

**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE of the
COLLIER METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
MEETING MINUTES
May 20, 2024, 9:30 a.m.**

1. Call to Order

Ms. Lantz called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

2. Roll Call

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

TAC Members Present

Lorraine Lantz, Chair, Collier County Transportation Planning Manager
Alison Bickett, Vice-Chair, Traffic Engineer, City of Naples Public Works
Brett Rosenblum, Collier County Growth Management Community Planning & Resiliency
Dave Rivera, City of Naples Traffic Operations Supervisor
Don Scott, Executive Director, Lee MPO
Harry Henkel, City of Everglades Mayoral Appointee
Omar De Leon, Public Transit Manager, Public Transit & Neighborhood Enhancement Division (PTNE)

TAC Members Absent

Bryant Garrett, Collier County Airport Authority, Airport Operations Executive Manager
Daniel Smith, Director of Community Affairs, City of Marco Island
John Lambcke, Collier Schools Transportation
Justin Martin, City of Marco Island Public Works Department Director
Margaret Wuerstle, Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council
Ute Vandersluis, Naples Airport Authority

MPO Staff

Sean Kingston, Principal Planner
Dusty Hansen, Senior Planner
Suzanne Miceli, Administrative Support Specialist II

Others Present

Carmen Maldonado, FDOT
Kathy Eastley, Collier County Transportation Planner

3. Approval of the Agenda

Mr. Henkel moved to approve the amended agenda. Ms. Bickett seconded. Carried unanimously.

4. **Approval of the April 22, 2024 Meeting Minutes**

Mr. Scott moved to approve the April 22, 2024 meeting minutes. Mr. De Leon seconded. Carried unanimously.

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

None.

6. **Agency Updates**

A. FDOT

Ms. Maldonado introduced herself as the new designated FDOT liaison for the Technical and Citizens Advisory Committees and said there were no FDOT updates to report.

B. MPO

Mr. Kingston announced that FDOT's Wayne Gaither had reached out Collier MPO that morning regarding an expected design change in the I-75 at Pine Ridge Road Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI) project which could trigger a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment to be presented at the June 14, 2024 MPO Board meeting.

A group discussion followed recounting the Committee's concern at the April TAC meeting that in the I-75 at Pine Ridge Road project design, the I-75 DDI sidewalk did not connect to Napa Blvd. The question was raised whether the design changes included said sidewalk connection. **Mr. Kingston** and **Ms. Maldonado** said they would look into the matter. The Committee agreed to make a motion that the request to include the sidewalk connection in the design and construction of the I-75 at Pine Ridge Road Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI) project which would connect the sidewalk on the southeast side of the DDI to Napa Blvd in the FDOT Limited Access right of way be brought forward to FDOT.

Mr. Scott moved that Collier MPO coordinate with FDOT to bring forward the Committee's request to include the sidewalk connection in the design and construction of the I-75 at Pine Ridge Road Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI) project which would connect the sidewalk on the southeast side of the DDI to Napa Blvd, and Mr. Rivera seconded. Carried unanimously.

7. **Committee Action**

A. Endorse Annual List of Project Priorities

Ms. Hansen said that the Committee had reviewed the draft of the Annual List of Project Priorities at their last meeting in April and that the final draft would be presented to the MPO Board for approval at the June 14, 2024 meeting and submitted to FDOT. Ms. Hansen provided the following overview of the priority lists:

List 1A - congestion management priorities, were recently prioritized by the Congestion Management Committee. It is the same version provided to the Committee in April. The projects are slated for SU funding in FY 30.

List 1B - Collier and Lee MPO's TRIP priority list. The only addition since the April meeting is that programming status has been updated. New to the list for this year, is the Collier County project to design the major intersection improvements at Golden Gate Pkwy & Livingston Rd.

List 1C - highway, safety and freight priorities. Since the April meeting, project status and some updated cost estimates have been included. This year, the Immokalee Interchange reconfiguration and Old US 41 were added as freight priorities to support NHFP applications, and streetlights at the SR 29/Oil Well Road intersection was added as a safety priority.

List 1D - SUN Trail funding priorities. The list is the same version presented in April. New this year is the addition of the Bonita-Estero Rail Trail ROW acquisition.

List 1E - Collier MPO's planning priorities. Since the April meeting, the FY 29 and 30 SU request was increased to \$450,000 at the suggestion of FDOT and the future years priority was changed from 2 to 1.

List 1F - bridge priorities and List 1G - transit priorities, remained the same as last year.

Mr. Rivera moved to endorse the Annual List of Project Priorities, and Mr. Henkel seconded. Carried unanimously.

B. Review and Endorse the FY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Mr. Kingston explained that the TIP, a 5-year, fiscally constrained, multimodal program of transportation projects within the Collier Metropolitan Planning area, was developed by the MPO in cooperation with FDOT. Projects in the TIP originated in the MPO's 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan Cost Feasible Plan then were added to the TIP through the MPO's annual process of project prioritization for submission to FDOT's 5-year Work Program. The FY25-29 TIP would be presented for Board approval in June.

Mr. Kingston provided a presentation (which can be viewed in the May 20, 2024 TAC Agenda).

A group discussion followed, and it was noted that the I-75 Golden Gate Pkwy to Corkscrew Rd Widening Project wasn't included in the TIP, but since it was anticipated for a future TIP Amendment, the Committee agreed to make a motion which would include language suggesting the addition of the I-75 Golden Gate Pkwy to Corkscrew Rd Widening Project to the TIP so that a future TIP Amendment might not be necessary.

Mr. Scott moved to endorse the FY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) with the suggestion to add of the I-75 Golden Gate Pkwy to Corkscrew Rd Widening Project and Mr. De Leon seconded. Carried unanimously.

9. **Member Comments**

None.

10. **Distribution Items**

A. Administrative Modification to Collier MPO's Fifth Amended FY 22/23-23/24 Unified Planning Work Program

B. Administrative Modification to the FY 2024-2028 TIP (Scour Countermeasures)

C. Amendment and Subsequent Administrative Modification to the FY 2024-2028 TIP (Naples Manor Sidewalks)

All items were distributed.

11. **Next Meeting Date**

August 26, 2024, 9:30 a.m. –Transportation Management Services Bldg. Main Conference Room, 2885 S. Horseshoe Dr., Naples, FL, 34104 – in person.

12. **Adjournment**

Ms. Lantz adjourned the meeting at 10:01 a.m.