

**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE of the  
COLLIER METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
MEETING MINUTES  
April 27, 2026, 9:30 a.m.**

**1. Call to Order**

**Chair Bickett** called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

**2. Roll Call**

**Ms. Miceli** called the roll and confirmed a quorum was present.

**TAC Members Present**

Alison Bickett, City of Naples Public Works, Deputy City Engineer, *Chair*

Don Scott, Lee County MPO Executive Director, *Vice Chair*

Tonia Selmeski, Collier County Community Planning & Resiliency, Planner III

Kathy Eastley, Collier County Transportation Planning, Planner III

Omar De Leon, Public Transit & Neighborhood Enhancement Division (PTNE), Public Transit Manager

Ute Vandersluis, Naples Airport Authority, Senior Airport Development Coordinator

Bryant Garrett, Collier County Airport Authority, Airport Operations Executive Manager

David Rivera, City of Naples, Traffic Operations Supervisor

**TAC Members Absent**

Daniel Smith, City of Marco Island Director of Community Affairs

John Lambcke, Collier Schools Transportation Director

Justin Martin, City of Marco Island Public Works Department Director

Rebekah Harp, Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council Interim Director

**MPO Staff**

Sean Kingston, Planner III

Dusty Hansen, Planner II

Suzanne Miceli, Operations Support Specialist II

**Others Present**

Marcellus Evans (FDOT)

Jacob Stauffer, Collier Area Transit

**3. Approval of the Agenda**

*Mr. Garrett moved to approve the agenda. Mr. De Leon seconded. Carried unanimously.*

**4. Approval of the Meeting Minutes**

*Vice Chair Scott moved to approve the March 23, 2026 meeting minutes. Mr. Garrett seconded. Carried unanimously.*

**5. Public Comments for Items not on the Agenda**

None.

**6. Agency Updates**

**A. FDOT**

None.

**B. MPO**

**Mr. Kingston** announced Collier MPO staff will be presenting at TEAMFL event on May 21 and May 22 noting additional information on the event is available at [www.TEAMFL.org](http://www.TEAMFL.org). Mr. Kingston relayed the Board invitation to have the TAC to present their report at MPO Board meetings.

**7. Committee Action**

**A. Endorse the Collier MPO FY 2026/27 – 2027/28 Unified Planning Work Program**

**Ms. Hansen** said that since the Committee reviewed the draft Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) at its March 23 meeting, the updated draft now includes incorporated Collier County post-meeting comments, along with other revisions such as updates to the Transportation Disadvantaged Planning Grant amount and the addition of FDOT’s completed checklist.

*Vice-Chair Scott moved to endorse the Collier MPO FY 2026/27 – 2027/28 Unified Planning Work Program. Mr. Rivera seconded. Passed unanimously.*

**B. Review and Comment on the Draft Fiscal Year 2027-2031 Transportation Improvement Program**

**Mr. Kingston** provided a presentation on the Draft Fiscal Year 2027–2031 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), which includes a narrative and project sheets derived from the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Project Detail and Summaries Online Report, project costs, and supporting documentation. Revisions will be made for endorsement at the May Committee meeting, including correcting projects deleted in error and adding phase codes.

*This item was presented for review and comment only.*

**C. Review the Draft Collier MPO Planning Study Priority List for 2026**

**Ms. Hansen** said that planning priorities were updated to reflect current timeframes, adjust certain annual funding requests, and align with funding amounts in FDOT’s FY 2027–31 Work Program. The draft will be presented to the Committee for endorsement at its May 18 meeting.

*This item was presented for review and comment only.*

**D. Review the Draft Transit Priority List for 2026**

**Ms. Hansen** said that after completing the major update to the Transit Development Plan (TDP) last year, Collier Area Transit (CAT) provided an updated 2026 transit priority.

*This item was presented for review and comment only.*

**E. Review the Draft Transportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP) Priority List for 2026**

**Ms. Hansen** said the Collier and Lee MPOs coordinated regional priorities under the Transportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP) using jointly developed ranking criteria Lee County had updated project costs for the Alico Road project. Collier County had submitted a new application for funding for the Immokalee/Livingston Roads overpass project.

A group discussion noted the deficit of federal funding available for projects.

*This item was presented for review and comment only.*

**F. Review and Comment on the Draft 2026 Annual List of Project Priorities for SU Box Funds**

**Mr. Kingston** presented the 2026 List of Project Priorities (LOPP) that will guide future FDOT Work Programs and MPO Transportation Improvement Programs (TIP). He noted there was that no 2025 Call for Projects was issued due to a priority backlog.

A group discussion followed, noting split jurisdiction over Collier Blvd, early utility relocation, and funding shortages related to 2050 Long Range Transportation revenue projection changes, and fixed FDOT district allocations that have delayed construction.

*This item was presented for review and comment only.*

**G. Endorse the Use of SU funds to Cover Cost Overruns on Three Sidewalk Projects**

**Mr. Kingston** said that the MPO was advised by the Collier County Transportation Management Services Department of three Local Agency Projects needing additional funding for cost overruns. The Golden Gate Sidewalks, the Lavern Gaynor Safe Routes to School, and the Bayshore CRA Sidewalks

projects all meet FDOT eligibility, are programmed in fiscal year 2026 when Surface Transportation Urban Block Grant (SU) funds are available, can meet FDOT obligation and expenditure deadlines.

*Mr. Garrett moved to endorse the use of SU funds to Cover Cost Overruns on Three Sidewalk Projects Vice Chair Scott seconded. Passed unanimously.*

#### **H. Review and Comment on Draft SUN Trail Project Priority List for 2026**

**Mr. Kingston** said that two SUN Trail projects were prioritized in 2025, that the Collier to Polk Regional Trail has since been renamed the Heartland Regional Trail and is undergoing a Project Development and Environmental study (PD&E), and that the 2026 SUN Trail Priority List includes the Livingston FPL Trail Extension.

*This item was presented for review and comment only.*

#### **I. Review the Draft Highway & Freight Priority List for 2026**

**Ms. Hansen** said the Collier MPO's 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan was approved on December 11, 2025, that its Cost Feasible Plan identifies projects with full or partial funding, that the draft 2026 Highway and Freight Priority List includes National Highway System projects from that plan, and that the list will go to the MPO Board on May 8, to this Committee on May 18, and back to the Board for approval on June 12.

*This item was presented for review and comment only.*

#### **8. Reports & Presentations (May Require Committee Action)**

None.

#### **9. Member Comments**

**Ms. Eastley** said Collier County Transportation Planning was preparing an audit for Immokalee Rd and Collier Blvd due to recent e-bike crashes, hoping to begin in early May. The Golden Gate Pkwy Congestion Study will go to the Board of County Commissioners on May 26 with recommendations for an overpass at Livingston Rd and a Modified Continuous Green T at the I-75 interchange.

**Chair Bickett** said the City of Naples is bringing updated policy and GIS language to City Council on May 6, and that the Harbor Dr and Crayton Rd roundabout project will be going out for bid soon.

**Mr. Rivera** said the City of Naples installed five bracket flashers at pedestrian crosswalks.

**Vice Chair Scott** said Lee County MPO's federal certification was positive and thanked Collier MPO Executive Director, Carmen Monroy, for attending.

**10. Distribution Items**

None.

**11. Next Meeting Date**

*May 18, 2026, 9:30 a.m. – Transportation Management Services Bldg., South Conference Room, 2885 S. Horseshoe Dr., Naples, FL, 34104 – in person.*

**12. Adjournment**

**Chair Bickett** adjourned the meeting at 10:40 a.m.