

METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

A meeting of the Indian River County (IRC) Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) was held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 13, 2010, in the County Administration Building, 1800 27th Street, Building B, Room B1-501, Vero Beach, Florida.

Present were: Chairman **Peter O'Bryan, Joe Flescher, Gary Wheeler,** and **Bob Solari,** Commissioners, IRC; Vice Chairman **Debbie MacKay,** IRC School Board; **Sabin Abell,** Councilmember, City of Vero Beach; **Frannie Atchison,** Councilmember, Town of Indian River Shores; **Susan Adams,** Mayor, City of Fellsmere (arrived at 10:07 a.m.); **Don Wright** and **Richard Gillmor,** Council Members, City of Sebastian; and **Richard Dunlop,** Councilman, Non-voting member, Town of Orchid.

Absent was: **Wesley Davis,** Commissioner, IRC; **Mayor Kevin Sawnick,** City of Vero Beach Councilmember; and FDOT Representative (all excused).

Also present were IRC staff: Phil Matson, IRC MPO Director; Bob Keating, Community Development Director, Chris Mora, Public Works Director; Jason Brown, Office of Management and Budget Director; and Darcy Vasilas, Commissioner Assistant, District 3.

Others present: Gregory S. Kyle, Kimley-Horn Associates.

Call to Order

Chairman O'Bryan called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m., at which time it was determined a quorum was present. The members all stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Annual Election of Officers

Chairman O'Bryan asked for nominations for 2010 MPO Chairman.

**Commissioner Flescher nominated Mayor Gillmor.
Commissioner Wheeler nominated Commissioner Solari.**

**ON MOTION BY Commissioner Flescher,
SECONDED BY Commissioner Wheeler, the
members voted unanimously (9-0) to close the
nominations.**

Chairman O'Bryan asked for a show of hands to vote, and Mayor Gillmor was elected 2010 Metropolitan Planning Organization Chairman with a vote of (6-3).

New Chairman Gillmor was handed the gavel and took over the meeting. He asked for nominations for the 2010 Vice Chairman of the MPO.

ON MOTION by Commissioner Wheeler, SECONDED by Mrs. MacKay, Commissioner Solari was elected 2010 Vice Chairman of the Metropolitan Planning Organization with a unanimous vote of (9-0).

Mayor Adams arrived at 10:07 a.m.

Mr. Matson announced two MPO members were also elected to the Treasure Coast Transportation Council comprised of all MPO Board members; two from Indian River County, two from St. Lucie County, and two from the Martin County MPO's. He asked the members for nominations for the Treasure Coast Transportation Council.

ON MOTION by Commissioner Wheeler, SECONDED by Councilmember Atchison, the members voted unanimously (10-0) to appoint Chairman Gillmor and Commissioner O'Bryan to the Treasure Coast Transportation Council for 2010.

Approval of Minutes of December 9, 2009 MPO meeting

ON MOTION by Commissioner Wheeler, SECONDED by Commissioner O'Bryan, the members voted unanimously (10-0) to approve the minutes of December 9, 2009 as presented.

Status Report of MPO Advisory Committees – No Action Required

Mr. Phil Matson, IRC MPO Director, reviewed his memorandum dated January 5, 2010, a copy of which is on file in the Commission Office.

Consideration of 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan – Technical Memorandum #2, Development of Socio-Economic Data Sets and Preliminary 2035 Needs Plan Alternatives – No Action Required

Mr. Matson announced according to state and federal regulations, the IRC MPO must prepare and adopt an updated long range transportation plan (LRTP) by December 31, 2010. To that end, MPO staff and the MPO's LRTP consultants, Kimley-Horn Associates/Stanley Consultants, have, during the past nine months, undertaken research, collected data, initiated public involvement activities, completed socio-economic data projections, and coordinated with FDOT, the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, the Space Coast TPO and the St. Lucie and Martin MPO's.

Of the activities mentioned, one of the most important to the LRTP process is the development of year 2035 socio-economic data. Socio-economic data, also known as ZDATA, includes future year population and employment projections for IRC by geographic area. These data are critical to subsequent LRTP development activities since the size and location of future populations are the primary determinants of local travel demand.

Mr. Matson continued the base network and preferred network alternatives will form the 2035 Needs Plan. In the coming months, the consultants will be analyzing and projecting future financial resources. Based on cost affordability, a subset of needs plan projects will be developed. That set of transportation projects is known as the 2035 Cost Feasible Plan. Not only will the final LRTP be cost affordable, but the final plan may contain alternative strategies for meeting demand on the travel network. Some of these strategies may include traffic systems management solutions (such as signalization, roundabouts, intersection and interchange improvements); demand management solutions (such as parking management); and alternative travel modes (such as transit and bicycle facilities).

Mr. Gregory S. Kyle, Kimley-Horn Associates proceeded to give a PowerPoint presentation, a copy of which is on file in the Commission Office.

Mr. Kyle reviewed the following alternatives:

2035 LRTP Base Needs Plan Alternative A North IRC

- US 1 – widen to 6 lanes from 53rd Street to CR 512
- Roseland Road – widen to 4 lanes from CR 512 to US 1
- CR 510 – Widen to 4 lanes from CR 512 to Intracoastal Waterway and from SR A1A to Intracoastal Waterway

- CR 512 – Widen to 4 lanes from I-95 to CR 507
- CR 512 – Widen to 6 lanes from I-95 to CR 510
- 82nd Avenue – Improve as 2 lanes from 26th Street to Laconia Street to CR 512
- I-95 – Widen to 6 lanes entire county

2035 LRTP Base Needs Plan Alternative B North IRC

- US 1 – Widen to 6 lanes entire county
- CR 510 – Widen to 4 lanes from CR 512 to Intracoastal Waterway and from SR A1A to Intracoastal Waterway
- CR 512 – Widen to 4 lanes from I-95 to CR 507
- CR 512 – Widen to 6 lanes from I-95 to CR 510
- 66th Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from SR 60 to Barber Street
- 82nd Avenue – Improve as 2 lanes from 26th Street to Laconia Street to CR 512
- I-95 – Widen to 6 lanes entire county

2035 LRTP Base Needs Plan Alternative C North IRC

- US 1 – Widen to 6 lanes from Brevard County Line to 53rd Street
- CR 510 – Widen to 4 lanes from CR 512 to Intracoastal Waterway and from SR A1A to Intracoastal Waterway
- CR 512 – Widen to 4 lanes from I-95 to CR 507
- CR 512 – Widen to 6 lanes from I-95 to US 1
- 82nd Avenue – Extend as 2 lanes from 26th Street to Laconia Street to CR 512

2035 LRTP Base Needs Plan Alternative D North IRC

- US 1 – Widen to 6 lanes from Brevard County Line to 53rd Street
- Roseland Road – Widen to 4 lanes from CR 512 to US 1
- CR 510 – Widen to 4 lanes from CR 512 to Intracoastal Waterway and from SR A1A to Intracoastal Waterway
- CR 512 – Widen to 4 lanes from I-95 to CR 507
- CR 512 – Widen to 6 lanes from I-95 to Roseland Road
- 69th Street – Extend as 2 lanes from 82nd Avenue to west of I-95 in Fellsmere
- 66th Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from SR 60 to Barber Street
- 82nd Avenue – Improve as 2 lanes from 26th Street to Laconia Street to CR 512

- I-95 – Widen to 6 lanes entire county

2035 LRTP Base Needs Plan Alternative E North IRC

- US 1 – Widen to 6 lanes from Brevard County Line to 53rd Street
- Roseland Road – Widen to 4 lanes from CR 512 to US 1
- CR 510 – Widen to 4 lanes from CR 512 to Intracoastal Waterway and from SR A1A to Intracoastal Waterway
- CR 512 – Widen to 4 lanes from I-95 to CR 507
- CR 512 – Widen to 6 lanes from I-95 to Roseland Road
- 77th Street – Extend as 2 lanes from 66th Avenue to West of I-95 in Fellsmere
- Fellsmere East-West Road – New east-west road south of and parallel to CR 512
- Fellsmere North-South Road – New north-south road west of and parallel to I-95
- 66th Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from SR 60 to Barber Street
- 82nd Avenue – Improve as 2 lanes from 26th Street to Laconia Street to CR 512
- I-95 – Widen to 6 lanes entire county

2035 LRTP Base Needs Plan Alternative A Central IRC

- Indian River Blvd. – Widen to 6 lanes from US 1/4th Street to 53rd Street
- 27th Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from St. Lucie County Line to SR 60
- 43rd Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from 26th Street to 41st Street
- 58th Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from SR 60 to 69th Street
- 82nd Avenue – Improve as 2 lanes from 26th Street to Laconia Street to CR 512
- SR 60 – Widen to 6 lanes from I-95 to 98th Avenue
- 12th Street – Extend as 2 lanes from 58th Avenue to 66th Avenue
- I-95 – Widen to 6 lanes entire county

2035 LRTP Base Needs Plan Alternative B Central IRC

- US 1 – Widen to 6 lanes entire county
- 43rd Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from 26th Street to 41st Street
- 43rd Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from St. Lucie County Line to 16th Street
- 66th Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from SR 60 to Barber Street
- 82nd Avenue – Improve as 2 lanes from 26th Street to Laconia Street to CR 512

- SR 60 – Widen to 6 lanes from I-95 to 98th Avenue
- 12th Street – Extend as 2 lanes from 58th Avenue to 66th Avenue
- I-95 – Widen to 6 lanes entire county

2035 Base Needs Plan Alternative C Central IRC

- Indian River Blvd – Widen to 6 lanes from Royal Palm Road to 37th Street
- 27th Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from SR 60 to St. Lucie County Line
- 43rd Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from 26th Street to 41st Street
- 58th Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from SR 60 to 69th Street
- 82nd Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from SR 60 to 26th Street
- 82nd Avenue – Improve as 2 lanes from 26th Street to Laconia Street to CR 512
- 26th Street – Widen to 4 lanes from 43rd Avenue to 82nd Avenue
- SR 60 – Widen to 6 lanes from I-95 to 98th Avenue
- 12th Street – Extend as 2 lanes from 58th Avenue to 66th Avenue
- I-95 – Widen to 6 lanes entire county

2035 LRTP Base Needs Plan Alternative D Central IRC

- Indian River Blvd. – Widen to 6 lanes from US 1/4th Street to 53rd Street
- 43rd Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from 26th Street to 41st Street
- 43rd Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from 16th Street to St. Lucie County Line
- 58th Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from SR 60 to 69th Street
- 66th Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from SR 60 to Barber Street
- 82nd Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from SR 60 to 26th Street
- 82nd Avenue – Improve as 2 lanes from 26th Street to Laconia Street to CR 512
- 26th Street – Widen to 4 lanes from 43rd Avenue to 82nd Avenue
- SR 60 – Widen to 6 lanes from I-95 to 98th Avenue
- 12th Street – Extend as 2 lanes from 58th Avenue to 66th Avenue

2035 LRTP Base Needs Plan Alternative E Central IRC

- Indian River Blvd – Widen to 6 lanes from US 1/4th Street to 53rd Street
- 43rd Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from 26th Street to 41st Street
- 43rd Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from 16th Street to St. Lucie County Line
- 58th Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from SR 60 to 69th Street
- 66th Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from SR 60 to Barber Street
- 82nd Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from SR 60 to 26th Street

- 82nd Avenue – Improve as 2 lanes from 26th Street to Laconia Street to CR 512
- 26th Street – Widen to 4 lanes from 43rd Avenue to 82nd Avenue
- SR 60 – Widen to 6 lanes from I-95 to 98th Avenue
- 12th Street – Extend as 2 lanes from 58th Avenue to 66th Avenue
- I-95 – Widen to 6 lanes entire county

South LRTP Base Needs Plan Alternative A – South IRC

- US 1 – Widen to 6 lanes from Oslo Road to St. Lucie County Line
- Oslo Road – Widen to 4 lanes from 58th Avenue to I-95 with new interchange
- 27th Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from SR 60 to St. Lucie County Line
- 58th Avenue – Extend as 2 lanes from Oslo Road to Koblegrad Rd/St. Lucie County Line
- 98th Avenue – Extend as 2 lanes from 12th Street to 4th Street
- 4th Street – Extend as 2 lanes from 66th Avenue to 98th Avenue
- I-95 – Widen to 6 lanes entire county

2035 LRTP Base Needs Plan Alternative B South IRC

- US 1 – Widen to 6 lanes from Micco Road to St. Lucie County Line
- Oslo Road – Widen to 4 lanes from 58th Avenue to I-95 with new interchange
- 27th Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from Oslo Road to St. Lucie County Line
- 43rd Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from 16th Street to St. Lucie County Line
- 58th Avenue – Extend as 2 lanes from Oslo Road to Koblegrad Road/St. Lucie County Line
- 98th Avenue – Extend as 2 lanes from 12th Street to 4th Street
- 4th Street – Extend as 2 lanes from 66th Avenue to 98th Avenue
- I-95 – Widen to 6 lanes entire county

2035 LRTP Base Needs Plan Alternative C South IRC

- US 1 – Widen to 6 lanes from Oslo Road to St. Lucie County Line
- Old Dixie Highway – Widen to 4 lanes from 4th Street to St. Lucie County Line
- Oslo Road – Widen to 4 lanes from 58th Avenue to I-95 with new interchange
- 27th Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from SR 60 to St. Lucie County Line
- 58th Avenue – Extend as 2 lanes from Oslo Road to Koblegrad Road/St.

Lucie County Line

- 98th Avenue – Extend as 2 lanes from 12th Street to 4th Street
- 4th Street – Widen to 4 lanes from US 1 to 66th Avenue
- 4th Street – Extend as 2 lanes from 66th Avenue to 98th Avenue
- 13th Street SW – New 2 lane road from 20th Avenue to 58th Avenue
- I-95 – Widen to 6 lanes entire county

2035 LRTP Base Needs Plan Alternative D South IRC

- US 1 – Widen to 6 lanes from Oslo Road to St. Lucie County Line
- Old Dixie Hwy – Widen to 4 lanes from St. Lucie County Line to 4th Street
- Oslo Road – Widen to 4 lanes from 58th Avenue to I-95 with new interchange
- 27th Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from Oslo Road to St. Lucie County Line
- 43rd Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from 16th Street to St. Lucie County Line
- 58th Avenue – Extend as 4 lanes from Oslo Road to Koblegrad Road/St. Lucie County Line
- 98th Avenue – Extend as 2 lanes from 12th Street to 4th Street
- 8th Street – Widen to 4 lanes from US 1 to 66th Avenue
- 4th Street – Extend as 2 lanes from 66th Avenue to 98th Avenue
- 13th Street SW – New 2 lane road from 20th Avenue to 58th Avenue
- I-95 – Widen to 6 lanes entire county

2035 LRTP Base Needs Plan Alternative E South IRC

- US 1 – Widen to 6 lanes from Oslo Road to St. Lucie County Line
- Old Dixie Highway – Widen to 4 lanes from St. Lucie County Line to 4th Street
- Oslo Road – Widen to 4 lanes from 58th Avenue to I-95 with new interchange
- 27th Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from Oslo Road to St. Lucie County Line
- 43rd Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from Oslo Road to Koblegrad Road/ to St. Lucie County Line
- 98th Avenue – Extend as 2 lanes from 12th Street to 4th Street
- 4th Street – Widen to 4 lanes from US 1 to 66th Avenue
- 4th Street – Extend as 2 lanes from 66th Avenue to 98th Avenue
- 13th Street SW – New 2 lane road from 20th Avenue to 58th Avenue
- I-95 – Widen to 6 lanes entire county

2035 LRTP Draft Base Needs Plan for North IRC

- US 1 – Widen to 6 lanes from Brevard County Line to 53rd Street
- Roseland Road – Widen to 4 lanes from CR 512 to US 1
- CR 510 – Widen to 4 lanes from CR 512 to Intracoastal Waterway and from SR A1A to Intracoastal Waterway
- CR 512 – Widen to 4 lanes from I-95 to CR 507
- CR 512 – Widen to 6 lanes from I-95 to Roseland Road
- 77th Street – Extend as 2 lanes from 66th Avenue to west of I-95 in Fellsmere
- Fellsmere East-West Road – New east-west road south of and parallel to CR-512
- Fellsmere North-South Road – New north-south road west of and parallel to I-95
- 66th Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from SR 60 to Barber Street
- 82nd Avenue – Improve as 2 lanes from 26th Street to Laconia Street to CR-512
- I-95 – Widen to 6 lanes entire county

2035 LRTP Draft Base Needs Plan Central IRC

- Indian River Boulevard – Widen to 6 lanes from US 1/4th Street to 53rd Street
- 27th Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from SR 60 to St. Lucie County Line
- 43rd Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from 26th Street to 41st Street
- 58th Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from SR 60 to 69th Street
- 66th Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from SR 60 to Barber Street
- 82nd Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from SR 60 to 26th Street
- 26th Street – Widen to 4 lanes from 43rd Avenue to 82nd Avenue
- SR 60 – Widen to 6 lanes from I-95 to 98th Avenue
- 12th Street – Extend as 2 lanes from 58th Avenue to 66th Avenue
- I-95 – Widen to 6 lanes entire county

2035 LRTP Draft Base Needs Plan South IRC

- US 1 – Widen to 6 lanes from Oslo Road to St. Lucie County Line
- Old Dixie Highway – Widen to 4 lanes from St. Lucie County Line to 4th Street
- Oslo Road – Widen to 4 lanes from 58th Avenue to I-95 with new interchange
- 27th Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from SR 60 to St. Lucie County Line

- 43rd Avenue – Widen to 4 lanes from 16th Street to St. Lucie County Line
- 58th Avenue – Extend as 4 lanes from Oslo Road to Koblegrad Road/St. Lucie County Line
- 82nd Avenue – Extend as 2 lanes from Oslo Road to St. Lucie County Line
- 98th Avenue – Extend as 2 lanes from 12th Street to 4th Street
- 4th Street – Widen to 4 lanes from US 1 to 66th Avenue
- 4th Street – Extend as 2 lanes from 66th Avenue to 98th Avenue
- 13th Street SW – New 2 lane road from 20th Avenue to 58th Avenue
- I-95 – Widen to 6 lanes entire county

Comments from the members included the following:

Mayor Adams strongly objected to 4-laning CR 512 which runs through the middle of Fellsmere. She continued 3 lanes would be acceptable, 2 lanes with a turning lane in the middle, but 4 lanes was not an option.

Council Member Wright had concerns with 6-laning through Sebastian opening large amounts of right-of-way would have to be purchased at a high cost.

Commissioner Wheeler commented some of the problems were the lack of a grid system and a lack of political will to enforce interconnectivity.

It was the consensus of the members that none of the models would work and there should be no 6-laning.

Commissioner O'Bryan recommended instead of spending billions of dollars on roads, we could spend the money putting in the infrastructure for industry and have true walk to work clusters to alleviate the need for additional roads.

Mr. Kyle reported the next steps they would be performing as they finalize the needs plan improvements would be the beginning of transitioning even more significantly into the testing of transportation alternatives for roadways that were still exhibiting deficiencies. He would be taking the comments for alternatives made today into consideration as they moved forward into the development of the alternative modes of transportation including transit, bicycle and pedestrian.

Mr. Kyle continued they needed to start working on the financial resources analysis portion of the plan. He added what they were doing now was focusing on the revenues that would be available and doing the revenue forecasting for the amount of funds that would be available to pay for improvements. Another item to study was how much the improvements would cost to implement which

would feed into what would become the Cost Feasible Plan of Improvements. He added other things to look at would be community and environmental impacts.

Mr. Kyle stated the schedule currently has him coming back in the early spring to present alternatives that had been tested as part of the plan and then in the late spring, going to the general public with a series of alternatives workshops to be held in various locations within the county. The feedback received from those workshops would help lead towards the development of the Cost Feasible Plan.

Commissioner O'Bryan felt things that were not going to happen should be removed from the plan instead of doing a financial based analysis on those items.

Commissioner Flescher expressed a lot of time had been spent on the "widening" word and the consideration of costs and community impact had to be top priority.

Mr. Kyle rebutted they must first forecast the needs before they can begin to identify the strategies. He felt the comments made today provided a good direction on the strategies the members would like to see developed as part of the plan.

Other Business

Mr. Matson provided an update on the Bike Light Program noting at the suggestion of the MPOCAC, there would be a Bike Safety Night on January 14, 2010 from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the City of Fellsmere ball fields. Following the Bike Night, at 7:00 p.m. there will be a City of Fellsmere Council meeting where a proclamation would be presented. He invited all present to attend the event.

Comments from the Public

There were none.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:41 a.m.