

CRTPA BOARD

MEETING OF TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 2021 AT 1:30 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."

FINAL AGENDA

Citizens wishing to provide input at the CRTPA meeting may:

- (1) Provide comments in person at the meeting. Speakers are requested to limit their comments to three (3) minutes; or
- (2) Submit written comments prior to the meeting at http://crtpa.org/contact-us/ by providing comments in the "Email Us" portion of the page before 5:00 p.m. on March 15. This will allow time for comments to be provided to CRTPA members in advance of the meeting. Comments submitted after this time (up to the time of the meeting) will be accepted and included in the official record of the meeting; or
- (3) Provide live comments during the meeting via video conference by registering before 5:00 p.m. on March 15 at http://crtpa.org/contact-us/ and noting your desire to provide comments via video in the "Email Us" portion of the page along with the agenda item or issue your wish to discuss. You will be contacted by CRTPA staff and provided with a link to virtually access the meeting and provide your comment during the meeting. Speakers are requested to limit their comments to three (3) minutes.

The public is invited to view the meeting's live broadcast on https://www.talgov.com/cotnews/wcot.aspx or Comcast Channel 13 (WCOT-13).

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

2. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

3. Public Comment on Items Not Appearing on the Agenda

This portion of the agenda is provided to allow for public input on general CRTPA issues that are not included on the meeting's agenda. Speakers are requested to limit their comments to three (3) minutes. See the above for ways to provide public comment at this meeting.

4. **CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Minutes of the February 16 CRTPA Meeting
- 5. Consent Items Pulled for Discussion

6. ROLL CALL VOTE AGENDA ITEMS

A. Fiscal Year (FY) 2021- FY 2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment

The CRTPA FY 2021 – FY 2025 TIP is proposed to be amended to reflect the addition of the following projects:

• <u>StarMetro Helping Obtain Prosperity for Everyone (HOPE) Program Grant Award</u> (<u>Leon County</u>): Reflect the receipt of Federal Transit Administration HOPE funding by StarMetro in FY 21 (\$400,000).

7. CRTPA ACTION

The public is welcome to comment on any discussion item after a motion has been made and seconded. Each member of the public is provided three (3) minutes to address the CRTPA.

A. StarMetro Comprehensive Operational Analysis (COA) and Transportation Development Plan (TDP) Update

An update on the development of StarMetro's COA and TDP will be provided.

B. Ride On Commuter Services

An overview of the Ride On program which coordinates regional commuter services will be presented.

C. Multi-use Corridors of Regional Economic Significance (M-CORES) Update

An update on the Florida Department of Transportation Multi-use Corridors of Regional Economic Significance (M-CORES) initiative will be presented.

8. FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION REPORT

9. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A status report on CRTPA activities will be provided including a discussion on CRTPA Executive Committee appointments.

10. CRTPA INFORMATION

- A. Future Meeting Dates
- **B. CRTPA Project Updates**

11. ITEMS FROM CRTPA BOARD MEMBERS

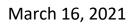
This portion of the agenda is provided to allow members an opportunity to discuss and request action on items and issues relevant to the CRTPA, as appropriate.

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AGENDA ITEM 1

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL





AGENDA ITEM 2

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

March 16, 2021



AGENDA ITEM 3

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA

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AGENDA ITEM 4A

MINUTES

Type of Item: Consent

The minutes from the February 16, CRTPA meeting are provided as **Attachment 1**.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Option 1: Approve the minutes of the February 16, 2021 CRTPA meeting.

ATTACHMENT

Attachment 1: Minutes of the February 16, 2021 CRTPA meeting.



CRTPA BOARD

MEETING OF TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2021 AT 1:00 PM

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

Meeting Minutes

Members Present:

Commissioner Jeremy Matlow, Chair, City of Tallahassee Commissioner Anthony Viegbesie, Gadsden County Commissioner Betsy Barfield, Jefferson County Commissioner Kristin Dozier, Leon County Commissioner Nick Maddox, Leon County Commissioner Rick Minor, Leon County Commissioner Curtis Richardson, City of Tallahassee Commissioner Dianne Williams-Cox, City of Tallahassee Commissioner Decorkus Allen, Town of Havana - Gadsden Municipalities Commissioner Randy Merritt, Wakulla County

Staff Present: Greg Slay, CRTPA; Jack Kostrzewa, CRTPA; Greg Burke, CRTPA; Suzanne Lex, CRTPA; Yulonda Mitchell, CRTPA; Thornton Williams, CRTPA Attorney; Chris Rietow, ARPC; Andrea Rosser, StarMetro; Bryant Paulk, FDOT

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 PM with a roll call.

2. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA 3. No public comment.

CONSENT AGENDA

4.

A. Minutes of the November 23 Meeting and Public Hearing

- B. Connections 2045 Regional Mobility Plan
- C. Citizens Multimodal Advisory Committee Appointment
- D. UPWP Amendment
- E. 2021 Calendar Update

Board Action: Commissioner Merritt made a motion to accept the consent agenda as presented by staff. Commissioner Barfield seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed.

5. Consent Items Pulled for Discussion

6. ROLL CALL VOTE AGENDA ITEMS

A. Fiscal Year (FY) 2021- FY 2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments

The CRTPA FY 2021 – FY 2025 TIP is proposed to be amended to reflect the addition of the following projects:

- <u>CR 268 Adams St from CR 274 Martin Luther King Jr Blvd to Clark St. (Project No. 436992-1) (Gadsden County)</u>: Provide funding in FY 21 for the construction of a five-foot wide sidewalk on the west side of the road.
- SR 57 (US 19) FL-GA Pkwy from CR 57A David Rd to Martin Rd (Project No. 403931-3) (Jefferson County): Amend the project in the CRTPA's adopted FY 2021 FY 2025 TIP to reflect the northern termini of the project is revised to Martin Rd., which extends the length of the trail from 2.2 to 2.7 miles.

Ms. Lex outlined the proposed amendments to the Fiscal Year 2021-2025 Transportation Improvement Program.

Board Action: Commissioner Merritt made a motion to the Fiscal Year FY 2020 – FY 2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments. Commissioner Barfield seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called and the motion unanimously passed.

7. CRTPA ACTION

A. Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 – FY 2026 Draft Tentative Work Program

An update on the FY 2022 – FY 2026 Draft Tentative Work Program was provided by Ms. Lex. She noted that the development of the work program considers the CRTPA's adopted priority project lists and provided an update on the projects included in the tentative work program by county for Gadsden, Jefferson, Leon and Wakulla. Ms. Lex stated that the total amount of programed projects for the CRTPA Region is \$232,162,000 and noted that the projects would be included in the agency's upcoming Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) currently under development.

Commissioner Viegbesie requested information on the Attapulgus Highway resurfacing project and noted that Gadsden County had requested additional funding for the project to include shoulders. Next, he discussed the bridge project at Swamp Creek Road (CR 159) and requested information on the timeline of the project. Mr. Paulk stated the District was made aware of a request for additional funds for paved shoulders on the Attapulgus Highway project and that an update would be provided to the county related to the project's scope changes. Mr. Paulk also noted that he would provide more information to Commissioner Viegsbesie related to the bridge at Swamp Creek Road after the issue was researched.

Commissioner Dozier discussed the Thomasville/I-10 interchange project and noted there were past discussions on the scope of this project. The final scope was expanded to include a potential Welaunee Boulevard interchange and asked if the project identified in the work program was the same project. Mr. Slay stated the project in the work program was focused on the eastbound off-ramp through the addition of a through lane to Raymond Diehl Road through a reconfiguration of the existing lanes. He also noted was the project was a short-term project to address backups on the mainline (I-10).

Commissioner Merritt requested additional information on Wakulla County project and asked for confirmation on information related to landscaping" funding on US 319. Ms. Lex stated CRTPA staff would have to verify the information and provide Commissioner Merritt with a response.

Mr. Paulk provided information on the Swamp Creek Bridge in Gadsden County noting that project construction is anticipated to begin in December 2021 or early January 2022.

Board Action: Informational presentation, therefore no action was taken.

B. CRTPA Safety Measures Update

This item seeks adoption of the CRTPA's 2021 Safety Performance Targets for safety performance measures.

Mr. Burke provided an overview of Transportation Performance Management. He stated this was a strategic approach using system information to make investment and policy decisions to achieve outcomes related to national performance goals. Mr. Burke noted that this is related to requirements contained within federal legislation (MAP-21 and FAST Act). He next noted that annually, since 2018 the CRTPA has adopted its own safety targets using FDOT data and that the agency is required to adopt targets for the following five (5) safety measures: number of fatalities, rate of fatalities, number of serious injuries, rate of serious injury and non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries.

Mr. Burke stated that with regards to the annual adoption of safety targets, the CRTPA had two options: 1: support the FDOT targets (the FDOT has adopted annually a target of "zero") or 2: develop and adopt our own safety measures. He noted that since 2018, the CRTPA has chosen to develop its own safety targets using data provided from FDOT that

reports the data in five-year intervals for the five safety performance measures. Mr. Burke provided information on the historical safety performance targets that the agency has adopted since 2018 and discussed the efforts that the agency is performing to address the issue of safety including through funding safety projects, resurfacing evaluations and participation in community traffic safety teams.

Mr. Burke discussed the staff recommended action and also noted that the CRTPA's Citizens Multimodal Advisory Committee (CMAC) voted to recommend the CRTPA reduce the staff recommendation by 10%.

Board Action: Commissioner Merritt made a motion to Adopt the CRTPA Staff Recommended Safety Targets for 2021 as presented by staff. Commissioner Barfield seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed.

Commissioner Minor discussed the measures stating the adopted measures takes the average of 5 years and apply that as the standard. He noted the CRTPA has adopted measures that are increasing instead of decreasing and the Board was essentially voting to allow for an increased number of fatalities and serious injuries. He offered an amendment to the motion made by Commissioner Merritt. He stated we should use the lower of the five (5) safety targets from 2020 for adoption in 2021. Mr. Slay noted he was comfortable using the recommendation from Commissioner Minor, due to it being based on actual data.

Commissioner Dozier discussed eliminating as many accidents as possible noting that such an effort has to do with education. She discussed other determining factors in accidents including weather and distracted driving. Mr. Slay stated staff is in the process of extracting additional information from accident reports. Commissioner Dozier discussed other safety issues for people with disabilities and ADA accessibility and that these should be considered as a part of safety measures.

Dr. Viegbesie discussed a number of projects in Gadsden County including a traffic light at SR 12 and Point Milligan Road intersection. He also noted there was a resurfacing on Point Milligan Road and discussed the need for a crosswalk on Pat Thomas Highway (Captain D's to Walmart/ National Guard Armory to Walmart) with flashing lights at the crosswalks, similar to what appears on Gaines Street.

Commissioner Williams-Cox read an email from Mr. Hans von Tol, regarding the CMAC vote and requested the Board to adopt the 10% reduction of the targets.

Board Action: Commissioner Merritt made a modified motion to adopt the CRTPA Staff Recommended Safety Targets for 2021 as presented by staff but with the application of metrics from 2020 for measures that are lower (number of fatalities, rate of fatalities, and number of non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries) and then use the proposed targets for 2021 for number of serious injuries and rate of injuries as proposed by staff. Commissioner Barfield seconded the modified motion and the modified motion was unanimously passed.

C. Suncoast Parkway Extension Discussion

A discussion of the Suncoast Parkway Extension associated with the Florida Department of Transportation Multi-use Corridors of Regional Economic Significance (M-CORES) was provided with Mr. Slay provided background information including discussion of recent legislation in the Florida House and Senate. He noted that M-CORES consisted of three task forces throughout the state with the Suncoast Parkway Task Force closest to the CRTPA Region and that the task force reports were completed in November 2020. Mr. Slay noted Commissioner Dozier was the CRTPA representative and Commissioner Barfield represented Jefferson County on the task force. He also noted that Jefferson County had adopted a "no build" resolution.

Commissioner Dozier discussed the legislative bill to repeal M-CORES (SB 1030 HB 763). She stated that these bills include budgetary deficits due to the COVID pandemic. Mr. Slay noted the information could be provided to the CRTPA Executive Committee should anything arise during the Legislative Session and there wasn't a scheduled CRTPA board meeting.

Board Action: Commissioner Dozier made a motion to have anything that arises during Legislative Session, the Executive Committee could hear the MCORES information. Commissioner Minor seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed.

D. CRTPA Lobbying

A discussion of lobbying related to the CRTPA was provided.

Commissioner Matlow noted he wanted to review the processes of the City of Tallahassee, Leon County and Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency. He stated there should be some type of Lobbying process for the CRTPA.

Mr. Slay provided information regarding lobbying policies. He stated the City of Tallahassee's and Leon County's policies were reviewed and a that a policy is being worked on with CRTPA counsel. CRTPA Attorney Williams discussed the policies and noted there would need to be a regulatory process and that it should include monitoring and penalties. Commissioner Dozier stated there hasn't been any lobbying in the past years. Mr. Williams stated he doesn't recall a time when any commissioner reached out to him on issues related to lobbying. Commissioner Dozier recommended the item be tabled and reviewed again in about a year. Other commissioners noted they've never been contacted by a lobbyist and Commissioner Maddox suggested that lobbying be tracked via the speaker forms. He noted if there becomes high lobbyist activity, the CRTPA could revisit the issue and requested it be added to the speaker cards.

8. FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION REPORT

Mr. Paulk, FDOT, provided information on the Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study for the I-10 corridor noting that public hearing dates will be posted and that meetings will have a physical and virtual component. Information related to these efforts will be distributed to the CRTPA.

9. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Slay discussed the CRTPA Certification that will take place next week. He noted a Public Meeting will be held on February 25, 2021 and there would be a notice sent out to board members and the public. Commissioner Viegbesie requested status on the bicycle trail from Leon County to the Town of Havana. Mr. Slay noted the feasibility study would be conducted later this year.

10. CRTPA INFORMATION

- A. Future Meeting Dates
- B. Committee Actions (Citizen's Multimodal Advisory Committee & Technical Advisory Committee)
- C. CRTPA Project Update
- D. Quarterly Budget Report

11. ITEMS FROM CRTPA BOARD MEMBERS

Commissioner Maddox provided a summary from the last MPOAC meeting in Orlando. He stated there were many discussions regarding autonomous vehicles and that the MPOAC also discussed the diminishing of gas taxes due to the rise in electric vehicles.

Board Action: Commissioner Dozier made a motion to support the conversation with MPOAC to begin to address long term sustainable transportation funding given changes in the transportation technology that will impact the infrastructure budgets. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Viegbesie and the motion was unanimously passed.

Attested:	
Yulonda Mitchell, Recording Secretary	Jeremy Matlow, CRTPA Chairman



AGENDA ITEM 5

CONSENT ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

March 16, 2021



AGENDA ITEM 6A

FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2021 – FY 2025 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AMENDMENT

Type of Item: Roll Call

STATEMENT OF **I**SSUE

The purpose of this item is to amend the CRTPA Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 – FY 2025 Transportation Improvement Program to include \$400,000 of grant funding, in FY21, that was awarded to StarMetro by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Helping Obtain Prosperity for Everyone (HOPE) Program. The HOPE Program supports planning and technical studies, and financial planning, to improve transit services in areas experiencing long-term economic distress and persistent poverty.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Option 1: Recommend adoption of Resolution No. 2021-03-6A amending the FY 2021 – FY 2025 Transportation Improvement Program to reflect the addition of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Helping Obtain Prosperity for Everyone (HOPE) Program \$400,000 grant award in FY21 to StarMetro, to complete a route and optimization study in support of the South City Transit Center.

HISTORY AND ANALYSIS

In 2020, StarMetro applied for the competitive FTA HOPE Program grant. Developed in partnership with the City of Tallahassee, StarMetro's South City Transit Center (SCTC) project was one of 25 projects nationwide, and one of two in Florida, to be selected to receive funding through the HOPE Program. This grant award furthers the City's and StarMetro's commitment to improving the community through enhanced transit access and infrastructure.

With the HOPE Program funding StarMetro will undertake a planning and route optimization study that includes the SCTC, which is currently under design. As part of the project, StarMetro will conduct community engagement, evaluate the realignment of bus routes, and recommend service changes to increase mobility options for citizens on the southside.

Additionally, the project includes a study of various technologies to increase access to transit and bridge the technology divide, and the development of a financial plan for funding recommended route changes. This planning and route optimization study will allow StarMetro to be prepared for route changes to coincide with the opening of the SCTC.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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Option 2: CRTPA Board Discretion.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Resolution No. 2021-03-6A

Attachment 2: CRTPA FY2021 - FY2025 TIP Project Page - FTA HOPE Program Project

CRTPA RESOLUTION 2021-03-6A

A RESOLUTION OF THE CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AGENCY (CRTPA) ENDORSING THE FY 2021 – FY 2025 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Whereas, the Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency (CRTPA) is the organization designated by the Governor of Florida on August 17, 2004 together with the State of Florida, for carrying out provisions of 23 U.S.C. 134 (h) and (i)(2), (3) and (4); CFR 450.324, 326, 328, 330, and 332; and FS 339.175 (5) and (7); and

Whereas, the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) shall be endorsed annually by the CRTPA and submitted to the Governor of the State of Florida, to the Federal Transit Administration, and to the Federal Highway Administration, through the State of Florida;

Whereas, the TIP is periodically amended to maintain consistency with the Florida Department of Transportation Work Program, and;

Whereas, authorization for federal funding of projects within an urbanized area cannot be obtained unless the projects are included in the CRTPA's TIP;

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED BY THE CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AGENCY (CRTPA) THAT:

The CRTPA amends the FY 2021 – FY 2025 Transportation Improvement Program to reflect:

The addition of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Helping Obtain Prosperity for Everyone (HOPE) Program \$400,000 grant award in FY21 to StarMetro, to complete a route and optimization study in support of the South City Transit Center.

Passed and duly adopted by the Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency on this 16th day of March 2021.

Attest: By:_____ Jeremy Matlow, Chairman Greg Slay, Executive Director

FTA HELPING OBTAIN PROSPERITY FOR EVERYONE (HOPE) PROGRAM GRANT 000000 Non-SIS



Project Description: PLANNING AND ROUTE OPTIMIZATION STUDY

Extra Description: Study to enhance transit access to the South City Transit Center.

Lead Agency: MANAGED BY STAR METRO - **From:** TALLAHASSEE **To:**

County: LEON

Length:

Phase Group: GRANTS AND MISCELLANEOUS

Phase	Fund Code	PRIOR YEAR	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
PLN	FTA	0	400,000	0	0	0	0	0	400,000
400,000							400,000		

Prior Year Cost: 0 Future Year Cost: 0

Total Project Cost: 400,000 LRTP: 2040 RMP CFP TRANSIT



STARMETRO COMPREHENSIVE OPERATIONAL ANALYSIS (COA) AND TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT PLAN (TDP) UPDATE

Type of Item: Action

STATEMENT OF ISSUE

An update on the development of the StarMetro COA and TDP will be provided. The purpose of the COA is to evaluate current StarMetro operations and make recommendations related to route service and rider needs. The agency's TDP is a longer range (10 year) document that is also currently under development.

ATTACHMENT

Attachment 1: Draft Presentation





Presentation to CRPTA

March 2021

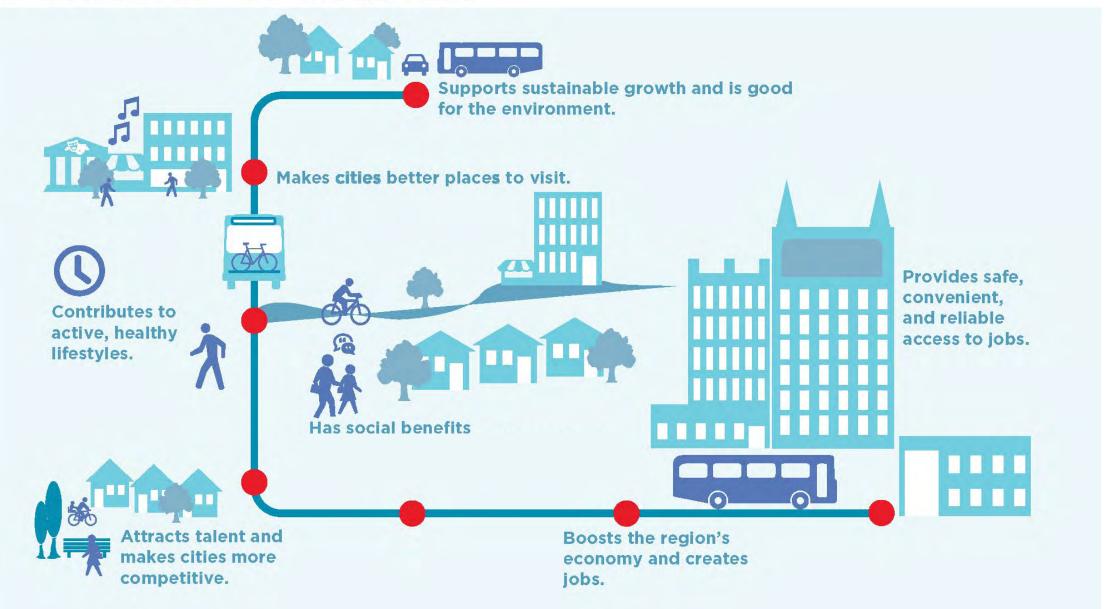






Why Transit is Important

Benefits of Transit



Quality of Life: More Livable Development

- More livable places devote more space to buildings and walking
- Less livable places devote more space to driving and parking





Economic: New Development

Premium transit can stimulate economic development:

- \$5.8 billion along Cleveland's
 Healthline (BRT) (6.8 miles)
- \$2.8 billion and counting along
 Phoenix's Metro LRT (28.3 miles)
- \$650 million along Boston's arterial
 BRT Silver Line (4.1 miles)

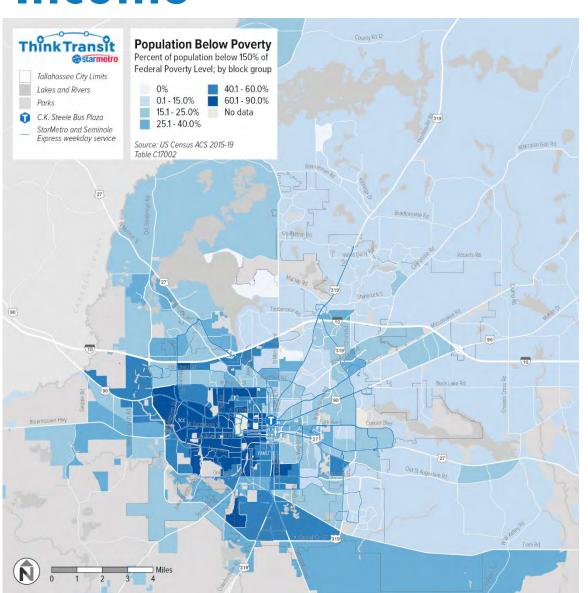


Economic: Competition / Attracting Talent

- For older generations, autos meant freedom
- Younger generations want options, and are much less focused on cars:
 - 80% of Millennials want to live where they have a variety of transportation options
 - 75% want to live where they do not need a car
 - 66% say that access to high quality transportation will be one of the top three criteria in deciding where to live next

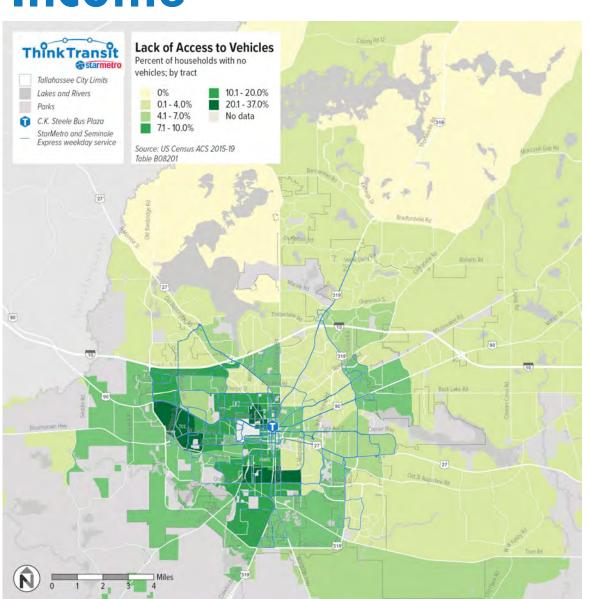
Economic: Discretionary Income

- Annual cost of owning and operating a car:\$9,100
- Household cost savings with public transit use:\$8,000
- Tallahassee Urbanized Area Poverty Rate
 (<150% of Federal Poverty Level): 29.2%
- Households with no vehicles available: 6.7%



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Mobility: More Complete Options

- Obesity rates higher where there is less access to alternative transportation
- Leon County adults who are inactive or insufficiently active:
 50.6%
- Leon County adult obesity rate: 30.4%



About StarMetro

Services

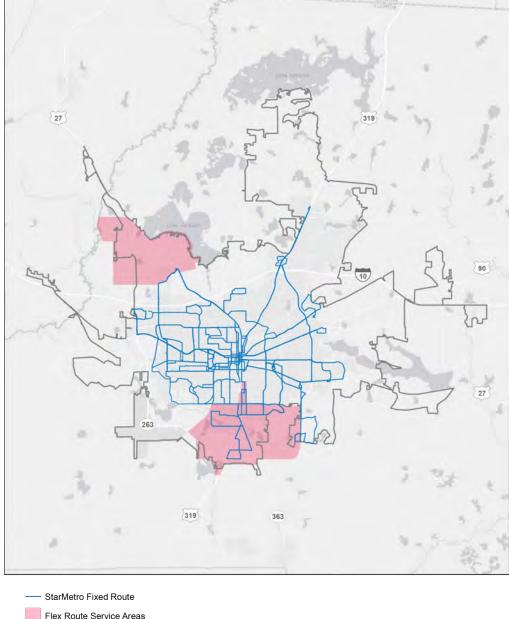
- Fixed Route services
 - 15 weekday routes
 - 4 Night/Sunday routes
 - 8 FSU campus routes
- FLEX Service
 - 2 FLEX Service Areas
- Dial-A-Ride Demand Response service





StarMetro Services

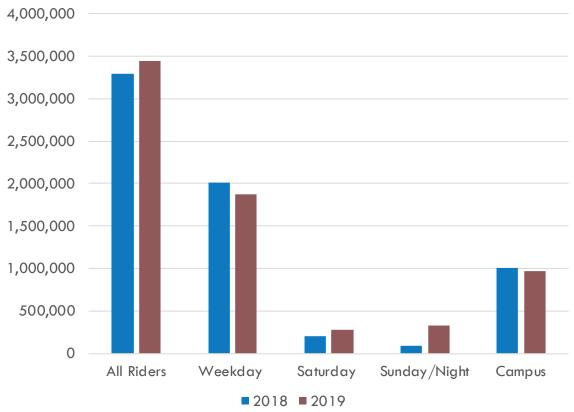
- Fixed routes
 - Focused on city center
 - All routes within city boundaries
 - Align with land uses and demand
- Flex zones
 - Serve low density, higher demand areas
 - Include areas just outside city boundaries



Tallahassee UZA

StarMetro Ridership

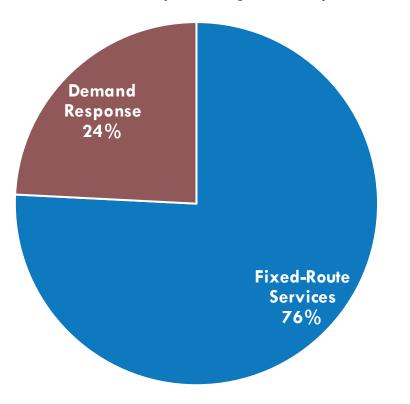




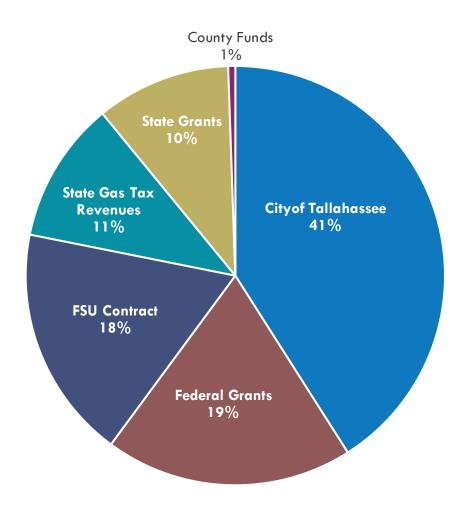
StarMetro: 2019 Expenses

- \$20.8 million operating funds
- \$11.6 million capital funds

Allocation of Operating Costs by Mode



StarMetro: 2019 Operating Revenue

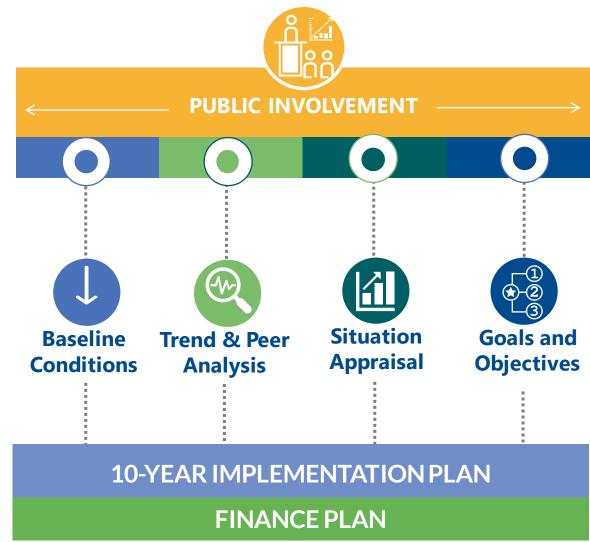


Funding Sources (2018)	Amount			
City of Tallahassee	\$7.5 M			
Federal Grants	\$3.5 M			
FSU Contract	\$3.3 M			
State Gas Tax Revenues	\$2.0 M			
State Grants	\$1.9 M			
County Funds	\$0.1 M			
Total	\$18.3 M			

TDP & COA

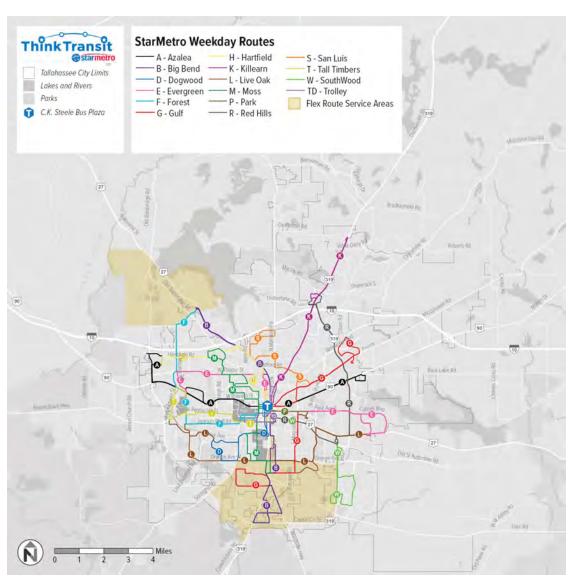
Transit Development Plan

- Focus on system
- Required for State funding
- 10-year planning horizon
- Updated every 5 years
- Due September 1



Comprehensive Operational Analysis

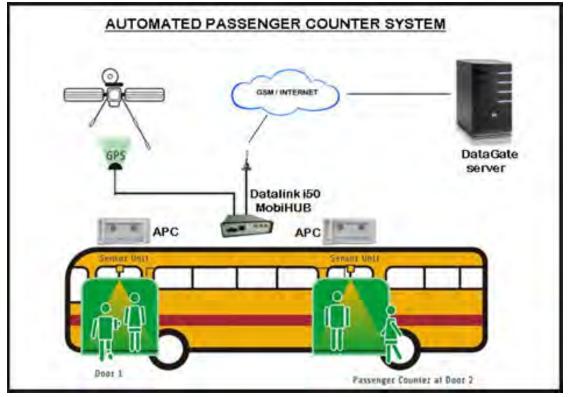
- Focus on services
- Provides recommendations for near-term improvements
- Looks specifically at how service can operate as efficiently and as effectively as possible
 - What's working well, less well
 - Fix what's not working
 - Strengthen areas of success
 - End of year delivery



Other StarMetro Projects

- Automatic Passenger Counters
- New fareboxes
- Dial-a-Ride app
- COVID adjustments







Community Engagement

- Stay up-to-date with the webpage
 - www.Talgov.com/ThinkTransit
- Virtual Community Meetings held
 February 17
- Design Your System Tool
 - https://starmetrothinktransit.com/
 - Open until March 12
- Stakeholder Interviews



StarMetro Transit: Design Your Transit System

How would you improve StarMetro transit?

StarMetro wants to better meet the needs of residents, employees, students, and visitors in Florida's capital region. Help us by selecting the strategies below you think would best improve transit in our region and support the community benefits you care about. We're in the information gathering phase, so your answers don't commit funds, policy, or service changes to StarMetro's existing service.

If you have questions about this survey, email us.

Design your transit system

- You have \$100 to spend.
- Scroll down to review the many methods to improve transit, their cost, and their expected benefits.
- Check the boxes to the left of each options to "select" those that are most important to you.
- Mix and match your choices to see how costs and benefits change depending on the different combinations of selected transit improvements.
- When you're done, click "Submit". You will then be asked a few follow-up questions.

Benefit Categories

Ridership

Increase transit ridership

Speed and Reliability

Make bus service faster and more reliable

Comfort and Safety

Make it safer and more comfortable to walk to bus stops and wait for the bus

Coverage and Access

Provide service to more areas



Stakeholder Interviews Completed

- Florida DOT
- Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency (CRTPA)
- 3. Florida State University
- 4. Big Bend Continuum of Care
- Apalachee Regional Planning Commission (ARPC)
- 6. Tallahassee Community College

- 7. Elder Care Services
- 8. Lighthouse of the Big Bend
- Division of Blind
- 10. City of Tallahassee
 - Blueprint
 - Neighborhood Affairs
 - Downtown Improvement Authority
 - Community Redevelopment Authority
 - Sustainability Department

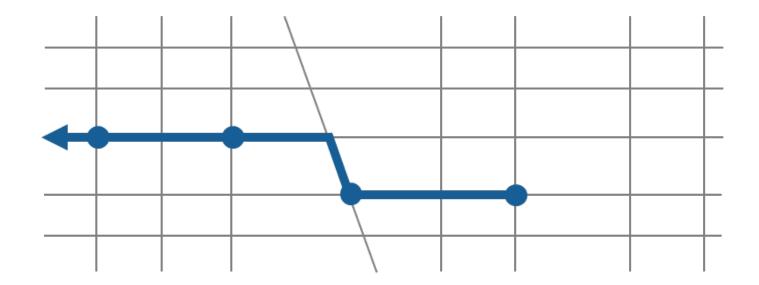
Transit Planning Design Principles

LAND USE			TRANSIT	
Land Use Type Exam	Residents ple per Acre	Jobs per Acre	Appropriate Types of Transit	Frequency of Service
Downtowns & High Density Corridors	>45	>25	Light BRT Rapid Local Bus Bus	10 mins or better
Urban Mixed-Use	30-45	15-25	BRT Rapid Local Bus Bus	10-15 minutes
Neighborhood & Suburban Mixed-Use	15-30	10-15	Local Bus	15-30 minutes
Mixed Neighborhoods	10-15	5-10	Local Micro- Bus transit	30-60 minutes
Single Family Neighborhoods	<10	<5	Micro- Ride- transit share	On-demand to infrequent

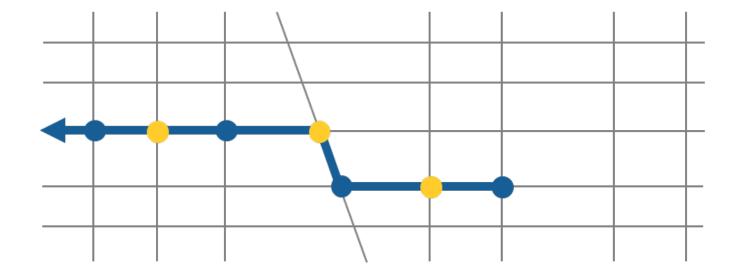
Transit Service Design Principles

- Simple is better than complicated
- A few good choices are better than many mediocre choices
- Fast is better than slow
- Routes should be symmetrical, operate along a direct path and be predictable
- Services should be well coordinated
- Route should serve well defined markets
- Routes should operate to and from strong anchors

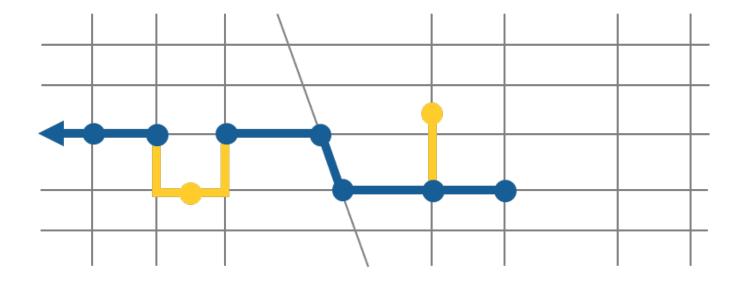
In the beginning, there was a well-designed bus route that was direct, had well spaced stops, and performed well...



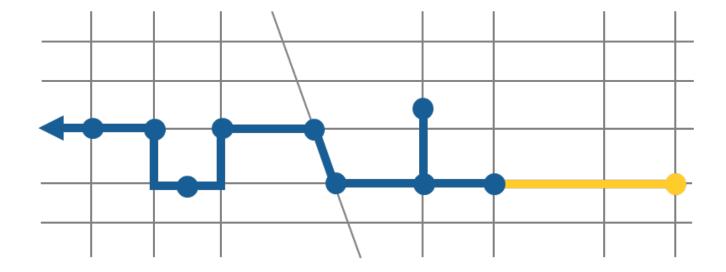
Over time, some passengers asked that stops be added so that they didn't have to walk as far. The transit agency, being responsive, added them.



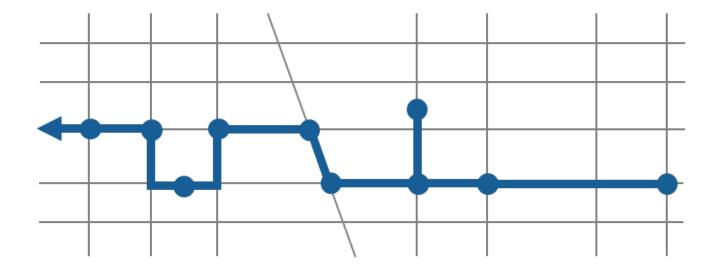
Then, two new apartment complexes opened near the route. So that residents didn't have to walk to the bus, the bus went to them.



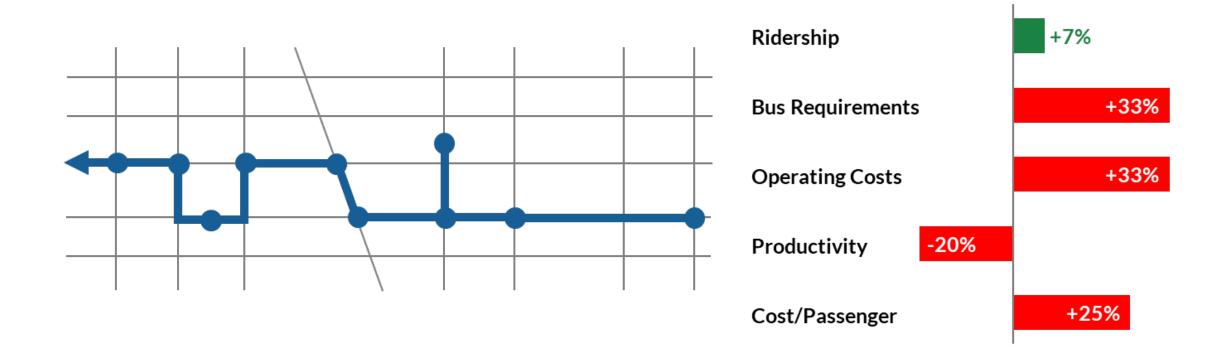
Next, a new big box store opened beyond the end of the route, and the route was extended to serve it.



In the end, the agency spent more money to provide slower, less reliable, and less useful service.



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Thank You!

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RIDE ON COMMUTER SERVICES

Type of Item: Action

STATEMENT OF ISSUE

An overview of the Ride On program which coordinates regional commuter services will be provided by Pat Maurer with the Apalachee Regional Planning Council. *Attachment 1* provides a copy of the draft presentation.

ATTACHMENT

Attachment 1: Draft Presentation



On the road

to progress ...



Sustainable Transportation Solutions for North Florida

Traveling Uphill

For Employers:

- Low unemployment
- High cost of turnover

For Job-Seekers:

- Affordable housing
- Lack of transportation

For Leaders:

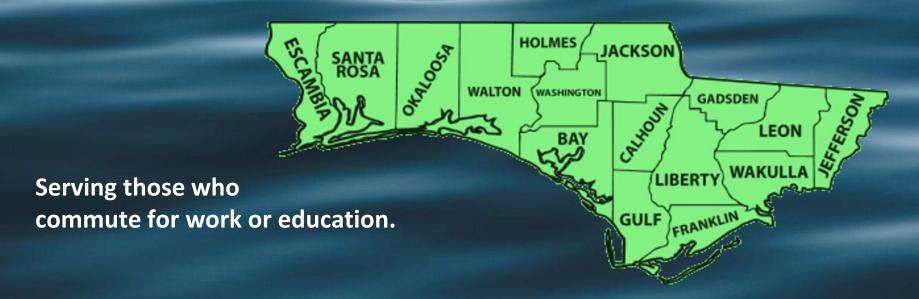
- Employment & economic growth
- Sustainability & quality of life

Fortunately, it gets easier when we RideOn...together!



We are wayfinders

Partnering with leaders with vision, in business and in government.



All of our programs are available to the public, free of charge.



Fuel your success

RideOn serves as a liaison between State and local agencies, business leaders, and community stakeholders to build synergy that gets results!

- · Increased mobility; reduced traffic and parking demand
- Improved public health & safety
- Economic vitality
- · Sustainability goals





Choose your path



Transportation Demand Management



Employer Based Programs



Onward and upward

Happier Employees = Productive Employees

Businesses that score highest on employee satisfaction realize nearly three times the return on assets than those who ranked lowest.

IBM Smarter Workforce Institute



Commute Options = Who wants a bonus?

\$3,000 - \$6,000/year*

Carpool

Share the ride with your neighbors & coworkers.

Transit

Hop on the bus and relax. Congrats on your new "me" time.

Vanpool

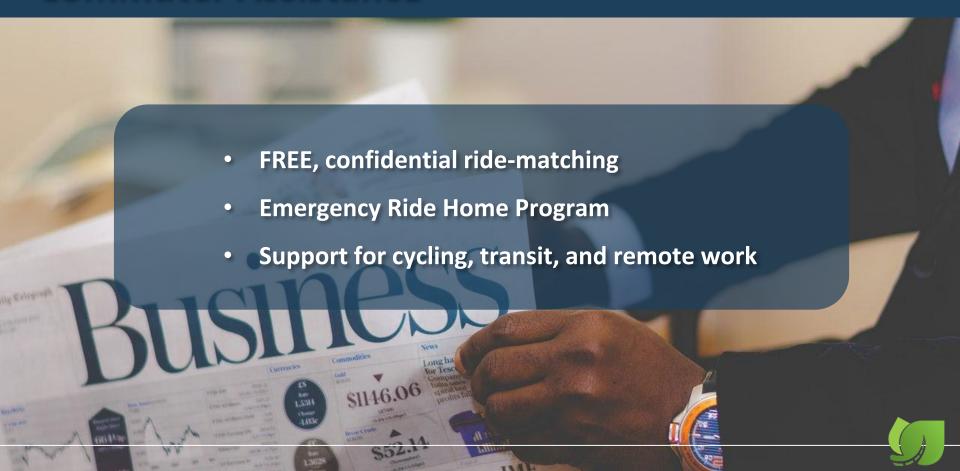
Long-distance commuters enjoy significant savings—and naps!

Bike or walk

Say goodbye to sitting in traffic, and "Hello!" to a healthier you.

*Based on US Census data and AAA est. cost per velocile mile

Commuter Assistance



Ridesharing

- RideOn's app lets you plan ahead for your daily commute or find a match in real time.
- You choose who, if anyone, you'd like to contact. There's no obligation.
- Take turns driving or share gas expenses.





RideOn...together!



- 1. Visit www.RideOnTogether.org or call 1-888-454-RIDE (7433)
- 2. Create a trip profile.
- 3. Connect with your colleagues and neighbors.
- 4. Start saving money!

Your home information is always kept private, and there's no obligation.

Emergency Ride Home Program

Don't miss out because of "what ifs."

Log your trip to work via carpool, vanpool, public transit, bike, or walk at least 3 days per week to qualify.

If an emergency does arise, you get a taxi safely home and RideOn gets the bill.

RideOn has you covered!

Where we stand right now

Enrollment in our programs currently represents 385 employer sites, and a total of 1,269 work and college commuters (pre-Covid).

Of those, 810 people are registered for the Emergency Ride Home Program, traveling by:



Enrollment by county of origin:

Gadsden	132
Jefferson	22
Leon	899
Wakulla	84



We're ready when you are

RideOn is with you every step of the way, from assessing needs to designing a customized strategy and getting people on board.

- Partner with Stakeholders
- Meet with Major Employers
- Exhibit at Community Events



Down the road





























Ready to Get Moving?



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MULTI-USE CORRIDORS OF REGIONAL ECONOMIC SIGNIFICANCE (M-CORES) UPDATE

Type of Item: Action

STATEMENT OF **I**SSUE

An update on the Florida Department of Transportation Multi-use Corridors of Regional Economic Significance (M-CORES) initiative will be presented.

March 16, 2021



AGENDA ITEM 8

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION REPORT

Type of Item: Information

A status report on the activities of the Florida Department of Transportation will be discussed.

March 16, 2021



AGENDA ITEM 9

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Type of Item: Information

A status report on the activities of the Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency (CRTPA) will be provided.



AGENDA ITEM 10 A

FUTURE MEETINGS

TYPE OF ITEM: CRTPA Information

Meeting Date	Meeting Type	Location
April 20	Board Meeting	City of Tallahassee, City Hall, Commission Chambers,
		2 nd Floor, 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm
May 18	Board Meeting	City of Tallahassee, City Hall, Commission Chambers,
		2 nd Floor, 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm
June 15	Board Meeting	City of Tallahassee, City Hall, Commission Chambers,
		2 nd Floor, 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm
September 21	Board Meeting	City of Tallahassee, City Hall, Commission Chambers,
		2 nd Floor, 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm
October 19	Retreat/Workshop	City of Tallahassee, City Hall, Commission Chambers,
		9:00 am-1:00 pm
November 16	Board Meeting	City of Tallahassee, City Hall, Commission Chambers,
		2 nd Floor, 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm
December 21	Board Meeting	City of Tallahassee, City Hall, Commission Chambers,
		2 nd Floor, 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm

March 16, 2021



AGENDA ITEM 10 B

CRTPA PROJECT UPDATE

TYPE OF ITEM: CRTPA Information

STATEMENT OF ISSUE

The following page provides an update on CRTPA Projects.



CRTPA PROJECT UPDATE

US 90 Trail Feasibility Study

- Began in the late 2019.
- Evaluating the feasibility of connecting Tallahassee to Monticello through the construction of a multi-use trail.
- WFSU News story on project (<u>September 2020</u>).
- Outreach efforts have included meetings with the Lafayette Oaks and The Vineyards neighborhood association.
- Virtual public meeting scheduled for April 5 to April 13, 2021 which will include 2 live Q&A sessions (April 8 and April 12).

Thomasville Road Multi-Use Path Feasibility Study

- Began in October 2019.
- Evaluating the feasibility of constructing a paved 12-foot multi-use path on Thomasville Road between Betton Road and Metropolitan Boulevard.
- Public Engagement began in January 2021.
- To date, three (3) virtual meetings have been held with stakeholders.

Stadium Drive/Gaines Street/Lake Bradford Road Intersection Operational Analysis

- Scheduled to begin in Spring 2021.
- Intersection operational evaluation with coordination between FSU, the City of Tallahassee and the Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency.

Roads and Trails

Capital Circle, SW (Orange Avenue to Springhill Road)

- Widen to six lanes.
- Construction Scheduled for FY 2022 (\$58M).

Capital Circle, SW (Springhill Road to Crawfordville Road)

- Widen to six lanes.
- Project deleted from Draft FY 22 26 Work Program

Crawfordville Road (SR 267 to Leon County Line)

- Widen to four lanes.
- Under construction (beginning June 26, 2018).
- 928 of 1086 days used (85.45% completed).

Crawfordville Road (East Ivan Road to SR 267)

- Widen to four lanes.
- Under construction (beginning April 16, 2020)
- 277 of 1351 days used (20.50% completed)

Coastal Trail (Surf Road to Tower Road)

- Under construction (beginning January 6, 2020).
- 370 of 479 days used (77.24% completed).

Coastal Trail (Tower Road to Crawfordville Road)

- Design Completed.
- Construction scheduled for FY 21 (\$7.8M).

Coastal Trail (St. Marks Trail to Lighthouse Road)

- Design Completed.
- No right of way needed.
- Construction in Draft Work Program for FY 24 (\$3.6M).

Monticello Bike Trail Extension

- Initiated in October 2018.
- Determining location of potential linkage between Jefferson County Middle/High School and existing trail.
- Project accepted by the CRTPA Board at their <u>September 2019</u> meeting.
- Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study funded in FY 21; design funded in FY 23.

Completed Projects

Connections 2045 Regional Mobility Plan

- Project Initiated at the June 2019 CRTPA Board meeting.
- Update to the Connections 2040 RMP.
- Adopted by CRTPA Board at their <u>November 2020</u> meeting.

Midtown Phase II

- Initiated in February 2019.
- Phase focuses on public involvement to obtain input on the transportation needs in Midtown.
- Kick-off at <u>March 2019</u> CRTPA Meeting.
- Approved by the CRTPA Board at their October 2020 meeting.
- FDOT installation of 3 rapid rectangular flashing beacons under construction (spring 2021).

Tallahassee-Leon County Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan (BPMP)

- Initiated in February 2018.
- Updated the 2004 BPMP.
- Approved by the CRTPA Board at their <u>June 2020</u> meeting.

US 27/Downtown Havana Assessment

- Project initiated in December 2018.
- Evaluating "road diet" opportunity in Havana along US 27 between 5th Avenue and 9th Avenue.
- Coordination with the Town of Havana and Florida Department of Transportation.
- Adopted by the CRTPA Board at their February 2020 meeting.

Southwest Area Transportation Plan

- The Study Began in October 2017
- Orange Avenue Recommendations Report completed (April 2019 CRTPA meeting).
- Final Corridor Reports (<u>South Lake Bradford Road</u>, <u>Lake Bradford Road</u>, and <u>Springhill Road</u>.)
 accepted by the CRTPA Board at their <u>September 2019</u> meeting.

Pensacola Street (Capital Circle, SW to Appleyard Drive)

- Initiated in January 2018.
- Operational Analysis to determine capacity constraints and opportunities.
- Presented at February 2019 CRTPA meeting.
- Prepared for incorporation into 2045 LRTP.

Tharpe Street (Capital Circle, NW to Ocala Road)

- Initiated in January 2018.
- Operational Analysis to determine capacity constraints and opportunities.
- Presented at February 2019 CRTPA meeting.
- Forwarded to Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency.

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AGENDA ITEM 11

ITEMS FROM MEMBERS