Transitioning to an Independent MPO

What, Why, and When?

MPO Board and Advisory Committees
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What is an independent MPO?

- Hosted MPOs operate as a division of the host and are subject to host policies and regulations
- The Palm Beach MPO has been hosted by PBC since inception in 1979
  - May 2013 Interlocal between MPO & PBC expires Sept 2018
  - PBC provides a line of credit for MPO operations
  - PBC provides a cash match for FTA grant funding
- Independent MPOs operate under their governing boards and must meet all of their operating needs
- 6 MPOs in Florida with a population >1,000,000
  - 3 are independent, 3 are hosted

H = Hosted
I = Independent
Why independence?

• Clear chain of command and responsiveness to MPO Board
  • Governance creates culture – Independence positions the MPO to lead transportation decisions
  • MPO voice is strongest when all participate – city/county collaboration

• Equitable Distribution of Local Financial Dues
  • Ownership mindset - increased member interest

• A downtown MPO office advances the vision
  • Safe, Efficient, Connected, Multimodal
  • Adequate space for board, committees and public
  • Increased community visibility
When would this happen?

1. MPO Board action item to approve terms and conditions for draft 2-party interlocal in Feb 2017
   - Create MPO Revolving Fund for Cash Flow
   - One-time contribution to MPO of 90¢/capita
   - Provide annual cash match for FTA grant, non-reimburseables
   - Annual dues of 9¢/capita
   - Both one-time and first-year dues are due Dec 2017 (FY 2018)

2. Members would execute in Spring 2017
   - All agreements come back to MPO Board for final approval

3. MPO Board actions in Summer/Fall 2017
   - Office lease, director & staff policies, legal services

4. Move in date late 2017/early 2018
Frequently Asked Questions

1. How funded today?
   - $2.3M budget as shown to right
   - 89% Federal, 6% state, 5% local funds

2. Why a one-time contribution?
   - To create a revolving fund for cash flow management

3. What do the annual member dues accomplish?
   - Required FTA grant matching funds and non-reimbursable expenses

4. Can the MPO afford to operate as an independent agency?
   - Yes – Carry forward covers one-time expenses and several years of cost increases. Following, MPO would balance budget against revenue
<table>
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<tr>
<th>Local Government</th>
<th>2015 Population</th>
<th>2015 % of Total</th>
<th># of MPO Board Members</th>
<th>One-Time Contribution $1</th>
<th>Annual Dues $</th>
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Notes:
1. The municipalities' one-time contribution would be due prior to December 31, 2017
2. The County's one-time contribution would be satisfied by transfer of MPO Reserve Funds accumulated while hosted by the County.