projects and call or email him the ideas.

6. ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGE TO 2006-2011 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

- **EXIT 16 – OAKWOOD INTERCHANGE PROJECT (GH-001)**

Mr. McHenry related the administrative change regarding this project, the total dollar amount of the current construction phase is increasing from \$13 million to \$18 million.

7. JURISDICTION AND AGENCY REPORTS

Mr. McHenry discussed the status of transportation projects being completed by Hall County, Hall Area Transit and the Department of Transportation. Mr. Brown gave an update on the City of Oakwood projects.

8. UPCOMING MEETING DATE – JULY 27, 2006

9. OTHER

Mr. Meyer discussed the functional classification of arterial and collector roads in Hall County. This has been brought before the Hall County Commission and they are still reviewing it. Mr. Meyer stated it will be brought back to this committee July 27, 2006.

10. ADJOURN

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned by the Chairman at 5:02 p.m.

Maurice Robbins, Chairman

Connie Daniels, Secretary