

Minutes Joint Technical and Citizen's Advisory Committee October 9, 2014 3:00 pm

Members Present	Organization
Brent Thomas	GDOT
Mike Fletcher	Lowndes
Pat Collins	Valdosta
Bill Tucker	Valdosta
Tyra Howard	CVB
Debbie Hobdy	Lowndes County
Michael Cooper	CVDA
Aries Little	GDOT
Steve Barnes	Leadership Lowndes
Dick Saeger	Valdosta
Ray Sable	VSU
Bill Branham	Valdosta
Col Parker	Airport
Allan Ricketts	VLDA
Others Present	
Corey Hull	SGRC
Todd Miller	SGRC
Art Hughes	
Dorothy Parker	
William Sims	Valdosta

Agenda Item #1 – Call to Order

Mr. Fletcher called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Agenda Item #2 – Introductions/Roll Call

Mr. Fletcher asked those present to introduce themselves and state their affiliation with the committees.

Agenda Item #3 – Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes

Mr. Fletcher asked the members to review the minutes to review the minutes from the previous meeting. A motion was made to accept the minutes as presented by Mr. Collins, it was seconded by Mr. Ricketts. The motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Item #4– New Business

A. Review of Comments Submitted and Project Lists

Mr. Hull described the handouts in the packets that contained the comments received and project lists proposed for the 2040 Transportation Vision Plan that were obtained over the last two months public comment period. Mr. Hull noted they spoke to 170+ people at more than 9 events. Mr. Hull described how the public felt we should spend transportation funds and how that equates to available funding and historical expenditures.

Mr. Collins noted that bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure can be expensive because of the need for additional right-of-way along roadways.

Mr. Hull described the priority ranking of the Common Community Vision Goals by the public. Mr. Hull also reviewed the project list of recommendations from the public.

B. Review of Project Selection Process

Mr. Hull described the 20305 LRTP process and what changes the staff is proposing for the 2040 Transportation Vision Plan.

Mr. Parker asked if in the Highway Program Performance Measures we are going to have to be collecting new information or changing our procedures. Mr. Hull responded that he did not think we would have to change anything right now. He noted the MPO will have to coordinate more with GDOT and the local governments for information collected and analyze trends in the data.

C. FY2015 UPWP Budget Amendment Resolution 2015-4

Mr. Hull presented the FY2015 UPWP and Budget amendment. Mr. Hull informed the committee that we will be allowed to carry forward over \$121 in funds into FY15 from FY14 after the books were closed. He described that the funding is allocated by the percentages per work element adopted at the original adoption of the UPWP. Mr. Collins made a motion to recommend adoption of the amended UPWP to the Policy Committee, the motion was seconded by Mr. Fletcher, the motion carried.

<u>Agenda Item #5– Staff Update</u>

A. Common Community Vision Outreach

Mr. Hull said the staff would be presenting this document to the SGMC board and the LC Health Board in October for the National Community Planning month, demonstrating how transportation planners are having to work with other professions more, like health professionals.

B. Participation Plan Amendment

Mr. Hull informed the committee that the VLMPO will have to complete an update to its Participation Plan this winter, prior to the adoption of our 2040 Transportation Vision Plan to make it fully compliant with MAP-21 requirements and to include Brooks County in its outreach and analysis. Mr. Tucker asked what counties are included. Mr. Hull clarified that it is portions of Brooks, Berrien and Lanier Counties and all of Lowndes County.

C. FY2016 UPWP/Budget Outlook

Mr. Hull noted that the Policy Committee will be discussing the FY2016 budget and proposed project ideas to be completed in the future years.

D. 2015 GAMPO Conference

Mr. Hull informed the committee, that Valdosta had been chosen as the site for the Georgia Association of MPOs Annual Meeting in the Fall of 2015. Staff will be provided periodic updates for this event.

Agenda Item #6 – Privilege of the Floor/Public Comment

Mr. Hughes addressed the committee about public transit services and gaps for some individuals including himself. He is concerned about how costly it is from his home in Quitman to Valdosta for doctor appointments. He encouraged the committee to address public transit concerns.

Ms. Hobdy, the operator of MIDS transportation, asked Mr. Hughes to see him afterward to try to address some of his concerns.

Agenda Item #7 - Next Meeting Date and Time

Mr. Fletcher pointed out the meeting times and dates of all of the MPO committees printed on the agenda.

Agenda Item #8 – Adjournment

Mr. Fletcher asked for a motion to adjourn, a motion was made by Mr. Collins and seconded by Mr. Fletcher.