Meeting of the Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board (TDCB)
Friday, August 23, 2019, 9:30 a.m.

I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

II. Public Comment - 3 minutes per speaker, please

III. Approval of Minutes – June 12, 2019

IV. Action Items
   A. Sunshine Line Co-pay Collection (Michele Ogilvie, MPO staff)

V. Status Reports
   A. Metropolitan Ministries Coordination Contractor Presentation (Christine Long, Metropolitan Ministries)
   B. Community Health Assessment (Ayesha Johnson, Florida Department of Health Hillsborough)
   C. Transportation Demand Management Plans (Sara Hendricks, USF/CUTR)
   D. HART Plus update
   E. Sunshine Line update

VI. Old Business & New Business
   A. Tri County Cross County Trip Pilot Project meeting- August 29, 2019
   B. NEXT MEETING: FRIDAY, October 25, 2019

VII. Adjournment

VIII. Addendum
   A. MPO Meeting Summary & Committee Report
   B. Event Open House #3 on Traffic & Safety Impact of FDOT plans for I-275 and I-4 in Downtown and Westshore
   C. Gulf Coast Safe Streets Summit Flyer

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CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chairman, Gloria Mills, called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m. and began with the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was held in the Plan Hillsborough Room on the 18th Floor of the County Center.

Members present: Gloria Mills, Glenn Brown, Craig Forsell, Kristina Melling, Mark Harshbarger, Dr. Leslene Gordon, John Melendez, Cathy Rodgers, Debra Noel, Artie Fryer and Debra Noel.

A quorum was present.

Members Absent: Councilman Luis Viera, Dave Newell, Penelope Barnard, Angel Williams, Nancy Castellano, Michelle Correll, Nancy Pacificio and Jody Toner.


PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Cathy Rodgers made a motion to approve minutes for April 26, 2019. The motion was seconded by Ms. Kristina Melling and passed unanimously. Motion carries.

ACTION ITEMS

A. Transportation Disadvantage Service Plan – Michele Ogilvie

Mrs. Michele Ogilvie, MPO Staff, stated the Transportation Disadvantage Service Plan is an annually updated task for the board and this is the last task for the fiscal year. The purpose of the Transportation Disadvantage plan is to improve transportation services for the transportation disadvantage who are people with disabilities, elderly, lower income and children at risk. Community transportation coordinators are the people that make these trips happen. Sunshine Line is the community transportation coordinator. HART is very important because they provide main bus service and paratransit. The purpose of this plan is to provide a major update which is required every 5 years and coincides with the designation of the community transportation coordinator that has a five-year contract with Tallahassee. We are updating the goals for transportation service improvement based on need and implementation. What’s new? Eligibility clarification of the process, trip counts, workshops with the coordinator contractors and update on
our projections for 2045 in line with the long-range transportation plan. One of the new maps is on destinations so we can see where transportation disadvantage get trips to. Also included are the high crash hot spots with the TD destinations. The needs continue to be able to get to work, access to more transportation options and cost. The rest of the plan required by the Commissioner of Transportation Disadvantage is trip priorities, quality insurance standards, service policies and grievance process. In addition, the Sunshine line will provide cross county trips on a case by case basis. The recommendation is for the approval of the transportation disadvantage service plan update.

Ms. Gloria Mills stated the TDCB needs to seek for approval of the service plan. There was a Motion to Approve by Artie Fryer and the Motion was seconded by Craig Forsell. Then Mrs. Michele Ogilvie stated there needed to be a role call vote for approval of this plan. Cheryl Wilkening, MPO Staff, did a role call vote and it was unanimous. Motion carried.

STATUS REPORTS

A. New Freedom – 5310 Update

Mr. Dave Newell was not present therefore, Ms. Michele Ogilvie provided an update. She stated 5310 is federal grant provided and administered by FDOT. HART has been a major recipient as well as other Coordination Contractors that are continuing to provide trips. We are trying to strengthen our relationship with the coordinators. 5310 review is completed annually and then recommendations are sent to the FDOT Central office.

Glen Brown questioned what the improvements are in the last 5 years and how has it changed. Ms. Michele Ogilvie stated that the process has grown over the years and the struggle has been that FDOT has a small amount of money which is under 2 million dollars to share within 3 counties. The way the system works is FDOT will pay 80 percent for a van and then there is a 20 percent match. Operations is a 50/50 split. Operations is new to the 5310 and they are learning what is a good type of transportation for the transportation disadvantage individuals. We will need to gather more information on trips and costs.

B. It’s Time Hillsborough Survey – Wade Reynolds, MPO Staff

Mr. Wade Reynolds stated the reason for the survey is that Hillsborough county will grow over 2 million people in 2045. There will be growth issues and how we use our land over time. The long-range transportation plan directs federal and state dollars on transportation, land use, and funding for these projects. Plan Hillsborough is requesting input on where you would like to see bus rapid transit, major project investments and downtown interchange.

Mr. Wade Reynolds presented each section of the survey as follows:

1. Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) – Ranking 1 to 5, with 1 being the most important. Brandon Blvd, Bruce B. Downs, Busch-Linebaugh, Dale Mabry Hwy, Downtown-USF, Hillsborough Ave, I-275 Limited Stop and US 301 South.

Mr. Glen Brown asked what makes this different than the Metro Rapid System. Mr. Greg Brackin stated that Metro Rapid functions on an existing roadway whereas a true BRT has dedicated lanes and signals. It is more permanent. Mr. Wade Reynolds stated that HART will be implanting these projects not the MPO.
2. **Major Investments** – You will select yes or no to the projects you feel should be a priority for further study. They are as follows: Greenway/Trail Corridor, Rapid Transit, Rightsizing Tampa multilane roads, Reuse Freight Rail Tracks, USF/New Tampa/Temple Terrace, Elevated Exp. Lanes, Major Roads, Extend Downtown Streetcar, Road Widening near Rural Area, Bloomingdale/Fish Hawk Roads, Plant City New, Wider Roads, Southshore Roads, Airport North/Westchase Roads, Interstate/Expressway Toll Lanes, New Water Transit Systems, I-4/I-75 Interchange Area Roads.

3. **Downtown Interchange** – You will rate the four options by circling the number of stars. 1 star is the lowest rating and 5 stars is the highest rating. Option 1 -No Build which involves no further construction and existing lanes stay the same. Cost is $0. Option 2 -Safety/Traffic Quick Fix will fix I-275 ramps to and from I4 and only add ramp lanes. Cost is $200 million. Option 3 – Add express lane flyover will have no further construction, existing lanes stay the same and connects I-4 express lanes to airport. Cost is $700 million. Option 4 -Full rebuild with express lanes involves widen and add more lanes, includes 4 east-west express lanes and creates east-west corridor for transit. Cost is more than $1,000 million.

The last section is a wrap up section to tell us about your demographic data so we can make sure we are reaching out to everyone in the county. The survey is open through the end of July. MPO will be working through these priorities and needs and the plan adoption is scheduled for November 6, 2019.

**C. HARTPlus Update**

Mr. Greg Brackin provided an update on HARTPlus stating that para transit continues to grow along with the taxi voucher program. Both are skyrocketing and percentages are higher than last year at this time. They are looking at micro transit to supplement transportation and are working on their on-time performance as they grow. They are tracking the needs and times of travel to improve performance. There is an app that enables riders to track rides within 10 minutes of arrival. They have temporarily turned this off because it was detrimental to the riders because it was not working accurately. They are in negotiations with the contractor to get this fixed. They are also looking at other software companies as well like Trapeze that also has a solution to this problem. One last item is the Flamingo app which is currently using testers to use a tap card to pay their fare and plans to go live with this in October.

**D. Sunshine Line Update**

Karen Smith gave an update on the Sunshine Line. They have made 14,915 trips last month, added 300 clients each month, 2,783 clients a month and 2,318 bus passes last month. They are hiring more drivers with a rolling recruitment. Their on-time performance is up this month. They are also recruiting for another customer service representative. Sunshine Line applied for a Commission for Transportation Disadvantaged grant for additional funding but were not recommended because the request was for expansion of an existing service. Sunshine has applied for another grant and is waiting for a response on this one.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**A. TRI COUNTY CROSS COUNTY TRIP PILOT PROJECT UPDATE**

TDCB Meeting June 28, 2019
Ms. Michele Ogilvie explained this board has been a lead advocate for cross county trips since 2005 through a Tri County access plan. There will a meeting with TBARTA, Pinellas and Pasco County along with HART on August 28, 2019. There is a need for support so all that can attend would be appreciated.

**NEW BUSINESS:**
Karen Smith, Sunshine Line brought up an issue about collecting copay and is requesting the committee to look at this and bring back recommendations.

Debra Noel followed up on old business on the Advantage Ride Program which is a form of transportation for person with disabilities and has been very successful. Effective July 1, 2019 riders will have to pay a $2.00 fee. They will have to provide a credit or debit card prior to riding.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:13 a.m.
Board & Committee Agenda Item

Agenda Item
Sunshine Line Co-Pay Collection

Presenter
Michele Ogilvie, MPO staff

Summary
The purpose of Transportation Disadvantaged transportation service is to improve access for the Transportation Disadvantaged (TD), who are identified as persons with disabilities, older adults, individuals with lower incomes, and children-at-risk.

The Transportation Disadvantaged Transportation Service Plan outlines client eligibility criteria for transportation provided by the Sunshine Line with one of the provisions stating:

- pay an appropriate co-pay per trip based on their household income, as determined by the Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board (TDCB).

Hillsborough County’s Enterprise Solutions and Quality Assurance Department has conducted a Program Analysis for co-pays charged by the Sunshine Line. The analysis (attached) shows that the collection of co-pays costs Hillsborough County more to collect than the amount collected. Hillsborough County staffs therefore recommend that the collection of a co-pay for Sunshine Line service cease.

Sunshine Line and Enterprise Solutions and Quality Assurance Department’s staffs met with the Planning Sub Committee of the TDCB on August 1, 2019 to discuss the feasibility and impact of discontinuing co-pay collection. The Planning Subcommittee supported the request to eliminate the co-pay requirement and forward this recommendation to the TDCB for their consideration.

Recommended Action
Approve the deletion of a co-pay requirement from the eligibility criteria for transportation provided by the Sunshine Line.

Prepared By
Michele Ogilvie, MPO staff

Attachments
Co-pay analysis documentation.
AGENDA ITEMS

Topic: Co-Pay Discussion

✓ Purpose

✓ Introductions

✓ Co-Pay cost analysis presentation by CNTY Enterprise Solutions & Quality Assurance Dept

✓ Workgroup discussion to develop possible solutions

✓ Develop recommendation for the TDCB

✓ Conclusion

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Cancellations
Clients are requested to make cancellations as early as possible, but no later than two hours before the scheduled pick-up time. Cancellations can be made 24 hours a day by calling (813) 272-7272 and selecting option two (2). Voicemail is available for cancellations when the reservations office is closed, which is before 8:00 a.m. and after 5:00 p.m.

No-Shows
If a client fails to cancel a trip at least two hours before the scheduled trip, he/she will be considered a no-show. A door hanger indicating the time the vehicle arrived, the vehicle number, and the driver's name will be left for the client. Drivers can wait for only five minutes. If the client is not ready, the driver will continue to his/her next pick-up. After three no-shows within a 30-day period, the client will be notified that service will be suspended for 30 days unless he/she can provide a valid explanation for the no-shows. The client is provided time to appeal prior to a no-show suspension. A client who has been suspended for no-shows and who "no-shows" three times within a 30-day period within 6 months of having their service reinstated after the suspension, will be suspended for 60 days for the subsequent no-show policy violation.

Eligibility
Until 2017, client eligibility for transportation funded by the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund (TDTF), various grant-related programs, or County funds was determined over the phone by reservations staff. Currently, a signed and approved written application with supporting documentation is needed to determine eligibility. However, reservations staff are able to pre-screen door to door clients over the phone and provide temporary service for 90 days while the paperwork is processed. Client eligibility for transportation funded by the TDTF is based on the following criteria:

- Are not allowed to make a self-declaration of their eligibility.
- Must have no other means of transportation available or cannot purchase transportation.
- No other funding sources can be available to provide them transportation.
- Are eligible if they are: physically/mentally disabled or children-at-risk as defined in F.S. 411.202, sixty years of age or older, or their household income is less than 125 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines.
- Must use the fixed-route/ADA transit system, if available, and they have the ability.
- Must pay an appropriate co-pay per trip based on their household income, as determined by the TDCB.

Eligibility for all other transportation is determined by the various funding sources and is verified by reservations staff when a request for transportation is made.

Eligibility for door-to-door service, where there is no fixed-route service available, is based on eligibility guidelines that may include a written application form that must be submitted by the client. Eligibility for a fare pass for HART ADA paratransit service is based on a written application form, as well.
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157 of which are known to be either 125-300% OR below 125%
148 of which either 125-300% OR above

* based on May 2018-April 2019
## NON-SPONSORED CO-PAYMENT

### 2019 GOVERNMENT POVERTY GUIDELINES

AND

NON-SPONSORED TRIP CO-PAY

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For Family Units w/ More than 8 Members add $5525 for each.
For Family Units w/ More than 8 Members add $460 for each.
For Family Units w/ More than 8 Members add $13260 for each.
For Family Units w/ More than 8 Members add $1105 for each.

If income is over 125% or is not given, client MUST be Disabled, 60 Years or Older, or Child at-Risk to Qualify for Trips or Bus Pass

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Board & Committee Agenda Item

**Agenda Item**
Metropolitan Ministries Coordination Contractors Presentation

**Presenter**
Christine Long, Metropolitan Ministries

**Summary**
Metropolitan Ministries is a non profit organization that offers care for the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless in the Tampa bay area. Their main campus is located in Hillsborough County. These services are vital for the 32,000 homeless men, women and children in our communities.

Metropolitan Ministries short-term and long-term residential programs are located in Hillsborough and Pasco Counties. The organization accepts families with a male or a female head of households, couples with children, or single women. Employment assistance services and state assistance application is also offered.

Metropolitan Ministries is a Coordination Contractor and provides trips to their clients with vehicles that have been provided through 5310 funding grants.

**Recommended Action**
Review and Comment as needed

**Prepared By**
Michele Ogilvie, MPO staff

**Attachments**
None.
Board & Committee Agenda Item

Agenda Item
Community Health Assessment

Presenter
Ayesha Johnson, Florida Department of Health Hillsborough

Summary
The Florida Department of Health in Hillsborough County (DOH-Hillsborough) completes a Community Health Assessment (CHA) and Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) every five years. The CHA includes assessing the Community Health Status, the Community Strengths and Themes, the Forces of Change, and the Local Public Health System to determine the health of the community using primary and secondary data sources including input from the residents in Hillsborough County. The results are used to determine priority areas for the county. A CHIP is created with action plans for partners to work on over a three to five year period, to address the priority areas identified in the CHA and to improve the public’s health.

Recommended Action
Review and Comment as needed

Prepared By
Michele Ogilvie, MPO staff

Attachments
None.
Board & Committee Agenda Item

Agenda Item
Transportation Demand Management Plans

Presenter
Sara Hendricks, USF/CUTR

Summary
Transportation Demand Management (TDM) is any action or set of actions intended to influence the intensity, timing and spatial distribution of vehicle demand for the purpose of reducing the impact of traffic, managing parking needs, reducing greenhouse gases, enhancing mobility options.

TDM is a program of information, encouragement and incentives provided by local or regional organizations to help people know about and use all their transportation options to optimize all modes in the system – and to counterbalance the incentives to drive that are so prevalent in subsidies of parking and roads. These are both traditional and innovative technology-based services to help people use transit, ridesharing, walking, biking, and telework.

Recommended Action
Review and Comment as needed

Prepared By
Michele Ogilvie, MPO staff

Attachments
None.
The Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), Hillsborough County, Florida, met in Regular Meeting and Public Hearing, scheduled for Tuesday, June 11, 2019, at 6:00 p.m., in the Boardroom, Frederick B. Karl County Center, Tampa, Florida.

The following members were present:

Lesley Miller Jr., Chairman
Charles Klug for Paul Anderson
Joseph Citro
Theodore Trent Green
Sandra Murman for Ken Hagan
Frank Chillura for Mel Jurado
Pat Kemp (arrived at 6:03 p.m.)
Janet Scherberger for Joe Lopano
Rick Lott
Guido Maniscalco
David Mechanik
Kimberly Overman
Mariella Smith
Cindy Stuart (arrived at 8:27 p.m.)
Luis Viera (arrived at 6:06 p.m.)
Joseph Waggoner

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Tampa Port Authority
Councilman, City of Tampa (Tampa)
City Council
Planning Commission
Commissioner, Hillsborough County
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CEO, Hillsborough County Aviation
Authority
Mayor, City of Plant City
Councilman, Tampa City Council
HART
Commissioner, Hillsborough County
Commissioner, Hillsborough County
Hillsborough County School Board
Councilman, Tampa City Council
Tampa-Hillsborough Expressway
Authority

I. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, AND INVOCATION

Chairman Miller called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led in the pledge of allegiance to the flag and invocation.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MAY 8, 2019

Chairman Miller sought a motion to approve the May 8, 2019, minutes. Councilman Maniscalco so moved, seconded by Commissioner Overman, and carried twelve to zero. (Members Kemp, Murman, Stuart, and Viera had not arrived.) Chairman Miller acknowledged new MPO member Councilman Citro.
III. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. William Roberts, MPO Citizen Advisory Committee, and Ms. Gena Torres, MPO, expounded on the reports.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Miller called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mr. Mechanik so moved, seconded by Commissioner Kemp, and carried fourteen to zero. (Members Murman and Stuart had not arrived.)

V. ROLL-CALL VOTE FOR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENT APPROVED BY COMMITTEES

TIP Amendment for Pedestrian Crosswalk on Florida Avenue at Idlewild Avenue

Chairman Miller introduced the item. Mr. Mechanik moved approval, seconded by Mayor Lott. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried fourteen to zero. (Members Murman and Stuart had not arrived.)

VI. PUBLIC HEARING FOR LONG-RANGE PLAN AMENDMENT AND TIP ANNUAL UPDATE

Chairman Miller introduced the item. Mr. Mechanik moved approval, seconded by Mayor Lott. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried fourteen to zero. (Members Murman and Stuart had not arrived.)

The following individuals supported the FDOT’s request for Interstate (I) 275 additions: Ms. Karen Jaroch; Attorney Andrea Zelman, Tampa Downtown Partnership Incorporated; Ms. Sharon Calvert; and Messrs. Wilhelm Nunn; David Green, Tampa Bay Area Regional Transportation Authority (TBARTA); and Willis Chadwick Loar, PNC Financial Enterprises Incorporated.

Attorney Ricardo Fernandez requested the MPO strike the remnants of Tampa Bay Express (TBX) and Items 27, 28, 40, and 44 from the TIP and asked the MPO to replace the second part of the Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)
amendment with the phrase “eliminate the express toll lanes that are currently stated in the plan.”

The subsequent speakers advocated for Items 27 and 28 remaining in the TIP:

- Attorney Andrew Mayts, Greater Tampa Chamber of Commerce Incorporated (Tampa Chamber);
- Messrs. Marlin Anderson and Brant Peterson, Emerging Leaders of Tampa Bay (Emerging Leaders);
- Attorney Ronald Weaver; Mr. Rick Bennett;
- Dr. James Davison; and
- Ms. Kimberlee DeBosier, Tampa Chamber.

- Mr. Timothy Keeports, Old Seminole Heights Neighborhood Association Incorporated, requested the removal of Items 27 and 28 from the TIP.

- Mr. Joshua Baumgartner, Tampa Chamber, supported I-275 operational improvements.

- Ms. Doreen and Dr. Douglas Jesseph, University of South Florida (USF) encouraged the MPO to remove Items 27 and 28 from the TIP.

- Mr. Eddie Burch, Tampa Innovation Partnership, wanted Items 27 and 28 to be included in the TIP.

- Mr. Shane Ragiel addressed plan confusion, health impacts of the freeway, and believed Items 27 and 28 should be struck from the TIP.

- Ms. Hope Allen, CEO, North Tampa Bay Chamber Incorporated; Mr. Wyatt Krapf, Emerging Leaders; Ms. Lindsey Eggware; and Mr. Eric Larson, Tampa Innovation Alliance Incorporated, favored I-275 operational improvements.

- Ms. Chantal Lester believed alternate forms of transportation should be prioritized over freeway expansion.

- Ms. Raechel Canipe, Emerging Leaders, implored the MPO to support the Imagine 2040 LRTP and TIP.


- Ms. Dayna Lazarus, Student Advocates for Progressive Planning (SAPP), spoke on transportation planning, the automobile lobby, multimodal transportation, and sought the removal of Items 27, 28, 40, and 44 from the TIP.
Mr. David Loos promoted a compromise regarding I-275 operational improvements.

Ms. Michelle Cookson showed a video, favored regional commuter rail, discouraged freeway expansion, and wanted Items 27, 28, 40, and 44 removed from the TIP.

Mr. Sam Becker, SAPP, backed the removal of Items 27 and 28 from the TIP.

Mr. Gerald Dycus encouraged transit innovation.

Ms. Holly Simmons, Dana Shores Civic Association Incorporated, distributed materials and shared safety concerns about the areas between the Veterans Expressway and Hillsborough Avenue, including Memorial Highway, Independence Parkway, George Road, and Dana Shores Drive.

Ms. Ann Kulig, The Westshore Alliance Incorporated, supported the TIP.

Mr. Mauricio Rosas spoke on pedestrian deaths and highway design, played a video, and submitted background material.

Ms. Jitske Bergman relayed experiences with bus stops.

Mr. William Hunter did not agree with expanding roadways.

Mr. Christopher Vela asked the MPO to remove Items 27 and 28 from the TIP and expounded on historical FDOT operational interstate improvements, the effects on Ybor City, health impacts of freeways, safety on State roads, and the I-275 Boulevard concept.

Ms. Nicole Perry and Mr. Christopher Gleason opposed Items 27 and 28 in the TIP.

Mr. Mit Patel was against TBX/Tampa Bay Next (TBN).

Ms. Nicole Rice addressed Items 27 and 28 as related to the LRTP and hoped for new I-275 solutions from FDOT.

Mr. Joshua Frank advocated for investment in mobility and recommended removing Items 27 and 28 from the TIP.

Ms. Susan McClung believed I-275 was not the solution to Tampa transportation problems.
Dr. Brenton Wiernk, USF, addressed noise pollution and was against proposed I-275 operational improvements.

Attorney Hoyt L. Prindle III wanted Items 27 and 28 struck from the TIP.

Dr. Haywood Brown, USF, and Florida House Representative Fentrice Driscoll supported I-275 improvements.

Florida House Representative Diane Hart encouraged the MPO to listen to their constituents.

Mses. Gwen Myers, Jennifer Leon, and Michele Coket-Kriz opposed Items 27 and 28 in the TIP.

Ms. Ashlie Dummeldinger urged the MPO to back mass transit.

Mr. Richard Fifer implored the MPO to consider the effects of the proposed I-275 operational improvements on local citizens.

Mr. Matthew Suarez spoke on the history of Mr. Robert Moses, opined on freeway expansion, preferred the establishment of commuter rail in the County, and requested the MPO take Items 27 and 28 out of the TIP.

Mr. Richard Homans, CEO, Tampa Bay Partnership Incorporated, clarified the scope of the proposed I-275 operational improvements and supported the proposal.

Ms. Lori Karpay discussed induced demand and did not favor adding lanes to I-275.

Mr. Luis Pabon and Ms. Lena Young Green advocated for striking Items 27 and 28 from the TIP.

Summary of Comments Submitted in Advance

Ms. Torres summarized background material.
Board Discussion and Action

a. Imagine 2040 LRTP Amendment for TBN Section Seven Project Development and Environment Study and Fixing America’s Surface Transportation Act Consistency

Chairman Miller introduced the item. Following a request from Commissioner Kemp to address the item with three separate motions, Ms. Beth Alden, MPO Executive Director, clarified procedure. Discussion ensued. Chairman Miller called for a motion to approve the Imagine 2040 LRTP. Mr. Mechanik so moved, seconded by Mr. Waggoner.

Commissioner Kemp moved an amendment to have an opportunity to pull out the express toll lanes and to take a separate vote on that amendment, seconded by Councilman Maniscalco. Responding to Mr. Waggoner, Commissioner Kemp explained the amendment was simply to remove the express toll lanes from I-275 north of the downtown interchange and to pull that out as a separate vote. The amendment carried sixteen to zero. Upon roll call vote, the amended motion carried ten to six; Chairman Miller and Members Citro, Kemp, Maniscalco, Overman, and Smith voted no.

Senior Assistant County Attorney Cameron Clark clarified the outcome of the amendment/motion. Following questions on the propriety of requesting a staff report on vegetation, trees, and shrubs along the noise walls, Councilman Viera moved for that, seconded by Commissioner Murman. Commissioner Overman noted Tampa’s landscaping responsibility along I-275. The motion carried sixteen to zero.

b. TIP for October 1, 2019, through September 30, 2024

Commissioner Overman addressed Items 27 and 28 and the need for safety in road design, prioritizing transit systems, considered moving Item 28 to a study to see what could be done to improve the safety of the I-4 flyover bridge, and asked the MPO to entertain striking Items 27 and 28 from the TIP. Following inquiries from Commissioner Kemp, Commissioner Overman moved to remove 27, 28, 40, and 44, and to consider doing the safety study on the I-4 flyover bridge without lanes, seconded by Commissioner Kemp. (The motion was subsequently withdrawn.) Ms. Alden sought verification the motion removed funding from Item 27. Commissioner Overman withdrew her motion.
Responding to Commissioner Kemp, Mr. Gwynn spoke on TIP priority projects, studying the downtown interchange, and commuter rail projects. Commissioner Kemp opined on the downtown interchange, multimodal centers, commuter rail/intelligent transit system options, the Katy Freeway, and the health impacts of highways.

Councilman Viera emphasized public safety, inquired about adding vegetation to sound walls, and perceived a failure of dialogue between communities and federal agencies. Mr. Mechanik queried if the item could be voted on next month. Upon continuance questions, Commissioner Kemp moved to remove 27 and 28 from the TIP and any funding associated with that part, seconded by Councilman Maniscalco. (The motion was not voted on.)

Commissioner Overman wondered if it was possible to strike Item 27 and keep the funding in Item 28 to study the possibility of safety improvements to the downtown interchange. Discussion ensued. Following clarification on the item impact and procedural rules, Mayor Lott moved a substitute motion that the MPO approve the TIP amendment as presented that evening with no changes, seconded by Commissioner Murman.

After comments, Commissioner Smith moved to amend the substitute motion to remove 40 and 44 for consideration after, to approve the TIP without 40 and 44 and consider those after the fact, seconded by Commissioner Kemp. Commissioner Smith distributed materials and expounded on Items 40 and 44. The motion carried thirteen to three; Members Klug, Murman, and Stuart voted no.

Commissioner Kemp participated in dialogue about the future of Item 28 and how the funding would affect Items 27 and 28. Mr. Mechanik suggested future projects could be discussed earlier in the cycle prior to the public hearing. Commissioner Overman asked about funding sources and adding a possible concession on Item 27 indicating the MPO’s priority was improving safety over adding lanes. Dialogue continued. Upon roll call vote, the amended substitute motion carried eleven to five; Chairman Miller and Members Kemp, Maniscalco, Overman, and Smith voted no.

Mr. Chillura inquired about the removal of Items 40 and 44, which Ms. McKinley addressed. Referencing Baum Road, Ms. Stuart advised a new high school was being built with 3,000 expected students. Following comments,
Commissioner Murman moved to reconsider the approval of the TIP motion that the MPO made that excluded 40 and 44, seconded by Ms. Stuart. Chairman Miller and Attorney Clark clarified the motion and reconsideration procedure. The motion carried fifteen to one; Commissioner Smith voted no.

Chairman Miller called for a motion to reconsider the amendment. Commissioner Murman so moved, seconded by Ms. Stuart. Following clarification, the motion carried fourteen to two; Commissioners Kemp and Smith voted no.

Subsequent to discussing Items 40 and 44 on the TIP, Commissioner Smith moved an amendment to just remove 40, seconded by Commissioner Overman. Ms. Stuart described the new school site. The motion carried sixteen to zero.

Chairman Miller asked if Mayor Lott was still making his original substitute motion. Mayor Lott agreed, seconded by Commissioner Murman. Upon roll call vote, the amended substitute motion carried eleven to five; Chairman Miller and Members Kemp, Maniscalco, Overman, and Smith voted no.

VII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

It’s Time Hillsborough to Tell Us Your Priorities for Major Transportation Projects for the Next LRTP; Survey Open through July 28, 2019

MPO Board to Recess in July; Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, August 6, 2019, at 9:00 a.m., 26th Floor; Next Policy Committee meeting: July 30, 2019, 9:00 a.m., 18th Floor; MPO Chairs’ Coordinating Committee: July 19, 2019, Florida Hospital Center Ice

Independent Oversight Committee First Meeting: July 16, 2019, at 11:30 a.m., Planning Commission Boardroom, County Center, 18th Floor

Ms. Beth Alden touched on the report.

VIII. OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

Noting a need to clarify the MPO’s role in the transportation surtax allocations, Mr. Green suggested holding a workshop between the MPO, HART Board, and TBARTA to try and get a handle on a strategic direction. Chairman Miller invited Mr. Green to make that motion. Mr. Green made that motion, seconded by Commissioner Overman. Commissioner Kemp spoke on the CSX tracks.
Mr. Mechanik noted HART would not receive surtax money until January 1, 2020, and all funds would go toward transit. Following discussion, the motion carried sixteen to zero.

IX. ADDENDUM

Upcoming Events

- Back to School Supplies Drive
- It’s Time Hillsborough Outreach Flyer
- Vision Zero Coalition Quarterly Meeting: June 13, 2019, 6:00 p.m., Lee Davis Neighborhood Service Center, 3402 North 22nd Street, Tampa
- Bike/Walk Tampa Bay Summer Summit: June 21, 2019, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., University Area Community Development Center

Correspondence

- From Tampa Police Department regarding MPO Letter on Parking in Bike Lanes
- From FDOT on Strategic Intermodal System Network
- From TBARTA on MPO Regional Coordination Research Study
- From Civil Service Board on Board Dissolution
- From FDOT Secretary Gwynn on Traffic Fatalities April 8-21, 2019
- From FDOT Secretary Gwynn on Traffic Fatalities April 22 – May 5, 2019
- From FDOT Secretary Gwynn on Traffic Fatalities May 6-19, 2019
TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 2019

Project Fact Sheets

- MPO Advisory Council Freight Priorities Program: 2019 Project List

Articles Relating to MPO Work

- “Transportation Leaders will Study Idea to Tear Down and Replace Portion of I-275” – ABC Action News
- “Hillsborough Officials will Study Whether or not we should Tear Down I-275” – Creative Loafing
- “Hillsborough will Study ‘Boulevard Tampa’ and Vote on Ferry to MacDill Air Force Base” – WMNF
- “Sidewalk Stompers take Strides for Pedestrian Safety” – 83 Degrees
- “FDOT Holding Two Meetings on Proposed Changes to Two Big Interchanges in Tampa” – ABC Action News
- “All for Transportation Oversight Committee is Complete, Meetings to Start This Summer” – FLAPOL
- “Be Prepared this Hurricane Season!” – HART blogspot
- “Here’s What You Can – and Can’t – Do With Your Phone While Driving Beginning July 1, 2019” – FLAPOL
- “Temple Terrace Residents Paint an Eye-Popping Design on Neighborhood Streets” – Tampa Bay Times
- “All for Transportation Lawsuit Could be Decided in Two Weeks” – FLAPOL
- “It’s Time Hillsborough Survey” – Newsradio WFLA

Miscellaneous

- Article: “The One Way to Reduce Traffic”
- Article: “Has Seattle Found the Solution?”
- Article: “Roads Suffer when States Focus on Expansion over Repair”
TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 2019

- Article: “The High Cost of Transportation in the United States”

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:01 a.m.

READ AND APPROVED: ______________________________

CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:
PAT FRANK, CLERK

By: _______________________
    Deputy Clerk

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Committee Reports

Meeting of the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) on June 12

Under public comment, Mr. Camilo Soto introduced himself and expressed a strong interest in filling the Hispanic At-Large seat on the CAC, and a local professional engineer briefed the CAC on the safety benefits of modern roundabouts.

The CAC participated in the “It’s Time Hillsborough” Survey for the 2045 Plan, and approved and forwarded to the MPO Board:

✓ Appointment of Mr. Soto to the Hispanic At-Large seat on the CAC.
✓ The Temple Terrace Low-speed Electric Vehicle Study.

Under new business, the CAC voted to endorse the idea of a joint board meeting with the MPO, HART and TBARTA and to look at what took place in Orlando in terms of advancing a plan to utilize the CSX corridors for transit.

Meetings of the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) on June 17 & July 29

The committee participated in the “It’s Time Hillsborough” Survey for the 2045 Plan, and approved and forwarded to the MPO Board:

✓ The Temple Terrace Electric Vehicle Study.

The committee heard status reports on:

- East Fowler Avenue Land Use Study
- THEA’s Sketch Level Planning – members were appreciative of the information shared. One concern brought up was to consider safe crossings for pedestrian on Meridian.

It was announced the MPO staff liaison to the TAC will now be Sarah McKinley.

The committee requested to hold a workshop on the 2045 Plan Needs Assessment technical analysis. The workshop was held July 29 in place of a summer recess. Members were briefed on congestion forecasts for major roads, comments:

- The Tampa-Hillsborough Expressway Authority’s analysis of the Selmon Expressway indicates it should be widened to 8 lanes rather than 6.
- Consistency with comprehensive and community plans could be resolved with changes to the plans.
- Air quality should also be considered in environmental impacts.
- Equity should also be considered when prioritizing projects.
Meeting of the Policy Committee on July 30

The committee **approved and forwarded to the MPO Board:**

✓ USF Fellowship Contract Renewal

The committee also received a request to approve, but did not take action on, a Memorandum of Regional Cooperation on Transportation Systems Management and Operations proposed by MetroPlan Orlando. The committee was briefed on:

- 2045 Plan Needs Assessment for Major Road Projects.

Major transit projects in the 2045 Plan Needs Assessment will be discussed next month. Members also asked for future agenda items to address:

- An overview of how managed lanes in other cities are performing;
- Clarifying the process of updating the TIP priority list, with consideration of a nighttime workshop in advance of the TIP hearing, and requiring action by a local agency’s legislative body as a prerequisite for prioritization.

Meetings of the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC), June 12 & July 10

The committee elected Jim Shirk as Vice Chair, participated in the “It’s Time Hillsborough” Survey for the 2045 Plan, and **approved & forwarded to the MPO:**

✓ The Temple Terrace Low-Speed Electric Vehicle Study.

The BPAC also discussed the response received from the Tampa Police Department on the enforcement of parking in bicycle lanes and on sidewalks, and heard status reports on:

- East Fowler Ave Land Use Study.

The committee held its annual retreat on July 10th at the Skypoint Condominiums. Items discussed included: reasons for membership; future topics of discussion and action; issues influencing members’ ability to walk or bike in the community; and hopes for future efforts to improve service.

Meeting of the Livable Roadways Advisory Committee (LRC) on June 19

The LRC participated in the “It’s Time Hillsborough” Survey for the 2045 Plan, and **approved and forwarded to the MPO Board:**

✓ Temple Terrace Low Speed Electric Vehicle study

The LRC also heard a status report on:

- East Fowler Avenue Land Use Study

Meeting of the Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board on June 28

The Board **approved the annual update of the Transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan (TDSP).** Included in this year’s update are two new maps that show Transportation Disadvantaged destinations as well as a map displaying high crash hot spots overlaid with the Transportation Disadvantaged destinations.

The Board reviewed an update of the **Tri-County Regional Pilot Project** for transportation disadvantaged persons to travel door to door between Pasco, Pinellas and Hillsborough. There will be a meeting, hosted by FDOT, with TBARTA,
Hillsborough, Pinellas and Pasco Counties’ transit agencies on August 28, 2019 to discuss further partnership opportunities.

Meeting of the Intelligent Transportation Systems Committee (ITS) on July 11

The committee participated in the “It’s Time Hillsborough” Survey for the 2045 Plan, and **approved and forwarded to the MPO Board:**

✓ Amending the committee membership in the MPO bylaws, adding a seat for USF’s Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR)

The committee also heard status reports on:

- Intelligent Mobility & Mobility Benchmark Report
- THEA’s Sketch Level Planning
- Brainstorming ITS Master Plan Elements – members are excited about the forthcoming update to the ITS Master Plan!

Meeting of the MPO Chairs’ Coordinating Committee (CCC) on July 19

The MPO Chairs held a public hearing and approved an annual update of:

✓ Priorities for regionally significant multi-use trail projects; several Hillsborough projects remain on the candidate list for funding through the Florida SUNTrail or FDOT District-level Transportation Alternatives program;
✓ Priorities for the Transportation Regional Incentive Program, a 50/50 state/local matching grant; recently funded projects in Hillsborough include advanced traffic management systems for Dale Mabry, Bruce B Downs, and Downtown Tampa, as well as HART’s regional farebox project.

They heard status reports on:

- FDOT’s Multi-use Corridors of Regional Economic Significance (M-CORES) initiative;
- Pasco County Connected City Project;
- TBARTA Regional Transit Development Plan.

They also reviewed changes to the interlocal agreement creating the CCC, to distinguish the CCC’s area and scope from TBARTA’s, reestablish a separate identity for the CCC, and establish several subcommittees of the CCC including the Tampa Bay TMA Leadership Group. **The changes were well received and will be referred to the individual MPOs for consideration prior to the next meeting of the CCC in December.**
Please join us for Open House #3 on TRAFFIC & SAFETY IMPACT of FDOT plans for I-275 and I-4 in Downtown and Westshore

Join the Hillsborough MPO Board and its committees to learn more about FDOT's interstate modernization plans. This is the third in a series of three open houses and briefings on the Tampa Interstate Study (TIS) Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS). It will focus on traffic/safety issues to help FDOT in the selection of a preferred alternative and identify key issues to be addressed in the conceptual design plan.

The informal format is an opportunity to talk with experts and view a series of displays, including: TIS | SEIS | Traffic and Crash Analysis | Downtown Tampa Interchange (DTI) long-term improvements | SEIS alternatives | DTI short-term operational improvements and transition to Hillsborough Ave | MPO It's TIME Hillsborough survey results

Monday | 08.19.19
5 p.m. - 7 p.m. at Robert B. Saunders, Sr. Public Library
1505 N Nebraska Avenue, Tampa

Persons needing interpreter services or accommodations for a disability in order to participate in this meeting, free of charge, are encouraged to contact Johnny Wong at 813.273.3774 x370 or wongj@plancom.org at least three business days in advance of the meeting.

También, si sólo se puede hablar en español, por favor llame a la línea de ayuda en español al 813.273.3774 x211.

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The Gulf Coast Safe Streets Summit is being held immediately following and in conjunction with the 2019 Safe Routes to School National Conference being held November 12 - 14 at the Hilton Tampa Downtown. The Hillsborough MPO is honored to be the local host of both events.

View the full 3-day national conference schedule:
http://azbvtb.attendify.io/

Tickets for the Gulf Coast Safe Streets Summit are just $50.

Register for either or both events:
http://saferoutesconference.org/

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**2ND ANNUAL GULF COAST SAFE STREETS SUMMIT**

**SCHEDULE AT-A-GLANCE:**

2:00p - 2:30p | Welcome & Introductions

2:30p - 3:45p | Session 1
Human-centered Mobility Bill of Rights

3:45p - 5:00p | Session 2
Outside the Box Funding

5:00p - 5:30p | Session Wrap Up

5:30p - 8:00p | Reception & Awards Program

More info: planhillsborough.org/gulf-coast-safe-streets-summit/

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ONE TRAFFIC DEATH IS TOO MANY

WALK OF SILENCE • 11.15.19 • 7:30AM
meet up at hilton tampa downtown to honor lives of loved ones lost this year
Help carry the Safe Streets message through Tampa’s Downtown during rush hour!