

Minutes

Valdosta-Lowndes Metropolitan Planning Organization

Citizen's Advisory Committee  
Tuesday, December 1, 2020 (Virtual)

Name	Organization
Ronald Skrine	Lowndes County
Clayton Milligan	Lowndes County
Vanessa Flucas	City of Valdosta
Bill Branham	City of Valdosta
Carroll Griffin	City of Remerton
Chris Hamilton	VLCCTA
Britt McLane	VLC Chamber of Commerce
Ray Sable	VSU
Shannon McConico	WGTC
Phil Hubbard	Lowndes County
Gary Wisenbaker	Lowndes County
Debbie Hobdy	Lowndes County
Kathleen Hodges	City of Valdosta
Sandra Tooley	City of Valdosta
Corey Hull	SGRC
Amy Martin	SGRC
Megan Fowler	SGRC
Kelly Saxon	GDCS

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- I. Call to Order  
Mr. Skrine, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:05 PM.
- II. Introductions/Roll Call  
Mr. Hull, SGRC, completed a roll call of committee members on the call
- III. Approval of Minutes- September 1 (CAC); September 2 (TAC) (PC)  
Mr. Skrine asked for the members to review the CAC minutes from the September meetings. Mr. Milligan made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, it was seconded by Mr. Wisenbaker, the motion carried unanimously.
- IV. New Business- (CAC, TAC, PC)
  - a. TAC: Election of Officers  
NA
  - b. Resolution FY2021-2 - FTA 5303 Metro Planning Application  
Ms. Fowler described the application for FTA 5303 funds and what planning activities of the MPO and City of Valdosta transit system would be completed in FY2022. Some of the activities include the consideration of writing a public transit participation plan and a coordinated human services transit plan. Mr. Skrine asked where the application information was in the agenda packet. Mr. Hull noted that it was on page 24, and was over \$65,000 in total funding. Mr. Wisenbaker asked if this was an annual application and how long we had been applying for it. Mr. Hull noted that it was to carry out the activities of the MPO specifically as it related to public transit planning, he noted they had been applying for nearly 20 years. Mr. Wisenbaker made a motion to recommend approval of the application, it was seconded by Ms. Hodges, the motion carried unanimously.
  - c. Resolution FY2021-3 – FY2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program  
Ms. Martin, SGRC, presented the information on the recent TIP public comment period. She started with a brief overview of the TIP document and how it works to implement projects in the MPO region. She reviewed the projects that are anticipated to be funded over the next four years. She reviewed the comments that had been received.  
Ms. McConico made a motion to recommend approval of the TIP, it was seconded by Mr. McClane, the motion carried unanimously.
  - d. FY2022 UPWP and Budget Discussion  
Ms. Martin, SGRC, presented the draft FY2022 UPWP. She outlined the summary budget sheet to describe how the funding is allocated between various work elements for staff. She briefly described some of the work planned to be undertaken in the next fiscal year.
- V. Staff Update
  - a. New SGRC Building  
Mr. Hull noted the staff is in the new SGRC office building and an open house was to be held on December 11, 2020 at 11 AM, all committee members are welcome.
  - b. MPO Certification Review

Mr. Hull noted that the staff recently participated in the GDOT/FHWA Certification Review. He noted that the meeting was productive and provided good feedback to improve the transportation planning process. He noted a final report will be available in Spring 2021.

c. Participation Plan Update

Mr. Hull noted that one of the recommendations from the Certification Review was some updated to the Participation Plan. He said that the PP will be available for public comment from January 15 – February 28, 2021, with final approval at the March meetings.

VI. Privilege of the Floor/Public Comment

Mr. Skrine noted that he would like to tour some of the sites that the MPO has taken part in and had a hand it doing. Mr. Hull said that staff would look into this.

Ms. Hodges asked what the current status of public transit implementation was in Valdosta. Mr. Hull responded that the current status is that the City is continuing to work with GDOT and the selected vendor to finalize a contract.

VII. Next Meeting Date

CAC; Tuesday, March 2, 2021; 3:00 PM; Location TBD

TAC; Wednesday, March 3, 2021; 9:00 AM; Location TBD

PC; Wednesday, March 3, 2021; 10:30 AM; Location TBD

VIII. Adjournment

Mr. Skrine asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting, a motion was made by Mr. Wisenbaker and seconded by Ms. Hobdy, the meeting was adjourned by acclamation.