

Gainesville - Hall Metropolitan Planning Organization

GHMPO

Flowery Branch - Gainesville - Hall County - Oakwood

CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Development Services Center Conference Room
Minutes of April 26, 2012 Meeting

Voting Members Present:

James Nix, Hall County
Ken Cochran, Hall County
Dan Everitt, Hall County
Ethan Hopkins, Hall County
Ryan Sawyer, Hall County
Doug Smith, Hall County
Mary Jardine, City of Gainesville
Berlinda Lipscomb, 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
Charles Mensinger, City of Oakwood

Voting Members Absent:

Brent Hoffman, Hall County
Larry Poole, Hall County

Others Present:

David Fee, GHMPO
Srikanth Yamala, GHMPO

Connie Daniels, Hall County

1. Welcome

Mayor Nix called the meeting to order and introductions were made.

2. Approval of February 23, 2012 Meeting Minutes

MOTION: *Mr. Petrie made a motion to approve the February 23, 2012 Minutes with a second by Mr. Hopkins and the motion passed by a unanimous vote.*

3. Recommendation to Approve the Draft FY 2013 Unified Planning Work Program

Mr. Yamala stated the document is nearly the same as the one they reviewed in February. The only change made was to the Funding Summary to update the local in-kind match totals.

MOTION: *Mr. Cochran made a motion to recommend approval of the Draft FY2013 UPWP with a second by Ms. Lipscomb and the motion passed by a unanimous vote.*

4. I-985 Park-n-Ride Lots (Exit 4, Exit 16, Exit 17) Survey Results

Mr. Fee explained objective of the surveys was to assess the level of demand for express bus service towards Atlanta from the park and ride lots, and to determine commuting patterns and usage of the lots. Mr. Fee's expressed his opinions on why the Exit 17 lot was underutilized. The split diamond interchange configuration for Exits 16 and 17 may inhibit access from both directions of travel along I-985 and not turning on the lot lights discourages commuters worried about safety issues.

5. Transportation Investment Act: Discussion of Local Projects

Mr. Yamala had hoped he would be able to present a list of proposed local projects that would use local discretionary funds from the TIA, if the referendum passes. He explained that the Hall County Engineering staff has not been able to present a list of proposed projects to the Board of Commissioners yet.

6. Jurisdiction and Agency Reports

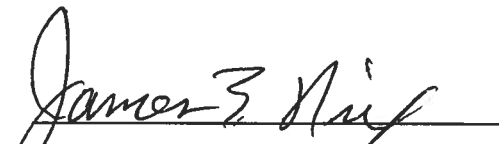
Mr. Fee discussed the status of transportation projects being completed by the following jurisdictions: City of Gainesville, City of Oakwood and Hall County.

7. Upcoming Meeting Date

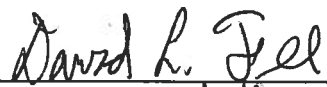
The next Citizen Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for July 26, 2012.

8. Adjourn

MOTION: Ms. Propes made a motion to adjourn the meeting with a second by Mr. Cochran and the motion passed by a unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 5:03 p.m.



Mayor James Nix, Chairman



Acting
Connie Daniels, Secretary
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