MINUTES OF THE  
BICYCLE, TRAILWAYS, AND PEDESTRIAN  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BTPAC)  
Thursday, February 2, 2017 9:07 A.M.  

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

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1. REGULAR ITEMS  
The meeting was called to order at 9:08 a.m.

1.A. Roll Call  
The Recording Secretary called the roll. A quorum was present as depicted in Exhibit A of these Minutes.

1.B. ADOPTED: Agenda for February 2, 2017  
MOTION to adopt the Agenda with modification to remove Action Item 2.A. Motion by Ms. Jean Matthews; seconded by Mr. Michael Howe and carried unanimously.

1.C. APPROVED: Minutes for December 1, 2016  
MOTION to approve the Minutes for December 1, 2016. Motion by Mr. Michael Righetti; seconded by Ms. Jean Matthews, and carried unanimously.

1.D. Comments from the Chair  
CHAIR HEATHER TRIBOU thanked everyone for being present and stated that she hopes everyone has a good timely year.

1.E. Bicycle/Pedestrian/TDM Coordinator’s Report  
MS. TAYLOR distributed printed copies of her report and highlighted the following:

- She wished everyone a happy new year.
- MPO Funding Programs Reminder: The deadline for applications to the Local Initiatives and Transportation Alternatives programs is Friday, March 3rd. For more information about these programs please visit the following link: www.PalmBeachMPO.org/Funding.
- She noted that on January 13, 2017 in the City of Delray Beach, MPO Staff celebrated the ribbon cutting of the County’s second green bike lane along NE 2nd (from NE 4th Street to George Bush Boulevard). The project included the green bike lane, street lighting, brick pavers and bio-swale.
• MPO Staff attended the 2017 Regional Safe Streets Summit on January 26-27, 2017 in Sunrise, Florida. It was announced that next year's Summit will be held in the city of West Palm Beach. Palm Beach County Safe Streets Awards Winner included Jim Smith, Chair of Safety as Floridians Expect (SAFE) and the City of West Palm Beach.

1.F. General Public Comments and Public Comments on Action Items

No general public comments were received.

Mr. Michael Owens joined the meeting at 9:12 a.m.

2. ACTION ITEMS

2.B. RECOMMENDED APPROVAL: of an Amendment to the Palm Beach MPO's adopted 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) – Florida's Turnpike

MS. ALISON STETTNER, Turnpike Planning Manager presented this item. She highlighted the Turnpike system in Palm Beach County including the traffic growth, improvements needed, and currently funded projects. She explained that the Turnpike intends to widen the mainline in Palm Beach County from six (6) to ten (10) lanes between Broward County and Boynton Beach Boulevard, and from four (4) to eight (8) lanes from Boynton Beach Boulevard to north of Indiantown Road, and that the additional capacity will be provided in the form of managed lanes. She noted that this requires an LRTP amendment, as the current LRTP only includes eight (8) lanes from Broward County to Boynton Beach Boulevard, six (6) from Boynton Beach Boulevard to PGA Boulevard, and four (4) lanes from PGA Boulevard to north of Indiantown Road, and that the LRTP does not identify the need for managed lanes. She reviewed the current project status of Design Public Information Meeting will be held on Thursday, March 30th at 5:30 p.m. the West the Boynton Beach Boulevard to Lake Worth Road project and noted a at Boynton Recreation Center.

MS. STETTNER also reviewed the regional project of all electronic tolling within Palm Beach County. She highlighted the express lanes philosophy and background of why they are being implemented. She noted that toll rates are based on demand and as traffic increases the rates increase with no cap. She stated that due to constraints this will be the last time widening's are made to this facility, as additional widening's would have large impacts and right of way acquisitions. She showed a video provided by the Florida's Turnpike that explained express lanes.

Discussion ensued regarding future interchange logistics, research on autonomous vehicles driving in the Express lanes, and fee fluctuation during congestion. Also, questions regarding project plans for greenways adjacent to the Turnpike facility and connectivity to local bike infrastructure arose.

MOTION to approve an Amendment to the 2040 LRTP regarding the Florida's Turnpike. Motion by Mr. Michael Righetti; seconded by Mr. Michael Owens and carried 11-1. Mr. Lee Lietzke opposed.

3. INFORMATION ITEMS

3.A. DISCUSSED: Bike Suitability Map

MS. FRANCHESCA TAYLOR, presented the final Bike Suitability Map and noted that one side of the map includes safety information and proper riding etiquette for cyclists, with the other containing a suitability map. She stated attributes factored into the suitability levels include the amount of cars present on the road, the posted speed and the presence of one-street parking.

Discussion ensued regarding the distribution of bike maps in Palm Beach County.
3.B. **DISCUSSED: Florida Bike Month Update**

MS. TAYLOR, reported on the Palm Beach MPO Initiatives and gave an overview of upcoming events in the community. She stated that the MPO will collaborate with the Department of Parks and Recreation and present a proclamation to the Board of County Commissioners on March 14, 2017.

She highlighted more upcoming events such as, the Let's Bike Palm Beach family fun event on Sunday March 19, 2017 at Okeeheelee Park, and shared this year’s dates for Bike to Work Week in West Palm Beach.

She encouraged committee members to share with her if there are any events they are aware of that can be of benefit to the committee.

3.C. **DISCUSSED: Dangerous by Design 2016 Report**

MS. TAYLOR, presented this item. This report was released through Smart Growth America National Complete Streets Coalition. She stated that this year’s effort was in conjunction with the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP), American Society of Landscape Architects and Nelson Nygaard.

Ms. Taylor gave a brief background on what the report consists of. She stated that the report calls for more state and local data for pedestrian crashes before and after countermeasures are implemented. She defined the Pedestrian Danger Index (PDI) as the rate of pedestrian deaths relative to the number of people who walk to work in the region. She shared some basic findings within the report, and noted that the PDI is strongly correlated with median household income, and rates of uninsured individuals. Also, noting that according to the PDI, Florida is the highest ranking for pedestrian deaths as of 2016.

Some recommendations included implementing Complete Streets and Vision Zero policies, design countermeasures to include wide sidewalks, curb extensions, refuge islands etc., and enforcing reduced speed limits and design speed, as well as, coordinating crash reporting with law enforcements and hospital staff to target interventions.

Discussion ensued regarding clarification of Vision Zero and campaigning for better bike facilities and cyclist safety on the road.

3.D. **Summary Points from the December 12, 2017 MPO Board Meeting**

There was no discussion on this item.

3.E. **Correspondence**

RENEE CROSS, Deputy Director at the Palm Beach MPO clarified the correspondence received from FDOT District Four Secretary Gerry O'Reilly regarding the tentative work program. She stated that memorandum received was regarding managed lanes revenue and how it will be spent within the county when it is collected.

MPO staff wanted to share their opposition with the committee.

4.A. **Member Comments**

VICE CHAIR JEAN MATTHEWS, introduced Edwin Muller, Planner I at the Department of Parks and Recreation as her alternate on the committee. She requested more information regarding Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) funds. She stated that it seems unfair for the County to only allow one application submittal versus multiple when Palm Beach County represents more than half of the population.

4.B. **Next Meeting – March 2, 2017**
4.C. Motion to Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:34 a.m.

This signature is to attest that the undersigned is the Chairperson, or a designated nominee, of the Bicycle, Trailways, and Pedestrian Advisory Committee and that information provided herein is the true and correct Minutes for the February meeting of the Bicycle, Trailways, and Pedestrian Advisory Committee, dated this 6th day of April, 2017.

[Signature]
Chairperson

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**Bicycle, Trailways and Pedestrian Committee Attendance Record 2016 – 2017**

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### REPRESENTING

- Florida’s Turnpike Enterprise
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- Department of Parks and Recreation
- Florida Department of Transportation
- Metropolitan Planning Organization
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### OTHERS PRESENT

- Alison Stettner
- Craig Bostic
- Edwin Muller
- Alex Barr
- Renee Cross
- Kevin Fischer
- Franchesca Taylor
- Tim Verbeke
- Margarita Cortez
- Alexa Sanabria