



Gainesville - Hall

Metropolitan Planning Organization

GHMPO

Flowery Branch - Gainesville - Hall County - Oakwood

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Hall County Government Center, 2nd Floor Conference Room
Minutes of April 24, 2014 Meeting

Voting Members Present:

Mayor James Nix, Hall County
Ken Cochran, Hall County
Bill Hall, Hall County
Brent Hoffman, Hall County
Ron Petrie, City of Flowery Branch
Ike Swofford, City of Flowery Branch
Mary Jardine, City of Gainesville
Berlinda Lipscomb, City of Gainesville
Diane O'Kelley, City of Gainesville
Charles Mensinger, City of Oakwood
Tony Millwood, City of Oakwood

Voting Members Absent:

Renee Gerrell, Hall County
Doug Smith, Hall County
Rob Strickland, Hall County
Connie Propes, City of Gainesville
Emory Turner, City of Gainesville

Others Present:

Richard Fangmann, Pond & Company
Brian Bolick, Pond & Company
Michelle Alexander, Pond & Company

Srikanth Yamala, GHMPO
Sam Baker, GHMPO
Connie Daniels, Hall County

1. Welcome

Mayor Nix called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. Approval of February 27, 2014 Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Ms. Jardine made a motion to approve the February 27, 2014, minutes with a second by Mr. Hall, and the motion passed by a unanimous vote.

3. Recommendation to Approve the Draft FY 2015 Unified Planning Work Program

Mr. Baker presented the Draft FY 2015 UPWP for review. This document is federally mandated and prepared annually to show tasks accomplished from the previous year and activities planned for the next fiscal year.

MOTION: Mr. Cochran made a motion to recommend approval of the Draft FY 2015 UPWP, with a second from Ms. Jardine, and the motion passed by a unanimous vote.

4. 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update

Federal requirements mandate that metropolitan areas with nonattainment air quality standards must update long-range transportation plans every four years. Consultants, Mr. Bolick, Mr. Fangmann and Ms. Alexander, discussed the process and timeline they will follow in coordination with the MPO staff to update the 2040 MTP.

Mr. Hoffman thanked the consultants for the work they are doing, but also expressed a great need for more to be done for the County to "stand out" and have a plan to get the dollars they need for transportation projects. "We need to figure out a different way to fund Hall County transportation needs that would be acceptable to the citizens and get it on the ballot and make it happen," Mr. Hoffman stated. Mr. Yamala agreed with Mr. Hoffman and relayed that the MPO staff is meeting with the policy makers from each city and jurisdiction. They will present the facts to them and it will be up to the policy makers to determine what they are willing to fund, what types of roads they want and what changes/additions they are willing to make.

5. Review Proposed Functional Classification Changes to Hall County Road Network

Mr. Baker explained that every 10 years the U. S. census results define the urbanized areas, and the FHWA and GDOT uses this data to review the roads in these areas to determine if their functional classifications continue to reflect how they presently operate and make changes to such classifications, if necessary. The Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) has voted to form a subcommittee of representatives from each jurisdiction to review functional classification of all roads and provide any suggested changes back to the TCC.

6. Review Proposed Amendments to the Citizens Advisory Committee Bylaws

Mr. Baker presented minor administrative revisions to be made to the CAC Bylaws as well as the addition of representatives from Jackson County and the Town of Braselton as two new voting members.

7. Jurisdiction and Agency Reports

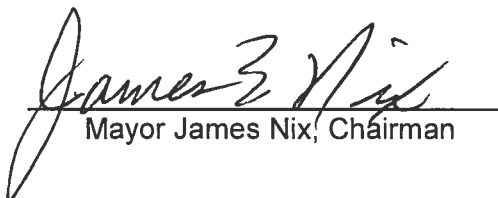
Mr. Baker discussed the status of transportation projects being completed for the City of Flowery Branch, the City of Gainesville, the City of Oakwood, GDOT, and Hall County.

8. Upcoming Meeting Date

The next CAC meeting is scheduled for July 31, 2014.

9. Adjourn

MOTION: Ms. Lipscomb made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:25 p.m. with a second from Mr. Hoffman, and the motion passed by a unanimous vote.



Mayor James Nix, Chairman



Connie Daniels, Secretary