



MPO
Newsletter/Action Sheet
September 10, 2014

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Karen Seel called the meeting to order.

II. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Mayor Eggers conducted the invocation and led the Pledge for the MPO.

III. SEATING OF THE NEW BOARD AND RECOGNITION OF MPO MEMBERS

The new MPO Board was seated and recognized. Everyone on the dais introduced themselves.

IV. JOINT MPO AND PPC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

The MPO approved the slate of officers as recommended by the Executive Committee to serve until December 31, 2014. The list of officers is as follows:

- Commissioner Karen Seel – Chairman
- Mayor David Archie – Vice Chairman
- Commissioner Harriet Crozier – Secretary
- Commissioner John Morroni – Treasurer

The MPO took action to delegate authority for signing the MPO checks to Commissioner Harriet Crozier.

Chairman Seel summarized the MPO and PPC Executive Committee meeting held earlier that day.

V. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

There were no citizens to be heard.

VI. AWARDS/PRESENTATIONS (CTC and Volunteer of the Year Awards)

The MPO recognized recipients of the State's Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged awards, which included Michael Raposa (inabsentia) and Jane Walker for Volunteer of the Year and PSTA for Community Transportation Coordinator of the Year.

VII. COPYRIGHT CLAIM REGARDING USE OF PHOTOGRAPHIC IMAGE

Following the recommendation of its attorney, the MPO approved the payment of \$400 to settle the copyright claim for use of a photographic image. The Director reported that a policy has been developed and distributed to all MPO staff regarding the use of Google images.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

The MPO approved the consent agenda, which included the July 9, 2014 MPO meeting minutes; invoices from Tindale-Oliver and Associates, PPC invoice for shared copier use, TBARTA invoices for CCC staff services; amendments to agreements with Neighborly Care Network and Hillsborough County Department of Health and Social Services; supplemental agreement with FDOT for Surface Transportation Program funds; selection and negotiation of contract with the top ranked audit firm; Level of Service Report; amendments to the Unified Planning Work Program; and Technical Coordinating Committee appointment for Pinellas Park.

IX. PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

A. Proposed Amendments to the FY 2014/15 – 2018/19 Transportation Improvement Program

Following a public hearing, the MPO approved the proposed amendment to the Transportation Improvement Program to change the project description from "I-275 (S.R.

93/22nd Avenue North) from 22nd Street North to 19th Street North” to “22nd Avenue North from 22nd Street North to 19th Street North” to correctly identify the location of the project (by roll call vote).

B. Transportation Improvement Program Priority Lists

Following a public hearing, the MPO approved the regional Transportation Management Area (TMA) Transportation Alternatives Priority List, the local Transportation Alternatives Priority List, the Surface Transportation Program Priority List and the Congestion Management Process Priority Lists for non-state roads, as amended (by roll call vote).

C. Draft 2040 Cost Feasible Long Range Transportation Plan

The MPO received a presentation on the Draft 2040 Cost Feasible Long Range Transportation Plan. The MPO supported the recommendation of the Citizens Advisory Committee to move up the priority for Belcher Road. Board members requested that staff also look at moving up 22nd Avenue South. County Commissioners on the MPO board requested that County staff schedule a work session to review planned County projects with the Board of County Commissioners, after which these items would come back to the MPO. Following a public hearing, the MPO endorsed the Draft 2040 Cost Feasible Long Range Transportation Plan to open the public comment period and authorize transmittal of the plan to FDOT. The 2040 Cost Feasible Long Range Transportation Plan will be adopted at the December MPO meeting.

X. PRESENTATION/ACTION ITEMS

A. Traffic Control at Shared Use Path/Roadway Intersections

Following a presentation by Sprinkle Consulting, the MPO endorsed the Guidelines for Assigning Priority and Determining Traffic Control at Shared Use Path/Roadway Intersections for transmittal to the local governments.

B. Belcher Road and Gulf-to-Bay Boulevard Road Safety Audit

Following a presentation by FDOT, the MPO accepted the Road Safety Audit.

C. Tampa Bay TMA Leadership Group Meeting of September 5, 2014

The MPO earlier discussed the regional TMA Transportation Alternatives Priority List.

D. Committee Recommendations

1. BPAC Recommendation Regarding Pedestrian Crossings on Gulf Boulevard

The MPO approved the BPAC recommendation to replace existing sections of quick-kurb on Gulf Boulevard with a shorter delineator post and authorize the BPAC to send a letter of appreciation to FDOT regarding its response on this issue.

2. TCC – Follow-Up on Banning the Use of Electronic Devices While Driving as a Primary Offense

The MPO took action to approve the TCC recommendation for the MPO to work with the Legislative Delegation to make the ban on the use of electronic devices while driving a primary offense.

XI. REPORTS/UPDATE

A. PSTA Activities Report

B. Director’s Report

Due to the lateness of the hour, these items were deferred to the October MPO meeting.

XII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

A. MPOAC Meeting of July 24, 2014

B. 2040 LRTP Stakeholder and Public Outreach Report

C. Committee Vacancies

D. Other

Information was included in the agenda packet.