

**PASCO COUNTY
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
MEETING**

ANNOTATED AGENDA

JUNE 8, 2023

**PREPARED IN THE OFFICE OF
NIKKI ALVAREZ-SOWLES, Esq., CLERK & COMPTROLLER**

**THE MINUTES WERE PREPARED IN AGENDA ORDER
AS PUBLISHED AND NOT IN THE ORDER
IN WHICH THE ITEMS WERE HEARD**

10:00 A.M.

**HISTORIC PASCO COUNTY COURTHOUSE, BOARD ROOM, 2ND FLOOR
37918 MERIDIAN AVENUE, DADE CITY, FL 33525**

MPO Members

Matt Murphy, Chairman
(Councilman, City of New Port Richey)
Scott Black, Vice-Chairman - **Absent**
(Commissioner, City of Dade City)
Ron Oakley
(County Commissioner, District 1)
Seth Weightman
(County Commissioner, District 2)
Kathryn Starkey - **Absent**
(County Commissioner, District 3)

Gary Bradford - **Absent**
(County Commissioner, District 4)
Jack Mariano
(County Commissioner, District 5)
Lance Smith
(Councilman, City of Zephyrhills)
John Eric Hoover
(Mayor, City of Port Richey)

David Gwynn, P.E. – FDOT District Seven
(Non-Voting – Advisor)

Staff Members:

David Goldstein, Chief Assistant County Attorney	
Nectarios Pittos, AICP, Director of Planning and Development	
Carl Mikyska, MPO Executive Director	Tania Gorman, Principal Planner
Jannina Elkin, Public Transportation Director	Tina Russo, Planner II
Laurie Schaediger, Business Manager	John Koors, Planner II
Scott Ferry, Principal Planner	

Call to Order

Chairman Murphy called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Kayla Zine, Deputy Clerk, gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Chairman Murphy welcomed Mayor John Eric Hoover of Port Richey.

Roll Call - Clerk

Ms. Zine called the roll. All members were present with the exception of Dade City Commissioner Black, Commissioner Starkey, and Commissioner Bradford who were absent.

Chairman Murphy thanked Mr. Bob Esposito, Executive Director of Hernando Citrus MPO, for his attendance.

Call for Public Input

Citizens are given an opportunity to comment on items listed on the Agenda by participating via WebEx during the meeting or attending in person. A WebEx preregistration process can be found on the Public Comment Options page and must be completed to participate. Citizens may also comment on items listed on the Agenda in person inside the Board Room. Attendees are given an opportunity to comment on listed agenda items, as well as non-agenda items during Public Comment.

Chairman Murphy called for public comment.

Mr. Todd VandeBerg, City of Zephyrhills Planning Director and Technical Advisory Committee member, introduced representatives from the City of Zephyrhills, Ms. Gail Hamilton, CRA Director, Mr. William Poe, City Manager, and Mr. Steve Spina, Council member. He spoke regarding the ranking of the two 301 projects, the time the projects have been on the list, the establishment of a CRA through Zephyrhills, the need for road improvements, concerns with traffic, the previous Technical Advisory Committee meeting recommendation, and the creation of the ranking criteria with DOT and MPO members.

Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of the May 11, 2023 MPO Board meeting minutes

File Number MPO23-0147

Comm. Dist. All

Recommendation Approve

The Board approved the May 11, 2023, Metropolitan Planning Organization Board Meeting Minutes.

MPO Advisory Committee Reports

Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)

This item was for information only. No action was required.

Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)

This item was for information only. No action was required.

Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)

This item was for information only. No action was required.

Action Items

2. Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged - Designated Official Planning Agency (DOPA) - Metropolitan Planning Organization - Transportation Disadvantaged Planning Grant Agreement - \$33,204

File Number MPO23-0142

Comm. Dist. All

Recommendation Approve

The Board approved the item per Staff's recommendation.

3. FY2023-2024 Unified Planning Work Program Amendment

File Number MPO23-0141

Comm. Dist. All

Recommendation Approve

The Board approved the item per Staff's recommendation.

4. Final 2023 List of MPO Project Priorities (LOPP)

File Number MPO23-0143

Comm. Dist. All

Recommendation Approve

The Board approved the item per Staff's recommendation with Councilman Smith voting nay .

5. Adoption of the Final Pasco MPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) - State Fiscal Years 2024-2028

File Number MPO23-0136

Comm. Dist. All

Recommendation Approve

The Board approved the item per Staff's recommendation.

MPO Agenda

6. Appointment of New Member to the MPO Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee

File Number MPO23-0146

Comm. Dist. District 2

Recommendation Approve

The Board approved to appoint Mr. James Higgins to the Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee.

Status Reports/Presentations

7. US 301 (SR 41) from Fowler Ave to SR 56 PD&E Project Presentation by FDOT

File Number MPO23-0138

Comm. Dist. One

Recommendation Presentation Only

This item was for information only. No action was required.

8. 2020 Census Update and Next Steps

File Number MPO23-0094

Comm. Dist. All

Recommendation Presentation Only

This item was for information only. No action was required.

9. Long Range Transportation Plan Visioning Exercise

File Number MPO23-0144

Comm. Dist. All

Recommendation Presentation Only

This item was for information only. No action was required.

10. Potential Regional MPO for the Tampa Bay Area

File Number MPO23-0145

Comm. Dist. All

Recommendation Presentation Only

This item was for information only. No action was required.

Other Business – Meetings Held / Scheduled / Items of Note

The Board approved to appoint Mr. Ronald McDonald as the primary and Mr. Jerry Griffin as the alternate to the Citizens Advisory Committee with Commissioner Mariano absent from the vote.

Chairman Murphy noted the next MPO meeting in New Port Richey was scheduled for August 11, 2023.

Post Meeting Materials

There was none.

Adjourn

The Board approved to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Prepared by: Kayla Zine, Records Clerk I, Board Records Division