FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MINUTES OF: November 18, 2014

MEETING NUMBER: 205

The two hundred and fifth meeting of the Florida Transportation Commission was held on November 18, 2014 at the Florida Department of Transportation, Burns Auditorium, 605 Suwannee Street, Tallahassee, Florida.

ATTENDANCE:

Members in attendance were: Chairman Howse, Commissioners Browning, Ellington, Ferré, Kigel, Sebesta, and Wright. Commissioners Frazier and Trumbull were unable to attend due to scheduling conflicts.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Chairman Howse called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

Minutes from the September 24, 2014 meeting were presented for approval. A motion was made to accept the minutes and the motion was seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved and signed by the Chairman.

Chairman Howse noted that the schedule for today's meeting will be adjusted as needed to accommodate travel and conflicting meeting schedules.

Chairman Howse recognized recent travel and activities performed by the Commissioners and FTC staff since the last FTC meeting:

- Mark Reichert attended the 2014 Future of Florida Forum by the Florida Chamber Foundation from September 29-October 1.
- Bob Romig attended the East Central Florida Corridor Task Team meeting in Orlando October 9-10 and November 13.
- Senator Sebesta was honored at the annual CUTR Transportation Achievement Award Dinner in Tampa on October 22. Chairman Howse, Bob Romig, and Commissioners Browning and Frazier also attended.
- Bob Romig attended the 2014 Florida Data Symposium in Orlando on October 23 and presented on "How the FTC Uses Performance Data."
- Mark Reichert attended and presented the Fuel Tax Presentation at the FPTA Annual Conference in Naples on October 26-28.
- Chairman Howse and Bob Romig attended the TEAMFL Meeting in Tampa on October 30-31.

AGENCY REPORT:

Ananth Prasad, FDOT Secretary, provided an update on the following:

- Announced the filling of significant positions and status of key vacancies statewide.
- Discussed issues that will be included in the Department's 2015 Legislative package.
- Provided thoughts and recommendations on the McKinsey Report which was presented to the Commissioners by Brian Blanchard during the November 17 workshop.
- Discussed the impact the passage of Amendment 1 will have on the Department's Work Program.
- Provided an update on FDOT's plan for Reauthorization.

FUTURE CORRIDORS INITIATIVE:

Jim Wood, Director, Office of Policy Planning (FDOT) is the Department's key contact for the New Corridors Initiative (an initiative the Commission has been supporting since it was started during the Bush administration). Mr. Wood provided an update on the status of the initiative as well as next steps.

EAST CENTRAL FLORIDA TASK FORCE:

Anna Richmond, Bureau of Community Planning (DEO), on behalf of Mr. Bill Killingsworth, Director of Community Development (DEO) and Chairman of the ECFCTF, presented an update on the progress of the East Central Florida Task Force since it was created by Executive Order by Governor Scott.

STATUS REPORT ON THE FDOT EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION STUDY:

In May, the FTC contracted with Thomas Howell Ferguson, P.A along with sub-consultant MGT of America to conduct an Executive Compensation Study of the FDOT. Nancy Stepina-Robinson, Partner, MGT of America, Inc. provided a status report on the progress of the study.

THE FUTURE OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION IN FLORIDA:

Karen Deigl, Chairman, Florida Public Transportation Association and Lisa Bacot, Executive Director, FPTA provided the status of public transit in Florida and what is in store for the future.

THE "RED MAPS" OF FLORIDA:

Chris Edmonston, Manager, Strategic Intermodal System Planning (FDOT) discussed the "Red Maps" which show the congested corridors in each FDOT district through 2060 if only the planned improvements are made and current trends continue. These are the maps District Secretaries Noranne Downs and Paul Steinman have presented at prior meetings.

MANAGED LANES STATUS REPORT:

Jennifer Fortunas, Manager, Systems Planning (FDOT) provided an update on the Department's efforts on developing a statewide managed lanes program as well as the status of the expansion of the I-95 managed lanes in south Florida.

CONCLUSION:

The next FTC Workshop and Joint TEAMFL/FTC Meeting is scheduled for January 22-23 in Orlando.

Upcoming events which the FTC will be participating in include:

Florida Automated Vehicles Summit, Orlando, December 15-16. Florida Transportation Plan/SIS Strategic Plan Update meeting, Orlando, December 17.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Chairman Howse opened the floor for public comment. No public comment was received.

ADJOURN: Chairman Howse adjourned the meeting at 1:00 P.M.

MINUTES APPROVED: ______ AS READ _____ AS AMENDED

PHIS 23rd DAY OF JANUARY, 2015.

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