Meeting of the Citizens Advisory Committee
Wednesday, January 9, 2019, 9:00 AM

I. Call to Order & Introductions

II. Public Comment - 3 minutes per speaker, please

III. Members’ Interests

IV. Approval of Minutes – December 17, 2018

V. Action Items
   A. 2019 Safety Targets (Johnny Wong, MPO Staff) 9:15
   B. Southshore Transit Re-Evaluation (Sarah McKinley, MPO Staff) 9:35
   C. Attendance Review & Declaration of Vacant Seats (Rich Clarendon, MPO Staff) 9:55

VI. Status Reports
   A. Heights Mobility Study (Stephen Benson, FDOT) 10:10
   B. Referendum Outcome (Rich Clarendon, MPO Staff) 10:30

VII. Old Business & New Business 10:45
   A. AMPO Conference Highlights (Beth Alden, MPO Staff)
   B. TBARTA CAC Report (Rick Richmond)
   C. Next meeting: February 13th

VIII. Adjournment

IX. Addendum
   A. MPO Meeting Minutes & Committee Reports
   B. Upcoming Events:
      i. January 12th, 10 AM to Noon – Re-scheduled Street Mural Painting at Cleveland Elementary
      ii. January 15th, 5 to 7 PM – Workshop for the MPO Board, Committees and Public on the TBARTA Regional Planning Best Practices Study

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DECEMBER 17, 2018 – JOINT MEETING WITH THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
CITIZENS ADVISORY AND TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEES

The Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), Hillsborough County, Florida, and the MPO Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC), met in Joint Meeting, scheduled for Monday, December 17, 2018, at 1:15 p.m., in the Plan Hillsborough Committee Room, 18th Floor, Frederick B. Karl County Center, Tampa, Florida.

The following MPO TAC members were present:

Jeffrey Sims, Chairman
Amber Dickerson
Gina Evans
Robert Frey
Anthony Garcia
Stephen Griffin
Mark Hudson for Julie Ham
Danni Jorgenson
Jonathan Scott
Linda Walker
Charles White
Michael Williams

Environmental Protection Commission
Hillsborough County School District
Hillsborough County Aviation Authority
Tampa-Hillsborough Aviation Authority
Planning Commission (PC)
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City of Plant City
Tampa
City of Tampa (Tampa)
HART
Hillsborough County
Hillsborough County

The following MPO TAC members were absent:

Michael Case
Rachel Chase
Vincenzo Corazza
Michael English

Tampa Bay Area Regional Transportation Authority
Florida Department of Health – Hillsborough County
City of Temple Terrace
Tampa Historic Streetcar Incorporated

The following MPO CAC members were present:

William Roberts, Chairman
Vance E. Arnett
David Bailey III
David Butcher
Barbara Kennedy Gibson
Dennis Levine

Edward Mierzejewski
Nicole Rice
Richard Richmond
Diane Stull
Lynne Vadelund
MONDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2018

The following MPO CAC members were absent:

Ray Alzamora                      Nancy Pacifico
Robert Davila                     Charles Poteet
Amy Espinosa                      Clifford Reiss
Rick Fernandez                    Cheryl Thole
Dayna Lazarus                     Terrance Trott
Kimberly Overman

I. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

▶ Chairman Sims called the meeting to order at 1:17 p.m. and asked everyone to introduce themselves.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT – ▶ None.

III. MEMBERS’ INTERESTS – ▶ None.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – NOVEMBER 14, 2018, CAC, AND OCTOBER 22, 2018, AND NOVEMBER 19, 2018, TAC

▶ Hearing no comments, Cochairman Sims asked for a motion to approve the October 22, 2018, and November 19, 2018, TAC minutes. Mr. White moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Garcia, and carried twelve to zero. (Members Case, Chase, Corazza, and English were absent.)

▶ Cochairman Roberts requested a motion to approve the minutes of the November 2018 meeting of the CAC. Mr. Mierzejewski moved approval, seconded by Ms. Stull, and carried eleven to zero. (Members Alzamora, Davila, Espinosa, Fernandez, Lazarus, Overman, Pacifico, Poteet, Reiss, Thole, and Trott were absent.)

V. ACTION ITEMS

A. Election of Officers

▶ Chairman Sims and Ms. Gena Torres, MPO, reviewed the process and sought nominations for the TAC current chairman. ▶ Mr. Garcia moved to reappoint Mr. Sims. Ms. Torres called for nominations for vice chair. ▶ Mr. Garcia moved to reappoint Mr. Williams. Ms. Torres called for nominations for the member-at-large members. ▶ Mr. Garcia moved to reappoint Ms. Dickerson. ▶ The officers were elected twelve to zero. (Members Case, Chase, Corazza, and English were absent.)
Mr. Richard Clarendon, MPO, reviewed the current CAC officers and called for nominations. **Mr. Arnett nominated the current set of officers to continue, seconded by Ms. Stull, and carried eleven to zero.** (Members Alzamora, Davila, Espinosa, Fernandez, Lazarus, Overman, Pacifico, Poteet, Reiss, Thole, and Trott were absent.)

B. Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Tentative Work Program and MPO Comments

**Mr. Stephen Benson, FDOT, referenced distributed material and elaborated on a presentation.** **Mr. Arnett sought information on the deferred work program items.** Responding to Cochairman Roberts, Mr. Benson touched on the Dale Mabry Boulevard drainage project. Mr. Bailey asked about including a work program project addition. Ms. Stull inquired about the Lee Roy Selmon Expressway connector projects, to which Ms. Beth Alden, MPO Executive Director, addressed. Cochairman Roberts called for CAC action on the recommended approval of the work plan to the MPO. **Mr. Bailey moved the item, seconded by Mr. Richmond, and carried eleven to zero.** (Members Alzamora, Davila, Espinosa, Fernandez, Lazarus, Overman, Pacifico, Poteet, Reiss, Thole, and Trott were absent.) **Mr. Cochairman Sims requested a TAC motion to approve and recommend the work plan to the MPO. Ms. Evans moved to approve, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, and carried twelve to zero.** (Members Case, Chase, Corazza, and English were absent.)

C. Speed Management and Safety: A Data-Driven Approach

**Ms. Torres introduced Ms. Paula Flores, Greenman-Pedersen Incorporated, who expounded on a presentation.** **Mr. Arnett opined on communication with community associations.** Mr. Bailey asked about traffic speed reductions. **Mr. Mierzejewski posited suburban arterial roads could encourage speeding due to short traffic signal timing.** Mr. David Bottomley, Orange County resident, highlighted intelligent transportation system traffic signals. Mr. Levine shared experiences regarding alternating speeds. Mr. Frey pondered other traffic crash factors. **Dialogue ensued on plan analysis/implementation, traffic speed/safety, and traffic crash statistics.** Subsequent to remarks **Mr. Arnett offered the motion the MPO CAC send the item forward with the MPO to adopt and conduct the study as a piece of the Vision Zero concept, seconded by Ms. Stull. Following motion clarification, the motion carried eleven to zero.** (Members Alzamora, Davila, Espinosa, Fernandez, Lazarus, Overman, Pacifico, Poteet, Reiss, Thole, and Trott were absent.)
Chairman Sims sought a motion from the MPO TAC to consider the same terminology. **Mr. Garcia so moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, and carried twelve to zero.** (Members Case, Chase, Corazza, and English were absent.)

D. Multimodal Level of Service Education

Ms. Sarah McKinley, MPO, reviewed the item and responded to inquiries on extending sidewalks for less traffic conflicts. Mr. Prey asked about community impacts and opined on the analysis being used to develop roads. Dialogue occurred on ongoing experiments/opportunities, bicycle path usage, additional data sources, coordination with user agencies/local governments and the perceived lack of outside agency feedback. Cochairman Roberts sought a motion to accept the report and move the report on to the MPO. **Ms. Dickerson moved the TAC, seconded by Mr. Hudson, and carried twelve to zero.** (Members Case, Chase, Corazza, and English were absent.) Cochairman Roberts called for a CAC motion to approve the report. **Ms. Gibson made the motion, seconded by Ms. Vadelund, and carried eleven to zero.** (Members Alzamora, Davila, Espinosa, Fernandez, Lazarus, Overman, Pacifico, Potest, Reiss, Thole, and Trott were absent.)

VI. STATUS REPORTS

A. Tampa Bay Next Update

Mr. Benson supplied the update and answered queries. Cochairman Sims asked about northbound Bearss Avenue/Interstate (I) 4 merging challenges. Cochairman Roberts considered accelerating the State Road 60/I-275 project. Mr. Clarendon sought clarification on the interim project.

B. Resilient Tampa Bay: Transportation

Ms. Allison Yeh, MPO, supplied the report. Dialogue occurred.

VII. OLD BUSINESS AND NEW BUSINESS

A. Next Meeting: January 9, 2018, CAC, and January 28, 2018, TAC

Cochairman Sims confirmed the meeting dates.

B. Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority CAC Report

Mr. Richmond relayed the report.
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C. Association of MPO Conference Highlights

Ms. Alden deferred the item.

D. 2019 MPO Official Meeting Calendar and October 2019 CAC Meeting

Mr. Clarendon summarized the item.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:11 p.m.

READ AND APPROVED: _______________________________ CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:
PAT FRANK, CLERK

By: _______________________________
Deputy Clerk

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Board & Committee Agenda Item

**Agenda Item**
2019 Safety Performance Targets

**Presenter**
Johnny Wong, PhD (MPO Staff)

**Summary**
Under the MAP-21 legislation, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) requires state DOTs and MPOs to adopt performance targets for five safety measures. In 2017, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) set a statewide target of zero traffic deaths.

Whereas achieving zero traffic deaths is the long-term aspirational goal of the Hillsborough MPO, the FHWA has encouraged MPOs to select realistic targets based on data analysis. Using a methodology developed for the Imagine 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan to predict performance based on different investment levels for safety projects, targets have been calculated for calendar year 2019.

For 2019, MPO staff is proposing to set safety performance targets as follows:

- Number of Fatalities: 181
- Number of Serious Injuries: 1,524
- Number of Nonmotorized Fatalities and Serious Injuries: 233
- Rate of Fatalities per 100 Million Vehicle Miles Traveled (MVMT): 1.28
- Rate of Serious Injuries per 100 MVMT: 10.78

These targets represent five-year rolling averages (2013-2017) with a 3.4% crash reduction factor applied. The 3.4% factor represents the annual reduction achievable under the high-investment level identified in the Reduce Crashes & Vulnerability investment program in the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP).

The MPO Board prioritizes projects for federal and state funding, many of which of meet the criteria for safety projects under the Reduce Crashes & Vulnerability program. The 2018-19 Transportation Improvement Program has numerous funded projects that enhance the safety of facilities including: sidewalks connecting to schools, complete streets, and road diets along Himes Avenue, 46th Street and 34th Street. These projects will make progress toward improving safety in future years.

**Recommended Action**
Recommend Approval of 2019 Safety Performance Targets

**Prepared By**
Johnny Wong, PhD (MPO Staff)

**Attachments**
None
Board & Committee Agenda Item

**Agenda Item**
SouthShore Transit Study Reevaluation

**Presenter**
Sarah McKinley, MPO Staff

**Summary**
In 2014, the Hillsborough MPO conducted and adopted the SouthShore Transit Study, and recently was asked by HART to revisit the study to update costs and create an implementation plan. Through a series of four meetings, staff worked with the community to update the plan to meet the revised needs of the community.

SouthShore is the fastest growing part of Hillsborough County and includes communities such as Gibsonton, Apollo Beach, Ruskin and others. The area has developed in a very suburban nature, which is typically difficult to serve with traditional fixed-route transit. This area also saw a reduction in service when routes were updated as part of HART’s Mission Max reorganization. Through meetings with the public, feedback made it clear that the community wants to restore the connection to downtown and increase service locally to allow better circulation throughout the area. We have also looked into first-mile last-mile solutions to expand network coverage throughout the area.

The reevaluation has built upon the previous study and proposes a phased implementation plan and revised costs. The final plan will be presented to HART to work into their updated Transit Development Plan (TDP).

**Recommended Action**
Approve the study and send to the MPO Board for approval

**Prepared By**
Sarah McKinley, MPO Staff

**Attachments**
- Final DRAFT Southshore Transit Study Reevaluation Report
- SouthShore Transit Study Reevaluation Project Page
Board & Committee Agenda Item

Agenda Item
2018 Attendance Review & Declaration of Vacant Seats

Presenter
Rich Clarendon, MPO staff

Summary
The MPO By-Laws require that “at a minimum, committee member attendance will be reviewed annually.” The MPO may review, and consider rescinding, the appointment of any member of any committee who fails to attend three (3) consecutive meetings. Members who have exceeded three absences are contacted to determine their intentions regarding committee membership.

If a seat has been unoccupied for an extended period, then the committee may declare it vacant so that it will not be counted in determining a quorum. (However, if the appointing entity appoints someone to fill the vacancy in the future, then the seat will be considered filled and count towards a quorum.)

Recommended Action
As deemed appropriate by the committee.

Prepared By
Rich Clarendon, AICP

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Legend:
- YES = Attended
- YES = Alternate Attended
- NO = Did Not Attend, Unexcused
- EXC = Excused
- VAC = Seat Declared Vacant
- NO = Three (3) Consecutive Absences
- = Term Expired; Member may continue until reappointed or replaced.

The MPO may review & consider rescinding the appointment of any member who fails to attend three (3) consecutive meetings.
Board & Committee Agenda Item

**Agenda Item**
Heights Mobility Study

**Presenter**
Stephen Benson, FDOT District 7

**Summary**
The Heights Mobility Study is an effort to improve safety and mobility in the Greater Seminole Heights/Tampa Heights area, especially, along the Florida Avenue and Tampa Street/Highland Avenue corridor between downtown Tampa and the Hillsborough River. Additionally, the Study Team will work with the community to develop a long-term vision for transportation improvements in the area.

The study objectives, schedule and ways to get involved will be discussed.

**Recommended Action**
None. For information only.

**Prepared By**
Gena Torres, MPO staff

**Attachments**
Visit [Heights Mobility Study website](#) for more information.
Board & Committee Agenda Item

**Agenda Item**
Referendum Outcome

**Presenter**
Rich Clarendon, MPO Asst. Exec. Director

**Summary**
Several members of the Citizens Advisory Committee requested a briefing on the passage of November’s referendum on the County Charter Amendment to levy a one-cent sales surtax for 30 years beginning January 1, 2019.

The purpose of the surtax, according to the Charter Amendment is:

“to fund transportation improvements throughout Hillsborough County, including road and bridge improvements; the expansion of public transit options; fixing potholes; enhancing bus service; relieving rush hour bottlenecks; improving intersections; and making walking and biking safer”

The complete Amendment is attached, as is a link to a presentation to the Tampa City Council last August.

This presentation will focus on the relationship between the Amendment and the MPO planning process.

**Recommended Action**
None; for information only

**Prepared By**
Rich Clarendon, AICP

**Attachments**
County Charter Amendment

XI. SURTAX FOR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS

Section 11.01. Purpose of Surtax. The purpose of the surtax levied in accordance with Section 11.02 below is to fund transportation improvements throughout Hillsborough County, including road and bridge improvements; the expansion of public transit options; fixing potholes; enhancing bus service; relieving rush hour bottlenecks; improving intersections; and making walking and biking safer. The proceeds of the surtax shall be distributed and disbursed in compliance with F.S. § 212.055(1) and in accordance with the provisions of this Article 11.

Section 11.02. Levy of One-Cent Surtax to Fund Transportation Improvements. There shall be levied throughout the incorporated and unincorporated areas of Hillsborough County an additional tax imposed on sales, use, services, rentals, admissions, and other transactions by Chapter 212, Florida Statutes, and communications services as defined by Chapter 202, Florida Statutes, at the rate of one cent for each $1.00 of the sales price or actual value received, and for each fractional part of $1.00 of the sales price or actual value received (the “Transportation Surtax”). The Transportation Surtax shall be levied and imposed in accordance with F.S. §§ 212.054 and 212.055(1), the rules promulgated by the Florida Department of Revenue, and this Article 11. Any other provision of this Charter to the contrary notwithstanding, all proceeds from the Transportation Surtax, including any interest earnings and bond proceeds generated therefrom, shall be expended only as permitted by this Article 11, F.S. § 212.055(1), and in accordance with the purpose set forth in Section 11.01 above. For purposes of this Article 11, Hillsborough County, Florida (the “County”), each municipality, as defined in F.S. § 165.031, that is located in the County (the “Municipalities”), and the Hillsborough Area Regional Transit Authority or its successor (“HART”) are each an “Agency” and collectively, the “Agencies.” “Independent Oversight Committee” shall refer to the committee mandated and governed by Section 11.10 below.

Section 11.03. Duration of Transportation Surtax. The Transportation Surtax authorized by this Article 11 shall be effective commencing January 1, 2019, and shall remain in effect for a period of thirty (30) years.

Section 11.04. Duties of the Clerk. The Clerk of the Circuit Court of Hillsborough County, Florida (the “Clerk”) shall receive the proceeds of the Transportation Surtax (the “Surtax Proceeds”) from the Florida Department of Revenue and act as trustee thereof and shall retain all Surtax Proceeds in a separate account until disbursed in accordance with this Section 11.04 and the distribution allocations provided for in Section 11.05. Disbursements of the Surtax Proceeds in accordance with the distribution allocations provided in Section 11.05 shall be made to the Agencies by the Clerk within five (5) business days of the Clerk’s receipt of Surtax Proceeds from the Florida Department of Revenue. Additionally, the Clerk shall provide, on behalf of the board of county commissioners, the notices to the Florida Department of Revenue required by F.S. §§ 212.054(7)(a) and (b), and any other notices that must be delivered to the Department of Revenue or the State of Florida as required by applicable law. The Clerk shall engage an independent accounting firm to conduct an annual, independent audit of the distribution and expenditure of all Surtax Proceeds, which shall be completed within six (6) months after the end of the fiscal year being audited, for the purpose of determining the Clerk’s and each Agency’s compliance with the provisions of this Article relating to the distribution and expenditure of Surtax Proceeds during such fiscal year. For the duration of the period in which the Transportation Surtax is in effect, the board of county commissioners shall appropriate County funds to the Clerk on an annual basis to permit the Clerk to carry out the annual audit of Surtax Proceeds described in this Section 11.04.

Section 11.05. Distribution of Surtax Proceeds. The Surtax Proceeds shall be deposited in a dedicated trust fund (the “Trust Fund”) maintained by the Clerk and distributed in accordance with the following formula:

(1) General Purpose Portion. Fifty-four percent (54%) of the Surtax Proceeds (the “General Purpose Portion”) shall be distributed to the County and to each Municipality in accordance with their relative populations as calculated utilizing the statutory formula provided in F.S. § 218.62 (the “Distribution Formula”) and be expended by the County and each Municipality in accordance with Section 11.07. The County and each Municipality may elect to bond or otherwise encumber their respective distribution of the Surtax Proceeds allocated pursuant to this Section 11.05(1), and shall provide notice of such election to the other recipients of the General Purpose Portion at least ninety (90) days prior to issuing bonds.

(2) Transit Restricted Portion. Forty-five percent (45%) of the Surtax Proceeds (the “Transit Restricted Portion”) shall be distributed to HART and be expended by HART in accordance with Section 11.08. Subject to compliance with applicable law and the charter of HART, HART may elect to directly, or through the County, bond or otherwise encumber the Transit Restricted Portion.
(3) Planning and Development Portion. One percent (1%) of the Surtax Proceeds (the “Planning and Development Portion”) shall be distributed to the metropolitan planning organization described in F.S. § 339.175 whose jurisdiction includes Hillsborough County (the “MPO”). The Planning and Development Portion shall be expended by the MPO on planning and development purposes, including data collection, analysis, planning, and grant funding to assist the Agencies and the Independent Oversight Committee in carrying out the purpose set forth in Section 11.01.

Section 11.06. Agency Project Plans. No later than September 30th of each year, each Agency shall deliver to the Independent Oversight Committee a plan (a “Project Plan”) setting forth the projects, including reasonable detail for each, on which such Agency will expend their distribution of the Surtax Proceeds for the following calendar year in accordance with the uses mandated by Sections 11.07 and 11.08 below. Each Project Plan must be approved by the governing body of the applicable Agency and by a majority vote of the Independent Oversight Committee at a public hearing. No Agency may expend Surtax Proceeds for any purpose other than implementation of each of the projects set forth in such Agency’s Project Plan, and each Agency shall diligently and prudently pursue implementation of each of the projects set forth in such Agency’s Project Plan. If any Agency desires to amend its Project Plan after the Independent Oversight Committee has approved the same, the Independent Oversight Committee shall approve or disapprove (and state the basis therefore) the amended Project Plan within thirty (30) days of an Agency’s request to amend.

Section 11.07. Uses of General Purpose Portion. For any Agency that the Clerk reasonably estimates will receive five percent (5%) or more of the Surtax Proceeds in a given calendar year, such Agency’s share of the General Purpose Portion shall be expended by the Agencies for the planning, development, construction, operation, and maintenance of roads, bridges, sidewalks, intersections, and public transportation (which, for purposes of this Section, may include any technological innovations such as autonomous vehicles and related infrastructure), to the extent permitted by F.S. § 212.055(1), and include expenditures in the following categories:

(1) Maintenance and Vulnerability Reduction. At least twenty percent (20%) of the General Purpose Portion shall be expended on projects that: (i) improve, repair and maintain existing streets, roads, and bridges, including fixing potholes, or (ii) reduce congestion and transportation vulnerabilities.

(2) Congestion Reduction. At least twenty-six (26%) of the General Purpose Portion shall be expended to relieve rush hour bottlenecks and improve the flow of traffic on existing roads and streets and through intersections. Expenditures in the category described in this Section 11.07(2) may include projects that improve intersection capacity through the use of technology, the construction of new intersections, the redevelopment of existing intersections, and may include related infrastructure such as roundabouts and turn lanes. Projects described in the foregoing sentence do not constitute New Automobile Lane Capacity, as defined in Section 11.07(8) below.

(3) Transportation Safety Improvements. At least twenty-seven (27%) of the General Purpose Portion shall be expended to promote transportation safety improvements on existing streets, roads and bridges.

(4) Transportation Network Improvements. At least twelve (12%) of the General Purpose Portion shall be expended on bicycle or pedestrian infrastructure and related improvements that make walking and biking safer, to the extent the foregoing is or is planned to become a part of the transportation network within any Agency’s jurisdiction, and to the extent permitted by F.S. § 212.055(1).

(5) Remaining Funds. Any remaining portions of the General Purpose Portion shall be expended on any project to improve transportation in the applicable Agency’s jurisdiction to the extent permitted by F.S § 212.055(1) and this Article.

(6) Inter-Agency Distributions. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Section 11.07, the County and each Municipality may distribute any amount of its share of General Purpose Portion to any Agency (an “Agency Distribution”). For purposes of this Section, any Agency’s share of the General Purpose Portion shall be reduced, or increased, by the amount of the Agency Distribution distributed, or received, as the case may be.

(7) Small Agency Distributions. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Section 11.07, any Agency that receives five percent (5%) or less of the Surtax Proceeds in any given calendar year, on an annualized basis, is not required to expend its share of General Purpose Portion on the categories set forth in Section 11.07(1) through (5) above, and shall instead expend its distribution of the Surtax Proceeds on any purpose consistent with Section 11.01 and permitted by F.S. § 212.055(1).
(8) **Limits on New Automobile Lane Capacity.** Agencies are prohibited from expending any funds from the categories mandated by Section 11.07(1), (2) and (3) above on New Automobile Lane Capacity. For purposes of this Section 11.07(8), “New Automobile Lane Capacity” means projects that consist of (i) adding additional lanes for automobile traffic to existing roads or streets that are not related to intersection capacity improvement, or (ii) constructing new roads or streets.

(9) **Reallocation of Expenditure Categories.** Upon request by an Agency, which request must be approved by seventy-five percent (75%) of the Independent Oversight Committee, the General Purpose Portion expenditure allocations mandated in Sections 11.07(1) through (3) above may instead be expended on any project to improve transportation within such Agency’s jurisdiction to the extent permitted by F.S § 212.055(1) and this Article if, in the opinion of the requesting Agency, any of the percentages set forth in Sections 11.07(1) through (3) exceed the amounts required to fulfill the purpose set forth therein.

**Section 11.08. Uses of Transit Restricted Portion.** The Transit Restricted Portion, and any Agency Distribution received by HART, shall be spent by HART for the planning, development, construction, operation, and maintenance of public transportation projects located solely in Hillsborough County, which are consistent with the HART Transit Development Plan, as adopted and amended from time to time by the HART board of directors, to the extent permitted by F.S. § 212.055(1), and include expenditures in the following categories:

(1) **Enhancing Bus Services.** No less than forty-five percent (45%) of the Transit Restricted Portion shall be spent on bus services, including express, neighborhood, circulator, paratransit, and all other types of transit now or hereafter operated by HART. HART shall consider the following factors in determining the projects included in its Project Plan for this purpose: existing transit ridership; increasing existing service; expanding service to more residents; existing and future land use; and the availability and feasibility of obtaining third party funding sources to fund any portions of the Project Plan.

(2) **Expanding Public Transit Options.** No less than thirty-five percent (35%) of the Transit Restricted Portion shall be spent on transit services that utilize exclusive transit right-of-way for at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the length of the applicable service. HART shall consider the following factors in determining the projects included in its Project Plan for this purpose: existing transit ridership; utilizing or extending existing fixed guideways and rights-of-way; increasing existing service; expanding service to more residents; existing and future land use; and the availability and feasibility of obtaining third party funding sources to fund any portions of the Project Plan.

(3) **Remaining Funds.** Any remaining portions of the Transit Restricted Portion shall be spent on any project to improve public transportation permitted by F.S. § 212.055(1) or this Charter.

**Section 11.09. Suspension of Distribution.** In the event it is determined by a two-thirds majority of the Independent Oversight Committee that an Agency has failed to comply with any term or condition of this Article 11 and such Agency fails to correct such non-compliance within reasonable periods of time determined by the Independent Oversight Committee, but not more than ninety (90) days following written notice of such noncompliance, the Independent Oversight Committee may direct that distributions of the Surtax Proceeds to such Agency be suspended by the Clerk and held by the Clerk in the Trust Fund until such time as the Agency has cured the non-compliance, at which point distributions of the Surtax Proceeds to such Agency shall re-commence and any withheld Surtax Proceeds shall be distributed to the Agency.

The foregoing shall not apply to any portion of Surtax Proceeds encumbered by bond indebtedness pursuant to law; provided, however, that the financing instruments for such bond indebtedness include covenants requiring the Agency to comply with the terms and conditions of this Charter.

**Section 11.10. Independent Oversight Committee.** To ensure that the Transportation Surtax is successfully implemented, independent oversight of the distribution and expenditure of the Surtax Proceeds shall be provided by an Independent Oversight Committee, which shall be composed of Hillsborough County residents appointed by the following bodies: (i) four (4) individuals appointed by the board of county commissioners, and of which two are Experts (as defined below) in either transportation, planning, sustainability, engineering, or construction; (ii) one (1) from each Municipality, appointed by the mayor thereof; (iii) one (1) additional member from each Municipality for each 200,000 residents in such Municipality, appointed by the legislative body of that Municipality, based on population estimates published annually by the State of Florida; (iv) two (2) from HART, appointed by the HART board of directors; (v) one (1) attorney, who is a member by the Florida Bar, appointed by the Clerk; (vi) one (1) land use or real estate Expert appointed by the Hillsborough County Property Appraiser; and (vii) one (1) certified public accountant appointed by the Hillsborough County Tax Collector. No person then currently serving as an elected or appointed city, county, special district, state, or federal public office holder shall be eligible to serve as a member of the Independent Oversight Committee. Additionally, no
member of the Independent Oversight Committee may be an employee of, independent contractor of, or otherwise be materially engaged for remuneration by any public or private recipient of Surtax Proceeds. Independent Oversight Committee members shall serve terms of three (3) years, without compensation, and each shall serve at the pleasure of the appointing body. The Independent Oversight Committee may make and adopt such by-laws, rules and regulations for its own guidance and for the oversight of the Transportation Surtax as it may deem expedient and not inconsistent with this Charter. The Independent Oversight Committee shall have only those powers and duties specifically vested in it by this Section 11.10. A majority of the members of the Independent Oversight Committee shall constitute a quorum, and the Independent Oversight Committee may conduct business only when a quorum is present. For the duration of the period in which the Transportation Surtax is in effect, the board of county commissioners shall appropriate County funds on an annual basis for the administrative expenses of the Independent Oversight Committee in an amount sufficient for the Independent Oversight Committee to fulfill its duties under this Article 11. For purposes of this Section 11.10, “Expert” means an individual who has at least seven years of experience in their respective subject matter area, and possesses professional accreditations or degrees that are typical of an expert in their respective subject matter area. The Independent Oversight Committee shall have the powers and duties set forth below:

(1) Review the results of the annual audit described in Section 11.04 and make findings as to whether the Clerk and each Agency has complied with the terms of this Article. Such findings shall include a determination as to whether Surtax Proceeds have been distributed as provided in this Article and whether the Surtax Proceeds have been expended in compliance with applicable state law, this Article, and any additional requirements that an Agency may have lawfully adopted.

(2) Approve Project Plans and approve and certify as to whether the projects therein comply with this Article.

(3) Prepare an annual report to the Clerk and each Agency presenting the results of the annual audit process and any findings made. The Independent Oversight Committee shall cause a summary of the annual report to be published in a local newspaper and ensure that the report and annual audit are available online and are delivered to every library located within the County for public review. The Independent Oversight Committee shall hold a public hearing on each audit and annual report and shall report the comments of the public to each Agency.

(4) Review any projects proposed by citizens for inclusion in an Agency’s Project Plan, and forward them to the appropriate Agency for consideration.

**Section 11.11. Miscellaneous.**

(1) **Prohibited Uses.** No Surtax Proceeds may be used for any of the following uses: (i) expansion of right of way or width of the interstate highway system; (ii) construction of a sports facility or any other facility not related to transportation; or (iii) any other use expressly prohibited by law.

(2) **Severability.** To the extent that any mandated expenditure category set forth in Section 11.07 or 11.08 is deemed by a court of competent jurisdiction to be an impermissible use of Surtax Proceeds, the funds allocated to such impermissible use shall be expended by the applicable Agency on any project to improve public transportation permitted by F.S § 212.055(1) and this Article.

(3) **Supremacy.** This Article 11 shall at all times be interpreted in a manner consistent with the laws of Florida, and in the event of any conflict between the provisions of this Article 11 and the laws of Florida, the laws of Florida shall prevail.
MPO Board Meeting of Tuesday, October 30, 2018

CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & INVOCATION

The MPO Vice Chairman, Councilman Harry Cohen, called the meeting to order with one member short of a quorum at 9:06 a.m. Commissioner Stacy White led the pledge of allegiance and gave the invocation.

The following members attended:


The following members were absent:

Trent Green, Commissioner Ken Hagan, Mayor Mel Jurado, Mayor Rick Lott, David Mechanik, Commissioner Les Miller, and Cindy Stuart.

Vice Chair Cohen read into the record a memo from Chairman, Commissioner Les Miller, stating that he was unable to attend due to a medical procedure.

Some non-action agenda items were taken out of order until the quorum was established.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Jim Davison requested the following:

1. The value capture analysis report that backs up the response provided to the Citizens Advisory Committee that not enough funds would be raised with this strategy to be considered in any Long Range Transportation Plan.
2. Under what authority the MPO appropriated the entire amount of money remaining in the CIT tax for Plant City, Temple Terrace, and the City of Tampa of which 61% of it was given to the bus category (the transit category).
3. How the tax referendum is going to affect the MPO’s scenario planning, since representatives of All For Transportation and County Administration have stated that this plan will not end congestion and congestion will continue to increase.

Sharon Calvert commented on the five-page charter amendment, All for Transportation, and Ms. Alden’s presentation at the August 23rd Tampa City Council meeting. She feels that Ms. Alden presented wrong and misleading information. Ms. Calvert distributed an article titled “Sales Tax Initiative Would Mostly Fund Maintenance, Not New Mass Transit Options.” She expressed concerns regarding a $16 billion tax hike only funding basic services. She stated that the MPO Board should rein in the bureaucracy if they want to remain credible.

Tom Nocera representing St. Pete Tampa Aerial Transit, LLC and Beach Tran Clearwater, LLC requested the opportunity to go into detail on the plan for a regional solution for traffic congestion that is not tax payer
funded. He would need ten minutes to make the presentation. He presented the information at a Pasco MPO Board meeting and received a resolution for support. On November 6, he is presenting at the Sarasota/Manatee MPO Board. He suggested members view videos on skytram.com and on tampabaytransit.com. He hopes to hear back from the MPO Board regarding an available time to make a presentation.

Chris Vela expressed concerns about the Tampa Bay Next project and requested that his concerns be shared with future MPO Board members.

Following the public comment period, Commissioner White requested MPO staff work with Mr. Davison on the questions that he asked. He also requested Cameron Clark, MPO Attorney, assure that Mr. Davison receives records if his questions turn into a public records request.

**STATUS REPORT**

**A. Brightline Proposal for Rail to Orlando, Miami**

Mr. Bob O’Malley, Brightline’s Vice President of Government Affairs, presented information on the Brightline Proposal for connecting Orlando to Tampa with high-speed rail. Mr. O’Malley offered to make presentations to any group. He invited members to tour Brightline stations and for those who support Brightline to encourage the Florida Department of Transportation to move forward. Members can contact Mr. O’Malley if they have questions or suggestions.

Following the presentation, Councilman Maniscalco inquired about the ticket cost, route and the estimated travel time from Tampa to West Palm Beach.

Commissioner Murman invited Mr. O’Malley to present at a Board of County Commissioners meeting. She will have her staff contact Mr. O’Malley regarding scheduling and for a possible letter of support.

Ms. Janet Scherberger spoke on behalf of Tampa International Airport in support of the concept of having some type of connection between Orlando and Tampa.

Councilman Cohen stated if Mr. O’Malley is not already scheduled to make a presentation to Tampa City Council, he would like to request a presentation as well.

*A quorum was established at 9:32 a.m. upon Commissioner Kemp’s arrival.*

Commissioner Kemp arrived at the end of the presentation and thanked Mr. O’Malley. She is excited about the Brightline possibility.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES – October 2, 2018**

A motion was made by Commissioner Murman to approve the minutes of October 2, 2018. The motion was seconded by Commissioner White and carried unanimously.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS, ONLINE COMMENTS**

Ms. Gena Torres, MPO Staff, presented the committee reports. Committees approved and forwarded to the MPO Board the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment for the Bloomingdale Ave/US 301 Intersection and for the HART CAD/AVL bus equipment replacement. In addition, they approved the Autonomous Transit Feasibility Study for the USF Campus for acceptance as a concept. The Citizens Advisory Committee voted 10 to 2, and the nay votes were due to concerns about impacting bicycling and cost effectiveness versus Bull-Runner bus service.
The Policy Committee passed motions for the renewal of the interlocal agreement with TBARTA for organizational and administrative services for the MPO Chairs’ Coordinating Committee on the consent agenda. They also took a position on the federal performance measures, supporting the staff recommendation, with a request that HART send a letter or a representative to the board meeting.

The Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee approved a motion supporting the reconstruction of the Maydell Avenue Bridge as previously supported by the committee.

The Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board approved the annual report for the countywide coordinated system.

The TBARTA MPO Chairs’ Coordinating Committee Staff Directors discussed making minor adjustments to the regional priority lists; the 2019 Gulf Coast Safe Streets Summit; the public workshop for the Regional Planning Best Practices Study; and confirmed support for renewal of the TBARTA Staff Services Agreement. The committee will meet on Friday, December 14, over lunch, near the I-75/University Pkwy interchange. The meeting is being arranged and hosted by the Sarasota/Manatee MPO.

There were no Facebook comments. Ms. Torres relayed electronic comments received from citizens. Copies of electronic comments were provided in full to board members in their meeting folders.

Commissioner Kemp inquired about the presentation that took place at the BPAC meeting regarding the reconstruction of the Maydell Avenue Bridge. At two County Commission budget meetings, they received significant pushback from several community members not to have the bridge rebuilt. She supports pedestrian access across the bridge and feels that it needs to be explored more. Staff will find out about the BPAC presentation and advise Commissioner Kemp.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Committee Appointment
B. Renewal of Interlocal Agreement with TBARTA for Organizational & Administrative Services for MPO Chairs’ Coordinating Committee

A motion was made by Commissioner Murman to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilman Maniscalco and carried unanimously.

**ROLL-CALL VOTES: TIP Amendments Approved by Committees**

Commissioner Murman made a motion for approval of the TIP Amendment for the Bloomingdale Avenue and US 301 Intersection. Councilman Maniscalco seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, the motion carried nine to zero.

Commissioner Murman made a motion for approval of the TIP Amendment for the HART CAD/AVL Bus Equipment Replacement. Councilman Viera seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, the motion carried nine to zero.

**ACTION ITEMS**

A. MPO Autonomous Transit Feasibility Study for USF Campus

Mrs. Allison Yeh, MPO Staff, introduced the item, which is part of the MPO’s investigation into the potential of new automated-vehicle technologies, as required by a recent Florida law on MPO long-range plans. Mr. Brian Pessaro, Senior Research Associate with CUTR, presented the findings of a study to bring
autonomous shuttles to the USF Campus, which is a good location for a trial because of its controlled environment, low speeds, and parking constraints. Service concepts that would complement the Bull Runner and the new IP circulator, and respond to student preferences, include a night-time shuttle and/or a shuttle to a remote parking lot. USF will consider its next steps.

Following the presentation, Councilman Viera stated that modest ideas like this will yield big results in the future. USF is an area with a tremendous amount of growth potential. He wanted to know if the liability issue was covered under sovereign immunity? Mr. Pessaro was unable to provide an answer to Councilman Viera’s question; however, Commissioner Murman stated if the autonomous shuttle were operated by USF, it is covered.

Commissioner Kemp suggested consideration for the transportation needs of USF staff in addition to students. She also expressed concerns about safety in walkable communities with the operation of the autonomous shuttles. Mr. Pessaro stated these low-speed shuttles are capable of operating in mixed environments.

A motion was made by Commissioner Murman to approve the USF Autonomous Transit Feasibility Study report. The motion was seconded by Councilman Viera and carried unanimously.

B. Board Positions on Federal Performance Measures

Dr. Johnny Wong, MPO Staff, provided an update on the action item that was deferred at the October 2, 2018 meeting. At that meeting, following extensive discussion, board members still had numerous concerns. Staff emailed members and provided an opportunity for them to express concerns and ask additional questions. The comments and questions that members emailed were covered in Dr. Wong’s presentation. The Federal deadline to set the performance targets is November 14, 2018. Staff emailed board members and received responses back from members. Staff also had conversations with the Office of Policy and Planning to clarify concerns expressed by members.

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) oversees collecting all data and reporting to the Federal Highway Administration. FDOT is the lead agency for the performance measures and targets. They set statewide targets for all national highway system roads. FDOT has been measuring mobility performance for over thirty years and does not anticipate that the new performance measures will change funding allocations. FDOT staff suggests that MPOs support the state targets.

The following are the suggested board actions:

- Support FDOT’s statewide performance targets for the NHS and accept transit asset outcomes emerging from the 2018 HART TAM Plan.
- Communicate, in a letter to FDOT:
  - Request NHS bridges continue to be maintained in good state of report.
  - Request funding for bottleneck near-term fixes to improve travel time reliability – ex. ICM, ATMS, ramp changes, and other TSM&O projects on the priority list.
- Communicate to the TMA Leadership Group:
  - HART Maintenance Facility should be a top regional priority.
  - TSM&O projects should also be prioritized at the regional level.

Following the presentation, Commissioner Kemp commented on travel time reliability. She expressed interest in having a future presentation on traffic signal timing to improve traffic flow, and reiterated her previous request for information on the effect on induced travel demand. Dr. Wong stated that he had been unable to find published papers that deal with induced demand resulting from operational improvements as opposed to induced demand resulting from capacity projects.
Mr. Waggoner brought up the impacts on performance reliability measures when improvements to the National Highway System that are in the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) are delayed. Did the MPO look at what happens if the LRTP National Highway System program is not carried out? Ms. Alden showed congestion forecasts from the LRTP. She stated that the travel time reliability forecast, which Dr. Wong showed to illustrate the benefits of advanced traffic management systems (ATMS), assumes that many interstate express lane projects will be implemented by 2040. The MPO evaluated scenarios with and without the express lane projects, and found that the express lane scenario had the smallest increase in traffic congestion, even with outward growth and new office parks around interchanges. Mr. Waggoner wanted to know if the travel time reliability forecast will be updated, using the Strategic Highway Research Program (SHRP2) tool? Ms. Alden stated, if the board agrees, staff would like to complete a similar analysis and utilize the SHRP2 tool again for the update of the LRTP in the coming year. Mr. Waggoner agreed, if the tool can show how other moderate improvements can provide benefit, but the MPO must make sure that capacity is key to our transportation system remaining functional.

Commissioner Murman stated that the action item was discussed quite a bit at the Policy Committee. Road reliability and vulnerability is important to the region. As a Commissioner, she receives daily calls regarding the poor quality of roads.

A motion was made by Commissioner Murman to support FDOT’s statewide performance targets for the National Highway System and accept transit asset outcomes emerging from the 2018 HART Transit Asset Management Plan. In addition, support the Policy Committee’s recommendations for communication to FDOT and the TMA Leadership Group. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kemp.

Prior to the vote, Mr. Waggoner commented again on travel time reliability, and suggested an amendment to the motion for general support of carrying out the National Highway System improvements in the LRTP. Commissioner Murman and Commissioner Kemp accepted the suggestion of the amendment to the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

STATUS REPORT

B. Florida MPO Advisory Council Update

Mr. Carl Mikyska, Executive Director of Florida MPO Advisory Council, provided an overview of the MPOAC, transportation funding in Florida, MPOAC Legislative Priorities, and the MPOAC’s weekend institute for elected officials. The dates for the 2019 weekend institute for elected officials are: Orlando (March 29 – 31) and Tampa (May 31 – June 2).

Commissioner Kemp recommended members attend the weekend institute for elected officials if they have not attended. She wanted to know where the MPOAC legislative priorities come from. Mr. Mikyska stated they are determined by 27 members, one from each MPO Board in the state, who vote and adopt the priorities annually.

Mr. Waggoner commented on the SIS recommendation, maintaining capacity, and distracted driver information that was discussed in the presentation. He recommended considering distracting transportation not just distracted driving.

Councilman Cohen acknowledged that Karen Michalski wanted to provide comments during the public comment period regarding combining MPO’s, but she had to leave prior to being called. She stated that she would email her comments. (To date her comments have not been received)
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Ms. Alden stated that yesterday’s workshop on the Regional Planning Best Practices study was very informative. The consulting team has put together three different sets of options for consideration, for strengthening the regional planning process. The information is also available on the TBARTA website. A copy of the information was provided to members in the board folders. She is scheduling a regional workshop tentatively for January 15th for an opportunity to have a discussion with the consulting team.

Later today, staff is meeting with the AETNA Foundation and the American Public Health Association because the Hillsborough MPO is one of the national finalists for a grant to potentially expand the Garden Steps Project.

The next board meeting will be held Tuesday, December 4th on the 26th floor of the County Center. The annual election of officers will take place.

The next Tampa Bay Transportation Management Area Leadership Group will take place on November 2nd and will be held at the Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority. The process of a rotating chairperson will begin, and Commissioner Murman has agreed to be first chairperson.

OLD & NEW BUSINESS

There was no old or new business.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:51 a.m.
Committee Reports

Joint Meeting of the Citizens & Technical Advisory Committees (CAC-TAC) on December 17

The current officers were reelected to serve in 2019:

- CAC Chair – Bill Roberts; Vice Chair – Rick Fernandez; Officer at Large – Nicole Rice
- TAC Chair – Jeff Sims; Vice Chair – Mike Williams; Officer at Large – Amber Dickerson

The committees approved and forwarded to the MPO Board:

- FDOT Tentative Work Program & MPO Comments, with a request from the CAC for more information on projects that are deferred;
- Speed Management & Safety: A Data-Driven Approach, with a recommended action that the MPO sponsor a comprehensive safety audit, addressing speed management, focusing on the severe crash corridors in Hillsborough County;
- Multimodal Level of Service Evaluation, with the CAC suggestion that we monitor the usage of bicycle and pedestrian facilities once they are built.

The CAC-TAC received updates on Tampa Bay Next and Resilient Tampa Bay.

Meeting of the Policy Committee on December 12

The committee approved and forwarded to the MPO Board:

- It's Time Tampa Bay Survey Results & Recommendations, after a detailed presentation on the responses of Hillsborough County residents specifically, including variations of opinion among demographic segments and geographic sub-areas of the county; there was also a long discussion of the need for more kinds of highway capacity expansion projects than were asked about in the survey, a topic which can be explored later this spring during traffic modeling/forecasting for the 2045 Transportation Plan;
- Speed Management & Safety: A Data-Driven Approach, with a recommended action that the MPO sponsor a comprehensive safety audit, addressing speed management, focusing on the severe crash corridors in Hillsborough County;
- Health in All Policies Resolution

The Policy Committee also was briefed on:

- FDOT Tentative Work Program;
MPO Bylaws Amendment, to add a TDCB seat as required by the State of Florida, and to establish a code of conduct for MPO advisory committee members similar to the Planning Commission’s or Florida Senate’s.

Meeting of the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) on December 12
The committee approved and forwarded to the MPO Board:
- FDOT Tentative Work Program
- October 2019 Meeting Calendar Amendment

The BPAC also:
- Heard an update on the proposed relocation of a portion of the Upper Tampa Bay Trail, and made a motion offering to review future requests to relocate trails, if the MPO Board or County Commission so desires.
- Approved a list of questions to be submitted to candidates for Mayor of Tampa.

The BPAC received updates on Multimodal Level of Service and Tampa Bay Next.

Meeting of the Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board (TDCB) on December 14
The committee approved and forwarded to the MPO Board:
- Election of officers: reelecting Gloria Mills as Vice Chair and Craig Forsell as Officer At Large;
- By-Laws Amendment to include membership from the Agency for Persons with Disabilities as required by the Florida Administrative Code;
- Continued Coordination Contract with Sunrise Community Inc.; 171 persons with cognitive disabilities were provided with trips to job opportunities, day training programs and social events in the last calendar year at a cost of $14.09 per trip;
- The South Shore Transit Study Reevaluation;
- The Multimodal Level of Service Evaluation

Meeting of the Livable Roadways Committee (LRC) on December 19
The committee approved and forwarded to the MPO Board:
- FDOT Tentative Work Program
- Multimodal Level of Service Evaluation
- Speed Management & Safety: A Data-Driven Approach, with a recommendation to develop comprehensive safety and speed management action plan, including safety audits to include speed management and the importance of network connectivity

The LRC also received reports on:
- Tampa Bay Next Update
- Smart Cities Initiative
Meeting of the School Transportation Working Group (STWG) on December 5

The STWG celebrated its last meeting in this format, with refreshments, and members shared successes. The group members also discussed their transition to working as part of the FDOT Community Traffic Safety Team.

The STWG received status reports on:

- Statewide Directors Sub-Committee meeting – F.S. Hazardous Walking Legislation Proposed Revisions
- Draft Elementary Student Non-Funded Phased Bus Removal TECO Electric Bus Pilot Project
- Draft Elementary Student Non-Funded Phased Bus Removal
- USF Industrial Engineering School Magnet School Transportation Pilot Program
- School District’s Circulation Committee
- Multimodal Level of Service Evaluation

Following the meeting, several members joined the National Safe Routes to Schools Partnership Executive Director, Cass Isidor, for a brainstorming season to generate ideas for the November 2019 national conference in Tampa.
CLEVELAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MURAL PAINTING DAY RESCHEDULED!

JANUARY 12th
10 AM - NOON
723 E. Hamilton Ave.

Join us as we paint a mural inspired by student Alex Tavares and interpreted by artist Junior Polo on the street in front of the school!

Refreshments and snacks will be provided.

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