



Gainesville - Hall Metropolitan Planning Organization

GHMPO

Flowery Branch - Gainesville - Hall County - Oakwood

**CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
DEVELOPMENT SERVICE CENTER
OCTOBER 26, 2006
MEETING MINUTES**

Voting Members Present: Maurice Robbins, Ken Cochran, Doris Evans, Amos Goudelock, Brent Hoffman, Mack Jones, Berlinda Lipscomb, Hugh Tyner

Voting Members Absent: Cooper Embry, Harold Goss, Phil Kinsey, Charles Mensinger, Ron Petrie, Frank Simpson, Lee Steigele, Jim Syfan, J.R. Wright

Others Present: Shelley Davis, Srikanth Yamala, Robert Mahoney, Kristina Shepard, Randy Knighton, John McHenry, Connie Daniels

1. WELCOME

Mr. Robbins opened the meeting by welcoming everyone.

2. APPROVAL OF JULY 27, 2006 MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: Mr. Tyner made a motion to approve the July 27, 2006 Minutes. The motion was received and seconded by Mr. Cochran and passed by a unanimous vote.

3. EXIT 16 INTERCHANGE PROJECT

Mr. Mahoney, District Preconstruction Engineer for GDOT, presented an over view of this project stating it is approximately 14% complete at a cost of \$74.5 million. He relayed upcoming lane closures and shifts in the area.

4. RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE PROJECT EVALUATION CRITERIA

Mr. McHenry explained that the MPO had no criteria in the past such as safety, connectivity, air quality, etc. in which to evaluate projects. He expounded on the steps involved in the Project Evaluation Criteria Draft.

MOTION: Mr. Cochran made a motion to accept the Project Evaluation Criteria Draft and to forward it to the Policy Committee. The motion was received and seconded by Mr. Tyner and passed by a unanimous vote.

5. RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES AND MINOR AMENDMENT TO THE 2006-2011 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Mr. Yamala relayed the administrative changes and minor amendment to the current 2006 – 2011 Transportation Improvement Program.

MOTION: Mr. Hoffman made a motion to accept the administrative changes and amendment to the 2006-2011 Transportation Improvement Program. The motion was received and seconded by Mr. Jones and passed by a unanimous vote.

6. RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE INVITATION TO STATE LEGISLATORS

Mr. McHenry recommended that State Legislators be invited to the GHMPO meetings in a non-voting capacity to promote awareness of the regional transportation planning occurring in their communities.

MOTION: Mr. Cochran made a motion to approve the invitation of State Legislators to GHMPO meetings. The motion was received and seconded by Mr. Hoffman and passed by a unanimous vote.

7. GREATER HALL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PRIORITY PROJECTS

Ms. Davis presented a list compiled by the Greater Hall Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors adopted as their Priority Transportation Projects. Mr. McHenry relayed that the Chamber had hosted a very successful meeting for the local freight companies.

MOTION: Mr. Tyner made a motion to add the Chambers Priority Transportation Projects with the GHMPO's existing projects. The motion was received and seconded by Mr. Cochran and passed by a unanimous vote.

8. 2030 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE

Mr. McHenry went over the five focus area projects being considered as part of the LRTP update. He also passed out a schedule detailing the upcoming schedule for the LRTP update process. Mr. Yamala presented updates on the GHMPO Travel Demand Model. Mr. Robbins commended Mr. McHenry and Mr. Yamala on their excellent job performance.

9. TERM APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS

The initial term of nine of the CAC members ends with this meeting. These members are eligible for reappointment by their jurisdictions. Mr. McHenry will follow-up with the jurisdictions and let them know who is interested in reappointments and/or replacement.

10. JURISDICTION AND AGENCY REPORTS

Mr. Yamala discussed the status of transportation projects being completed by the jurisdictions.

11. UPCOMING MEETING DATE

The next Citizen Advisory Committee will be February 22, 2007.

12. OTHER

Ms. Shepard with the Disability Resource Center was introduced as a guest.

13. ADJOURN

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned by the chairman at 5:25 p.m.

Maurice Robbins, Chairman

Connie Daniels, Secretary