GOVERNING BOARD MEETING AGENDA

DATE: THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2017
TIME: 9:00 A.M.
PLACE: Palm Beach County Governmental Center
       301 North Olive Avenue
       12th Floor McEaddy Conference Room
       West Palm Beach, FL 33401

1. REGULAR ITEMS
   A. Roll Call
   B. Prayer
   C. Pledge of Allegiance
   D. MOTION TO ADOPT Agenda for September 21, 2017
   E. MOTION TO APPROVE Minutes for July 20, 2017
   F. Comments from the Chair
   G. Executive Director’s Report
   H. MOTION TO APPROVE Consent Agenda Items
      1. Federal Transit Administration Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 Certifications and Assurances. The Resolution is attached.
      2. The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) as a Non-Voting Representative on the Bicycle, Trailways and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BTPAC).
         Based on the currently adopted BTPAC By-Laws “an agency seeking membership on the BTPAC shall submit a written request to the MPO for consideration and approval by the MPO Governing Board. The MPO Governing Board has final approval of membership."
      3. Appointment of Mr. Alexander Barr as the Representative and Ms. Lisa Maack as the Alternate for FDOT on the BTPAC. A summary of qualifications is attached.
      4. Appointment of Mr. Maher Mansour as the Representative for the School District of Palm Beach County on the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC). A summary of qualifications is attached.
5. Appointment of Ms. Elizabeth Eassa as the Representative for the City of Boca Raton on the TAC. A summary of qualifications is attached.

6. Appointment of Mr. Mayur Patel as the Representative and Ms. Yanique Kelly as an Alternate for FDOT on the TAC. A summary of qualifications is attached.

I. General Public Comments

General comments will be heard prior to consideration of the first action item. Public comments on specific agenda items will be heard following the presentation of the item to the MPO Governing Board. Please complete a comment card which is available at the welcome table and limit comments to three minutes.

2. ACTION ITEMS

A. MOTION TO ADOPT a Resolution directing the Executive Director to create future MPO Governing Board items that will allow the MPO to operate as an independent agency and to renew the existing interlocal staff and services agreement between the MPO and Palm Beach County for an additional year.

The existing interlocal agreement expires on September 30, 2018 and requires the MPO to give a one-year notice regarding renewal. The MPO Governance Committee met twice to review the agreement and to evaluate the benefits and costs of the options available to the MPO. The Committee recognized the value of empowering all of its members to lead the selection of transportation projects and programs to best serve our local communities, avoiding undue influence by any member agencies, and establishing maximum flexibility to the MPO to provide transportation planning services to the public. The Committee unanimously recommended to move forward expeditiously to operate as an independent agency, and to renew the existing interlocal staff and services agreement with Palm Beach County for an additional year to accomplish this. The attached resolution accomplishes these outcomes.

B. MOTION TO APPROVE Amendment #2 to the FY 18 – 22 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include FDOT’s Roll Forward projects

FDOT has requested approval of amendments to the FY 18 – 22 TIP to include the FY 18 Roll Forward projects. These projects were funded in FY 17 but were not completed as scheduled so the remaining funds are being rolled forward into FY 18. The requested amendments are shown in strikethrough/underline format to highlight the changes from the adopted TIP in the attachment.

TAC: Recommended approval 12-1, with the West Palm Beach Representative dissenting due to inclusion of the State Road 7 project.

BTPAC: Recommend approval by consensus, with the West Palm Beach Representative dissenting due to inclusion of the State Road 7 project.

CAC: Did not meet due to Hurricane Irma

C. State Road (SR) 80 Corridor Action Plan Update

In June 2017, the FDOT Executive Team approved the 2045 Strategic Intermodal System Multi-modal Unfunded Needs Plan (SIS MMUNP) including two potential long-term investments in the SR 80 corridor. In January 2017, FDOT determined that proposed major transit capital investments in the SR 80 corridor are not warranted. Now, FDOT staff and consultants will review the purpose of the SR 80 Corridor Action Plan, present the Tier 2 Alternatives and highlight next steps. MPO
Board feedback is sought on the Alternatives. This information item is being presented in advance of the I-95/SR 80 interchange (Item 2.C) at the request of FDOT. The following items are attached:

1. 2045 SIS MMUNP excerpts showing Long Term Highway and Transit Projects on SR 80
2. January 2017 FDOT letter regarding the SR 80 Corridor Action Plan Tier 1 Alternatives Screening
3. SR 80 Corridor Action Plan presentation slides

D. MOTION TO ENDORSE the Recommended Alternative at the I-95/South Boulevard (SR 80) Interchange with a request that FDOT incorporate the following modifications:

1. Remove the traffic signal at SR 80 and Gem Lake Drive,
2. Use the minimum number of turn lanes at the residual I-95 ramp intersections,
3. Reduce eastbound vehicle lane widths to 11-feet and create a shared-use pathway on the south side of SR 80 through the interchange area,
4. Create a signalized and marked pedestrian and bicycle crossing at SR 80 and Paseo Andalusia/Dreher Park, and
5. Provide minimum width sidewalks on Parker Avenue within the project limits.

In October 2016, the MPO Governing Board requested that FDOT place this project on hold until the SR 80 Corridor Action Plan Study was completed. Although the SR 80 Corridor Action Plan (Item 2.B) is not yet complete, FDOT staff and consultants will present the Recommended Alternative for the interchange at Southern Boulevard and I-95 prior to the public hearing for the project in October. The presentation slides are attached.

TAC: Recommend approval with modification 5 above by a vote of 9-4.

BTPAC: Recommend approval with modifications 3 and 4 above by consensus, with the West Palm Beach Representative dissenting due to need for additional coordination with city staff regarding bike facilities on SR 80 and Parker Avenue.

CAC: Did not meet due to Hurricane Irma

3. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. MPO Branding – Logo

Roar Media representative Jacques Hart will present the attached four logo options as part of the rebranding effort. The selected agency name, tagline and the logo will be presented at the October meeting for approval by the Governing Board.

B. I-95 & 6th Avenue South Interchange Project

On August 3, FDOT staff and consultants conducted a public hearing to present the Preferred Alternative for this project and they will review that information for the MPO board members. The presentation slides are attached.
C. Partner Agency Updates
Agency staff from Palm Tran, South Florida Regional Transportation Authority, FDOT and/or Palm Beach County Engineering may provide brief updates on items relevant to the MPO.

D. Correspondence
1. Letter from the Town of Juno Beach expressing support for the Frederick Small Road/Marcinski Road Future Extension over the intracoastal waterway.

4. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS
A. 2018 Palm Beach MPO Board and Committee Meeting Calendar
B. July and August’s Public Involvement Activity Report
C. MPO FY 2017 Fourth Quarter Fiscal Report
D. Member Comments
E. Next Meeting – October 19, 2017
F. MOTION TO ADJOURN

NOTICE
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