

**Minutes
Policy Committee
12-5-12
10:30 a.m.**

Members Present	Organization
Jason Davenport	Lowndes County (Ashley Paulk proxy)
John Leonard	SGRC
Larry Hanson	Valdosta
John Gayle	Valdosta
Joe Pritchard	Lowndes County
Lesa Walker	GDOT (via phone)
Others Present	
Corey Hull	SGRC
Brent Thomas	GDOT
Joe Sheffield	GDOT
Shane Pridgen	GDOT
Kelly Stroger	Citizen

Agenda Item #1 – Call to Order

Mr. Davenport called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

Agenda Item #2 – Introductions/Roll Call

Mr. Davenport asked those present to introduce themselves and those on the phone as well.

Agenda Item #3 – Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes

Mr. Davenport called for a motion on the minutes, after review and no changes, Mr. Gayle offered a motion, it was seconded by Mr. Pritchard, the motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Item #4– Old Business

None.

Agenda Item #5 – New Business

A. FY2013 UPWP Amendment #2 Resolution FY2013-5

Mr. Hull described the amendment to the UPWP as the addition of funds from the FTA 5303 program that were not anticipated to be available. These funds would be used for hiring a consultant to develop socioeconomic data for the VLMPO for the 2040 Transportation Plan Update that will be undertaken in FY2014. The total funding for this additional funding is \$15,000, 20% of which would be paid locally, the remaining funding is federal.

Mr. Pritchard asked if the 20% match is additional funding from local governments. Mr. Hull said that it was, but it is a project that would be done now or in the future, the funds would have to be spent.

Mr. Hanson asked to clarify the years and other items in the draft scope of work, Mr. Hull said that he would make changes.

Mr. Hanson made a motion to amend the UPWP, Mr. Gayle seconded the motion, it carried unanimously.

B. FY2013 FTA Supplemental Funding 5303 – Resolution FY2013-6

Mr. Davenport asked for a motion to apply for this additional funding, Mr. Hanson made a motion, it was seconded by Mr. Pritchard, the motion carried unanimously.

C. FY2014 FTA MPO 5303 Grant – Resolution FY2013-7

Mr. Hull described the annual 5303 grant for FY2014. He described that all of this funding would be allocated to the development of the 2040 TP that the VLMPO must complete. This is unusual that all of this funding would be devoted to just one work element, but since this is such a large project it will be better to allocate it to one work task rather than all of them.

Mr. Pritchard made a motion to approve the grant application, it was seconded by Mr. Hanson, the motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Item #6 – Staff Update

Mr. Hull reported that he recently attended the Georgia Association of MPOs annual meeting in Augusta. He reported that there will be a larger emphasis on performance measures for our long range plan as required by MAP-21. He noted that LOS is one key measurement this is being considered and that LOS grades of D and above are being considered acceptable levels of service in some GA MPOs, this is a result of less funding available and return on investment for certain roadways. This may be something for Valdosta to consider as well.

Mr. Hull reported on the CAC attendance and that the new energy has been good for the group and attendance is up.

Agenda Item #7 – Privilege of the Floor/Public Comment

Mr. Davenport thanked Mr. Hull for his presentation at Wiregrass the week before and for asking the business leaders about transportation issues. Mr. Gayle noted that truck traffic is a concern in Valdosta.

Agenda Item #8 - Next Meeting Date and Time

Mr. Davenport noted that the next meeting date was March, 6, 2013 at 10:30 a.m.

Agenda Item #9 – Adjournment

Mr. Davenport asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:44 a.m. The motion was made by Mr. Pritchard and seconded by Mr. Hanson, the motion carried.