

Minutes

Valdosta-Lowndes Metropolitan Planning Organization

Technical Advisory Committee
Wednesday, December 2, 2020 (Virtual)

Name	Organization
Mike Fletcher	Lowndes County
Pat Collins	City of Valdosta
Van Mason	GDOT
Tyler Graham	GDOT
Alan Worley	Bike/Ped Advocate
Jason Willingham	GDOT
Dennis Carter	GDOT
Vivian Canizares	GDOT
Rachel Strom	SGRC
Corey Hull	SGRC

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- I. Call to Order
Mr. Fletcher, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:04 AM.
- II. Introductions/Roll Call
Mr. Fletcher asked those on the call to introduce themselves.
- III. Approval of Minutes- September 1 (CAC); September 2 (TAC) (PC)
Mr. Fletcher asked for the members to review the TAC minutes from the September meeting. Mr. Hull noted that the date and time needed to be changed on the minutes. Mr. Collins made a motion to approve the minutes as presented with changes, it was seconded by Mr. Fletcher, the motion carried unanimously.
- IV. New Business- (CAC, TAC, PC)
 - a. TAC: Election of Officers
Mr. Collins made a motion to keep the current officers in place. Mr. Fletcher seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously. The officers will be Mr. Fletcher, Chair and Mr. Collins, Vice-Chair.
 - b. Resolution FY2021-2 - FTA 5303 Metro Planning Application
Mr. Hull, SGRC, 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. Hull noted that it was to carry out the activities of the MPO specifically as it related to public transit planning. Mr. Collins made a motion to recommend approval of the application, it was seconded by Mr. Graham, the motion carried unanimously.
 - c. Resolution FY2021-3 – FY2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program
Mr. Hull, SGRC, presented the information on the recent TIP public comment period. He started with a brief overview of the TIP document and how it works to implement projects in the MPO region. He reviewed the projects that are anticipated to be funded over the next four years. He also reviewed the comments that had been received. Mr. Collins asked to make sure the comments he had on the document were added to the record as well, Mr. Hull said that he would make sure of this. Mr. Fletcher made a motion to recommend approval of the TIP, it was seconded by Mr. Collins, the motion carried unanimously.
 - d. FY2022 UPWP and Budget Discussion
Mr. Hull, SGRC, presented the draft FY2022 UPWP. He outlined the summary budget sheet to describe how the funding is allocated between various work elements for staff. He briefly described some of the work planned to be undertaken in the next fiscal year. Ms. Canizares noted that the wording should be carefully looked at to make sure that the neighborhood plans are transportation focused.
- 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. Fletcher asked Mr. Mason if any improvements have been identified for the Perimeter/Howell Road intersection. Mr. Mason noted that several options are being considered, but one had not been settled on yet.

Mr. Mason updated the committee on the 5 Points Roundabout project, he said that ROW was anticipated to begin in April 2021.

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

The meeting was adjourned by acclamation.