

**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE of the
COLLIER METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
MEETING MINUTES
August 25, 2025, 9:30 a.m.**

1. Call to Order

Ms. 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, *Chair*, City of Naples Public Works, Deputy City Engineer (*Left at item 7.D.*)
Don Scott, *Vice-Chair*, Lee MPO Executive Director
Bert Miller, Collier County Growth Management Community Planning & Resiliency, Planning Manager
Bryant Garrett, Collier County Airport Authority, Airport Operations, Executive Manager
David Rivera, City of Naples, Traffic Operations Supervisor
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

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

MPO Staff

Anne McLaughlin, MPO Executive Director
Dusty Hansen, Senior Planner
Suzanne Miceli, Operations Support Specialist II

Others Present

Marcellus Evans, FDOT (*arrived during item 7.A.*)
Sonal Dodia, Jacobs Engineering
Lorraine Lantz, Collier County Transportation Planning
Alex Showalter, Collier Area Transit
Jacob Stauffer, Collier Area Transit
Julie Anne, Conservancy of Southwest Florida

Others Present Via Zoom

Michael Baker, Jacobs Engineering
Michael Alvino, TY Lin

3. **Approval of the Agenda**

Mr. Garrett moved to approve the agenda. Mr. Scott seconded. Carried unanimously.

4. **Approval of the May 19, 2025 Meeting Minutes**

Mr. Garrett moved to approve the May 19, 2025 meeting minutes. Mr. Scott seconded. Carried unanimously.

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

None.

6. **Agency Updates**

A. FDOT

Mr. Evans said there were no public meetings scheduled.

B. MPO

Ms. McLaughlin thanked committee members for their attendance and apologized for the plans all coming in at once. FDOT advised the MPO that there was approximately \$2 million in fiscal year 2026 in available SU Box Funds and Transportation Alternative funds and asked about potential projects, and after reaching out to the County and jurisdictions, Collier County requested the funds be directed toward either the 16th St Bridge project or an Interchange Justification Report (IJR) for the I-75/Everglades Blvd Interchange project.

7. **Committee Action**

A. Endorse Amendment Incorporating the Roll Forward Report in the FY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program, and Authorizing Resolution

Ms. McLaughlin said the FDOT Work Program office annually provides the MPO with a Roll Forward report that includes projects from the previous state fiscal year not authorized before the June 30th fiscal year end, which are incorporated into the current state fiscal year's MPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Mr. Scott moved to endorse Amendment Incorporating the Roll Forward Report in the FY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program, and Authorizing Resolution. Mr. Miller seconded Carried unanimously.

B. Endorse Amendment 3 to the FY 2024/25 – 2025/26 Unified Planning Work Program

Ms. Hansen said the current Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) directs the MPO's budget and planning activities for two Fiscal Years (FY) beginning July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026, and that FDOT informed Collier MPO of an additional \$16,922 in transit planning funds and \$557,071 in unspent planning funds from the MPO's FY22-24 UPWP, which must be incorporated into the current UPWP.

Ms. Hansen reviewed the FY25-26 Planning Fund Allocation Changes for UPWP Amendment 3 table (which can be viewed in the August 25, 2025 TAC Agenda), showing additional funds being directed toward tasks like staff salaries, website hosting, and consultant services (including possible funding for the next phase of the Collier-Lee MPO consolidation study).

***Mr. Scott** moved to endorse Amendment 3 to the FY 2024/25 – 2025/26 Unified Planning Work Program. **Mr. Rivera** seconded. Carried unanimously.*

C. Endorse 2050 LRTP Roadway Needs List, Revised Evaluation Criteria and Financial Resources; Review and Comment on Draft Evaluation Matrix and Cost Feasible Roadway Projects

Ms. Dodia provided a presentation on the 2050 LRTP Roadway Needs List, Revised Evaluation Criteria and Financial Resources, Draft Evaluation Matrix and Cost Feasible Roadway Projects (which can be viewed in the August 25, 2025 TAC Agenda), explaining that alternative roadway needs were modeled, financial resources and project costs identified, and project evaluation criteria refined. The travel demand modeling process helped to identify a cost feasible roadway network. The multimodal component plans were nearing completion and would be presented for review and comment separately from the LRTP.

A group discussion followed, and it was noted that one of the projects on the 2050 LRTP Roadway Needs List might be a duplicate of a Moving Florida Forward project, and if so, would be deleted from the list. Comments submitted by Collier County Transportation staff were reviewed and some language requests had already been addressed. The lack of funding was mentioned, and it was also noted that there was a map error on page 125 that listed a road as Pine Ridge Rd instead of Golden Gate Pkwy.

***Mr. Rivera** moved to endorse the 2050 LRTP Roadway Needs List, Revised Evaluation Criteria and Financial Resources. **Mr. Scott** seconded. Carried unanimously.*

D. Review and Comment on Draft Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan

Ms. McLaughlin provided a presentation on the draft Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan (BPMP) (which can be viewed in the August 25, 2025 TAC Agenda), mentioning that the draft BPMP is an important multimodal component of the LRTP, adding the current update was guided by the existing BPMP, bike/ped plans of the local jurisdictions, and the draft Comprehensive Safety Action Plan (CSAP). Revisions to the draft BPMP thus far included replacing environmental justice language with safety and education to comply with federal mandates and align with Collier County's recent bike/ped Ordinance, and evaluation criteria had been expanded and refined. Bike/ped projects would not have as much Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (SU) funding available in the future per the draft Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)

but could utilize Transportation Alternative – Urban (TALU) funding as well as Safe Streets 4 All (SS4A) grant funding.

A group discussion followed, regarding the City of Naples also focusing on bike/ped education and traffic safety; the challenge of enforcing sidewalk and shared use path regulations; having more localities apply for the State designation of “Trail Town,” as Marco Island is in the process of doing, could benefit the region’s tourism and economy; and clarifying that the population data in the draft BPMP was pulled directly from the 2020 Census.

E. Review and Comment on Draft Comprehensive Safety Action Plan

Mr. Alvino provided a presentation on the draft Comprehensive Safety Action Plan (CSAP) (which can be viewed in the August 25, 2025 TAC Agenda), mentioning that the purpose and benefits of the CSAP are to establish a framework for strategies to reduce fatal and serious injury crashes, an opportunity to make revisions to existing policies and procedures, as well as to provide guidance for project prioritization and funding.

A group discussion followed, regarding that the draft CSAP did not fully specify responsible jurisdictions for different locations within the region and that it would be addressed; the concern that the draft plan is in compliance with state regulations; and concerns raised about the safety of relocating bike lanes to right of the right turn lane. **Mr. Alvino** explained that the issues raised would be reviewed.

[**Ms. Bickett** departed the meeting.]

F. Endorse the 2026 MPO Meeting Schedule

Ms. McLaughlin said the 2026 MPO Meeting Schedule was being presented for Committee endorsement.

***Mr. De Leon** moved to endorse the 2026 MPO Meeting Schedule. **Mr. Miller** seconded. Carried unanimously.*

8. Reports & Presentations (May Require Committee Action)

None.

9. Member Comments

Mr. Scott said that the Lee & Collier MPOs were reviewing the Center for Transportation Research (CUTR) draft Tech Memo 1 on the Lee/Collier MPO Consolidation Feasibility Study.

10. Distribution Items

None.

11. Next Meeting Date

September 22, 2025, 9:30 a.m. –Transportation Management Services Bldg., South Conference Room, 2885 S. Horseshoe Dr., Naples, FL, 34104 – in person.

12. Adjournment

Mr. Scott adjourned the meeting at 11:07 a.m.