

**Minutes
Citizens and Technical Advisory Committee
May 19, 2015
9:00 AM**

Members Present	Organization
Corey Hull	SGRC
Tyra Heward	Tourism Authority
Ms. Little Little	GDOT Planning
Sandra Tooley	VCC
Dennis Carter	GDOT
Brent Thomas	GDOT
Walter Sandler	City of Lake Park
Carrol Griffin	City of Remerton
Angela Crance	WGTC
Steve Barnes	Leadership Lowndes
Leggett Lovan	SEFL
Bill Tucker	City of Valdosta
William Sims	City of Valdosta
Richard Saeger	Valdosta
Harrier Crum	City of Hahira
Ray Sable	Valdosta State University
Charlie Clark	Lowndes County
Pat Collins	City of Valdosta
Matt Martin	City of Valdosta
Mike Fletcher	Lowndes County
Bill Branham	Valdosta
Jason Davenport	Lowndes County
Ann Marie Davis	FHWA (phone)
Tom McQueen	GDOT (phone)
Krystal Harris	GDOT (phone)

Agenda Item #1 – Call to Order

Mrs. Crance called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.

Agenda Item #2 – Introductions/Roll Call

Mrs. Crance asked those present and on the phone to introduce themselves and state their affiliation with the committees.

Agenda Item #3 – Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes

Mrs. Crance asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes from October. The minutes were approved as written.

Agenda Item #4– Old Business

A. Travel Demand Model Network Base year and 2040 No Build – Resolution 2015-4

Mr. Hull reminded the committee of the process that had been followed by staff over the past several months since this issue was tabled at the joint PC/TAC meeting in December. He noted that after phone, email and in-person meetings all of the questions raised by the local governments had been answered in a satisfactory manner. He noted that he had sent an email stating this in January and had given GDOT the notice to proceed on developing the travel demand model networks. After a discussion it was determined that the local government staff wanted to see more of the data related to the travel demand models. Mr. Hull said that he had this at his desk, but it would take some time to pull up. A motion was made by Mr. Collins to defer the decision on the acceptance of the travel demand models to the Policy Committee, and that the staff would meet with Corey before the PC meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fletcher, the motion carried.

Agenda Item #5– New Business

A. Review of the Draft 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan

Mr. Hull led a walk-through of each section of the 2040 LRTP allowing for comments and discussions from all members. Listed below are comments from those sections:

Section 1 “Framework/Introduction”

Mr. Davenport suggested changing the name “Framework” to “Foundations”

Mrs. Day suggested documenting and highlighting the PEAs from the UPWP in the LRTP

Section 2 “Regional Challenges”

Mr. Branham asked how alternative fuel systems might impact future transit options and infrastructure

Section 3 “Regional Strategies”

Mr. Hull noted that the LRTP is aimed at meeting National Performance Goals, but the Feds have not yet sent out the requirements, and thus the reason for the intentional blanks within the document.

Mrs. Day noted that the goals and objectives on pages 21-23 are unclear and would like to see them developed further to match the National Performance Goals

Mrs. Day would like the planning factors identified and addressed more specifically in the strategies sections.

Ms. Little would like to see more transportation related measures to support the goals listed

Mr. Hull reviewed the 4 policies the MPO is considering for adoption in the LRTP

Mrs. Day commented that the identified strategies should clearly show how they address the local, regional, state, and national goals.

Section 4 “Transportation Vision”

Mrs. Day noted that the socioeconomic data should be presented with a more in-depth analysis of the metropolitan transportation issues

Ms. Little commented that the GDOT “build/no-build” maps should emphasize the MPO area specifically

Mrs. Day suggested moving the socioeconomic data closer to the beginning of the LRTP to better “tell the story” of what the projections are and why the identified projects are important

Mrs. Day would like a bulleted list of Transportation Projects to clarify why these are the recommended projects/improvements

Appendix A “Public Participation”

Mr. Hull gave an overview of the VLMPO’s public participation plans, programs, and studies.

Mrs. Day would like to see relevant appendix documents put into the body of the LRTP, specifically the Environmental Justice data paired with the socioeconomic section

Appendices C-F are Project Lists subject to change

A member asked for dates to be included on bike projects that were attached to a highway project.

Agenda Item #5– Staff Update

None

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

None.

Agenda Item #7 - Next Meeting Date and Time

June 2 and June 3 for CAC and TAC respectively.

Agenda Item #8 – Adjournment

Mr. Collins made a motion to adjourn and Mr Branham seconded.