



Gainesville - Hall Metropolitan Planning Organization

GHMPO

Flowery Branch - Gainesville - Hall County - Oakwood

POLICY COMMITTEE

Hall County Government Center, 2nd Floor Conference Room
Minutes of November 6, 2013 Meeting

Voting Members Present:

Mayor Lamar Scroggs, City of Oakwood
Chairman Richard Mecum, Hall County
Mayor Mike Miller, City of Flowery Branch
Matthew Fowler, GDOT

Voting Members Absent:

Mayor Bob Hamrick, City of Gainesville

Others Present:

Dee Taylor, City of Gainesville
Bill Andrew, City of Flowery Branch
Stan Brown, City of Oakwood
Sarah McQuade, GMRC
Jeff Gill, Gainesville Times
Phillippa Lewis Moss, HAT
Adam Ivory, CDM Smith
Connie Daniels, Hall County

Brandon Kirby, GDOT
Julia Billings, GDOT
Kaycee Mertz, GDOT
Richard Fangmann, Pond & Company
Sam Baker, GHMPO
Srikanth Yamala, GHMPO
David Fee, GHMPO

1. Welcome

Mayor Scroggs called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. Approval of August 13, 2013 Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Mayor Miller made a motion to approve the August 13, 2013, minutes with a second by Chairman Mecum, and the motion passed by a unanimous vote.

3. Partial Update to Hall County Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan

Mr. Fangmann presented the upcoming schedule and tasks for the Hall County Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan. The advisory council, consisting of a representative from each city, Hall County, the City of Buford and the City of Braselton, will meet on November 13th.

4. Approve Draft Amendments and Administrative Modifications to the FY 2012- 2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Mr. Baker presented TIP amendments requested by GDOT for traffic signal upgrades on SR 11, SR13, SR 43 and SR 60, the bridge project at SR 53/Dawsonville Highway at the

Chestatee River, the (joint GDOT/Hall County request) widening of SR347/Lanier Islands Parkway from McEver Road to Lake Lanier Islands and widening Spout Springs Road from Hog Mountain Road to the Gwinnett County Line. He also presented TIP administrative modifications for projects involving the Lanier Islands Parkway widening and the Central Hall Recreation and Multi-Use Trail. The TCC and CAC have recommended these projects be presented for approval.

MOTION: Mayor Miller made a motion to approve the Draft Amendments and Administrative Modifications to the FY 2012 – 2017 TIP with a second by Chairman Mecum, and the motion passed by a unanimous vote.

5. Approve Draft Amendments to the FY 2014 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

Mr. Baker presented amendments to the FY 2014 UPWP to roll over unused funds from FY 2013 into FY 2014. The funds will be used for the update of the LRTP and the Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. The left over funds are primarily due to Mr. Yamala's promotion to the Planning Director position which left the GHMPO position vacant for most of the year. The TCC and CAC have recommended these amendments be presented for approval.

MOTION: Chairman Mecum made a motion to approve the amendments to the FY 2014 UPWP with a second from Mr. Fowler, and the motion passed by a unanimous vote.

6. Adopt Title VI Program and Environmental Justice (EJ) Analysis

Mr. Fee explained that federal regulations mandate that the GHMPO adopt and annually update the Title VI Program and EJ Analysis. He explained Title VI addresses how the MPO plans will include all residents and procedures to follow should a Title VI complaint arise. Mr. Yamala reported that this analysis shows that the MPO is meeting and providing the services needed to the target areas. The TCC and CAC have recommended this document be presented for approval.

MOTION: Chairman Mecum made a motion to adopt Title VI Program and EJ Analysis with a second by Mayor Miller, and the motion passed by a unanimous vote.

7. Jurisdiction and Agency Reports

Representatives discussed the status of transportation projects being completed by their jurisdictions: Mayor Miller for the City of Flowery Branch, Mr. Taylor for the City of Gainesville, Mr. Brown for the City of Oakwood, and Mr. Fee for Hall County.

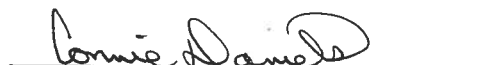
8. Upcoming Meeting Date

The next Policy Committee meeting is scheduled for March 11, 2014.

9. Adjourn

MOTION: Mayor Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:14 a.m. with a second by Chairman Mecum, and the motion passed by a unanimous vote.


Lamar Scroggs, Vice Chairman


Connie Daniels, Secretary