

**METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**  
**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

A meeting of the Indian River County (IRC) Metropolitan Planning Organization Technical Advisory Committee (MPOTAC) was held at 10:00 AM on Friday, February 22, 2019, in Conference Room B1-501, Building B, of the County Administration Complex, 1800 27<sup>th</sup> Street, Vero Beach, Florida.

***Note: Audio and video recordings of the meeting can be found at***  
***<http://www.ircgov.com/Boards/TAC/2019.htm>***

**MPOTAC** members present were **Mark Mathes** (alternate), City Manager, City of Fellsmere; **Monte Falls**, City of Vero Beach Public Works Director; **Jason Jefferies**, City of Vero Beach Planning Department; **Chris Stephenson** (alternate), Senior Resource Association; **Scott Baker**, City of Sebastian Airport Director; **Noah Powers**, Town of Orchid Town Manager; **Eric Menger**, City of Vero Beach Airport Director; **Kristin Daniels**, IRC Budget; **Rich Szyrka**, IRC Public Works Director; **Stan Boling**, IRC Community Development Director; and **Mira Skoroden**, FDOT (non-voting advisor).

**MPOTAC** members absent were: **Chairman Jason Nunemaker**, City Manager, City of Fellsmere; **Paul Carlisle**, City of Sebastian Engineering; **Lisa Frazier**, City of Sebastian Community Development Director; **Karen Deigl**, Senior Resource Association; **Jennifer Idlette**, IRC School Board Transportation Director; **Sgt. Christian Mathisen**, IRC Sheriff's Office; **Sgt. Kip Benham**, Town of Indian River Shores; **Janie Holligsworth**, IRC Traffic Engineering.

Also present were IRC Staff: **Phil Matson**, MPO Staff Director; **Brian Freeman**, MPO Senior Planner, **Sharon Schalm**, MPO Staff Assistant III & Recording Secretary.

Others present included **John Podczerwinsky**, **Allison Glunt**, **Min-Tang Li**, FDOT; **Eric Penfield**, RS&H; **Gus Schmidt**, TY-LIN; **Tim Zorc**, BCC.

**Call to Order**

Vice Chairman Falls called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM at which time it was noted that a quorum was present.

**Approval of Minutes of the MPOTAC Meeting of January 25, 2019**

MPOTAC Vice Chairman Falls asked if there were any additions or corrections to the MPOTAC minutes of January 25, 2019. There were none.

**ON MOTION by Mr. Boling, SECONDED by Mr. Baker, the**

members voted (9-0) to approve the minutes of the Metropolitan Planning Organization Technical Advisory Committee of January 25, 2019.

*Mr. Szyrka arrived at 10:10 AM*

**Consideration of a Proposed Scope of Services for Preparation of the Indian River County MPO 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP).**

*Action Required*

Mr. Matson related that staff had begun initiating the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Update. He explained that the LRTP was a federally required document that included formal processes for public input, future transportation demand estimation, and roadway analysis and was the source of all federal and state-funded transportation projects in Indian River County.

He noted that State and Federal regulations require that the MPO prepare a 2045 update to its adopted 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) by December 31, 2020. He explained that, consistent with that requirement, staff had prepared the draft scope of services which provides a detailed methodology to be utilized by the MPO's consultant in preparing the 2045 plan update.

Mr. Matson further explained that the federal transportation legislation, as well as state regulations, required the consideration of several factors in the plan update process, and these factors were incorporated in the draft scope of services. He noted that one new area of emphasis was Performance Monitoring (PM), and the scope had been drafted to incorporate achievement of PM targets in the final plan.

**ON MOTION BY Mr. Mathes, SECONDED BY Mr. Boling, the members voted unanimously (10-0) to recommend approval of adopting the Proposed Scope of Services, for Preparation of the Indian River County MPO 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), as presented.**

**Transportation Systems Management and Operations (TSM&O) Master Plan Presentation**

*No Action Required*

Mr. Matson noted that FDOT District 4 is in the process of developing a TSM&O Master Plan for the Treasure Coast region. He introduced Allison Glunt of FDOT, who gave a Power Point presentation, a copy of which is on file in the MPO office. Ms. Glunt explained that TSM&O was the use of smart technology, such as cameras and vehicle detection devices to assist with traffic congestion management. She noted the benefits such as more reliable travel

times, information dissemination, signalization improvements and help with growing arterial programs.

### **FDOT Presentation on I-95 Master Plan**

*No Action Required*

Mr. Matson, introduced Min-Tang Li who gave a brief description of the I-95 Master Plan and the schedule for completion. He then introduced Mr. Schmidt and Mr. Penfield, of RS&H. Mr. Penfield gave a power point presentation of the FDOT I-95 Master Plan, a copy of which is on file in the MPO office. Mr. Penfield noted the objectives of the SR/I-95 project and was requesting feedback from local governments to include in the regional Master Plan. He noted that the I-95 Master Plan included 75 miles of highway with 15 interchanges. Mr. Penfield explained the process, implementation and project schedule. He noted that no additional Capacity was needed in Indian River County and gave a brief report on the two interchanges in Indian River County and the progress of the third one, Oslo Road.

Commissioner Zorc asked about a possible 53<sup>rd</sup> St Interchange in the future. Mr. Penfield noted that they had looked at it but that there was not enough traffic at this time to support it. Min Tang Li of FDOT requested suggestions and offered the support of FDOT.

### **Status Report of Other MPO Advisory Committees**

Mr. Matson reviewed his memorandum, dated February 13, 2019, included in the agenda packet and on file in the MPO Office.

### **Other Business**

Mr. Menger noted that the airport needed ways to meet infrastructure needs in the future.

### **Comments from the Public**

There were none.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:05 AM.