METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC), CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC), AND THE BICYCLE and PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BPAC)

A joint meeting of the Indian River County (IRC) Metropolitan Planning Organization Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) and Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) was held at 2:00 PM on Tuesday, October 28, 2025, conducted and hosted in County Administration Building "B", Room B1-501, 1800 27th Street, Vero Beach, Florida.

Note: Audio and video recordings of the meeting can be found at

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https://indianriver.gov/government/boards_and_committees/mpo_bicycle_advisory_committee/agendas___minutes.php

TAC-CAC-BPAC Members in Attendance:

Chair, Juliana Young (CAC)
Alix Bernard (TAC)
Dylan Wassell (CAC)
Chief Tad Stone (TAC)
Maura Stokes (TAC)
Sgt. Roderick Smith (TAC)
William Parden (CAC)
Chris McCarthy (BPAC)
Ryan Sweeney (TAC alternate)
Kailey Fairchild (TAC alternate)
Lee Plourde (TAC alternate)
Brandon Dambeck (TAC alternate)
Hal Lambert (BPAC)
Solana Morris (BPAC)
Eric Boissat (CAC)
Nancy Auwaerter (CAC)
Mike Grim (CAC)
Linda Faust (CAC)
Bruce Hoffman (CAC)
Jason Jeffries (TAC)
Cherry Stowe (TAC)
Robert Baus (BPAC)
Karen Miller (TAC)
Michael Marsh (CAC)
Matthew Mitts (TAC)
Erica Ogilvie (CAC)
Danette Dieffenbach (BPAC)
Joe Storey (TAC alternate)
Anne Bert (CAC alternate)

TAC-CAC-BPAC Members Absent:

Amber Cerda (CAC, excused)
Jennifer Idlette (TAC, excused)
Robert Loring (BPAC alternate)
Vacant, IRC Public Works (TAC)
Freddie Woolfork (CAC)
Chuck Mechling (CAC, excused)
Vacant, IRC Traffic Engineering (TAC)

Staff in Attendance:

Brian Freeman, MPO Staff Director
Mark Vietze, MPO Senior Planner
Patti Johnson, MPO Staff Assistant III & Recording Secretary

Others in Attendance:

FDOT: Jim Hughes, Vandana Nagole, Emile Bastien, Tony Norat, Mark Madgar, James Brown, Tom Turberville, Mike Melendez, Victoria Peters, & Rana Keel
City of Sebastian: Jim Mann
Kimley-Horn & Associates: William Roll
WGI, Inc.: Brett Fuller
Resident: Paul Morris

Call to Order

Chair Young called the combined meeting to order at 2:04 PM. It was noted that a quorum was present.

Chair Young stated there will be a change in the order of items as a presenter is running late. Items #3 and #4 will change places.

Chair Young stated next on the agenda will be approval of meeting minutes. Each committee member will vote for their respective committee.

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Approval of the TAC Meeting Minutes of May 30, 2025.

Action Required

Chair Young asked if there were any additions or corrections to the TAC Meeting minutes of May 30, 2025. There were none.

> **ON MOTION by Mr. Sweeney and SECONDED by Chief Stone, the members voted (12-0) to approve May 30, 2025, Metropolitan Planning Organization Technical Advisory Committee meeting minutes, as presented.**

Approval of the CAC-BPAC Joint Meeting Minutes of June 3, 2025.

Action Required

Chair Young asked if there were any additions or corrections to the CAC-BPAC Meeting minutes of June 3, 2025. There were none.

> **ON MOTION by Mr. Marsh and SECONDED by Mr. Lambert, the members voted (16-0) to approve June 3, 2025, joint meeting of the Metropolitan Planning Organization Citizens Advisory Committee and the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee meeting minutes, as presented.**

Approval of the TAC-CAC-BPAC Combined Meeting Minutes of August 5, 2025.

Action Required

Chair Young asked if there were any additions or corrections to the TAC-CAC-BPAC combined meeting minutes of August 5, 2025. There were none.

ON MOTION by Ms. Bernard and SECONDED by Ms. Auwaerter, the members voted (28-0) to approve the August 5, 2025, combined meeting of the Metropolitan Planning Organization Technical Advisory Committee, Citizens Advisory Committee, and the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee meeting minutes, as presented.

Consideration of the Draft 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan.
Action Required

Mr. Jeffries entered @ 2:40pm

Mr. Freeman provided a brief overview of the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) and introduced Mr. William Roll, from Kimley-Horn and Associates. Mr. Roll conducted a power point presentation and was there to answer any questions. A copy of this presentation is on file in the MPO office.

Mr. Roll reminded the Committee the deadline to approve this plan is December 2025. Failure to adopt the plan by the deadline risks the denial of federal funding for transportation projects. Mr. Freeman stated this item will be on display for public comment for a period of 30 days. Then Mr. Freeman expounded on the projects included in this plan.

Mr. Mitts stated he would like to see the widening of Aviation Blvd., from 43rd Avenue to US 1 raised on the priority list.

Mr. Lambert inquired once the Airport starts charging for parking if those funds could be used to offset costs for these work projects. Mr. Dambeck replied that federal requirements prohibit the Airport for using those funds for anything besides the Airport.

There being no further comments, the item was open for motion.

ON MOTION by Mr. Hoffman and SECONDED by Mr. Marsh, the members voted (29-0) to approve the Draft 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan, as presented

Review of FDOT's Draft Tentative Five-Year Work Program for FY 2027-2031.
Action Required

Mr. Freeman opened this item by providing some background on the Draft Tentative Work Program, stating the items presented in this Work Program will ultimately become part of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), which will be presented next year. Ms. Victoria Peters, Planning Manager from FDOT, conducted the presentation. Ms. Peters referenced FDOT staff that were present. A copy of this presentation is on file in the MPO office.

Ms. Peters started the presentation explaining the general work program cycle, highlighting the timeframe noting what steps occur during the calendar year. The following eight priority projects were mentioned: 45th Street from 58th Avenue to 43rd Avenue, CR-510 from 87th Street to 58th Avenue, CR-510 from 58th Avenue to US 1, 82nd Avenue from 26th Street to 69th Street, 82nd Avenue from 69th Street to CR-510, US 1 intersection at Aviation Blvd., Aviation Blvd. from 43rd Avenue to US 1, and US 1 from 53rd Street to CR-510.

Ms. Peters covered the other funded projects which are CR-512 from Willow Street to I-95 under the Transportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP), and 41st Street from 32nd Avenue to US 1, under the Transportation Alternative (TA) Program.

There being no further comments, the item was open for motion.

ON MOTION by Mr. Mitts and SECONDED by Mr. Marsh, the members voted (29-0) to approve FDOT's Draft Tentative Five-Year Work Program for FY 2027-2031, as presented.

Consideration of a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment.
Action Required

Mr. Freeman commented this Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment is due to more funding being programmed for 82nd Avenue's right-of-way acquisition.

There being no further comments, the item was open for motion.

ON MOTION by Ms. Bernard and SECONDED by Mr. Marsh, the members voted (29-0) to approve the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment, as presented.

Review of the MPO Annual Certification Statement.
Action Required

Mr. Freeman explained the certification process and reviewed the findings from FDOT of the MPO Annual Certification. As it has in the past, FDOT identified a number of noteworthy practices undertaken by the MPO and found no deficiencies in this evaluation. Some the of the highlights include: long range planning efforts and visioning, excellence in public transportation (1.36 million riders, the 13th consecutive year of 1 million + riders, even during COVID), the most efficient public transportation system in Florida (number one ranking in cost per passenger trip), implemented transit service enhancements recommended by the TDP, bike/ped safety programming reaching out to the PE classes in elementary schools (issuing helmets to all participants), and cooperation in regional planning activities, also the completion of the Bicycle & Pedestrian Master Plan update.

There being no further comments, the item was open for motion.

ON MOTION by Mr. Marsh and SECONDED by Ms. Bernard, the members voted (29-0) to approve the MPO's Annual Certification Statement, as presented.

Status Report of MPO Advisory Committees.
No Action Required

Mr. Freeman reviewed his memorandum, dated October 20, 2025, included in the agenda packet and on file in the MPO Office. He also noted the next meeting dates for the MPO and its advisory committees.

Other Business

Mr. Freeman commented that the 2026 MPO and MPO Advisory Committees meeting schedule is also included in the agenda packet. Meeting invites will be emailed to all Board members.

Comments from the Public

There were none.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:52 PM.