# Southern Georgia Regional Commission

# Valdosta-Lowndes MPO

# Minutes Technical Advisory Committee September 5, 2012 9:00 am

Members Present	Organization
Mike Fletcher	Lowndes County
Jim Martinez	Valdosta
Tom McQueen	GDOT
Brent Thomas	GDOT
Others Present	
Corey Hull	SGRC

#### Agenda Item #1 – Call to Order

Mr. Fletcher called the meeting to order at 9:19 am.

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

Mr. Fletcher noted that everyone was signed in did not need to introduce themselves.

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

Mr. Fletcher asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the June 5, 2012 meeting. It was noted that a name was misspelled in Item #3. A motion was made by Mr. Thomas to accept the minutes as corrected and seconded by Mr. McQueen. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **Agenda Item #4– Old Business**

None.

#### **Agenda Item #5– New Business**

A. FY2013 UPWP Amendment – Resolution FY2013-1

Mr. Hull presented and described a sheet describing the annual budget amendment reflecting the FY2012 carryover funds that can be brought into the current FY2013 budget.

Mr. Fletcher asked to clarify that the MPO was in fact staying in federal law. Mr. Hull said yes, this is the case, only the FY2013 allocation is slightly less than in years past.

Mr. Fletcher moved to recommend to the Policy Committee that the UPWP amendment be approved as presented, it was seconded by Mr. Thomas. The motion carried unanimously.

#### B. Policy of DBE Program Activities – Resolution FY2013-2

Mr. Hull presented the proposal for a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise program. Mr. Hull described the reasons for enacting this program to provide minority businesses a greater opportunity to bid on contracts that the MPO might bid out. This does not include construction projects.

A motion was made by Mr. Fletcher to recommend that the Policy Committee adopt the DBE plan, it was seconded by Mr. Martinez, the motion carried unanimously.

#### C. Update to PPP – Resolution FY2013-3

Mr. Hull presented the comments and proposed changes to the PPP from the public comment period that the MPO held over the summer. He noted that one comment was received, and it was not germane to the topic of the PPP. He noted that this comment will be forwarded to the City of Valdosta to address further.

Mr. Fletcher made a motion to recommend to the Policy Committee that the PPP be updated as presented; the motion was seconded by Mr. Martinez. The motion carried unanimously.

#### D. Presentation on FY2012 Annual Report

Mr. Hull presented information as an overview of the FY2012 Annual Report, reviewing some of the things the MPO has done in the past year.

Mr. Fletcher had a question about the bicycle route plan that was conducted by the Regional Commission last year. Mr Hull described the roads the route took through the region along Bicycle Route 15. A discussion ensued about the various options to improve bicycle accommodations on local roadways.

E. Presentation and Update on Valdosta Urbanized Area Boundary Delineation Mr. Hull described the process by which the Valdosta Urban Area would be adjusted to smooth the Census designated area. This update would also include the new area in Brooks County that is now a part of the Valdosta Urban Area.

#### F. Presentation on MAP-21 Provisions

Mr. Hull presented information on the new federal transportation law called MAP-21 highlighting the changes to funding, project development and MPO structure and activities.

#### Agenda Item #7- Staff Update

# A. TSPLOST Update

Mr. Hull noted that the TSPLSOT did not pass in this region and that all local governments are now subject to a 30% match on LMIG funds. He said that there was talk of changing the law in the upcoming legislative session and that he would report back as news changed. Mr. Hull answered several questions about the current status of the projects that were on the TSPLOST list that will no longer be funded.

# B. Project Updates

Mr. Hull presented the committee with updates on several projects in the region. Mr. Fletcher provided an additional update on Davidson Road.

#### Agenda Item #8 – Privilege of the Floor/Public Comment

None.

#### **Agenda Item #9 - Next Meeting Date and Time**

Mr. Fletcher noted that the next meeting date will be December 5, 2012.

#### Agenda Item #10 – Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Thomas and seconded by Mr. Fletcher to adjourn the meeting, the motion carried unanimously.