

April 7, 2008

MEMORANDUM

TO: Polk Transportation Planning Organization (TPO), News Media,
and Interested Citizens

FROM: Commissioner Sam Johnson, TPO Chairman

SUBJECT: Polk Transportation Planning Organization
Thursday, April 10, 2008 at 9:00 A.M.
Polk County Commission Board Room
Polk County Neil Combee Administration Building

The Polk TPO will meet on Thursday, April 10, 2008 at 9:00 A.M. in the Polk County Commission Board Room on the first floor of the Polk County Neil Combee Administration Building at 330 West Church Street in Bartow, Florida.

The meeting agenda includes a presentation on the Tampa Bay Area Regional Transportation Authority (TBARTA), Polk County Toll Road Feasibility Study, FDOT's Draft 2035 Strategic Intermodal System (SIS) Plan and the review/approval of the Draft Fiscal Year 2008/09 – 2009/10 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP).

The meeting agenda, previous meeting minutes and attachments are enclosed. If you have any questions regarding the meeting, or are unable to attend, please call Ryan Kordek, TPO staff, at (863) 534-6486.

SJ:RK

Enclosure

POLK TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION (TPO)
POLK COUNTY COMMISSION BOARD ROOM
THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2008
9:00 A.M.

AGENDA

Roll Call

Approve Consent Agenda

Board Recognitions

Winners of the 2007 "Future of Transportation in Polk County" Poster Contest

- 1. Presentation by the Tampa Bay Area Regional Transportation Authority**
Since its inception in 2007, the development of a transportation master plan for the Tampa Bay Area has been one of TBARTA's primary responsibilities. TBARTA staff will provide a presentation on the status of the Authority and their Master Plan as it relates to Polk County. This item is being presented for information purposes only. (Attachment)
- 2. Polk County Toll Feasibility Study**
Polk County is conducting toll feasibility studies for several planned roads in the Lakeland and Winter Haven area. The project consultant will provide a presentation detailing the results of this effort to date. This item is being presented for information purposes only. (Attachment)
- 3. Review/Approval of Final Draft Fiscal Year 2008/09 – 2009/10 Unified Planning Work Program**
Staff will request the Board to review/approve the Final Draft Fiscal Year 2008/09 – 2009/10 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) and authorize staff to make minor changes to the document, as necessary, in response to agency comments that are received subsequent to the TPO Board Meeting. Action is requested. (Attachment)

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons with disabilities needing special accommodations to participate in this proceeding should contact the Board of County Commissioners, Public Information Office, at 330 W. Church Street, Fourth Floor, Bartow. Telephone (863) 534-6090, not later than four days prior to the proceeding. If hearing impaired call: (TDD) (863) 534-7777 or 1-800-955-8771, or Voice impaired call: 1-800-955-8770, via Florida Relay Service.

The TPO planning process is conducted in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Related Statutes. Any person or beneficiary who believes they have been discriminated against because of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, disability, or familial status may file a complaint with the Florida Department of Transportation District One Title VI Coordinator Jacqueline Brown at (863) 519-2757 or by writing Ms. Brown at Post Office Box 1249, Bartow, Florida 33831.

4. Review/Approval of Draft TPO Resolution 2008-02 Authorizing the Chairman to File a Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Planning Grant Application

Staff will request the Board to approve a resolution authorizing the TPO Chairman to submit a grant application to support transit planning activities under the FY 2008/09 Unified Planning Work Program. Action is requested. (Attachment)

5. Review/Approval of Draft TPO Resolution 2008-03 Authorizing the Chairman to File a Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund Planning-Related Grant Application

Staff will request the Board to approve a resolution authorizing the TPO Chairman to submit a grant application to support the Transportation Disadvantaged Program under the FY 2008/09 Unified Planning Work Program. Action is requested. (Attachment)

6. Draft 2035 Strategic Intermodal System (SIS) Plan

The FDOT is soliciting comments on their Draft 2035 SIS Plan from the TPO committees and Board. FDOT staff will provide a presentation that covers the needed and planned improvements to the SIS network in Polk County through the year 2035. These comments/recommendations will be considered by FDOT in adopting the Plan later this year. Action is requested. (Attachment)

7. Review/Approval of Draft TPO Staff Services Agreement

Staff will request the Board to review/approve an updated staff services agreement between the Polk Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) and the Polk County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC). Action is requested. (Attachment)

8. Legislative Update

Staff will provide an update on transportation-related items under consideration as part of the 2008 Florida Legislative Session. This item is being presented for information purposes only. (Attachment)

9. Florida Department of Transportation Report

10. Polk County Public Works Department Report

11. Communications and Reports

12. Adjournment

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CONSENT AGENDA

These agenda items are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. A Board member may request an item be moved to the regular agenda for discussion. Where applicable, consent agenda items have been approved by the Citizens and Technical Advisory Committees.

C1. Approval of TPO Board Meeting Minutes – February 14, 2008

C2. Appointment to the TPO Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)

Staff requests the Board to approve an appointment to the Citizens Advisory Committee as noted in the attachment. Action is requested. (Attachment)

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