

Gainesville - Hall Metropolitan Planning Organization

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Flowery Branch - Gainesville - Hall County - Oakwood

CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Hall County Government Center, 2nd Floor Conference Room Minutes of July 25, 2013 Meeting

Voting Members Present:

Mayor James Nix, Hall County Ken Cochran, Hall County Renee Gerrell, Hall County Bill Hall, Hall County Brent Hoffman, Hall County Rob Strickland, Hall County Ron Petrie, City of Flowery Branch Mary Jardine. City of Gainesville Diane O'Kelley, City of Gainesville Connie Propes, City of Gainesville Charles Mensinger, City of Oakwood Tony Millwood, City of Oakwood

Voting Members Absent:

Ryan Sawyer, Hall County Doug Smith, Hall County Berlinda Lipscomb, City of Gainesville Emory Turner, City of Gainesville

Others Present:

Srikanth Yamala, Hall County Sam Baker, GHMPO David Fee, GHMPO

Richard Fangmann, Pond & Assoc. Joshua Stephens, Greater Hall Chamber Connie Daniels, Hall County

1. Welcome

Chairman Nix called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and introductions were made.

2. Approval of February 21, 2013 Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Ms. Jardine made a motion to approve the February 21, 2013 minutes with a second by Mr. Petrie and the motion passed by a unanimous vote.

3. City of Gainesville Transportation Study

Mr. Fangmann presented a list of goals and recommended improvements to roadways and bike and pedestrian paths that have been identified by the transportation study. On August 1, there will be another open house meeting for public comment and a briefing for the City Council. There is also another on-line survey available through August 15.

4. Recommendation to Approve Draft Public Participation Plan

Mr. Fee stated federal policy requires the MPO to develop and maintain a Public Participation Plan that outlines how the MPO disseminates information to the public and how they seek input on their plans and projects. The only change in the Plan is that the public comment period was changed from 30 days to 15 days to match the Transportation Improvement Program amendment process. Mr. Yamala addressed questions several members had regarding the wording of portions of the document. This document will be presented to the Policy Committee for adoption in August.

<u>MOTION</u>: Mr. Petrie made a motion to recommend approval of the Draft Public Participation Plan with a second by Ms. Jardine and the motion passed by a 11 -1 vote (Ms. Propes opposed).

5. Jurisdiction and Agency Reports

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

6. Upcoming Meeting Date

The next CAC meeting is scheduled for October 17, 2013.

7. Adjourn

MOTION: Mr. Cochran made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:20 p.m. with a second by Mr. Millwood and the motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Mayor James Nix, Chairman

Connie Daniels, Secretary