



Gainesville - Hall Metropolitan Planning Organization

GHMPO

Flowery Branch - Gainesville - Hall County - Oakwood

CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Development Services Center Conference Room
Minutes of October 27, 2011 Meeting

Voting Members Present:

Brent Hoffman, Hall County
James Nix, Hall County
Berlinda Lipscomb, City of Gainesville
Mary Jardine, City of Gainesville
Diane O'Kelley, City of Gainesville
Connie Propes, City of Gainesville
Emory Turner, City of Gainesville
Ron Petrie, City of Flowery Branch

Voting Members Absent:

Ken Cochran, Hall County
Ethan Hopkins, Hall County
Larry Poole, Hall County
Doug Smith, Hall County
Charles Mensinger, City of Oakwood

Others Present:

Srikanth Yamala, GHMPO
David Fee, GHMPO

Connie Daniels, Hall County

1. Welcome

Mayor Nix, Chairman, called the meeting to order.

2. Approval of February 24, 2011 and July 21, 2011 Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Ms. Lipscomb made a motion to approve the February 24, 2011 Minutes with a second by Ms. Propes and the motion passed by a unanimous vote.

MOTION: Mr. Hoffman made a motion to approve the July 21, 2011 Minutes with a second by Ms. Lipscomb and the motion passed by a unanimous vote.

3. Transportation Investment Act of 2010: Hall County Project List

Mr. Yamala briefly explained the Transportation Investment Act of 2010 (TIA) and the submission of projects by the Georgia Mountains Regional Roundtable. He provided a complete listing of fiscally constrained projects the Roundtable members compiled for the region and a map detailing the location and amount of Hall County projects. If the voter referendum passes, Hall County would receive approximately \$300 million over a 10 year period to complete the submitted projects. Hall County and its municipalities could also receive an additional \$65 million to be used on transportation projects at their own discretion.

Mr. Yamala acknowledged the Georgia Mountains Regional Commission, GDOT, Hall County Engineering staff, Georgia Mountains Regional Roundtable members and others for their work on compiling the project list which will be included in a statewide vote in the 2012 General Primary Election. He reminded the committee members that the MPO staff will be available to provide information regarding the TIA but cannot campaign for or against the referendum.

4. Recommendation to Approve Changes to the FY 2012 Unified Planning Work Program Funding Allocation

Mr. Yamala explained this change as a means to pay the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) consultant and closeout the contract on this project. The FY 2012 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) was a multi-year project and bills from the consultant were delayed and did not get paid prior to the fiscal year closeout. Mr. Yamala proposed to shift funds from the Study Coordination and Operation (work element 1.1) to the Long Range Transportation Plan (work element 4.1) without changing the total overall budget amount.

MOTION: Mr. Hoffman made a motion to recommend approval of the changes to the FY 2012 UPWP funding allocation with a second by Mr. Petrie and the motion passed by a unanimous vote.

5. Recommendation to Approve an Amendment to the FY 2012–2017 Transportation Improvement Program

Mr. Yamala explained the TIP amendment for the widening of Spout Springs Road from Hog Mountain Road to the Gwinnet County line by moving \$200,000 into the right-of-way phase. This amendment would have no impact on air quality conformity. He updated the committee members that GDOT requested that this item be tabled, so no action was taken.

6. Jurisdiction and Agency Reports

Mr. Fee discussed the status of transportation projects being completed by the jurisdictions of the City of Gainesville, GDOT, GMRC and Hall County.

7. Upcoming Meeting Date

The next CAC meeting is scheduled for February 23, 2012.

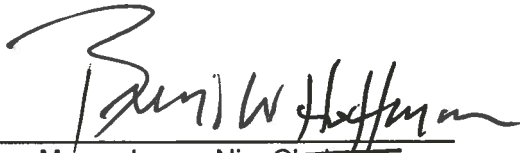
8. Other

A schedule of 2012 GHMPO Committee Meetings was handed out.

Mr. Yamala will provide an update at the next meeting on how the regions are reacting to the TIA and provide maps designating all the proposed projects as requested by CAC members.


9. Adjourn

MOTION: Mr. Petrie made a motion to adjourn with a second by Mr. Turner and the motion passed by a unanimous vote and the meeting was adjourned at 4:38 p.m.



~~Mayer James Nix, Chairman~~

Brent W. Hoffman
Vice Chair



Connie Daniels, Secretary