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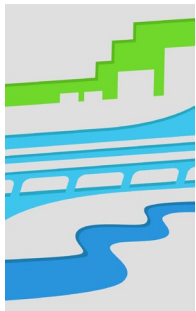
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Meeting of the Citizens Advisory Committee

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| I. Call to Order & Introductions | 6:00 |
| II. Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum (Cheryl Wilkening, TPO staff) | |
| III. Chairman's Request: <i>Per the TPO Bylaws, all speakers are asked to address only the presiding Chair for recognition; confine their remarks to the question under debate; and avoid personalities or indecorous language or behavior.</i> | |
| IV. Public Comment - 3 minutes per speaker, please | 6:10 |
| <i>Public comments are welcome and may be given at this meeting virtually by logging onto the website above and clicking the "raise hand" button. Staff will unmute you when the chair recognizes you.</i> | |
| V. Chair's Report | 6:15 |
| VI. Minutes | |
| A. Approval of Minutes (March 1, 2023) | 6:20 |
| VII. Action Items | |
| A. TIP Amendment: W Boy Scout Blvd & US 301 Traffic Signalization and Intersection Improvements (Roger Mathie, TPO Staff) | 6:25 |

- B. Performance Targets for Pavement & Bridge Condition and Travel Time Reliability (Connor MacDonald, TPO Staff) 6:40

VIII. Status Reports

- A. Special Presentation on Bike Boulevards (Chris Vela, Citizen Advocate) 7:00
- B. Connected Vehicle Pilot Results (Bob Frey and Dr. Sisinnio Concas, THEA) 7:15
- C. City of Tampa Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant Implementation (Alex Henry, City of Tampa) 7:35

IX. Unfinished Business & New Business 7:50

- A. Next CAC meeting: May 3, 2023
- B. Status of CAC Vacancies and Bylaws Amendment
- C. Draft CAC Resolution Regarding Partner Agency Participation in the Committee Process

X. Members' Interests & Future Topic Requests 7:55

XI. Adjournment

XII. Addendum

- A. TPO Summary and Committee Reports
- B. Attendance Roster
- C. Future Land Use Public Meeting Flyer

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**HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY
TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HYBRID MEETING OF MARCH 1, 2023**

I. Call to Order

Chair Fernandez called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

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

Members Present In-Person: Rick Fernandez, Steven Hollenkamp, Bill Roberts, James Davison, Carolyn Brown, Christine Acosta, Don Skelton, Ed Mierzejewski, Terrance Trott, Joshua Frank

Members Present Virtually: Hoyte Prindle, Sherri Southwell, Aiah Yassin, Artie Fryer

Members Absent/ Excused: Nicole Rice, Sharon Gaumont, Nicholas Glover

Others Present In-Person and Virtually: Johnny Wong, Priya Nagaraj, Roger Mathie, Vishaka Shiva Raman, Elizabeth Watkins, Davida Franklin, Beneeta Jose, Cheryl Wilkening, Gail Reese (TPO Staff)

A. (Timestamp 0:02:22)

An in-person quorum was met. **James Davison moved to allow remote participation by members attending virtually; seconded by Bill Roberts. The voice vote passes unanimously.**

III. Chairman's Request: Per the TPO Bylaws, all speakers are asked to address only the presiding Chair for recognition; confine their remarks to the question under debate and avoid personalities or indecorous language or behavior.

IV. Public Comment (Timestamp 0:02:49) – None

V. Approval of Minutes (Timestamp 0:03:13) – February 1, 2023

Steven Hollenkamp moves to approve minutes from February 1, 2023; seconded by James Davison.

Amended language presented by Johnny Wong was incorporated into the February 1, 2023 minutes on March 3, 2023 by recorder.

Christine Acosta moved to approve the minutes from February 1, 2023 as amended, seconded by Carolyn Brown. The voice vote passed unanimously.

VI. Chair's Report (Rick Fernandez, Chair CAC) *(Timestamp 0:07:40)*

- Let the committee members know how to get into Constant Contact for notification on TPO Policy and Board meetings if they wish.
- Noted that there was information included as an addendum to Robert's Rules of Order.
- Committee introductions

VII. Action Items

A. TIP Amendment: HART Bus Stop Capital Improvements (Roger Mathie, TPO Staff) *(Timestamp 0:12:04)*

- Reviewed project summary – additional \$5 million for bus stop improvements.
 - Went over dollar itemization.
 - Went over some of the ADA improvements proposed.
- Went over Public Outreach of this amendment.

Recommended Action: Approve TIP Amendment to add new federal funds for HART Bus Stop Capital Improvements and forward to the TPO Board for approval.

Presentation: [TIP Amendments February 2023](#)

Discussion:

It was noted that this report was missing the list of bus stops that were going to be improved and what specific improvements would be made. It was questioned if the improvements would include the surrounding area or the bust stop area only and if they would be ADA improvements only. It was asked if the FTA funds are part of the 2021 Infrastructure Act.

The CAC requested the original inventory study and asked for further clarification if the funds would be used to develop the list of stops to be improved and what phase the project is in at this time. It was brought up how the stops not being addressed would be handled in the future. The CAC requested that a HART representative come to a future meeting to address the questions.

James Davison moved to approve the TIP Amendment to add new federal funds for HART Bus Stop Capital Improvements and forward to the TPO Board for approval with the caveat that HART supply the information as stated; seconded by Terrance Trott. The voice vote passes unanimously.

Discussion:

It was noted that the funding is coming from a House Resolution Bill.

The CAC requested that future TIP Amendments be presented with the phase of the project and whether or not the project is past the "point of no return". Additionally, the committee requested that agency representatives be on hand to answer questions relating to the projects being presented in the TIP Amendments and that the CAC be provided the TIP Amendment information 14 days prior to the committee meeting.

The roll call vote passed 8 to 6.

Joshua Frank requested that the CAC pass the resolution regarding TIP Amendment presentations. There a was discussion it could be presented today. It was offered that a resolution be drafted up for the next meeting and provided to the committee members two weeks prior for review.

Aiah Yassin moved that TPO Staff prepare language for the resolution. There was no second to this motion.

Frustration was expressed that the agencies requesting TIP Amendments and other presentations are not available at the meetings for questions. Joshua Frank noted that he will draft a resolution for the next CAC meeting.

VIII. Status Reports

A. Gandy Boulevard Bridge PD&E (Dr. Johnny Wong, TPO Staff on behalf of Craig Fox, FDOT) *(Timestamp 0:46:19)*

- Review of the project area, the purpose, and the need for the project.
- Project is broken into three segments.
- Important east-west corridor in Pinellas and Hillsborough Counties.
- Went over typical existing lanes.
- Reviewed the preferred typical sections for each of the segments.
 - Include elevated and at-grade roadways.
- Looked at access management, stormwater management, and floodplain compensation.
- The environmental effects are being looked at in four categories.
- The proposed plan is consistent with the long-range transportation plans of Forward Pinellas and Hillsborough County.
- Reviewed the timeline, schedule, costs and funding schedule.

Project Website: [439549-1-52-01 US 92 \(Gandy Bridge\) over Old Tampa Bay \(fdottampabay.com\)](https://www.fdot.com/projects/439549-1-52-01-US-92-Gandy-Bridge-over-Old-Tampa-Bay)

Discussion:

It noted that this PD&E is using LOS failure as a metric. And saying that Level of Service is deficient may not justify \$800 million of funding. It was asked how LOS was being measured. It was brought up that this has been done before with the Friendship Trail Bridge. That bridge was from the 1920s and this bridge is from the 1970s. It was asked if there has been any consideration to keep the old part of the Gandy Bridge for the multi-use trail. There have been incidences of part of the bridge falling and FDOT is not considering keeping it. It was noted that the presentation is not on the project website. Concern was expressed for what is going to be on the Hillsborough County end and whether it would be used to expand roads down the line. Frustration was expressed that FDOT was not present to answer the questions. It was noted that there is a lot of capacity on the Pinellas side and not much on the Hillsborough side. That does not look like it is going to work very well. It was brought up that when THEA proposed the elevated section on the Gandy, the

underneath area was going to be “neighborhoody”; it did not turn out that way. For the 6 – 12-foot multi-use sidewalk, it was noted that at 6 feet, it won’t be much good for anything. Concern was expressed that this project is going to be more of the same. Clarification was asked about the timeline. Funding is there for the Pinellas side only at this time. It was asked how this is going to help with the increasing population in the area. This plan is looking at where we are now and not where the county is going. Acknowledgment was given that the evening time of the meeting may be prohibiting agency representatives to be at this meeting. Analysis of the accuracy of the model being used by FDOT for their projects would be good to see on the projects. It was noted that this is a study and that there will likely be public engagement after the study is done. The questions being asked today should be considered during the study.

B. 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan Initial Steps (Vishaka Shiva Raman and Elizabeth Watkins, TPO Staff) *(Timestamp 1:15:23)*

- Section 1 – Initial Steps
 - Provided background on what the LRTP is – updated every five years and it is a twenty-five-year plan.
 - Looked at the 2020 map with the population and employment.
 - Went over the population and employment growth and projections to 2050 by jurisdictions.
 - Showed the map showing the projections of where traffic volume will be in 2050 and went over the timeline of the update.
 - The three major pieces of the update are Public Engagement, cost Feasible Scenarios (local and regional), and Forecasting System Performance in 2050
 - Reviewed the major areas, what is needed, and how much it costs. Also look at freight needs and equity needs.
- Section 2 – Revenue Forecast
 - Went over how it is estimated what the community can afford – federal, state, and local.
 - Looked at an example of possible project funding based on specific revenues.
 - Showed existing funding sources.
 - Went over possible unlevied sources for future consideration.
- Showed overview of Next Steps

Presentation: [2050 Long Range Transportation Plan Initial Steps and Revenue Forecast](#)

Discussion:

It was asked if there is a part of the process where TPO Staff is looking for outside-the-box ideas such as part of Unincorporated County becoming Incorporated and managing their funds. It was noted that incorporating is up to those areas. It was brought up that the difference with a sales tax is about \$4 million. The current funding data is looking at old schedules that don’t exist today. There are several items that are not included in the schedule. Transportation should be put in before the development occurs instead of bringing transportation in after the development occurs.

C. Regional Planning in the Tampa Bay Transportation Management Area (TMA) (Elizabeth Watkins, TPO Staff) (*Timestamp 1:45:13*)

- Regional transportation planning coordination between Tampa-St. Petersburg Transportation Management Area since the early 1990s – Sun Coast Transportation Planning Alliance (SCTPA)
 - The TMA Leadership Group is a subcommittee of the SCTPA which includes elected officials from the Hillsborough, Pasco, and Pinellas MPO/TPOs
- Interlocal agreement between the Hernando, Hillsborough, Pasco, and Pinellas MPO/TPOs specify the roles and responsibilities of the regional planning process such as:
 - Regional long-range transportation plan with needs and affordable projects
 - Regional project prioritization process and ranked order list
 - Air quality consultative process
 - Regional public involvement plan
 - Annual evaluations of the regional process as a part of the annual MPO/TPO certifications
- The March 24th TMA Leadership Group – will discuss regional transportation planning and the preliminary investigation of merging the Hillsborough, Pasco, and Pinellas MPO/TPOs.
 - Looked at the potential timeline.
 - Went over several topics of consideration.
 - Review of a proportional representation scenario.

Presentation: [Regional Planning in the Tampa Bay TMA](#)

Discussion:

It was brought up that there is a proposal on the table right now to merge the MPOs in two years; which is potentially inconsistent with the Federal Code of Regulations. It seems that there is a pressing issue that someone wants us gone. It was expressed that merging the MPOs is concerning; growing agencies to be bigger doesn't bring better results. It was noted that there are a lot of people out there reserved for abolishing the local MPOs and that the driver is the state and FDOT. It was asked if there has been any consideration if it would be better to have a separate body with equal representation among the counties to that group from the local MPOs. Getting multiple counties to agree on things is going to be very difficult. It was suggested that the Hillsborough County representatives stress the link between land use and transportation but keep them separate. It was also suggested that Hillsborough County be the first to develop a regional plan. Clarification was asked if the TMA meeting on the 24th would be available for public comment. Yes. It was brought up that having a regional approach from a transit perspective may make sense. Having a local approach would best serve the areas. It was noted that the current TPO Board is having challenges with the current apportionment plan and how would that impact a regional Board.

IX. Unfinished Business & New Business

- A. Next CAC Meeting: April 5, 2023**
- B. Status of CAC Vacancies and Bylaws Amendment**
- C. Subscription to Receive Committee & Board Agendas**

X. Members Interests & Future Topic Requests

XI. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:01 PM

A recording of this meeting may be viewed at:

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

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Transportation Planning Organization

Board & Committee Agenda Item

Agenda Item:

TIP Amendment: W Boy Scout Blvd & US 301 Traffic Signalization and Intersection Improvements

Presenter:

Roger Mathie, TPO Staff

Summary:

This TIP amendment will impact two projects, noted below:

- 449852 - 1 Boy Scout Blvd signalization, lighting, signage, and pavement markings
- 450693 - 1 US 301 signalization, lighting, signage, and pavement markings

The intersection of W Boy Scout Blvd at Manhattan Ave is one of the top safety priorities identified in the TIP priority list. The newly programmed funds will signalize the intersection and stripe it appropriately to allow for safer traffic flow. Traffic signals will offer emergency vehicle preemption to accommodate responses from the nearby fire station. Other improvements include pedestrian crossings, new lighting, and signage.

Three intersections along US 301 – Harney Rd, Stacy Rd, and McIntosh Rd - will be signalized. Additional improvements include new lighting to enhance the safety of bicyclists and pedestrians, and crosswalks to facilitate access to the Fort King Trail.

These projects will not be accelerated into the FY23 TIP but will instead be programmed in FY24. The purpose of this TIP Amendment is to secure federal authorization from FHWA and approve the FY24 funding amount prior to the estimated letting date of the projects, which is tentatively scheduled for November 15, 2023.

Recommended Action:

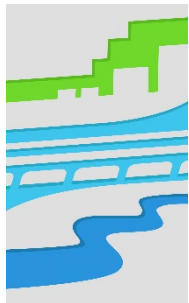
Approve the TIP Amendment to add new federal funds for W Boy Scout Blvd & US301 traffic signalization and intersection improvements.

Prepared By:

Roger Mathie, TPO Staff

Attachments:

1. [Comparative Report](#)
2. [Presentation slides](#)



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Board & Committee Agenda Item

Agenda Item:

Performance Targets for Pavement & Bridge Condition and Travel Time Reliability

Presenter:

Connor MacDonald, TPO Staff

Summary:

Under MAP-21 and FAST Act legislation, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) requires state DOTs and MPOs to adopt performance targets for pavement and bridge conditions and travel time reliability-related measures every four years.

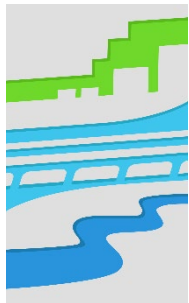
The *Pavement & Bridge* condition rule from the FHWA became effective on May 20, 2017, and established performance measures to assess the condition of pavements and bridges on the National Highway System (NHS). The rule requires State DOTs and MPOs to set targets related to the percentage of pavements on the Interstate System in both good and poor condition, the percentage of pavements on the Non-Interstate NHS system in both good and poor condition, and the percentage of NHS bridges in both good and poor condition.

On December 16, 2022, FDOT established the following 2025 targets for which TPO staff is recommending that we support:

- Interstate NHS Pavements: $\geq 60\%$ in Good condition
- Interstate NHS Pavements: $\leq 5\%$ in Poor condition
- Non-interstate NHS Pavements: $\geq 40\%$ in Good condition
- Non-interstate NHS Pavements: $\leq 5\%$ in Poor condition
- NHS Bridges: $\geq 50\%$ in Good condition
- NHS Bridges: $\leq 10\%$ in Poor condition

The System Performance rule from the FHWA became effective on May 20, 2017. This rule establishes performance measures to assess the travel time reliability on the NHS. Specifically, the rule requires DOTs and MPOs to set targets related to the percentage of the Interstate network considered reliable for vehicles, the percentage of non-Interstate NHS considered reliable for vehicles, and the percentage of the Interstate network deemed reliable for freight.

On December 16, 2022, FDOT established statewide targets for these measures. While the Hillsborough TPO supports the statewide goal of improving travel time reliability, staff is recommending the TPO to establish the following targets based on existing levels of investment in congestion mitigation projects and forecasts of future traffic conditions:



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- Interstate Level of Travel Time Reliability: $\geq 65.6\%$
- Non-Interstate NHS Level of Travel Time Reliability: $\geq 90.1\%$
- Interstate NHS Truck Travel Time Reliability Index Score: ≤ 1.94

The TPO Board prioritizes projects for funding, including those identified in the State of Good Repair and Smart Cities categories, which may improve the condition of pavements and bridges, and system reliability. By approving the recommended action, the TPO will commit to continue prioritizing projects in the Transportation Improvement Program that can make progress toward achieving the aforementioned performance targets.

Recommended Action:

Approve the Pavement & Bridge Condition and System Performance Targets and support communication to FDOT and TMA Leadership Group.

Prepared By:

Connor MacDonald, TPO Staff

Attachments:

1. Letter to FDOT regarding performance targets
2. [Presentation slides](#)



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April 12, 2023

Mr. Mike Neidhart
Metropolitan Planning Administrator
Florida Department of Transportation
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RE: Performance Targets for Pavement & Bridge Condition and System Performance Measures

Dear Mike,

On April 12, 2023, the Hillsborough Transportation Planning Organization established performance targets for the Pavement & Bridge Condition and System Performance Rules to comply with the requirements of the MAP-21 and FAST Act.

The Hillsborough TPO agreed to support FDOT's statewide pavement & bridge condition targets, while electing to set its own system performance targets for travel time reliability, as indicated below:

- $\geq 65.6\%$ Interstate Travel Time Reliability
- $\geq 90.1\%$ Non-interstate NHS Travel Time Reliability
- ≤ 1.94 Truck Travel Time Reliability Index

With this action, the TPO is agreeing to plan and program projects in the Transportation Improvement Program that will, once implemented, make progress toward achieving the adopted targets.

We support the efforts of FDOT to implement performance-based planning and programming. We believe that these measures provide a uniform calculus by which to identify both strengths and weaknesses of the national transportation system, to increase accountability and transparency of the Federal-Aid Highway Program, and to improve decision-making through performance-based planning and programming.

In recognition of the exemplary efforts made by FDOT District 7 to maintain NHS pavements & bridges in a condition which exceeds the statewide target, we write to request that our District 7 partners continue to maintain these vital assets in a good state of repair. We also request that funding be made available in the FDOT Work Program to support operational and other improvements which may alleviate bottlenecks and improve travel time reliability on the National Highway System. A number of projects which could make a difference, and which are ready for funding

and implementation, are identified on the Hillsborough TPO's Transportation Improvement Program priority list, which is attached for reference.

Sincerely,

Beth Alden, AICP
TPO Executive Director

Cc: David Gwynn, FDOT District 7 Secretary
Suzanne Monk, FDOT District 7

Attachments: 1. Federal Performance Measures and Targets
2. TIP Priority List



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Board & Committee Agenda Item

Agenda Item:

Special Presentation on Bike Boulevards

Presenter:

Chris Vela, Tampa Bay Citizens' Academy on Transportation

Summary:

Bicycle boulevards are streets with low motorized traffic volumes and speeds, designated and designed to give bicycle travel priority. Bicycle Boulevards use signs, pavement markings, and speed and volume management measures to discourage through trips by motor vehicles and create safe, convenient bicycle crossings of busy arterial streets.

Chris Vela, a bicycle and pedestrian advocate affiliated with the Tampa Bay Citizens' Academy on Transportation, presents a lower-cost approach to develop a network of bicycle boulevards in Hillsborough County. His concept emphasizes the use of existing shaded, low-speed, continuous two-lane roads that go through urban neighborhoods, instead of around them.

Recommended Action:

None, for information only.

Prepared By:

Ben Gordon, TPO Staff

Attachments:

[Presentation slides](#)



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Board & Committee Agenda Item

Agenda Item:

Connected Vehicle Pilot Results

Presenter:

Bob Frey, AICP - THEA Planning Director and Sisinnio Concas, Ph.D. - CUTR

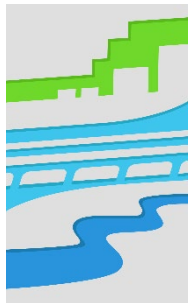
Summary:

Tampa, Florida, is one of the first cities in the nation to deploy connected vehicle technology on real city streets. Pedestrians, and automobile drivers in downtown Tampa experience transportation challenges on a daily basis. For example, inbound commuters on the Lee Roy Selmon Expressway's Reversible Express Lanes encounter significant delays and, too often, rear-end crashes during morning peak periods. Vehicle/ pedestrian conflicts are commonplace, especially at a busy mid-block crosswalk near the Hillsborough County Courthouse. Drivers and pedestrians also conflict with buses and streetcars that traverse the central business district. The combination of pedestrians, bicyclists, automobiles, and even a cruise ship terminal makes downtown Tampa an environment ripe for new transportation solutions.

Tampa Hillsborough Expressway Authority (THEA) deployed a unique multimodal, pedestrian and privately owned automobiles program aimed at helping Tampa realize its Vision Zero goals and provided greater access to downtown. The THEA Connected Vehicle (CV) Pilot equipped hundreds of privately owned vehicles with technology that enables them to communicate with each other and with elements of the transportation infrastructure. Individual drivers get in-vehicle safety alerts. The goals for the CV Pilot were to:

- Increase safety by eliminating crashes and reducing traffic conflicts.
- Enhance mobility by improving travel time and travel time reliability.
- Help sustain the environment by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases.
- Contribute to the development of regulations in the CV space.
- Transform the experience of the drivers and pedestrians.

The THEA CV Pilot began in 2015, when the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) awarded THEA a \$22 million contract as part of its Connected Vehicle Pilot Deployment Program. In 2021, USDOT authorized THEA and its partners to proceed with the next phase – collaboration with auto manufacturers and road operators to provide the next evolution of delivering safer transportation. THEA worked together with Honda Development & Manufacturing of America, LLC (HDMA), Hyundai America Technical Center, Inc. (HATCI) and Toyota Motor North America to deploy vehicles with connected vehicle technology to provide safer and smarter mobility solutions in Tampa Bay to meet the region's unique transportation needs.



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THEA's implementation team includes Honda Development & Manufacturing of America, LLC (HDMA), LLC, Hyundai America Technical Center, Inc. (HATCI), Toyota Motor North America, DENSO, HNTB, Siemens, the University of South Florida Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR), Brandmotion and Playbook Public Relations. Other key partners include the Florida Department of Transportation, the City of Tampa, the Hillsborough Area Regional Transit Authority (HART) and HNTB.

This presentation is to provide an overview of the project as well as findings and results of the CV Pilot.

Recommended Action:

None. For information only.

Prepared By:

Allison Yeh, TPO Staff

Attachments:

[Connected Vehicle Pilot Results](#)



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Board & Committee Agenda Item

Agenda Item:

City of Tampa Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant Implementation

Presenter:

City of Tampa Representative

Summary:

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law established a new Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) program providing \$5 billion in grants over the next 5 years. The SS4A supports initiatives that prevent roadway deaths and serious injuries. Both the City of Tampa and Hillsborough County were successful in being awarded nearly \$40 million to make streets safer for bicyclists and pedestrians.

Today the City of Tampa will highlight the projects they plan to build using the \$20 million they are receiving for their T-SAFE: Tampa — Systemic Applications for Equity effort. The money will be used to install pedestrian mid-block crosswalks, backplates with reflective borders that improve the visibility of traffic signals, flashing beacons, high visibility crosswalks and signs along the city's road network. Tampa also will install new sidewalks and implement safety measures — like street light upgrades, separated bike lanes and school speed zone flashers — near several schools, parks and transit routes.

Recommended Action:

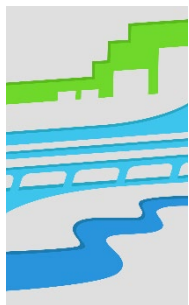
None. For information only.

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Attachments:

[T-Safe. Tampa Systemic Applications for Equity](#)



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Draft CAC resolution regarding partner agency participation in the committee process
Josh Frank, 3/8/2023
For CAC circulation & consideration

WHEREAS, the citizens advisory committee recognizes the importance of agency participation in ensuring the success of our community's projects and initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the citizens advisory committee also recognizes the need for transparency and accountability in all project updates and action items; and

WHEREAS, the citizens advisory committee acknowledges the challenges that can arise when agency representatives are not present or when there is a lack of reliable agency participation;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the citizens advisory committee requests that agencies commit to sending a designated representative to all meetings where action items or project updates will be discussed. The representative should be knowledgeable about the project or initiative and be able to provide valuable insights and information to the committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the citizens advisory committee requests that agencies provide regular updates on the progress of projects or initiatives and that these updates be made available to the committee in a timely manner.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if an agency fails to send a designated representative to two or more consecutive meetings where action items or project updates are discussed without prior notification and a valid reason, the agency will be subject to penalties, such as delay in project approval or automatic unanimous recommendation of denial.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the citizens advisory committee will work with agencies to establish a protocol for reliable agency participation and communication, and will provide feedback and support to agencies to help ensure the success of community projects and initiatives.

**HILLSBOROUGH TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION BOARD
HYBRID MEETING MARCH 8, 2023
DRAFT MINUTES**

I. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance *(Timestamp 0:00:13)*

Commissioner Myers, called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM and led the pledge of allegiance. The meeting was held in person and virtually via WebEx.

II. Roll Call *(Gail Reese, TPO Staff) (Timestamp 0:00:42)*

The following members were present in person: Commissioner Gwen Myers, Mayor Andrew Ross, Commissioner Michael Owen (out at 10:20 AM), Commissioner Joshua Wostal, Commissioner Pat Kemp, Commissioner Henry Cohen, Councilmember Joseph Citro, Council Member Lynn Hurtak, Councilmember Guido Maniscalco, Mayor Nate Kilton, Charles Klug, Joe Lopano, Greg Slater, Adalee Le Grand, Planning Commissioner Hemant Saria

The following members were present virtually: None

The following members were absent/excused: Board Member Jessica Vaughn

A quorum was met in person.

A. Vote of Consent for Remote Member Participation.

Not necessary, no remote participation.

III. Approval of Minutes *(Timestamp 0:01:30)* – February 8, 2023.

Chair Myers sought a motion to approve the February 8, 2023 minutes. Mayor Ross so moved, seconded by Commissioner Wostal; the voice vote passes unanimously.

IV. Public Comment on Agenda Items *(Timestamp 0:01:43)* (30 minutes total, with up to 3 minutes per speaker) Additional comments made via [Social Media](#) and [Email](#) can be found at the end of these minutes.

- **Bemetra Simmons** – President and CEO of The Tampa Bay Partnership, a coalition of business owners and not-for-profit leaders. Spoke in support of a regional MPO between Pascoe, Pinellas, and Hillsborough Counties. The local conditions are prime for looking at this. Hillsborough County did not pass the transportation referendum, Representative Castor has Hillsborough and Pinellas as part of her Congressional District and the changes of control for both Hillsborough and Pinellas' Commission. The transportation need is great, there is a large population growth, transportation times are increased, and many residents already move between the counties. If the merger were to happen, it would create the largest MPO in the state. It would allow for a unified front for projects and state and federal funds. Noted that FDOT recently completed a study that showed that for every dollar that goes into the state transportation system, five dollars is returned to the state economy. Currently, with the three MPOs, it is difficult to get a consensus on projects and the funding is split. The West Shore Interchange is a good example of moving projects forward

with a unified approach. Encouraged the TPO Board to take a look at the merger of the three MPOs.

V. Committee Reports & Advance Comments (Rick Fernandez, CAC Chair; Davida Franklin, TPO Staff; and Beth Alden, TPO Executive Director) (*Timestamp 0:04:43*)

A. CAC – March 1, 2023 (Rick Fernandez, CAC Chair)

- Maintaining meetings of 2 hours from 6P – 8P. Extended invitation to Board members to attend. 14 members were in attendance.
- Approved
 - TIP Amendments on the TPO Board agenda today, HART Capital Improvements. Was presented by TPO Staff with no HART representative in attendance. Passed 8 – 6. Noted that the committee had several concerns and requested that HART attend a meeting to address the concerns. Noted some of the concerns.
 - Noted that the committee requested additional time for action items.
- Status Reports
 - Gandy Boulevard PD&E. Concerns for project purpose and need and it is based on LOS. Capacity may negatively impact bike/ped mobility and movement in West Shore. It was asked that the old portion of the bridge be repaired.
 - 2050 LRTP first steps. Develop realistic funding sources, and the possibility of areas of the unincorporated county being incorporated.
 - Regional Planning in the Tampa Bay Transportation Management Area. There was discussion around possible solutions and some members oppose a merger; it was noted that the TMA could consider a Senate model or limit the TMA scope to regional focus only.

B. TAC – March 6, 2023 (Davida Franklin, TPO Staff)

- Approved
 - TIP Amendment, HART Capital Improvements.
- Status Reports
 - Tampa Hillsborough Expressway Authority Connected Vehicle Pilot Study.
 - Florida Department of Transportation Rail System Plan and MPOAC Freight./Rail Committee Updates.
 - Received an update on the City of Tampa’s Safe Streets for All Grant Implementation Program.

C. LRC – February 15, 2023 (Davida Franklin, TPO Staff)

- Status Reports
 - 2023 Safety Performance Targets
 - Hillsborough County Van Dyke Road PD&E and Design Project
 - The City of Tampa Micromobility Update
 - FDOT Resurfacing, Restoration, and Rehabilitation Safety Improvement Process
 - Gandy Boulevard Bridge PD&E

D. BPAC – February 22, 2023 (Davida Franklin, TPO Staff)

- Status Updates
 - The City of Tampa Micromobility Update
 - FDOT Resurfacing, Restoration, and Rehabilitation Safety Improvement Process

- Walk Bike, Safety Outreach on HIN with Geofencing
- 2023 Safety Performance Targets
- Gandy Boulevard Bridge PD&E

E. TDCB – February 24, 2023

- Action Items
 - Attendance Review and Election of Officers
 - TD Legislative Day Message
 - McClain Inc., Coordination Contract
- Status Reports
 - Sunshine Line Update
 - 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan Initial Steps

F. TPO Policy – March 8, 2023 (Beth Alden, TPO Director)

- Developed proposed methodology to recruit for the Executive Director position. Meghan Betourney walked through the methodology. A timeline and job description were provided. Noted that volunteers are being sought to interview the position finalists. Looking for an odd number of panelists.

Discussion:

It was asked if there is going to be a large enough pool of applicants based on the qualifications. Some of the preferred qualifications were moved from required. It was noted that the timeline may preclude a relocation candidate with children and move it up if possible. The Policy Committee noted that they would like additional overlap as well. On the minimum qualifications, it was noted that candidates may not be part of an MPO or FDOT planning function experience. It was suggested that “other relevant experience” be added to the requirements in order to have a larger pool. It was noted that MPO planning is very specific and that someone with that experience is needed. The suggested language following the five years experience part, the words “or equivalent” be added. It was noted that this position is about leadership and that the MPO or FDOT requirement should be moved to preferred. It was brought up that it would be good to have a member of the CAC on the hiring committee. Mr. Clark noted that all discussions will need to be in the Sunshine; there is no problem with that but the TPO Board needs to have full confidence in the hiring panel. It was decided that there would be public comment allowed during the hiring process.

The interview panel will consist of: Mayor Ross, Commissioner Myers, Commissioner Wostal, Councilmember Hurtak, Melissa Zornita

Suggested that Item B from the Consent Agenda be pulled off the consent agenda. The required qualification bullet point “a minimum requirement of five years of experience at an MPO or an FDOT Planning Function” be moved to preferred qualifications and add “or equivalent”.

Commissioner Cohen moved to incorporate the noted changes into the job description and to approve the plan for an Executive Director Search, second by Councilmember Maniscalco. The roll call vote passed 14 – 0.

G. Public Comments Received Through Email & Social Media (Davida Franklin, TPO Staff)

Comments received through email and social media

- Regarding the TIP amendment for HART Bus Stop Capital Improvements
 - **Mike Lamarca** - Are the current bus stops not part of HART CapEx?
 - **Hillsborough TPO** - Hey Mike! Good question! We have someone contacting HART for an answer and should have one soon. Thanks for asking! ~Davida
 - **Hillsborough TPO** - Hi again Mike! I have an answer: Current bus stops are part of HART CapEx. The \$5 million just speeds up the timeline for some stops. ~Davida
- Other comments:
 - Question about the Board's decision to withdraw the Reconnecting Communities Grant application
 - Concern about the way the meeting minutes reflect the decision to withdraw the grant
 - Opposition to Hillsborough County's participation in the discussion and business of merging or consolidating with other TPOs in the Tampa Bay Area.
- **Please note: Attachments referenced by the public commenters are included in the email Cheryl Wilkening sent to board members on March 7, 2023.** A copy of this information is available on request.

VI. Consent Agenda (Timestamp 0:40:38)

A. Committee Appointments

- TDCB – Deborah Lekenta (Local For-profit Transportation), Brett Gottschalk (Agency for Person with Disabilities)
- LRC – Brynn Dauphinais (Hillsborough County Development Services)

B. Wildlife Crossings Letter of Support and Coordination

C. Bylaws Amendment for Citizens Advisory Committee

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda made by Commissioner Cohen, seconded by Councilmember Maniscalco; the voice vote passed unanimously.

VII. Action Items

A. TIP Amendment: HART Bus Stop Capital Improvements (Roger Mathie, TPO Staff) (Timestamp 0:41:10)

- Reviewed project summary – additional \$5 million for bus stop improvements.
 - Went over dollar itemization.
 - Went over some of the ADA improvements proposed.
- Went over Public Outreach of this amendment.

Recommended Action: Approve TIP Amendment to add new federal funds for HART Bus Stop Capital Improvements and forward to the TPO Board for approval.

Presentation: [TIP Amendments February 2023](#)

Discussion:

It was noted that bus stop improvements are often thought to be a City Council item. These improvements are important for ADA but for general improvement. It was brought up that these improvements are desperately needed and are overdue. It was asked if there is a list of the first projects slated or if requests can be put in. Dwayne Brown from HART noted that there is a list of projects, ten are currently in design and those can be provided. Requests can be made and those will be taken into consideration. The priority is safety and also in ADA compliance. It was asked when additional funding can be expected. Each year there is a BTI budget each year; it is broken into separate categories including shelters. Ms. Le Grand stated that there are several priorities that have to be taken into consideration including safety and ADA compliance. In the five-year capital plan, there is funding every year toward this program. This is an ongoing program looking at aging facilities, an uptick in ridership, and stops that will be removed from the system. It was noted that it is going to take an additional \$30 million to really address the challenge of bus stops.

Councilmember Maniscalco moved to approve the TIP Amendments; seconded by Commissioner Kemp. Roll call vote passed 14 – 0.

B. General Planning Consultant Selection & Authorization to Negotiate (Meghan Betourney, TPO Staff) *(Timestamp 0:53:40)*

- Went over the purpose of the 2023 Consultant Procurement – complying with FHWA and FDOT direction, contracts will run through June 30, 2025.
- Review of the procurement process – call for GPCs ran for a month, early January to February 2023; 16 responses; 9 recommendations.
- Recommended Consultants

○ AECOM	○ Atkins	○ Benesch
○ Cambridge Systematics	○ Fehr & Peers	○ Gresham Smith
○ HDR	○ Kittelson	○ Mead & Hunt

- Sub-consultants

○ Madrid CPWG	○ Media Relations Group, LLC	○ Patel, Greene & Associates, LLC
○ Urban Planning Innovations, LLC	○ Vrana Consulting, Inc.	○ Wey Engineering, Inc
○ Gresham Smith, Inc.	○ RS&H, Inc.	○ EXP
○ Pritchett Steinbeck Group	○ All Traffic Data	○ WSP
○ Element Engineering Group	○ Greenman-Pedersen, Inc.	○ National Data & Surveying Services
○ CTS Engineering, Inc.	○ S&ME	○ Urban Planning Innovations
○ Quest Corporation of America	○ Florida Transportation Engineering, Inc.	○ Resilient Analytics, Inc.

○ Iteris, Inc.	○ Kimley-Horn & Associates	○ Stantec
○ InNovo	○ The Valerin Group	○ Adams Traffic, Inc.
○ Crawford, Murphy & Tilly	○ SB Friedman Development Advisors, LLC	○ Vistra
○ Quality Counts	○ Environmental Science Assoc.	

- Next Steps
 - Authorize staff to negotiate a contract with each of the recommended nine firms
 - Negotiated contracts will come back to the Board for approval, either t the May 10th or June 14th meetings

Recommended Action: Recommend the TPO authorize staff to negotiate a contract with each of the top-rated nine firms.

Presentation: [General Planning Consultant Selection & Authorization to Negotiate](#)

Councilmember Maniscalco moved to authorize staff to negotiate a contract with of the top-rated nine firms; seconded by Joe Lopano. The voice vote passes unanimously.

VIII. STATUS REPORTS

- A. **Regional Planning in the Tampa Bay Transportation Management Area (TMA)** (Elizabeth Watkins, TPO Staff) (*Timestamp 0:57:39*)
- The urbanized areas around Hillsborough County are growing and beginning to blend with each other.
 - Regional transportation planning coordination between Tampa-St. Petersburg Transportation Management Area since the early 1990s – Sun Coast Transportation Planning Alliance (SCTPA)
 - Went over the history of the SCTPA
 - The TMA Leadership Group is a subcommittee of the SCTPA which includes elected officials from the Hillsborough, Pasco, and Pinellas MPO/TPOs
 - Interlocal agreement between the Hernando, Hillsborough, Pasco, and Pinellas MPO/TPOs specify the roles and responsibilities of the regional planning process such as:
 - Regional long-range transportation plan with needs and affordable projects
 - Regional project prioritization process and ranked order list
 - Air quality consultative process
 - Regional public involvement plan
 - Annual evaluations of the regional process as a part of the annual MPO/TPO certifications
 - The March 24th TMA Leadership Group – will discuss regional transportation planning and the preliminary investigation of merging the Hillsborough, Pasco, and Pinellas MPO/TPOs.
 - Looked at the potential timeline.
 - Went over several topics of consideration.
 - Review of a proportional representation scenario.

Presentation: [Regional Planning in the Tampa Bay TMA](#)

Discussion:

There was discussion about how Tampa International Airport, Port Tampa Bay, and THEA have been planning for regional use and have seen a lot of success, use, and growth. Tourism and business are important locally as well as regionally. FDOT has done research on MPOs. They found that the federal government prefers regional MPOs but defers to the state to allow more than one. There are 27 MPOs in Florida, a few that encompass multiple counties and a couple that span state lines. The merging of MPOs can happen when the state dictates or when 75% of the area agrees. When District 7 goes in for funding, they come in county-by-county. If the legislature passes a bill to consolidate, it must be done. It was brought up that funding goes to areas that come in with higher volume and more people. Right now, the counties are competing for grant money, like HART and PST are doing. But there is no regional vision at this time. There was conversation around the makeup of a merged MPO Board and where it would be housed; that it would make sense to have it located in Hillsborough County at County Center. Additional conversations were had around funding that has been promised but not provided and how with a merger the municipalities and non-business centers in the county will not receive priority or funds. There was also concern expressed that the only solutions receiving attention are for bigger and more roads and not other transit options. It was noted that the current model is not working; business is important, but the focus has to be on the residents and smaller projects that make a big impact. The area is getting more crowded and more unsafe yet moving towards a true transit alternative has never been possible. The City of Tampa is looking to have its own option for funding transportation by way of a referendum. There was concern about having county money moved to other governments to fund projects. Mr. Clark clarified that there are 16 members on this Board. Under state law, an MPO is capped at 25 members. There is a lot of flexibility in the membership of Boards including municipalities with populations of more than 50,000. The School Board and Authorities are flexible, they can be on the Board but are not required. Central cities are required to be on the Board. There has been no bill filed at this time.

- B. **2050 Long Range Transportation Plan Initial Steps** (Vishaka Shiva Raman and Elizabeth Watkins, TPO Staff) – *deferred*.

IX. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT (Timestamp 1:53:42)

- A. Next TMA Leadership Group meeting: March 24, 2023, Starkey Ranch Library and Theater. Today's discussion has given Ms. Alden better direction of how to proceed at the meeting. Looking for in-person participation and cannot accommodate remote.
- B. LRTP will come back in April. Funding for transportation improvements is part of the initial steps. Will also talk about growth forecasts and needs assessments.
- C. Need to get into the update for the list of priorities for the TIP and would like to set aside the Policy meeting for that.
- D. UPWP will come up in May.

X. OLD & NEW BUSINESS (Timestamp 1:57:14)

- A. Next meeting is on April 12, 2023.

B. Congratulated Cameron Clark on his recent promotion within the Attorney's Office.

XI. **ADJOURNMENT** – The meeting adjourned at 11:57 AM

The recording of this meeting may be viewed on YouTube: [Meeting Recording](#)

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Hillsborough TPO
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Committee Reports

Livable Roadways Committee (LRC) Meeting on February 15

The LRC heard status reports on:

- 2023 Safety Performance Targets
- Hillsborough County Van Dyke Road PD&E and Design Project
- City of Tampa Micromobility Update
- FDOT Resurfacing, Restoration, and Rehabilitation (3R) Safety Improvement Process
- Gandy Boulevard Bridge PD&E

Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) Meeting on February 22

The BPAC held a brief discussion about attendance policy before the vote on remote member participation. Because turnout for the meeting was strong, Jim Shirk stated that previous concerns about attendance had been adequately addressed, and he motioned for the committee to accept the current attendance policy without modifications. The motion passed, and the BPAC proceeded to approve remote participation.

The BPAC heard status reports on:

- City of Tampa Micromobility Update
- FDOT Resurfacing, Restoration, and Rehabilitation (3R) Safety Improvement Process
- Walk, Bike Safety Outreach on HIN with Geofencing
- 2023 Safety Performance Targets
- Gandy Boulevard Bridge PD&E

Vishaka Shiva Raman's presentation of the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan Initial Steps was postponed to March due to a lack of time.

Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board (TDCB) Meeting of February 24

The TDCB approved the following action item:

- ✓ Attendance Review and Election of Officers
- ✓ Gloria Mills elected Vice-Chair, Officer-at-Large postponed
- ✓ TD Legislative Day Message
- ✓ McClain Inc., Coordination Contract

The TDCB heard status reports on:

- Sunshine Line Update
- 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan Initial Steps

Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting of March 1

The CAC approved the following action item:

- ✓ TIP Amendment: HART Bus Stop Capital Improvements

A motion to amend the TIP was approved with a caveat that HART staff shall return to the CAC and provide responses to several questions and comments, summarized as follows: Several committee members commented that a lack of transparency with HART projects is a recurring problem, and that HART should provide a comprehensive list of bus stops under consideration for improvement and a prioritization methodology. Other members sought specific details regarding the scope of the proposed improvements, including the dimensions of landing pads, length of sidewalks, if benches will be considered, and whether the FTA funds can also be used for connectivity enhancements and stop amenities like bike racks.

Following the committee action, a conversation ensued about how TPO staff can better provide relevant and timely information to committee members in advance of votes on TIP Amendments. It was communicated that some CAC members feel pressured to vote on TIP amendments on short notice and in the absence of complete information, so a workshop may be requested to explore ways to address this challenge.

The CAC also received status reports on:

- Gandy Blvd Bridge PD&E

Several comments were made about the project purpose and need being justified primarily to address a forecasted deficiency of vehicle level of service (LOS). Concerns were raised that the additional capacity will allow more vehicles into Hillsborough County and may exacerbate existing capacity limitations throughout the Westshore District, while also negatively impacting bike/ped mobility near Gandy Blvd. The committee also proposed repairing the existing Eastbound bridge and maintaining it as a bike/ped facility.

- 2050 LRTP Initial Steps

Because it is still early in the timeline to develop the 2050 LRTP, the overview received only limited input from the CAC. One member remarked that the Revenue Forecast may offer a unique

opportunity to consider scenarios in which large communities across Hillsborough County may decide to incorporate, namely Brandon, and draw taxes to improve transportation within a new municipality. Another member emphasized the importance of developing realistic financial scenarios for funding the LRTP, specifically what percentage of each revenue source may be allocated to transportation improvements, so that the plan does not promise more to the community than can be delivered.

- Regional Planning in the Tampa Bay Transportation Management Area

As the meeting was running behind schedule, a very brief presentation was made on the topic of regional planning. Members remarked that it is good to consider ways to improve regional planning, but it may be inconsequential, as proposed legislation may target the Hillsborough TPO for a merger. Several others commented that they oppose any MPO merger, believing that larger government agencies rarely function more effectively or efficiently. One suggestion was made for the TMA governing board to consider a Senate model, which would have equal representation across all three counties, while another was offered to limit the scope of the TMA to only focus on regional transit. Finally, it was asked if a regional merger would force unelected TPO Board members to relinquish their seats.

Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting of March 6

A verbal report will be provided at the meeting.

**HILLSBOROUGH MPO
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

CAC Member	Representing	Appointed By	Appointed	Term Expires	Attendance											
					1/4/23	2/1/23	3/1/23	4/5/23	5/3/23	6/7/23	Optional 7/5/2023	8/2/23	9/6/23	10/4/23	11/1/23	12/6/23
Trott, Terrance	African-American Origin	Member-at-Large	3/3/2020	3/3/2022	Yes	No	Yes									
Roberts, Bill	Aviation Authority	HCAA Board	6/30/2020	6/30/2022	Yes	Yes	Yes									
Gaumont, Sharon	Business Community	Member-at-Large	4/14/2021	4/14/2023	No	Yes	No									
Hollenkamp, Steven	City of Plant City	City Commission	4/14/2021	4/14/2023	Yes	Yes	Yes									
VACANT	City of Tampa	Councilwoman Hurtak	VAC	VAC	VAC	VAC	VAC									
Nikki Rice	City of Tampa	Councilman Maniscalco	10/27/2022	10/26/2024	No	Yes	No									
Acosta, Christine	City of Tampa	Councilman Citro	12/14/2022	12/13/2024	Yes	Yes	No									
Aiah Yassin	City of Temple Terrace	City Council	5/12/2021	5/12/2023	Yes	Yes	Yes									
Ed Mierzejewski	Expressway Authority	Greg Slater	2/12/2022	2/12/2024	Yes	Yes	Yes									
VACANT	HART	HART Chair	4/14/2021	4/14/2023	No	No	VAC									
Prindle, Hoyt	Hillsborough County	Commissioner Kemp	10/1/2019	9/30/2021	Yes	Yes	Yes									
Jim Davison	Hillsborough County	Commissioner Wostal	VAC	VAC	VAC	VAC	Yes									
Sherri Southwell	Hillsborough County	Commissioner Owen	VAC	VAC	VAC	VAC	Yes									
Brown, Carolyn	Hillsborough County	Commissioner Myers	1/13/2021	1/13/2023	Yes	Yes	Yes									
VACANT	Hillsborough County	Commissioner Cohen	6/9/2021	6/9/2023	No	No	VAC									
Fernandez, Ricardo	Hispanic Origin	Member-at-Large	4/14/2021	4/14/2023	Yes	Yes	Yes									
VACANT	Neighborhoods	Member-at-Large	VAC	VAC	VAC	VAC	VAC									
VACANT	Persons <30	Member-at-Large	VAC	VAC	VAC	VAC	VAC									
Skelton Jr., Don	Port Tampa Bay	Port Authority CEO	1/11/2023	1/10/2025	Yes	Yes	Yes									
Fryer, Artie	Transp. Disadvantaged	TDCB Chair	4/2/2019	4/1/2021	Yes	Yes	Yes									
VACANT	Women	Member-at-Large	VAC	VAC	VAC	VAC	VAC									
VACANT	Planning Commission	Planning Commission	9/14/2022	9/14/2024	No	No	VAC									
Frank, Josh	School Board	Jessica Vaughn	8/11/2021	8/11/2023	Yes	Yes	Yes									

Members Present	12	13	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CAC Membership Less Declared Vacancies	20	20	21	21	21	22	23	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22
Needed for Quorum	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
Quorum Achieved	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO

Legend:	YES = Attended
	NO = Did Not Attend
	VAC = Vacant
	DVAC = Seat Declared Vacant
	NO = Three (3) or More Consecutive Absences
	Attended Virtually
	= Term Expired; Member may continue until reappointed or replaced.

The MPO may review & consider rescinding the appointment of any member who fails to attend three (3) consecutive meetings.

PUBLIC MEETING



Hillsborough County
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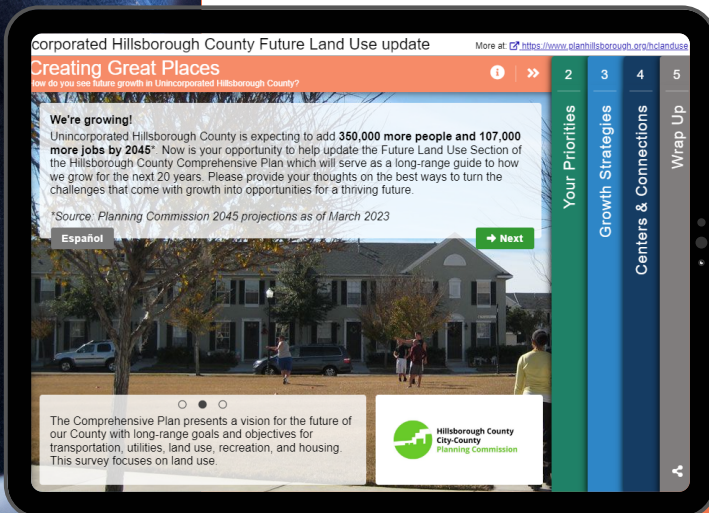
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