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TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE AGENDA

DATE: **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2016**
TIME: **9:00 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 December 7, 2016
- C. MOTION TO APPROVE Minutes of October 18, 2016
- D. Comments from the Chair
- E. TAC Liaison'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. ACTION ITEMS

- A. MOTION TO ELECT OFFICERS for the 2017 Calendar Year
The by-laws stipulate that the committee shall, by majority vote of the voting members present, elect a chair and a vice chair annually at the last regularly scheduled meeting of the calendar year. The newly elected officers shall take office at the first regularly scheduled meeting of the following calendar year and shall serve for one year. Mr. Jeff Livergood is the current Chair and Mr. Terrence Bailey is the current Vice Chair.
- B. MOTION TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL of the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) FY 18-22 Draft Tentative Work Program
Pursuant to §339.135(4)(d), Fla. Stat. (2014), FDOT shall present the work program to the MPO "to determine the necessity of making any changes to projects included or to be included in the district work program and to hear requests for new projects to be added to, or existing projects to be deleted from, the district work program." To facilitate the MPO review, the documents listed below are attached.

- 1) MPO-created work program summary highlighting:
 - a) Status of MPO Priority Projects
 - b) FY 18 Construction Projects
 - c) Any other significant changes between the adopted Transportation Improvement Program and the new draft program
- 2) FDOT District 4 Citizen's Report of projects in Palm Beach County included in the Tentative Work Program for FY 18-22
- 3) FDOT Turnpike Enterprise Summary of Projects in District 4 included in the Tentative Work Program for FY 18-22

Additionally, the FDOT District 4 Citizen's Report of district-wide projects and activities for FY 18-22 can be viewed at

<http://www.fdot.gov/designsupport/Districts/D4/DTWPPublicHearing2016.shtm>

C. MOTION TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL of the Local Initiatives (LI) Program Guidelines and Scoring System

Directions 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan created the Local Initiatives Program to be funded primarily with the MPO's suballocation of federal Surface Transportation Program funds. This program provides an annual, competitive application process to identify and fund the best non-regionally significant, lower-cost transportation projects within our communities. MPO staff is recommending the attached 2017 program guidelines and scoring system.

D. MOTION TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL of the Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program Guidelines and Scoring System

Established by MAP-21 and re-authorized through the FAST Act, the federal Transportation Alternatives Program is a cost-reimbursement program where non-motorized projects are selected by the MPO via an annual, competitive application process. MPO staff is recommending the attached 2017 program guidelines and scoring system.

3. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Annual Obligations Report for FY 16

MPOs are obligated by the 23 CFR 450.334 to create an annual report comparing the Federal funds requested in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) with the Federal funds obligated in the previous year. MPO staff will review the attached report.

B. Operation Lifesaver

Brightline staff will give an Operation Lifesaver presentation, a nationwide, non-profit public information program dedicated to reducing collisions, injuries and fatalities at highway-rail crossings and on railroads.

C. Bike Suitability Map

MPO staff and consultants will present the attached Bike Suitability Map. This map displays the bicycle facilities and the suitability for each major road segment in Palm Beach County. The suitability is based on a calculation of bicycle level of service.

D. Transitioning to an Independent MPO

MPO staff will review the attached document entitled Transitioning to an Independent MPO. The Palm Beach MPO has been hosted by Palm Beach County since its inception in 1979. The MPO Board has indicated an interest in becoming an independent agency to create greater functional independence from its host and other member jurisdictions. The attached document highlights the objectives and process to become an independent MPO. It also addresses frequently asked questions and estimates the cost to each MPO member.

E. Public Involvement Activity Report

MPO staff will present the attached Public Involvement Activity Report. This report will be presented to the MPO Governing Board on a monthly basis to reflect public participation on social media and highlight upcoming events. MPO staff is requesting your feedback on format and content.

F. Summary Points from the October 20, 2016 MPO Board Meeting

4. **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

A. Member Comments

B. Next Meeting – **February 1, 2017** (no January meeting)

C. MOTION TO ADJOURN

NOTICE

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