

# Gainesville - Hall Metropolitan Planning Organization

Flowery Branch - Gainesville - Hall County - Oakwood

# TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE

Hall County Government Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room Minutes of February 13, 2013 Meeting

### **Voting Members Present:**

Ken Rearden, Hall County Kevin McInturff, Hall County Jody Woodall, Hall County Dee Taylor, City of Gainesville Stan Brown, City of Oakwood Julia Billings, GDOT Adam Hazell, GMRC Srikanth Yamala, GHMPO

# **Voting Members Absent:**

Rusty Ligon, City of Gainesville

#### **Others Present:**

Chairman Richard Mecum, Hall County Dean Staples, City of Gainesville Nicole Spivey, GHMPO Jeff Gill. Gainesville Times

Richard Fangmann, Pond & Assoc. Habte Kassa, GDOT Adam Ivory, CDM Smith Connie Daniels, Hall County

#### 1. Welcome

Mr. Woodall called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. and introductions were made.

# 2. Approval of October 17, 2012 Meeting Minutes

**MOTION:** Mr. Brown made a motion to approve the October 17, 2012, Minutes with a second by Mr. Taylor and the motion passed by a unanimous vote.

# 3. City of Gainesville Transportation Study

Mr. Yamala introduced and welcomed Nicole Spivey, the new Senior Transportation Planner.

Mr. Yamala announced this study will now be called the City of Gainesville Master Plan. He introduced Richard Fangmann who discussed the steps involved in this study from implementation in December 2012 through completion date of August 2013. To ensure community involvement a focus group of citizens and stake holders is being formed, there will be an on-line survey and community meetings.

Mr. Yamala reported that they will wait until October/November to update the TIP in the event this study yields additional projects.

### 4. Review and Discussion of Draft FY2014 UPWP

Mr. Yamala presented the draft FY2014 Unified Planning Work Program for review. This document is federally mandated and prepared annually to show tasks accomplished from the previous year and to show activities planned for the next fiscal year. This document will be presented to the TCC again in April when they will be asked to make a recommendation to the Policy Committee.

Mr. Yamala reported that they will also be updating the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan soon.

#### 5. Review and Discussion of FY2012 - 2017 TIP Amendments

Mr. Yamala presented a TIP amendment on the I-985 new interchange project north of SR 13/Atlanta Highway, near Martin Road. The Preliminary Engineering (PE) on this project was completed seven years ago, therefore the engineering and environmental studies need to be updated to ensure accurate data is provided. The proposed amendment authorizes \$800,000 in PE funds in 2013.

The second amendment for \$50,000 in PE funds is for the SR284/Clarks Bridge Road at Chattahoochee River bridge project. The preliminary study was completed two years ago, however, prolonged negotiations with the Corps of Engineers has put the funding in the negative.

**MOTION:** Mr. Brown made a motion to recommend approval of the FY2012 – 2017 TIP amendments with a second by Mr. Rearden and the motion passed by a unanimous vote.

# 6. GHMPO 2010 Census Adjusted Urbanized Area

Ms. Spivey explained the urbanized area is determined by the Census and they are now seeking to "smooth" out the irregular boundaries that were determined by the 2010 census. The 2010 Census designated urbanized area is a gain of approximately 7,000 people and close to a \$40,000 increase in funding from the 2000 designation. The adjusted urbanized area must be contiguous and not more than 2.5 miles from an urban area.

**MOTION:** Mr. Yamala made a motion to recommend approval of the 2010 Census Adjusted Urbanized Area with a second by Mr. Rearden 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: Mr. Taylor for the City of Gainesville, Mr. Brown for the City of Oakwood, Mr. Hazell for GMRC and Mr. Woodall for Hall County.

Mr. Woodall requested Mr. Hazell put together a presentation on the Northwest Trail Project to present to the Policy Committee.

#### 8. Upcoming Meeting Date

The next TCC meeting is scheduled for April 17, 2013.

# 9. Adjourn

**MOTION:** Mr. Yamala made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:34 a.m. with a second by Mr. Brown and the motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Jody Woodall, Chairman

Connie Daniels, Secretary