

**Minutes  
Technical Advisory Committee  
3/11/14  
1:00 PM**

<b>Members Present</b>	<b>Organization</b>
Brent Thomas	GDOT
Mike Fletcher	Lowndes County
Pat Collins	Valdosta
Krystal Harris (proxy for Aries Little)	GDOT (via phone)
<b>Others Present</b>	
Corey Hull	SGRC
Shane Pridgen	GDOT
Mike Meeks	Bike Advocate
William Sims	Valdosta

### **Agenda Item #1 – Call to Order**

Mr. Fletcher called the meeting to order at 1:01pm.

### **Agenda Item #2 – Introductions/Roll Call**

Mr. Fletcher asked those present to introduce themselves.

### **Agenda Item #3 – Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes**

Mr. Fletcher asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the September 4, 2013 meeting, a motion was made by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Fletcher, motion passed.

### **Agenda Item #4– Old Business**

None.

### **Agenda Item #5– New Business**

#### A. TAC Officers Election

After a brief discussion it was decided that the slate of officers should remain the same, a motion was made by Mr. Collins, it was seconded by Mr. Fletcher, motion carried.

#### B. FY15 UPWP

Mr. Hull presented the draft FY15 UPWP for the committee to discuss. Mr. Hull noted the budget was included in the packet. He noted UPWP is the budget and outline of staff responsibilities over the coming year. Mr. Hull briefly reviewed each of the work elements and the budget line items. He carefully described the procedures for carryover funds and how they are included in the budget.

A motion was made to recommend approval of the FY15 UPWP by Mr. Collins, a second was made by Mr. Fletcher, motion carried.

#### C. Valdosta/VSU Traffic Safety Study

Mr. Hull presented some brief information on a request for the City of Valdosta and Valdosta State University regarding a traffic safety study to be conducted around campus to address pedestrian safety concerns. Mr. Hull described the way in which the MPO might go about doing this along with partners like VSU, GDOT and Valdosta. He noted there were too many question right now to give a lot of details, and that the Policy Committee had final decisions over this type of project.

#### D. Technical Advisory Committee Attendance and Membership

Mr. Hull presented options for revising the membership/voting privileges of the TAC members. A discussion ensued, with the following recommendations provided for staff to proceed with: planners, balance between city/county, airport, law enforcement, bike advocate, AFB, look at bylaws for changes, follow-up with non-voting members on non-attendance. Attendance policy,

### **Agenda Item #5– Staff Update**

#### A. 5303 Grant Application Status

Mr. Hull noted this application is has still not been requested by GDOT and we are hoping to hear soon on the available funding.

#### B. Public Participation Survey

Mr. Hull provided an overview of a survey staff conducted of those people who participated in MPO public participation activities in the last year.

#### C. Project Status Report

Mr. Hull presented information about the status up projects throughout the region.

#### D. Transit Allocation

Mr. Hull announced that the 5307 allocations have been announced, this year for Valdosta, the allocation is above \$1 million. It will be up to the Policy Committee to decide if it wants to keep the money.

### **Agenda Item #6 – Privilege of the Floor/Public Comment**

Mr. Collins commented about a visit with GDOT Atlanta staff. He said they met about the trucks in downtown Valdosta. The Jerry Jones project was also discussed, an agreement was come to, to change the project to an operational safety project, rather than a widening, He said that Oak to Country Club would be locally funded as well as Gornto and Baytree. The segment from Gornto to Country Club would be the new federal-aid project.

Mr. Collins also discussed improvements to the drainage concerns on N. Oak Street Ext. near 5 Points. This project was discussed about developing roundabouts at this intersection.

Mr. Collins also noted that a City Councilman had requested that sidewalks be installed along St. Augustine Road (SR 133).

**Agenda Item #7 - Next Meeting Date and Time**

June 4 is the date of the next regular meeting.

**Agenda Item #8 – Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned by Mr. Fletcher at 1:50pm.