



Minutes
Policy Committee
September 4, 2024
10:30 AM

Members Present	Organization
Chad McLeod (Proxy)	GDOT
Scott Matheson	City of Valdosta
Richard Hardy	City of Valdosta
Kimberly Hobbs	SGRC
Bill Slaughter (Call-in)	Lowndes County
Ronnie Gaskins (Call-in)	Berrien County
Alex Lee (Call-in)	Lanier County
Additional Persons Present	Organization
Dennis Carter	GDOT
Jason Willingham	GDOT
Cheyenne Thompson	GDOT Planning
Joseph Longo	FHWA
Brandon North	GDOT
Peyton Moran	GDOT
Victoria Hendrix	GDOT
Sandra Tooley	VCC
Amy Martin	SGRC
Torrence Weaver	SGRC
Rob Schiffer	Metro Analytics



Agenda Item #1 – Call to Order

Mr. McLeod called the meeting to order at 10:30 am.

Agenda Item #2 – Introductions/Roll Call

Mr. McLeod asked those present to state their name and affiliation with the committee.

Agenda Item #3 – Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes

Mr. Scott Matheson made a motion to approve the minutes from June 6, 2024. Mr. Richard Hardy seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous; the minutes were approved.

Agenda Item #4– New Business - Committee Recommendation/ Approval Required

A. FY26 FTA 5303/5304 Transit Planning Grant Applications – Resolutions FY25-1 and FY25-2

Action: Motion/Approve

Ms. Martin explained that the VLMPO team is currently working on applications for FTA 5303 and 5304 transit planning funds that will go towards urbanized and rural planning efforts. The total allocation for 5303 is \$65,206, and the total allocation for 5304 is \$95,848, both with 80% federal, 10% state, and 10% local match. Mr. Bill Slaughter made a motion to approve the resolutions. Mr. Matheson seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous; the resolutions were approved.

B. 2050 MTP Model Presentation

Action: Motion/Approve

Mr. Brandon North from GDOT explained the travel demand model and how its data would be used to assist with the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan. Mr. Matheson made a motion to approve the resolution. Mr. McLeod seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous; the resolution was approved.

C. 2050 MTP Update

Mr. Rob Schiffer representing Metro Analytics updated the committee on the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan process. The consultants are currently analyzing the level of service for transportation projects for 5-year periods. There are plans for another stakeholder committee meeting and public workshops for the near future.

D. Transit Oriented Development Plan

Ms. Martin informed the committee that the TODP is completed and takes a look at transit origination and destination trips, service delivery agreements in the MPO area, and potential for development in other counties.

Agenda Item #5 – Staff Update

A. SGRC/VLMPO Staff NADO Award

Ms. Martin announced to the committee that the SGRC Transportation/VLMPO staff received a National Association of Development Organizations Impact Award for the 2050 VLMPO MTP Historical Equity Action Lens project in collaboration with Metro Analytics.



Agenda Item #6 Privilege of the Floor/Public Comment

The next meeting will be Wednesday, December 4th, 2024; 10:30 AM at the SGRC office.

Agenda Item #7 – Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned.