

CRTPA BOARD

MEETING OF MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 2012 AT 1:00 PM

CITY OF TALLAHASSEE COMMISSION CHAMBERS
300 S. ADAMS STREET
TALLAHASSEE, FL 32301

MISSION STATEMENT

“The mission of the CRTPA is to act as the principal forum for collective transportation policy discussions that results in the development of a long range transportation plan which creates an integrated regional multimodal transportation network that supports sustainable development patterns and promotes economic growth.”

Revised Meeting Minutes

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Jane Sauls, Leon County, Chair
Commissioner Akin Akinyemi, Leon County
Commissioner Kristen Dozier, Leon County
Commissioner Nick Maddox, Leon County
Commissioner Bryan Desloge, Leon County
Commissioner Hines Boyd, Jefferson County
Commissioner Doug Croley, Gadsden County
Commissioner Delores Madison, Midway, Havana, Quincy
Commissioner Nancy Miller, City of Tallahassee
Commissioner Gil Ziffer, City of Tallahassee
Mayor John Marks, City of Tallahassee

STAFF AND OTHERS PRESENT: Bryant Paulk, FDOT; Stacie Blizzard, FHWA; Brian Waterman, StarMetro; Jay Townsend, City of Tallahassee; Wayne Tedder, PLACE; Greg Burke, CRTPA; Colleen Roland, CRTPA; Harry Reed, CRTPA; Lynn Bar, CRTPA; Jack Kostorzewa, CRTPA; Yulonda Mitchell, CRTPA; Dave Bright, BP 2000; Cherie Horne, PLACE; Tony Park, Leon County Public Works; Richard Barr, Kimley Horn and Associates; Beverly Davis, RSH

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 1:02 PM.

1. AWARDS AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

- **CRTPA 2011 Chair Award to Commissioner Croley**

Commissioner Sauls presented award to Commissioner Croley and he thanked everyone.

2. **AGENDA MODIFICATIONS**

- **AGENDA ITEM 6 C (GENERAL PLANNING CONSULTANT REGIONAL MOBILITY PLAN TRANSPORTATION MODEL UPDATE) HAS BEEN ADDED**

Board Action: Commissioner Akinyemi made the motion to accept the modification to the agenda. Commissioner Dozier seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed.

3. **CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Minutes of the November 14, 2011 CRTPA Board Meeting

B. June CRTPA Board Meeting Date Change

This item seeks approval to move the June 18, 2012 Board meeting back one week to June 25, 2012.

Board Action: Mayor Marks made a motion to accept the consent agenda. Commissioner Dozier seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed.

4. **CONSENT ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION**

NONE

5. **ROLL CALL VOTE AGENDA ITEMS**

A. Fiscal Year (FY) 2012 – FY 2016 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments

The CRTPA FY 2012 – FY 2016 TIP is proposed to be amended to add the following projects:

- Franklin Boulevard (Cascades Park to Tennessee Street (US 90)) (Leon County) (Project #4318991): Add this sidewalk project in FY 2012 and FY 2016 (\$700,000).
- StarMetro Veterans Transportation and Community Living Initiative (Leon County) (Project #4302882): Add this Federal Transit Administration funded project in FY 2012 (\$1,364,249).

Board Action: Mayor Marks made a motion to add the two projects to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Commissioner Dozier seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously passed.

6. CRTPA DISCUSSION (35 MINUTES)

A. Monroe Street Access Management and Lake Ella Implementation Study

Consultant staff will kick off the Monroe Street Access Management and Lake Ella Implementation study. The study will assess the Monroe Street corridor from John Knox Street to south of Magnolia drive to identify a corridor strategy to implement medians. Additionally, the study will initiate the first phase of the planned median project for the N. Monroe corridor near Lake Ella.

Nick Arnio, Reynolds, Smith and Hill, briefly outlined the Monroe Street Access Management and Lake Ella Implementation Study. Mr. Arnio provided the background of the study. He stated the study area began at Monroe Street corridor from John Knox Street to south of Magnolia drive to identify a corridor strategy to implement medians. Additionally, the study will initiate the first phase of the planned median project for the N. Monroe corridor near Lake Ella. He stated there was a large coordination effort to include the state and local governments, as well as a public involvement component.

Board Action: This agenda item was an information item, therefore no action was taken.

B. Regional Transit Update

An update on regional transit efforts will be provided.

Mr. Reed provided the background information for the Regional Transit efforts. He stated the item could be delayed or move forward with the adhoc committee to discuss the issues. He requested direction from the board.

Commissioner Dozier inquired about the project's funding. Mr. Reed noted there were options, such as property tax or sales taxes or other funding sources. Commissioner Dozier stated she would also support moving forward with the committee and would serve if necessary.

Board Action: Commissioner Miller made a motion to have a presentation by StarMetro regarding the numbers and challenges faced by StarMetro to the CRTPA Board at a later meeting date. Mayor Marks seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

C. General Planning Consultant Regional Mobility Plan Transportation Model Update (Action) (5 minutes)

The purpose of this agenda item is to approve the addition of Kimley-Horn and Associates as a sub-consultant to the Renaissance Planning Group (RPG) General Planning Consultant Team and approve an update the Regional Mobility Plan Model.

Board Action: Commissioner Merritt made the motion to approve the General Planning Consultant Regional Mobility Plan Transportation Model Update with a \$15,000 limit for the model update. Commissioner Madison seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

7. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A status report on CRTPA activities and items of interest will be provided, including the following:

- **CRTPA Project Highlights and Achievements presentation**
- **Maintenance of Traffic Plan (MOT) for Cascades Park area project (project map attached)**
- **CRTPA Budget Amendment Item (deferred from November meeting)**
The MOPAC has advised us that they no longer needed our assistance to pay for their AMPO dues. They will be using other budget authority within FDOT to address the payment.

Board Action: This agenda item was an information item, therefore no action was taken.

8. ITEMS FROM MEMBERS

This portion of the agenda is provided to allow members an opportunity to discuss issues relevant to the CRTPA.

- **Greensboro/Gretna I-10 Interchange**
Commissioner Croley stated that there were major changes occurring at the Gretna I-10 interchange area. He stated that the growth is moving ahead of the schedule for the I-10 update plan. He noted the area needed lighting, as there is currently no lighting and safety should be the number one priority. He expressed the need for staff to provide emphasis on lighting and other safety factors and improve communications between CRTPA and the municipalities within Gadsden County.

Mayor Marks expressed the need for roundabouts. He stated the CRTPA should create a policy stating that new roads will use roundabouts and if not provide information as to why it was not used. Attorney Williams stated any policy changes or adoptions, be properly noted. Commissioner Dozier noted that she agrees and noted roundabouts are efficient, but she has concerns about pedestrian safety crossings and stated there should be a component included in the analysis.

Commissioner Boyd stated roundabouts are the only traffic control within Jefferson County. He agrees it is worth studying. Commissioner Croley stated that the analysis should include mechanisms to get the municipalities to adhere to the policy. Many of the members agree and support the policy adoption.

Mayor Marks noted the federal transportation bill, stating it will create infrastructure jobs. He stated the CRTPA should prepare a letter in support of the federal transportation bill and provide it to the Secretary of Transportation.

Board Action: Mayor Marks made a motion to have an agenda item for group support. Commissioner Akinyemi seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

Commissioner Dozier discussed the concerns of residents near the Meyers Park neighborhood related to the noise associated with trains traveling through the area. Commissioner Miller stated the City of Tallahassee has looked into the issue and the establishment of a “quiet zone”. To establish a “quiet zone” would cost over \$400, 000. A cost that would have to be borne by the City of Tallahassee. The issue has yet to be brought before the full City Commission. Commissioner Dozier also noted the need for viewing the CRTPA meetings online on WCOT, after the meeting, citizens would have to request a copy from WCOT. This cost the citizen’s a fee for the copy. She expressed the need for more public access of the CRTPA, Blueprint or CRA meetings. Mr. Reed stated CRTPA was in the process of adding that feature to CRTPA website.

9. CITIZEN COMMENT

10. INFORMATION

A. News Articles/For Your Information

- Saving Lives, Time, Money: Building Better Streets – CNU Report
- East El Paso sprawl: Boom strains services; city coffers
- Going Full Circle (Insurance industry supports roundabouts)

B. CRTPA General Planning Consultant Project Updates

C. Correspondence

D. Committee Actions (Citizen’s Advisory Committee/Multimodal Advisory Committee/ Technical Advisory Committee/Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board)

E. Future Meeting Dates and Agenda Items (Next Meeting: March 26, 2012)

F. CRTPA Expense Reports

Board Action: These agenda items were informational items, therefore no action was taken.

Meeting adjourned at 2:27 PM.

Attested:



Yulonda Mitchell, Recording Secretary



Jane G. Sauls, Chair