

Minutes Citizens Advisory Committee June 4, 2019 3:00 PM

Members Present	Organization
Bill Branham	City of Valdosta
Vanessa Flucas	City of Valdosta
Jim Parker	City of Valdosta
Clayton Milligan	LEA
Carroll Griffin	City of Remerton
Debbie Hobdy	MIDS
Steve Barnes	Lowndes
Jim Galloway	Valdosta Airport
Ray Sable	VSU
Ronald Skrine	Lowndes
Phil Hubbard	Lowndes Citizen
Chris Hamilton	VLCCCTA
Mary Jane Yorke	Lake Park
Gary Wisenbaker	Lowndes County
Others Present	
Vivian Miller-Cody	Valdosta
Corey Hull	SGRC
Amy Martin	SGRC
JD Dillard	SGRC
Mark Wisenbaker	Lowndes County

Agenda Item #1 – Call to Order

Ms. Flucas called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM.

Agenda Item #2 – Introductions/Roll Call

A. <u>Review Committee Attendance (all committees)</u>

Ms. Flucas asked those present to introduce themselves and state their affiliation with the committee.

Agenda Item #3 – Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes

Ms. Flucas asked the committee members to review the March 4, 2019 and March 5, 2019 meeting minutes. Mr. Wisenbaker made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Branham made a motion in the second. The vote was unanimous; the motion carried.

Agenda Item #4– New Business

A. Resolution FY2019-4 Amend the 2040 Vision Plan FY18-21 TIP Action: Recommendation/Vote for Approval

Mr. Dillard gave an update on Exit 22, 2, and 11 to include funding adjustment. Corey Hull responded GDOT is constantly rebalancing there work program and the changes to exit 2 trying to figure out how they are going to get every single project done with the money available. Originally 100% was state funded GDOT balance sheet changed and they wanted to use some of the federal money on the project right now. For exit 11 the biggest change is 19M of that project is funded by the regional sales tax. So that is the driving force behind that change because of a new funding source. Ms. Flucas asked if the money will be reallocated throughout the State. Corey Hull responded that the money is reallocated throughout the state. Recommendation to approve resolution to amendment of project 0007386(Exit 2). Changing it from and entirely State funded project to a Federal and state funded project. Making this change because GDOT changed funding sources. This has caused Exit 11 project to be delayed slightly by a few months. Motion to recommend approving resolution and to amend 2040 Vision Plan and TIP was unanimous.

B. Election of Officers

Action: Vote

Handled election various ways in years past. Corey Hull described each position and their roles. Ms. Flucas opened the floor for chair nominations. MS. Flucas nominated Mr. Skrine. Vote was unanimous. Mr. Milligan was nominated for Vice Chair. Vote was unanimous. Ms. Yorke was nominated for secretary and vote was unanimous.

Agenda Item #5– Staff Update

A. Strategic Plan

Corey Hull with this strategic plan that was put in FY2020 work program to complete. Working on 2045 Transpiration Plan which will be adopted early in FY2021. Want to accomplish with Stratic Plan is really get direction from the three committees of what they want and they want the long range transportation plan to be. So to accomplish this Corey proposed is having a joint meeting having a brief business meeting then transitioning to a discussion meeting about the transportation plan. The meeting times on agenda are subject to change. Ms. Flucas asked if meeting was going to be set up like a retreat. Corey responded with ye,s a very light one.

B. FY19 Crash Report

Ariel Godwin stated he is finishing up the crash report. With crashes in the MPO area within a 5 year period. Goes from January 1 2014 to December 31, 2018. The report uses as a framework the FAWH performance measure and the goals in the 2018 highway safety plan. Vehicle miles traveled in the MPO region are estimated at about 1.29% of the state total. Overall trend for fatal crashes collector roads have the highest crash rate per mile traveled and the interstate is the lowest. Pedestrian crashes tend to be clustered in the more urbanized area even more so bicycle crashes. Only had 1 bicycle fatality in 5 years. High crash intersections are identified the top 20 are listed by drawing 250ft radii and finding the ones that have the most crashes within that radius. Tend to be clustered around Perimeter and North Valdosta Rd, and also a clustered surrounding Valdosta mall. Since this is a working graph right now Ariel open floor for and comments or suggestions. Floor asked if Ariel could add and weighted average based on traffic count through that intersection. See if there is a noticeable decrease in crashes since texting law went into effect. If there is a trend over the last couple years and we haven't done anything about will look bad a member stated. Member stated it would be interesting to see if there is an increase in crashes when students move in, especially in Baytree/Oak Street corridor.

C. 2045 Transportation Plan Update

Released survey and was active for 30 days closed on May 10, 2019. Amy read a few questions from the survey and the responses. Highest response was to improve pedestrian infrastructure 51% was the highest. What transportation factors would impact your daily driving habits higher cost of driving came in at 58%. About 200 responses in all when we engaged the public. Going forward we want to know who are the stakeholders we should be talking to concerning the different input we are receiving from the public about pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure. Amy then opened to floor to make any suggestions they had or saw or heard concerning the community relay that information back to SGRC.

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

None.

Agenda Item #7 - Next Meeting Date and Time

The next meeting will be Wednesday, September 4, 2019 at 8:30 AM location TBD.

<u>Agenda Item #8 – Adjournment</u>

Mr. Wisenbaker motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Jim Parker, motion carried.