Gainesville - Hall
Metropolitan Planning Organization
GHMPO
Flowery Branch - Gainesville - Hall County - Oakwood

Citizen Advisory Committee

Development Services Center
Minutes of October 25, 2007 Meeting

Voting Members Present:	**Voting Members Absent:**
Ken Cochran, Hall County	Connie Davis, City of Gainesville
Doris Evans, Hall County	Frank Simpson, City of Gainesville
Harold Goss, Hall County	Charles Mensinger, City of Oakwood
David Lee, Hall County	Hugh Tyner, City of Oakwood
Brent Hoffman, Hall County	Blair Hutson, Hall County
Larry Poole, Hall County	Ron Petrie, City of Flowery Branch
Berlinda Lipscomb, City of Gainesville	
Ed Myers, City of Gainesville	
Amos Goudelock, City of Gainesville	
Alan Wayne, City of Flowery Branch	

Others Present:	
Janice Crow, Hall Area Transit	Randy Knighton, GHMPO
Connie Daniels, Hall County	Srikanth Yamala, GHMPO
Chip Burger, URS	David Fee, GHMPO

1. **Welcome**

   Mr. Cochran called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

2. **Approval of July 26, 2007 Meeting Minutes**

   MOTION: *Mr. Poole made a motion to approve the July 26, 2007 Minutes. The motion was received and seconded by Mr. Myers and passed by a unanimous vote.*

3. **Recommendation to approve minor amendment to the 2008- 2013 Transportation Improvement Program**

   Due to the increased attention on development in South Hall, Hall County identified $1 million dollars to conduct a preliminary engineering study on the Spout Springs Road widening project. As a result, Mr. Yamala mentioned the need to amend the 2008-2013 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Since this process calls for a minor amendment, a 15-day public comment and review period will run from October 29th thorough November 12th. Mr. Yamala noted that there is no change in the estimated construction costs and there is no impact on conformity.

   MOTION: *Mr. Wayne made a motion to recommend approval of the amendment to the 2008- 1013 Transportation Improvement Program with a second by Mr. Hoffman and passed by a unanimous vote.*

4. Report on Transit Development Plan Study

Mr. Burger explained that this study is a five year action plan for Hall Area Transit (HAT). He presented a summary of the results on surveys conducted on the public and current HAT riders. Comments were received through community outreach and interviews with stakeholders. Mr. Burger expounded the methods and media coverage used to inform the community about these activities.

5. Call for projects under the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Program

Mr. Fee said GDOT announced a call for applications for CMAQ projects has been extended for FY 2008-2013. This call is primarily for projects which reduce PM 2.5 emissions. Proposed projects should encourage traffic flow or retrofit diesel engines. Projects which include diesel retrofits of publicly-owned fleets as such school buses are strongly urged to apply. This project is 80% federal funded with 20% local match. Applications are due to GDOT by December 21, 2007.

6. JURISDICTION AND AGENCY REPORTS

Mr. Yamala discussed the status of transportation projects being completed in the local jurisdictions. The report will sent to committee members who requested copies.

7. UPCOMING MEETING DATE

The next meeting will be on February 28, 2008.

8. OTHER

Ms. Crowe announced HAT has three new buses that they will pick up next week.

Mr. Yamala ensured that everyone had a schedule of the 2008 GHMPO meetings.

9. ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by the chairman at 5:17 p.m.

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Ken Cochran, Chairperson

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Connie Daniels, Secretary