

FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MINUTES OF: January 7, 2021

Teleconference Call

Attendance:

Members on the call were: Chairman Ron Howse, Vice-Chairman Jay Trumbull, Commissioners John Browning, Richard Burke, Julius Davis, David Genson and Teresa Sarnoff.

Call to Order and Chairman's Opening Remarks:

Chair Howse called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Commission Business Discussed:

- The Commission approved the meeting minutes from the December 17, 2020 conference call. The motion was made by Commissioner Davis and seconded by Commissioner Burke. The motion passed unanimously.
- Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Chief of Staff Torey Alston provided an agency update.
 - The Department announced its transportation accomplishments in 2020 including making the Vital Few a major initiative.
 - Interim Committee week begins January 11, 2021.
 - FDOT will be presenting on January 12, 2021.
 - Regular session convenes March 2, 2021 and ends April 30, 2021.
- Chief of Staff Torey Alston also congratulated Vice-Chairman Trumbull and Commissioners John Browning and David Genson for their recent reappointment.
- District Secretary David Gwynn provided an update on district seven and an overview of current and upcoming projects including:
 - The Howard Frankland Bridge replacement (Hillsborough and Pinellas counties)
 - Westshore Area Interchange (Hillsborough County)
 - S.R. 50 Widening (Hernando County)
 - I-75/S.R. 56 Interchange (Pasco County)
 - US 41 Widening (Citrus County)
 - Gateway Expressway (Pinellas County)
- Executive Director Ralph Yoder provided an update.
 - FTC staff are working on finalizing the 2019 Transportation Authority and Monitoring report.
 - A draft should be ready within a week or so.

- The review of the 2019 Transportation Authority Monitoring and Oversight Report will take place in two meetings.
 - On January 21, 2021, the tolling authorities will present and on February 4, 2021 the transit authorities will present.
- Chairman Howse stated that the Authorities should be asked about revenue shortfalls and how that may affect projects.
- Vice-Chairman Trumbull mentioned that he enjoys hearing updates from the District Secretaries during the Commission’s conference calls.
 - Executive Director Yoder mentioned that the other District Secretaries have been scheduled to present at future conference calls.

Public Comment:

Chair Howse asked for any public comments. No comments were made.

Adjourn:

Chair Howse adjourned the conference call.

MINUTES APPROVED: _____ AS READ _____ AS AMENDED
THIS 4th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2020

CHAIRMAN