

**CONGESTION MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE of the  
COLLIER METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
MEETING MINUTES  
November 20, 2024, 2:00 p.m.**

1. Call to Order

**Mr. Kingston** called the meeting to order at approximately 2:02 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

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

**CMC Members Present In-Person**

Chris Ordonez  
Don Scott  
Dan Hall  
Karen Homiak  
Omar De Leon  
Dave Rivera  
Zurima Luff

**CMC Members Absent**

Alison Bickett  
Dayna Fendrick  
John Lambcke

**MPO Staff**

Anne McLaughlin, Executive Director  
Sean Kingston, Principal Planner  
Suzanne Miceli, Operations Support Specialist II

**Others Present**

Alex Showalter, Collier Area Transit  
Lorraine Lantz, Collier County Transportation Planning  
Kathey Eastley, Collier County Transportation Planning  
Mike Harris, Kimley-Horn  
Jacob Lennertz, Kimley-Horn  
Michael Reynolds, Kimley-Horn  
Kelley Klepper, Kimley-Horn  
Kathi Kilburn, Member of the Public/Bayshore Drive

*\*Item 7.A. Elect Chair for this meeting in the absence of elected officers was heard before item 3.*

**3. Approval of the Agenda**

*Ms. Homiak moved to approve the agenda. Mr. Scott seconded. Carried unanimously.*

**4. Approval of the September 18, 2024 Meeting Minutes**

*Ms. Homiak moved to approve the September 18, 2024 minutes. Mr. Scott seconded. Carried unanimously.*

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

**Ms. Kilburn** said she was present to discuss traffic and speeding on Bayshore Dr, which she believed was being compounded by overdevelopment in the area. Drivers are driving 65 mph on the three-mile stretch of Bayshore Drive from US 41 to Holly Ave, which has 35 mph speed limit, and since the newest residential development was completed, speeding seemed to have increased. Speed limit signs are not easily seen, and she had heard that installing speed bumps was not a possibility. She said the Bayshore Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) was promoting the walkability of the area, but she feels speeding traffic makes it dangerous, mentioning that a few years ago her dog was hit by a car on Bayshore and she couldn't get cars to stop when trying to get the deceased dog off the road. She said she has lived on Bayshore for over nine years and welcomes the progression of the area but was concerned about safety and wanted to know who to speak to about addressing speed limit signs as well as e-bike speeding. She said the speed data she had seen seemed inaccurate compared to what she has observed.

**Mr. Kingston** mentioned that MPO was in the midst of writing a comprehensive Safety Action Plan, expected to be adopted by June 2025. There would be a presentation about the plan during item 8.A. and invited **Ms. Kilburn** to stay and observe the presentation.

**Ms. McLaughlin** also invited **Ms. Kilburn** to stay after the meeting to share contact information.

**6. Agency Updates**

**A. FDOT**

**Ms. McLaughlin** said FDOT was not present but that they had just released their 2026-2030 Draft Tentative Work Program.

**Mr. Scott** said that FDOT's in-person presentation was scheduled at the Southwest Area Office in Fort Myers and District One Headquarters in Bartow simultaneously with the virtual public hearing, on December 11, 2024.

**B. MPO**

None.

**C. Other**

**(i) City of Naples**

None.

**(ii) Collier County Public Transportation & Neighborhood Enhancement (PTNE)**

None.

**(iii) Collier County Transportation Planning**

None.

**(iv) Collier County Traffic Management Center (TMC) Operations**

None.

**(v) Lee County MPO**

None.

**7. Committee Action**

**A. Elect Chair for this meeting in the absence of elected officers**

*\* This item was heard before item 3.*

**Mr. Kingston** said this was for the committee to elect a Chair for this meeting, effective once elected. CMC bylaws require officer elections at the first regularly scheduled meeting of each year. They shall hold the offices until their successors are elected. Officer roles on the CMC are currently vacant. A Chair is needed. The election will be decided by the majority vote of Committee members present. Elections for next year will be held at the first CMC meeting of 2025.

*Ms. Homiak moved to nominate Mr. Hall. Mr. Scott seconded. Carried unanimously.*

**B. Review of the Lee and Collier Regional Congestion Management Process (CMP) Element Scope of Services**

**Mr. Kingston** said this was for the committee to review and comment on the Regional Scope of Services for the joint Regional Congestion Management Process (CMP) to be included in the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) update, which is scheduled to be adopted in December 2025. The Lee and Collier MPOs are working together on a Regional CMP Element Scope of Services. The Regional CMP Element will address regional roadways within the Bonita Springs urbanized area that is part of the Lee County Metropolitan Planning Area down to Immokalee Road in Collier County. The regional coordination

for this project helps fulfill commitments made during the discussions that came out of efforts by the Legislature last year to consolidate the two MPOs. The approval of the final scope will occur at the January 15<sup>th</sup> CMC meeting.

**Mr. Scott** said the regional roadway map was approved in 2017 and would be updated as a part of the process. The regional objectives would be considered while each MPO would continue to update their own CMPs. Joint activities would include identifying and addressing congested corridors and hot spots, obtaining updated data, an Origin/Destination Study, and strategies to improve Lee-Collier commutes. The public involvement will be aligned with the development of each MPO's LRTP. Will come back to the committee in January after the committee presentation process.

In addition, the two MPOs and FDOT are developing a scope for a Feasibility Study for the consolidation of Collier & Lee MPOs.

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

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

### **A. Staff Presentation on Collier MPO Comprehensive Safety Action Plan (CSAP) development**

**Mr. Kingston** said the item was being presented for the committee to receive a presentation on the CSAP and provide comments. The project consultant, TY Lin International, had prepared the draft Existing Conditions & Safety Analysis Memorandum and the presentation, which had previously been presented for comment to the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) and the Technical and Citizens Advisory Committees (TAC & CAC). Public comment had been gathered via public meetings, a survey, and an interactive map. Guided by the comments provided by the CMC, BPAC, TAC, CAC, and the public, the documents would be revised and presented to the MPO Board at their December 2024 meeting.

**Mr. Kingston** provided a presentation which can be viewed in the November 20, 2024 CMC Agenda.

**Ms. McLaughlin** invited Committee members to continue to review the documents and provide comments prior to the next CMC meeting.

### **B. Don Scott from Lee MPO to present development of their Safe Streets for All Safety Action Plan**

**Mr. Scott** said Lee MPO was in the process of conducting a study to assist in the development of their Comprehensive Safety Action Plan to shape a safer community for Lee County. Lee MPO had hosted public meetings and heard the same issues of concern as Collier: reckless driving, driving under the influence, and distracted drivers (which has been difficult for law enforcement to prove to provide accurate data). Micromobility and e-bikes were continuing to be a topic of discussion at most meetings, and Sanibel Island had imposed a 10-20 mph speed limit on pathways to be enforced via park rangers and signage. Lee MPO had announced a call for safety projects from their local jurisdictions and would continue to host public meetings to gather feedback for the plan. Crashes were trending up and mitigation was a large focus of the plan. The goal was to get the plan approved by March 2025.

**Mr. Scott** provided a presentation which can be viewed in the November 20, 2024 CMC Agenda

A group discussion followed, regarding smart traffic lights as a safety measure and how the funding process is not able to keep up with the continual advances in transportation technology.

**9. Member Comments**

None.

**10. Distribution Items (No presentation)**

**A. 2025 Meeting Calendar for MPO Board approval December 13<sup>th</sup>.**

*This item was distributed.*

**11. Next Meeting Date**

*January 15, 2025, 2:00 p.m. –Transportation Management Services Bldg. South Conference Room, 2885 S. Horseshoe Dr., Naples, FL, 34104 – in person.*

**12. Adjournment**

There being no further comments or business to discuss, **Mr. Hall** adjourned the meeting at 2:57 p.m.