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### Minutes Technical Committee 10:30 a.m.

Members Present	Organization
Brent Thomas	GDOT Tifton
Mike Fletcher	Lowndes County
Pat Collins	Valdosta
Lesa Walker (phone)	GDOT Atlanta
Others Present	
Corey Hull	SGRC VLMPO
Shane Pridgen	GDOT Tifton
Joe Sheffield	GDOT Tifton
William Sims	Valdosta
Tracy Meyers	VSU
Tyrhonda Edwards (phone)	GDOT Transit
Tom McQueen (phone)	GDOT Atlanta

### Agenda Item #1 - Call to Order

Mike Fletcher called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

### Agenda Item #2 – Introductions/Roll Call

### Agenda Item #3 – Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes

The minutes were accepted as presented, a motion was made by Pat Collins, seconded by Mike Fletcher and was unanimously approved.

### **Agenda Item #4– Old Business**

None.

### Agenda Item #5 – New Business

### **A.** Administrative Modification to FY12-15 TIP; PI#0008437

Corey Hull reviewed this administrative modification for the TCC and noted there was no need for review from the TCC or Policy Committee. Mike Fletcher clarified that this amendment was to fund only ROW and not construction in FY2013.

### **B.** Amendment to FY12-15 TIP – Resolution FY2012-2

Mr. Hull reviewed this amendment to the TIP and explained that to various reasons this project had not met the deadlines for being let to a contractor in the last year. He explained this project

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amendment was presented for a public comment period and that no comments were received. He explained that it was therefore necessary to bring this amendment before the TCC and Policy Committees. Mike Fletcher made a motion to accept the amendment as presented; it was seconded by Brent Thomas. The motion carried unanimously.

Pat Collins asked if this was the same area as the recent fatal accident. Mike Fletcher clarified that this crash location was north of the base, this project is located south of the base.

### C. Inner Perimeter Road Access Management Discussion

Mr. Hull presented the model ordinance as requested by the City of Valdosta and Lowndes County. Due to recent staff changes with the City and other projects, this project is now just coming up. Almost two years ago, a map (presented at meeting) outlined where the future median crossovers would be located, including adding 11 or 12 future crossovers meeting the minimum GDOT standards. Mr. Hull noted that about two years ago a public meeting was held where about 30 people attended, where there was little opposition, with lots of questions being answered. The next step was to enact a local law to put these minimum standards into place locally. Mr. Hull noted that the model ordinance was a first draft and it is open to discussion and any changes the City or County would like to make.

Mr. Sheffield added some background information about the history of the construction of Inner Perimeter Road.

Mr. Hull noted there is a proposal to add three traffic signals along the corridor in the future when the need arises and warrants are met. Mr. Hull noted that this is a discussion today and a time for questions before the committee as a whole moves forward with more in depth public outreach.

It was asked which jurisdictions this ordinance would need to adopt the model ordinance. It was discussed that the proposed ordinance uses the minimum spacing requirements and is used to strengthen the local government connection with the DOT requirements.

After an ongoing discussion it was decided that the model ordinance would be sent electronically for review by the local planners and engineers.

Ms. Meyers reminded everyone that 'class A' bike riders use Inner Perimeter Road all of the time as a part of their regular route.

### Agenda Item #6 – Staff Update

Staff gave an update on the status of the Transportation Investment Act public meetings and encouraged the TCC to attend the upcoming meeting in Valdosta on 9/19. Mr. Hull also presented information about the FY11 annual report that will be sent our later to the committee. Mr. Hull also presented the update of the current projects under construction and in the TIP. There was some discussion about some of these projects amongst the committee.

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### Agenda Item #7 - Public Comment

None.

### Agenda Item #8 – Next Meeting Date

It was announced that the next meeting date will be on December 13, 2012 at 10:30 a.m. at the SGRC office.

### Agenda Item #9 – Adjournment

Mr. Fletcher adjourned the meeting at 11:21 a.m.