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Meeting of the Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Wednesday, June 22, 2022, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

County Center, 18th Floor – Plan Hillsborough Committee Room

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Agenda

I. Call to Order and Introductions

II. Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum (Gail Reese, TPO Staff)

A. Vote of Consent for Remote Member Participation – *if applicable*

III. Public Comment - 3 minutes per speaker, please

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IV. Members' Interests

V. [Approval of Minutes – May 25, 2022](#)

VI. Action Items

- A. [Public Participation Plan Amendments \(2022\)](#)
(Davida Franklin, TPO Staff)

VII. Status Reports

- A. [Hillsborough County Corridor Preservation Best Practices Report](#)
(Richard Ranck, Hillsborough County Staff, Kristine Williams, CUTR)
- B. [Tampa Vision Zero Implementation through Maintenance](#)
(Cal Hardie, City of Tampa)

VIII. Old Business & New Business

- A. [July Tri-County BPAC and Retreat](#)

IX. Adjournment

X. Addendum

- A. [TPO Meeting Summary and Committee Reports](#)
- B. [Asphalt Art Safety Study](#)

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**HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY
TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION
BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HYBRID MEETING OF MAY 25, 2022**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Horst called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM

Members Present In-Person: Jim Shirk, Katrina Corcoran, Tim Horst, Jonathan Forbes, Robyn Baker, Allison Nguyen, Peter Davitt, Victoria Klug, Alain Watson

Members Present Virtually: Jason Jackman, David Aylesworth, John Kubicki, John Marsh, Faye Miller, Karla Price, Christopher Fellerhoff, Savana Vidal, Wanda Vinson

Members Absent/ Excused: Lynda Crescentini, Abigail Flores, Martin Santiago, Marcello Tavernari, Sally Thompson, Kelly Fearon

Others Present: Gena Torres, Christopher English, Connor MacDonald, Johnny Wong, Cheryl Wilkening (TPO Staff); David Dunnigan (Public)

An in-person quorum was met in person.

Jim Shirk moved to allow virtual participation, seconded by Alain Watson. The Voice vote passes unanimously.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT (3 minutes per speaker) (Timestamp 0:02:21)

Emailed public comment provided in the [Email section](#) at the end of the minutes.

III. MEMBERS' INTERESTS (Timestamp 0:03:34)

- A. Katrina Corcoran:** The Planning Commission is updating the City of Tampa Comp Plan, [Live Grow Thrive 2045: Tampa Comprehensive Plan Update](#), encouraging everyone to take the survey on the website.
- B. Tim Horst:** Has done a big bike loop from Sligh and Nebraska, around to Armature Works, use the Cycle Track, through Ybor, using 12th (neighborhood street); the Heights Mobility Plan is addressing challenges on Lola including additional crossings. Is advocating doing the same thing on 12th, on the other side of the highway; there are a couple of crossings that are challenging. This was made as a citizen request to the City of Tampa. This is a mix of city and county roads. Would like more information on the plans for this area.

- C. **Victoria Klug:** There is a challenge on Bayshore with pedestrians walking in front of cars quite often, particularly at Bay to Bay and Bayshore.
- D. **Chris Fellerhoff:** Asked for clarification on Tim Horst's request; is it to look into making 12th Street into a Bike Boulevard? Lola is also considering recommendations for that street. The answer is Yes, apply the boulevard concept on 12th and designate it as a bikeway.
- E. **Jim Shirk** noted that he and Christine Acosta are speaking at WFTS on May 26th to talk about Walk/Bike Safety.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (*Timestamp 0:13:38*) – February 23, 2022, March 23, 2022, and April 27, 2022.

Sally Thompson: emailed corrections for the April 27, 2022 meeting, noted below. Corrections made by Gail Reese, Recording Secretary, on May 31, 2022.

pg. 1 HC TPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee 4/27/2022 Meeting
HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY
TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION
BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HYBRID MEETING OF APRIL 27, 2022

III. MEMBERS' INTERESTS (*Timestamp 0:04:21*)

A. Sally Thompson – Florida 2022 Trail Summit. Most of the discussion was about the Coast-to-Coast Connector and the St. Johns River to the Sea Loop. These projects are getting the bulk of the SUN Trail money.

The Trust for Public Land has recently hired a consultant who was a former Sarasota County Commissioner. He is working on closing the gaps along the southwest coast. One of those is the Gulf Coast Regional Connector. The coordinator is tasked with getting the counties to work together.

The summit was an opportunity to meet him and FDOT district offices 7 and 1 staff. Hopeful that there may be funding and interest to assist in the Hillsborough County portion of the Gulf Coast Regional Connector. It might be possible to get Federal funding.

Wade Reynolds reviewed where the Gulf Coast Trail goes. The Trust for Public Land has given money to other projects in the area. They are listed on their website.

Hillsborough County is now hiring a consultant to start working on updating the 1995 Hillsborough County Greenways Plan.

Allison Nguyen motioned to approve the April 27, 2022 minutes; seconded by Peter Davitt. The Voice vote passes unanimously.

V. ACTION ITEMS

A. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Update, FY 2022/23 – 26/27 (Connor MacDonald, TPO Staff) (Timestamp 0:14:40)

- Review of background information. The LRTP is the 25-year plan; the TIP represents the detailed version of the LRTP.
- Important TPO planning project and went over the approval process.
- Three sections:
 - Projects that are programmed for construction will remain in Table 1 until they are complete.
 - Table 2 is the list of candidates for new funding and seeking funding.
 - Table 3 is all other projects. Any project that has funding over the next five years; many fall into miscellaneous categories along with local CIP funding projects.
- Went over Table 2 in a bit more detail as this is what is approved each year.
 - TPO staff use criteria for prioritization
 - Make recommendations on funding to go over
 - Once adopted, the projects are placed on the TIP Tool on the website.
- Table 1 has been reformatted to make it clearer and easier to understand
 - Removed some projects as they have been completed
 - Went over new items for this year; projects that received funding
- Table 2 is the priorities list
 - State of Good Repair & Resilience – percent of transit assets that are not in a state of good repair.
 - Vision Zero – received a lot of requests for this area. Had to add additional filters to assist in prioritizing. Construction ready moved to the top. If there was no funding identified, it moved down the list. Used criteria to identify projects in high-crash corridors and then ranked projects near disadvantaged communities to break ties in the crashes per mile.
 - Smart Cities – improve reliability.
 - Real Choices When Not Driving – look at population density within a certain distance of paths and trails. Because there were so many safety projects, some were shifted here.
 - Major Investments for Economic Growth – connect people to jobs or are somewhat expensive for the TPO to use discretionary grants. If a safety project was more than \$5 million, they were put into this category.
- Next Steps
 - Regional Coordination – the Transportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP) and Multi-Use Trail (MUT) priority lists will be presented for adoption by the Sun Coast Transportation Planning Alliance on June 10, 2022; reviewed the TRIP and MUT projects.
 - Tables 1 & 2 will be reviewed by partners
 - Funding recommendations have been shared
 - Presentation Schedule:
 - LRC & BPAC – May 25, 2022; CAC: June 1, 2022; TAC: June 6, 2022
 - Public Participation Plan – mailed fliers to properties near impacted areas, posted road signs; put ads in the newspaper; and posted to social media.
 - June 8th is the TIP public hearing.

Attachments:

TIP Flyer (English): [TPO June 8 TIP Hearing notice English](#)

TIP Flyer (Spanish): [Spanish TPO June 8 TIP Hearing notice](#)

Draft TIP, Table 1: [Table 1, Draft TIP for FYs 2022/23 - 26/27](#)

Draft TIP, Table 2: [Table 2, Draft TIP for FYs 2022/23 - 26/27](#)

[Draft FDOT Work Program Fund Summary](#)

[Priority Request Letters submitted to the TPO by the Jurisdictions | Plan Hillsborough](#)

Recommendation: Approve the FY22/23 – 26/27 Transportation Improvement Program Update and approve the TIP Priority List (Table 2).

Discussion:

Gena Torres noted that Table 1 is what has been funded. Table 2 is what can be weighed in on. It was pointed out that Vision Zero and Smart Cities projects are included in projects in other categories as well. Real Choices include things like trails and expanding bus projects. It was asked if the process was different from previous years. Yes. Clarification was asked if the priorities list is strictly created from applications submitted. Yes, and some are to finish projects that are already underway. The project to extend US92 in Plant City; the Northeast sector of Plant City is exploding. The extension of these roadways is going to be important in the near future. The corridor preservation draws a straight line; until the PD&E study is done to truly figure out what design will make sense; we are expected to preserve that right-of-way for projects not knowing if the roadway will go in that direction. It's been so far down the list for a lot of years. It was asked what triggers it to move up the list. There are 6000 homes going in there in the next five years. If the information has been received, it is a matter of funding and performance on the system. There is a Corridor Preservation presentation coming from the county. It was noted that this corridor is in the County Comp Plan. There was a question asked about who is able to have access to the TIP tables. It was also noted that the tables appear to be an expectation. It was asked what the purpose of the presentation was. It was clarified that the tables are public information on the Plan Hillsborough website on the TIP page (*noted in the references after the presentation notes above*). The purpose is for the TPO Committees to weigh in on what the community wants to be funded and what is important to them. Clarification was asked if Table 2 is listed in the order of priority and if the categories are also in order of priority. Yes, and the priority in each category is based on funding.

Jim Shirk moved to approve the TIP Update and the TIP Priority List and move it forward to the TPO Board for consideration; seconded by Peter Davitt. The Voice vote passes unanimously.

VI. OLD BUSINESS & NEW BUSINESS (Timestamp 0:37:43)

- A. It was noted that the Status Report was removed.** Katrina Corcoran reiterated that this item was the Live Grow Thrive 2045. The survey is open on the website. If anyone has any questions, they can feel free to contact her.

- B. July Tri-County BPAC and Retreat:** The Tri-County meeting is on July 27th and the July Retreat for this committee is on the same day. Would like to know if it should be held before or after the Tri-County meeting or move the retreat to July 13th or 20th? The retreat location is still up in the air. Hillsborough is hosting the Tri-County meeting. Jim Shirk noted that the Sierra Club has a small budget that could supply refreshments. Katrina Corcoran brought up that there could be a joint bike ride planned as well.
- C. Jason Jackman:** Bike/Walk Tampa is helping the UACDC with the iCAN program which is a bike program for people with disabilities the week of June 13th, noted that they are looking for volunteers for the program. <https://icanshine.org/ican-bike-tampa-fl/>
- D. Tim Horst:** Noted that he would like to see a social meeting sometime in the next month or two. Jonathan Forbes reminded everyone that any event of the BPAC would need to be organized and noticed according to the Sunshine Laws.
- E. Next meeting is on June 22, 2022.**

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:22 PM

A recording of this meeting may be viewed at:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCsojHyZb_mkYIU3o32Tbg4w/videos

Emailed Public Comment:

And later once all questions and concerns are satisfied: we will ask the HC/BPAC in the future to endorse this project -



The following was pitched this week to the Hillsborough County Tourist Development Council:

“ My name is neil cosentino I am a member of a small Hillsborough County based, all-volunteer, self-funded, public-interest think tank and a retired USAF fighter pilot.

My mission today is to introduce you to a new Green Tourism project and clean energy enterprise.

But First we thank you all - for all you do for County Tourism...which adds to our quality of life and standard of living mission...it is truly appreciated.

Camelot Florida has come to the TDC before - Jan Platt credited us with saving the Gandy Bridge and developing the Friendship trail and we were successful with TDC funding in getting Florida Hillsborough for the first time into the bid for the 2012 Olympics.

We like to think that started Tampa on a Roll.

We are here again with another first - an ICONIC GREEN UNICORN Tourism attraction.

- The Green Unicorn project that has three big wins:

Hillsborough Green Tourism - heads-in-beds WINS

We Hillsborough Taxpayers - WIN

Our Planet Spaceship Earth - WINS

We are all winners by Repurposing the I-275 Northbound Howard Frankland Bridge into a Green Tourism, Energy, Mobility and Recreation Venue.



The following was sent to you yesterday by the TDC staff.

We know how busy you are so I quickly review the highlights of why we should repurpose the Bridge, install a PV clean energy canopy and operate the bridge as a venue that supports Green Tourism.

The bridge is valued at over \$300,000,000 and is scheduled to be demolish at a cost of over \$35,000,000 when the new southbound 8 lane bridge opens in 2025 if on time.

The Bridge is 60' wide and 2.5 miles long and safe the day it closes for a maximum number of 40 ton vehicles on each span - dynamic loading.

The bridge has an FDOT 7 health and sufficiency rating at near 90% and will be rated at well-over 100% ... the repurposed bridge is being planned for a static and dynamic load limits of only 4 tons on each span.

One plan includes forming a Public-Private-Partnership (a P3) like that used by the TPA and TECO for us to install a 60' wide 2.5 + mile solar arrays canopy that will shade the new Green Cross Bay Tourism pedestrian and bike trail.

Sale of the clean energy (Kilowatt Currency) will pay to maintain the Green Tourism related bridge and operations.

If the chair would allow me I can quickly review the 26 win associated with the project? "

Thank you for this opportunity are there any questions?



This is a list of the many WINS when we repurpose the bridge:

- Saves \$35,000,000 (bridge demolition cost)
- Saves a \$300,000,000 public asset the Northbound I-275 bridge
- Income from the sale of clean solar energy from the Solar Array
- Bridge canopy used to operate and maintain the venue
- Income from 24/7 Clean Energy from on the bridge pull over charging stations for Ecars, Eboats, Edrones...
- Bridge venue events. I.e., flea markets, fishing, art festivals, water sports...
- Increases our County/Metro Green foot print
- Decreases our County/Metro Area Carbon foot print
- Increases our County Metro Resiliency

- Increases our County/Metro Sustainability
- Increases rain water recovery
- Decreases Tampa Bay water pollution
- Creates a new shade covered bike & pedestrian trail
- Establishes an alternative route adds Hurricane evacuation lanes
- Provides an alternative route for bridge accidents closures
- Provides an alternate Tampa Bay crossing bridge for maintenance and repairs
- Provides an ICONIC tourism and visitor attraction
- Establishes a new business model for the production and sale of clean energy
- Provides a clean energy test bed site for low wind generators
- Provides a clean energy test bed site for for the harvesting of clean tidal energy
- Provides a testing site for increasing the longevity of concrete bridge in saltwater
- Provides new Clean Energy Jobs
- Provides for the development of Kilowatt Currency vs Bitcoin Crypto-NFTs
- Helps cool Spaceship Earth-One-Bridge-at-a-Time
- Creates a world-wide world-class clean energy venue
- Cyclists win a new Cross Tampa Bay bike trail
- Supports Green Tourism
- Super Venue for IRONMAN/WOMEN competition?



This is a WWW list ...a What Will Win list:

What is needed to save \$335,000,000+ & Repurpose the bridge:

- A SOS Bridge Team
- A Campaign Plan
- A SOS Website
- Social media for SOS
- A Fund Raising campaign
- Engineers - Electrical & Civil

Legal - Business Contracts

Media Campaign Managers

A Documentary film “ Saving Spaceship Earth One Bridge at a Time “

Prayers

LUCK

Endorsements from government agencies,,,

Other ?

We thank you for your consideration,

neil

Camelot Florida

The SOS Bridge Project

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The Tampa Bay Public-Private-Partnership (P3) will provide leadership in the production & sale of clean energy.

Our hope is that both Hillsborough and Pinellas TDCs and others will in time - endorse the project.

FMI and the help SOS Array Bridge & Trail

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Hillsborough TPO Transportation Planning Organization

Board & Committee Agenda Item

Agenda Item

Public Participation Plan Amendments (2022)

Presenter

Davida Franklin, TPO staff

Summary

Engaging the public is critical to the Transportation Planning Organization's (TPO) success. Working with the community ensures TPO plans, and products better reflect the public's values and preferences. The Public Participation Plan (PPP) helps balance the professional and technical expertise brought to projects with the community's input and helps the TPO gain the broad support needed to ensure that transportation plans and programs are implemented.

At least once every two years, the TPO reviews its public participation and produces a Measure of Effectives (MOE) Report. The MOE was presented to committees last month and recommendations were made to improve the PPP:

- Increase digital and social media tools to increase engagement
- Institutionalize proactive outreach for TIP amendments
- Provide clarity about the TPO's roles and responsibilities in the planning process
- Use focus groups more often and consider target demographics
- Build culture awareness

Those changes will be highlighted in today's presentation and help set the stage for engaging the public in the update of the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) to the year 2050.

Recommended Action

Approve the Public Participation Plan Amendments

Prepared By

Davida Franklin, TPO staff

Attachments

[Presentation slides](#)

[2020 Public Participation Plan](#)



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