

# Gainesville - Hall Metropolitan Planning Organization

Flowery Branch - Gainesville - Hall County - Oakwood

# TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE

Development Services Center Conference Room Minutes of April 18, 2012 Meeting

#### **Voting Members Present:**

Kevin McInturff, Hall County
Jody Woodall, Hall County
Ken Rearden, Hall County
Stan Brown, City of Oakwood
Kyle Mote, GDOT
Srikanth Yamala, GHMPO
James Riker, City of Flowery Branch
Dee Taylor, City of Gainesville

#### **Voting Members Absent:**

Richard Ticehurst, HAT Robert Mahoney, GDOT Rusty Ligon, City of Gainesville

#### **Others Present:**

BJ Williams, WDUN
David Fee, GHMPO
Jeff Gill, Gainesville Times
Chad White, Gainesville Police Dept.

Matthew Fowler, GDOT Katrina Lawrence, GDOT Phil Peevy, GDOT

#### 1. Welcome

Mr. Riker called the meeting to order at 10:36 a.m.

# 2. Approval of February 15, 2012 Meeting Minutes

**MOTION:** Mr. Rearden made a motion to approve the February 15, 2012 Minutes with a second by Mr. Brown and the motion passed by a unanimous vote.

#### 3. Recommendation to Approve Draft FY 2013 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

Mr. Yamala pointed out changes that were made to the UPWP during the review period. He directed the attention of the committee to the funding summary table.

**MOTION:** Mr. Brown made a motion to recommend approval of the Draft FY 2013 UPWP with a second by Mr. McInturff and the motion passed by a unanimous vote.

# 4. Transportation Investment Act (TIA): Discussion of Local Projects

Mr. Yamala asked representatives of the GHMPO jurisdictions to outline how they would allocate the 25% local discretionary funds over the next 10 years should the transportation

referendum pass. He suggested the jurisdictions to compile a unified list highlighting key discretionary projects. Mr. Brown said the City of Oakwood would supplement its pavement management program and use the remaining funds on sidewalk and intersection improvements. Mr. Riker said the City of Flowery Branch would use the money to resurface 3.3 miles of roadway, including Gainesville St., Radford Rd., Morrow Dr. Chestnut St. and Chattahoochee St. Mr. Taylor said the City of Gainesville would add to its Local Maintenance Improvement Grant (LMIG) with resurfacing projects and sidewalks along state roads; as well as, intersection improvements at Jesse Jewel Parkway and Prior St. and Park Hill Dr. and Enota Dr. Mr. Woodall said Hall County would work on resurfacing (McEver Rd.), road construction (Browns Bridge Rd., Skelton Rd./Memorial Park Dr., Crescent Dr., White Sulphur Rd., Ramsey Rd. and intersection improvements (McEver Rd. at Jim Crow Rd. and at Flat Creek Rd.; Old Cornelia Hwy at Joe Chandler Rd.; Hog Mountain Rd. at Black Jack and at Cash Rd.).

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

Mr. Fee explained that the park and ride lots surveys were conducted to assess the level of demand for express bus service towards Atlanta and to determine commuting patterns and usage of the lots. Committee members echoed some of Mr. Fee's 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.

# 6. Jurisdiction and Agency Reports

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

# 7. Upcoming Meeting Date

The next TCC meeting is scheduled for July 18, 2012.

#### 8. Other

### 9. Adjourn

<u>MOTION</u>: Mr. Woodall made a motion to adjourn with a second by Mr. Yamala and the motion passed by a unanimous vote and the meeting was adjourned at 11:33 a.m.

James Riker, Chairman

David Fee, Acting Secretary