



# *Gainesville - Hall Metropolitan Planning Organization*

## **GHMPO**

Flowery Branch - Gainesville - Hall County - Oakwood

**POLICY COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES CONFERENCE ROOM  
MARCH 14, 2006 at 10:00 A.M.**

**Voting Members present:** Lamar Scroggs, Cindy Van Dyke, Mark Musselwhite, Diane Hirling

**Nonvoting Members present:** Bill Meyer, Kip Padgett, Phillipa Lewis Moss

**Voting Members Absent:** Sam Chapman

**Non-voting Members Absent:** Andy Edwards, Myra Immings, Steve Kish, Russell McMurry, Hugh Tyner

**Staff Present:** John McHenry, Srikanth Yamala, Connie Daniels

**Others Present:** Ruth Bruner, Gainesville; Stan Brown, Oakwood; Jason Crane, GDOT; Neil Kantner, GDOT; Janice Crow, Hall Area Transit, Dee Taylor, Gainesville; Jody Woodall, HC Public Works; Tim Preece, ARCADIS

### **CALL TO ORDER**

#### **1. WELCOME**

Mr. Scroggs opened the meeting by welcoming everyone.

#### **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 8, 2005**

**MOTION:** *Mr. Musselwhite made a motion to approve the Minutes of the November 8, 2005 meeting. The motion was received and seconded by Ms. Van Dyke and passed by a unanimous vote.*

#### **3. APPROVAL OF 2006-2011 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

Mr. McHenry discussed the schedule and highlighted changes made to the previous Draft 2006-2011 Transportation Improvement Program that was presented to the committee in the last meeting. Four Transportation Enhancement grant projects were added and additional local dollars were added to the Central Hall Multi-Use Trail (GH-051) for preliminary engineering and construction in 2007. There were also changes made to the McEver Intersections project (GH-009), and Green Street & west Academy Intersection Improvements (GH-058).

**MOTION:** *Mr. Musselwhite made a motion to approve the 2006-2011 Transportation Improvement Program. The motion was received and seconded by Ms. Hirling and passed by a unanimous vote.*

**4. APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO 2030 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN**

Mr. McHenry discussed making the inclusion of projects from the 2006-2011 TIP into an amendment to the current 2030 Long Range Transportation Plan.

**MOTION:** *Ms. Hirling made a motion to approve the new resolution and the 2030 Long Range Transportation Plan. The motion was received and seconded by Mr. Musselwhite and passed by a unanimous vote.*

**5. APPROVAL OF GHMPO BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN PLAN**

Mr. Preece with ARCADIS gave an overview of the Draft Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan.

**MOTION:** *Mr. Musselwhite made a motion to approve the GHMPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. The motion was received and seconded by Ms. Hirling and passed by a unanimous vote.*

**6. REVIEW OF DRAFT FY 2007 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM**

Mr. McHenry introduced Mr. Srikanth Yamala, new employee with the Gainesville-Hall MPO. Mr. Yamala presented the draft of the FY 2007 Unified Planning Work Program describing the organizations planning goals and activities, cost estimates for each activity, funding sources and work schedule for July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007. He asked everyone to review the document as they would be seeking approval of it at the next meeting.

**7. REPORT ON UPCOMING LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE**

Mr. Meyer stated they are currently looking at development of the 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan. He stated this is the first opportunity to identify and evaluate short, mid and long range projects. They are currently scheduling for an updated plan through 2030 by June of 2007 and a new plan with a 2035 planning horizon by June 2008. This schedule would guarantee that all federal requirements are met. An RFP for consulting services has been issued to assist staff with key elements of the plan update program.

**8. JURISDICTION AND AGENCY REPORTS**

Representatives discussed the status of transportation projects being completed by their jurisdictions, the Georgia Department of Transportation and Hall Area Transit.

**9. UPCOMING MEETING DATE – May 9, 2006 at 10 a.m.**

**10. OTHER**

Mr. McHenry handed out new meeting schedules and updated rosters.

**8. ADJOURN**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by the Chairman at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Lamar Scroggs, Chairman

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Connie Daniels, Secretary