

FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MINUTES OF JULY 12, 2012

MEETING NUMBER 191

The one hundred and ninety first meeting of the Florida Transportation Commission was held on July 12, 2012, at the Renaissance Orlando at SeaWorld, 6677 Sea Harbor Drive, Orlando, Florida. This meeting was held in conjunction with the Floridians for Better Transportation and Transportation and Expressway Authority Membership of Florida. Chairman Ron Howse provided opening comments and called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M.

ATTENDANCE: Members in attendance were: Chairman Howse, Commissioners Ellington, Ferré, Frazier, Kigel, Trumbull, and Tuck. Commissioner Lautenbach participated by teleconference. Commissioner Maroño was unable to attend.

MINUTES: Minutes of the May 9, 2012, meeting were presented to the Commission for approval. Commissioner Tuck made a motion to accept the minutes, Commissioner Trumbull seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved by the Commission and signed by the Chairman.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

- Chairman Howse provided an update on the FTC Study of Cost Savings for Expressway Authorities:
 - The FTC received six bid proposals for the Study.
 - The Technical Review Committee met on June 12 to rank the proposals.
 - The full Commission met on June 13 to announce the intended award – Cambridge Systematics.
 - Chairman Howse, Commissioner Ellington and Commissioner Tuck met with Cambridge Systematics on June 30 and successfully negotiated the contract.
 - The contract was officially executed on July 5, 2012 with a final delivery date of December 31, 2012.
- Chairman Howse and Commissioner Kigel travelled with Floridians for Better Transportation to the Panama Canal Zone June 5-8, 2012. Chairman Howse provided a briefing on the meeting.
- Commissioner Kigel met with James Whitty of Oregon Department of Transportation on June 29, 2012. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the Oregon DOT VMT Pilot Project.
- Commissioner Frazier attended the Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR) Board Meeting on June 6, 2012.
- Mark Reichert discussed the Mileage-Based User Fee issue and recent contact with media regarding this issue.

AGENCY REPORT:

Ananth Prasad, FDOT Secretary, provided updates on the following:

- The advertisement for the Rail Enterprise Director position is now closed. Applications are currently being shortlisted and interviews will soon be scheduled.
- The Governor's Office has appointed Adam Hollingsworth as their new Chief of Staff.
- Secretary Prasad attended the Floridians for Better Transportation Panama canal trip and shared information from the meeting with the group.
- Provided an update on the Federal Reauthorization which was signed on July 6, 2012.
- The two-year transportation bill was recently reviewed by the Legislature and Governor.
- FDOT has finalized the I4 project schedule and financing plan. This project is scheduled to be completed in 2014.
- Secretary Prasad discussed FDOT's role and participation in the FTC Study of Cost Savings for Expressway Authorities.

CENSUS UPDATE:

Kathy Neill, Director of the Office of Policy Planning, presented the Census Update. Issues addressed during the presentation included detailed information on 2010 Urbanized Areas and Next Steps as outlined below:

- 2010 Urbanized Areas and Next Steps:
 - Federal/state requirements: MPO designation, boundaries and membership.
 - Growth of urbanized areas in Florida.
 - FTC review of regional transportation planning (2003).
 - MPO regional coordination.
 - Upcoming activities.

STATUS OF PUBLIC TRANSIT IN FLORIDA:

Lisa Bacot, Executive Director of the Florida Public Transportation Association (FPTA), presented the "Status of Public Transit in Florida". The presentation included the information on the following:

- Review of the FPTA Mission,
- FPTA Member Agencies,
- Benefits of Public Transportation,
- Recent Transit Research Results,
- Florida Transit System Funding,
- Florida Transit System Access,
- New Transit Initiatives,
- Transit Highlights, and
- 2012 Legislative Recap and 2013 Legislative Issues.

MPOAC TRANSPORTATION REVENUE STUDY:

Steve Reich, Project Manager, Center for Urban Transportation Research presented the findings of the MPOAC Revenue Study. The MPOAC is currently in the process of finalizing the study. Tom DiGiacomo and Mark Reichert participated on the Advisory Committee for this study.

The purpose of the study is to develop legislative approaches to implement a set of revenue measures that address transportation funding needs in Florida. Recommendations will focus on the identification of sustainable, innovative and acceptable measures to assist in meeting the mobility needs for Floridians.

The presentation included the following:

- MPOAC Revenue Study Background
- State and Federal Transportation Funding Overview
- MPOAC Funding Recommendations

FTC EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY COST SAVINGS STUDY:

Allan Rutter, Project Manager, Cambridge Systematics reported on the status of the Expressway Authority Cost Savings Study. Study Elements of the Study will be broken down into four groups with individual team leaders as follows:

- Design/Project Development – Steve Reich, CUTR
- Construction – Allan Rutter, Cambridge Systematics
- Maintenance – Janet Davis, CUTR
- Operations – Jack Henneman, Cambridge Systematics

Mr. Rutter provided an outline of the Study Process and Schedule. The final report is scheduled to be submitted to the FTC on November 15, 2012.

FLORIDA'S FUTURE TRANSPORTATION CORRIDORS:

Bob Romig, State Transportation Development Administrator, FDOT, made a presentation on Florida's Future Transportation Corridors. The purpose of future corridors is to:

- Coordinate long-range growth/transportation plans and visions.
- Provide solutions for or alternatives to existing congested corridors.
- Meet growing demand for moving people and freight.
- Improve connectivity.

The presentation also included the Policy Framework, Accomplishments, Key Policy Issues, Potential Solutions, and Next Steps.

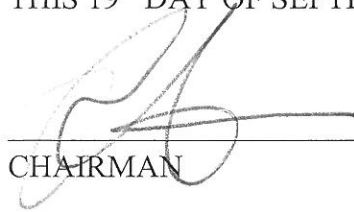
PUBLIC COMMENT: T.J. Fish, Lake-Sumter MPO and Peter Buchwald, S.E. Florida MPO provided public comment regarding the future of MPOs and MPO integration.

CONCLUSION: The next FTC workshop and meeting will be held on September 19-20, 2012 in Tallahassee.

ADJOURN: Chairman Howse adjourned the FTC meeting at 10:30 A.M.

MINUTES APPROVED: ✓ AS READ _____ AS AMENDED

THIS 19th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2012.



CHAIRMAN

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