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BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN/GREENWAY ADVISORY COMMITTEE - AGENDA

DATE: **THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 2015**
TIME: **8:37 A.M.**
PLACE: **Vista Center 4th Floor Conference Room 4E-12
2300 North Jog Road, 4th Floor
West Palm Beach, Florida 33411**

1. REGULAR ITEMS

- A. Roll Call
- B. MOTION TO ADOPT Agenda for April 2, 2015
- C. MOTION TO APPROVE Minutes for February 5, 2014
- D. Comments from the Chair
- E. Bicycle/Pedestrian/TDM Coordinator's Report
- F. General Public Comments and Public Comments on Agenda Items

Any members from the public wishing to speak at this meeting must complete a Comment Card which is available at the welcome table. General Public comments will be heard prior to the consideration of the first action item. Public comments on specific items on the Agenda will be heard following the presentation of the item to the Committee. Please limit comments to three minutes.

2. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. Summary Points from February 19, 2015 MPO Board Meeting

3. WORKSHOP ITEM

- B. 2015 Transportation Alternatives Presentations

Applicant	Presentation Time	Scoring Category
Palm Beach Gardens	8:45 AM	Bicycle/Pedestrian Projects
Belle Glade	9:05 AM	Bicycle/Pedestrian Projects
West Palm Beach	9:25 AM	Bicycle/Pedestrian Projects
Village of Wellington	9:45 AM	Greenway Projects
Village of Tequesta	10:05 AM	Bicycle/Pedestrian Projects
Indian Trail Improvement District	10:25 AM	Other Projects
Delray Beach	10:45 AM	Bicycle/Pedestrian Projects
Village of Royal Palm Beach	11:05 AM	Bicycle/Pedestrian Projects

C. 2015 Local Initiatives Presentations

Applicant	Presentation Time	Scoring Category
Delray Beach	12:10 PM	Non-Motorized
Delray Beach	12:30 PM	Non-Motorized
Delray Beach	12:50 PM	Non-Motorized
Delray Beach	1:10 PM	Non-Motorized
Village of Royal Palm Beach	1:30 PM	Non-Motorized
Boca Raton	1:50 PM	Non-Motorized
Boca Raton	2:10 PM	Non-Motorized

4. **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

- A. Member Comments
- B. Next Meeting – **May 7, 2015**
- C. MOTION TO ADJOURN

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**MINUTES OF THE
BICYCLE, GREENWAYS, AND PEDESTRIAN
ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Thursday, February 5, 2015 9:07 A.M.**

Vista Center 4th Floor Conference Room 4E-12
2300 North Jog Road
West Palm Beach, Florida

*PDF versions of all presentations and agendas are available for review at
http://www.palmbeachmpo.org/committees/bike/pdf/2015/2015_FEB_5_BGPAC_Agenda_&_Backup.pdf*

1. REGULAR ITEMS

A. Roll Call

CHAIR HANSEN called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m. The Recording Secretary called the roll. A quorum was present as depicted on Exhibit A of these Minutes.

B. Motion to Adopt Agenda for February 5, 2015

CHAIR HANSEN inquired if there were any changes, additions or deletions to the Agenda. There were none.

A motion to adopt the February 5, 2015 Agenda was made by MR. HOWE; seconded by MS. ARNOLD. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Motion to Approve Minutes for December 4, 2014

CHAIR HANSEN asked if there were any other additions, deletions or changes to the December 4, 2014 minutes. There were none.

A motion to adopt the February 5, 2015 Agenda was made by MR. HOWE; seconded by MR. SABIN. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Comments from the Chair

CHAIR HANSEN had no comments.

E. Bicycle/Pedestrian/TDM Coordinator's Report

MS. TAYLOR presented an update on the ongoing projects around the County. She commented on the bridge running plan relating to the Jupiter Federal Bridge. On a separate note, she advised that the Town of Jupiter and the Village of Tequesta had held public meetings to discuss the impact on cyclists and pedestrians as it relates to the bridge construction along US1.

She further advised that a support resolution for the potential lane elimination for Tequesta is tentatively scheduled for February 12, 2015 and the same is scheduled for Jupiter on February

17, 2015. The next step in securing the changes is an application, which is to be submitted to FDOT. This is tentatively scheduled for February 28, 2015.

MS. TAYLOR commented on a similar project being underway for Linton Boulevard (located between Military Trail and Congress Ave.), which was prompted by a maintenance decision. This area is scheduled for resurfacing and the public has been informed to consider alternative transportation along that roadway. County Engineers have met with County and City officials together with members of the community. They have until May 1, 2015 to make a solid decision. The requests of the citizen have also been heard and public officials and engineers will proceed using the best engineering regimen.

Bicycle/Pedestrian/Greenway Advisory Committee (BGPAC) has undergone a review of the existing conditions map for the south border of Greenwood Greenway Trail. The Committee is working with the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council (TCRPC) on developing an existing conditions map. Another workshop will be held in the beginning of March to continue the Greenways work.

At this point, the CHAIR HANSEN took the opportunity to welcome VALERIE NEILSON, Transit Coordinator, as she was not present at the December meeting. MS. NEILSON also gave a brief introduction of herself.

F. General Public Comments and Public Comments on Agenda Items

MS. ARNOLD enquired as to the next step with the bridge replacement. MS. TAYLOR responded that the replacement of the bridge will be done in the next few years, but the roadway reconfiguration will be done within the next few months.

2. ACTION ITEMS

A. MOTION TO ELECT OFFICERS for the 2015 Calendar Year

A motion to nominate MR. HANSEN to continue to serve as Chair of the BGPAC was made by MS. PUERTA; seconded by MS. MATTHEWS. The motion carried unanimously

A motion to nominate MS. CHANNON to continue to serve as Vice-Chair of the BGPAC was made by MS. MATTHEWS; seconded by MR. OWENS. The motion carried unanimously.

B. MOTION TO RECOMMEND RECEIPT AND FILE of the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan full documentation

MR. LAMBERT explained the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) was adopted by the Palm Beach MPO on October 16, 2014. The documentation seeks to explain the origin of each assumption and conclusion made in the plan. That documentation can be reviewed at www.palmbeachmpo.org/2040LRTP

A motion to recommend receipt and file of the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan full documentation was made by MS. PUERTA; seconded by MR. SABIN. The motion carried unanimously.

3. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Local Initiatives (LI) and Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program Schedule

MS. TAYLOR went over the application schedule and highlighted important dates for both the Local Initiatives (LI) Program for FY 21 and Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program for FY 19. Additional information can be found at www.palmbeachmpo.org/Grants/grants2015

The CAC members were invited to the April 1st meeting for the Local Initiatives TSM, Transit and Freight Projects applicant presentations and, participation in the review and ranking process of the projects.

B. U.S. Department of Transportation Mayor's Challenge

MS. NEILSON presented U.S. Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx Mayor's Challenge for Safer People and Safer Streets. More information is available at www.dot.gov/mayors-challenge

MS. NEILSON also spoke on the NACTO Urban Street Design Guide which outlines both a clear vision for complete streets and a basic road map for how to bring them to fruition with principles and practices from the nation's leading urban engineers, planners and designers. Each local government represented on the MPO Board will receive a copy of the latest edition. More information is available at www.nacto.org/usdg

C. Florida Bike Month

MS. TAYLOR presented information about Florida Bike Month planning activities scheduled for March 2015. Information will be dispersed about how each municipality can become involved.

MS. TAYLOR advised that Palm Beach MPO staff met with Palm Beach County Parks to discuss the events. She advised that a calendar of events was discussed at that meeting, where a master calendar of all the events that are bicycle/pedestrian related within the county would be prepared. She is encouraging everyone to update the calendars with major events on the website. MS. NEILSON added that the website is still under construction, but a link would be sent out when it is ready; however, there is a form listed on the Palm Beach County website, which can be filled out and submitted and the calendar would be updated accordingly.

MS TAYLOR recommended that a proclamation be carried out for each municipality. The Palm Beach MPO will be joining with Palm Beach Parks and Recreational in doing a proclamation on March 10, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in Palm Beach County Council Chambers at 301 N. Olive Avenue, 6th Floor. She encouraged everyone to participate and advised that a meeting invitation would be sent out. MR. HANSEN requested that the Proclamation that was sent to local cities be sent to the committee members to ensure correct transmission.

MR. HANSEN advised that events for 'Bike to Work' week are being organized within Florida Bike Month. This is scheduled to take place within the week of March 9 to 13. Citizens can register to bike to work that week and record their times and distances. The person who bikes the most within that week will be rewarded. March 13 is slated for 'Bike to Work' day.

D. WalkSafe ® Program

MS. JOSETTE SEVERYN of the University of Miami (UM) presented information about the WalkSafe Program, a pediatric pedestrian injury prevention program based out of the University of Miami. She stated that her purpose is to collaborate with Palm Beach County to help decrease the number of children injured as pedestrians. She advised that the interest came about as Palm Beach County has been designated on a top 10 highest priority county list.

MS. SEVERYN advised that the main feature of the program is an educational component, which lasts 3 days, 30 minutes per day. It is also in sync with Florida's standard for education and it is a free resource. She further advised that the Program recommends that the elementary schools use it in October to coincide with International Walk-to-School Day. Guidance resources are available for teachers online.

MS. SEVERYN advised that the Program is seeking local coordinators in each of its target counties to help facilitate the process. Currently, there is none for Palm Beach County and so she requested recommendations to have this Program implemented in Palm Beach County.

CHAIR HANSEN asked who the coordinators are typically. MS. SEVERYN advised that it varies and went on and gave examples as to which organizations/bodies could act as coordinators. It was discussed as to whether the Committee should present a Motion to have the school board implement this program within the schools. It was agreed that this item would be placed on the Agenda for March for discussion.

E. Presentation by Dr. Hartwig Henry Hochmair "Walk to School Route Planner"

DR. HARTWIG HENRY HOCHMAIR of the University of Florida (UF) in collaboration with Florida International University (FIU) presented the "Walk to School Route Planner" (<http://maps.fiu.edu/srts/>) with funding from the Miami Dade MPO. This route planner is a Web application that dynamically identifies the designated elementary school for a given home location in Miami-Dade County and computes the safest route to that designated school.

F. Correspondence

FDOT response to MPO actions regarding the FY 16-20 Draft Tentative Work Program.

G. Summary Points from December 8, 2014 and MPO Board Meeting and January 15, 2015 MPO Board Rolling Retreat was included in the agenda package.

This information was included in the agenda package.

4. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

A. Member Comments

B. NEXT MEETING – March 5, 2015

CHAIR HANSEN stated he may not be available for the March meeting. He asked the members to set aside the day Thursday, April 2nd for the Transportation Alternatives and Local Initiatives project presentations. He also asked staff to send a reminder to all members.

C. MOTION TO ADJOURN

There being no further business a motion was made by MR. SABIN to adjourn the meeting; second by MS. MATTHEWS. The meeting adjourned at 10:46 a.m.

This signature is to attest that the undersigned is the Chairperson, or a designated nominee, of the Bicycle, Greenways, and Pedestrian Advisory Committee and that information provided herein is the true and correct Minutes for the **February** meeting of the Bicycle, Greenways, and Pedestrian Advisory Committee, dated this _____ day of _____, 2015.

Chairperson

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EXHIBIT A

Bicycle, Greenways and Pedestrian Committee Attendance Record 2014 – 2015

Representative/Alternate Agency Name	Mar '14	Apr '14	May '14	Jun '14	Jul '14	Aug '14	Sept '14	Oct '14	Nov '14	Dec '14	Jan '15	Feb '15
CORNELIA WANTZ PBC Engineering – Traffic Division	P	P	P	P		P	A	A		A		E
JEAN MATTHEWS/John Wildner PBC- Parks and Recreation	Alt	P	P	P		P	P	P		Alt		P
MICHAEL HOWE/David Wiloch PBC – Planning Division	P	P	P	Alt		P	P	P		P		P
*ALEX HANSEN/Denise Malone City of West Palm Beach	P	P	P	P		P	P	P		P		P
MICHAEL OWENS/Joyell Shaw PBC School District	P	P	P	P		P	P	P		P		P
JOY PUERTA City of Boca Raton	P	P	E	P		P	E	P		A		P
ISAAC KOVNER/John Morgan City of Delray Beach	P	P	P	P		P	E	E		P		P
BRENDA ARNOLD/Jacquelyn Smith Town of Jupiter	P	P	P	Alt		P	Alt	Alt		P		P
**SALLY CHANNON PBC ERM	P	P	P	E		P	E	P		P		P
OLGA PRIETO/Eitan Esan Village of Wellington	P	E	P	A		P	P	E		P		A
JENNIFER FIERMAN FDOT – Ex Officio	P	A	E	P		P	P	E		P		P
CARISSE LEJEUNE/Debbie Major City of Boynton Beach	P	P	P	P		P	E	E		P		Alt
BOB SABIN/Alan Friedberg Boca Raton Bicycle Club	P	P	P	P		P	P	P		P		P

*2015 Chair

**2015 Vice-Chair

P = Member Present

Alt = Alternate Present

E = Excused Absence A = Absent/No Attendance

- = Member not assigned

***New Appointment

Shaded Column – Meeting not held

EXHIBIT A

OTHERS PRESENT

Lee Lietzke
Josette Severyn
Kim DeLaney
Henry Hochmair
Malissa Booth
Nick Uhren
Franchesca Taylor
Valerie Neilson
Luke Lambert
Elizabeth Requeny

REPRESENTING

PBC Environmental Resource Mgmt.
University of Miami WalkSafe Program
Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council
University of Florida
Metropolitan Planning Organization
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Summary Points of the February 19, 2015 MPO Board Meeting

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1. REGULAR ITEMS

F. Special Presentation - Bicycle Month Proclamation

The Chair presented Ms. Franchesca Taylor, Palm Beach MPO Bicycle/Pedestrian/TDM coordinator and Mr. Alex Hansen chair of the Bicycle, Greenways and Pedestrian Advisory Committee with an MPO Proclamation declaring March 2015 as Florida Bicycle Month. Ms. Taylor spoke on the newly created BikePalmBeach.org website to highlight special events planned to promote bicycling in Palm Beach County and to support March as Florida Bike Month.

G. Comments from the Chair

The Chair made the following comments:

Stated that because she serves as the chair of the statewide MPOAC she was appointed as vice chair to steering committee for the Florida Transportation Plan.

H. Executive Directors Report

Mr. Uhren reported on the following activities:

- Palm Tran Connection service changed to the new contractors effective February 1, 2015. The County assumed dispatch responsibility and introduced 231 new vehicles to active service.
- FDOT is performing a major update to the Florida Transportation Plan and SIS Cost Feasible Plan. The regional forum in Delray Beach on February 5 was very well attended and provided an opportunity for local input to the plan.
- FY 15 Work program amendments going through admin approval will fund \$1.37M resurfacing of East Main Place in Pahokee, \$1.41M resurfacing of MLK Blvd in South Bay, and \$512K resurfacing of South Canal Street in Belle Glade. These state funded projects are implementing the \$9M allocated in FY 15 to the Rural Areas of Opportunity Program and the Small County Outreach Program.
- On Monday February 23 at 4 pm at FAU's Boca Raton campus there will be a presentation entitled "Engineering Livable Communities."

- MPO staff and our agency partners collaborated very well to pull off the first MPO rolling retreat in January. Specifically, SFRTA, the City of Boca Raton, FDOT, the City of Delray Beach and Palm Tran were integral to the success of the event.

I. The Board unanimously approved the following consent agenda items

1. Appointments of Mr. Steven Braun, Ms. Arlene Tanis, Ms. Lisa Maack and Ms. Darci Mayer to the Technical Advisory Committee representing the Florida Department of Transportation District 4.
2. Appointments of Mr. Motasem Al-Turk and Ms. Cornelia Wantz to the Bicycle, Greenways and Pedestrian Advisory Committee, representing the Palm Beach County Traffic Division.
3. Appointment of Mr. Wibet Hay to the Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board representing the Florida Department of Transportation District 4.
4. Appointments of Ms. Karen Huegel and Ms. Dina Hill to the Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordination Board representing CareerSource Palm Beach County.

J. General Public Comments

Jim Smith with Safety as Floridians Expect (SAFE) commented that the Palm Beach MPO should establish a Complete Streets program and the Board of County Commissioners should find a funding source for it. He also commented that PBC arterial roads should be redesigned as "Complete Streets" with buffered or protected bike lanes and more signalized pedestrian crossings between major intersections.

Mayor Abby Brennan of the Village of Tequesta advised that the Village Council had passed a resolution to reduce US 1 in the village from six to four lanes and add bike lanes. She thanked Kim Delaney and Michael Busha from the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council for their help and also thanked the Town of Jupiter for approving a similar resolution.

2. ACTION ITEMS

A. Appointed the Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board Chair

The MPO Board unanimously approved Palm Beach County Commissioner Melissa McKinlay as chair to the Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board.

B. Approved the Florida Turnpike FY 16-20 Work Program Summary

The MPO Board unanimously approved the Florida Turnpike FY 16-20 Work Program Summary with a request to align construction of 6 lanes between the Lantana Toll Plaza and Okeechobee Blvd. to avoid a bottleneck.

C. Approved amendments to the FY 15-10 Transportation Improvement Program

The MPO Board unanimously approved two amendments to the FY 2015-2019 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) adding funding for design to two

Turnpike widening projects in southern Palm Beach County in FY 15. The inclusion of these projects will not impact any other projects in the TIP.

D. Received and Filed the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan full documentation

The MPO Board unanimously agreed to receive and file the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan full documentation.

3. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Local Initiatives (LI) and Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program Schedule

Mr. Lambert presented the application schedule and highlighted important dates for both the Local Initiatives (LI) Program for FY 21 and the Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program for FY 19. Additional information can be found at www.palmbeachmpo.org/Applications-2015/

B. U.S. Department of Transportation Mayor's Challenge

Ms. Neilson presented the U.S. Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx Mayors' Challenge for Safer People and Safer Streets and encouraged all local government mayors to participate in the challenge. More information is available at www.dot.gov/mayors-challenge.

Ms. Neilson also provided a copy of the latest edition of the NACTO Urban Street Design Guide to each local government represented on the MPO Board. More information is available at www.nacto.org/usdg.

3. Correspondence

The following correspondence was received by the MPO.

1. SR 7 Extension from 60th to Northlake - Town of Loxahatchee Groves Resolution 2015-03, Western Communities Council, Inc. Resolution 2015-001 and PBC Board of County Commissioners Resolution R-2015-0231, objecting to the delay of the project to FY 20 and urging construction in FY 2016.
2. FDOT response to MPO actions regarding the FY 16-20 Draft Tentative Work Program.

4. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

A. Member Comments

Mayor Triolo invited everyone to the City of Lake Worth Street Painting Festival February 21 and 22, 2015.

Commissioner McKinlay requested a TIP amendment to reprioritize sidewalks on Hamlin Rd to provide children a safer access to Hamlin Elementary School.

Councilman Willhite said Southern Blvd did not have deceleration lanes in the eastbound portion between SR 7 and the Turnpike. Mr. Uhren noted that the TIP includes construction of improvements at Southern Blvd and Sansbury's Way/Lyons Rd to provide an eastbound right turn lane and a second westbound left turn lane in FY 2018. He also noted that the draft FDOT work program includes construction of westbound right turn lanes at the Turnpike intersections in FY 20 and an update to the SR 80 corridor action plan from US 27 to I-95 in

FY 16. Mr. Uhren said he would pass along concerns to the Traffic Division for better signal coordination.

Councilwoman Davis announced this would be her last meeting and Councilman Cedrick Thomas would be representing the City of Riviera Beach on the MPO Board. She would be the alternate if re-elected.

Commissioner James presented two-hundred and forty-six petitions from West Palm Beach residents opposing the extension of SR 7 from 60th Street to Northlake Blvd.

B. Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting will be held on Thursday, April 16, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the 12th Floor, McEaddy Conference Room of the Palm Beach County Governmental Center in West Palm Beach. The public is welcome to join us and learn how their transportation tax dollars are put to use.