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SOUTHEAST FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL

MEETING OF MAY 16th, 2025, AT 1:30 PM

**Broward MPO: 100 W Cypress Creek Road,
6th Floor, Suite 650
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309-2181**

AGENDA

- I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**
- II. ROLL CALL**
- III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – *Meeting of February 21, 2025*
- V. PUBLIC COMMENTS** – *2 minutes each speaker*
- VI. COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR**
- VII. INFORMATION ITEMS**
 - A. 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)
 - B. US-27 Multi Modal Planning Study
- VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**
 - A. Member Comments
- X1. MOTION TO ADJOURN**



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MEETING MINUTES

SOUTHEAST FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL

Friday, February 21, 2025, 1:00 p.m.

Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization

100 West Cypress Creek Road, Suite 650, Fort Lauderdale FL. 33309

Board Members Present

Chair Beam Furr, Broward MPO

Vice-Chair Chelsea Reed, Palm Beach TPA

Also, Present

Aileen Bouclé, Executive Director, Miami-Dade TPO

Valerie Neilson, Executive Director, Palm Beach TPA

Bryan Caletka, Deputy Director, Broward MPO

Malcolm Moyse Jr, Miami-Dade TPO

Franchesca Taylor, Miami-Dade TPO

Vanessa Spatafora, Miami-Dade TPO

Christopher Rosenberg, Miami Dade TPO

Andrew Uhler, Palm Beach TPA

Loraine Cargill, South Florida Regional Transportation Authority

Victoria Peters, FDOT District 4

Cesar Martinez, FDOT District 4

Kent Walia, FDOT District 4

James Brown, Florida Turnpike

Daniel Crotty, HNTB

Regular Items

(All Items Open for Public Comment)

I. Call to Order

Chair Furr called the meeting to order at 1:02 pm

II. Roll Call

Ms. Taylor called the roll of SEFTC members. Two members were present, the quorum was met.

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Vice Chair Reed, seconded by Chair Furr, to approve. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

IV. Approval of Minutes of October 18th, 2024

Motion made by Vice Chair Reed, seconded by Chair Furr, to approve. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

V. Public Comments

Chair Furr opened the meeting for the reasonable opportunity to be heard and seeing no one appearing to speak, the public comment period was closed.

VI. Comments from the Chair

Chair Furr highlighted a Special Black History Month Edition of Transportation History, recognizing Garrett Morgan's contributions to roadway safety.

VII. ACTION ITEMS

- A. **Motion to Elect Officers** Chair & Vice Chair to serve from February 2025 Through January 2026.

Motion made by Vice Chair Reed, to maintain current chairs and officers. Motion seconded by Chair Furr to approve. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

- B. **Motion to approve** the Fiscal Year 2026 - Fiscal Year 2031 Transportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP) list.

Miami-Dade TPO Executive Director Aileen Boucle acknowledged staff from the Palm Beach TPA, Broward MPO and Miami-Dade TPO for their hard work and collaboration in creating the TRIP list. She also recognized other partners such as SFRTA and FDOT for their work in assisting in this effort. Staff is recommending approval of the TRIP list as presented today.

Broward MPO's representative Bryan Caletka acknowledged that most of the Broward County projects represent Southwest Broward which has a large amount of vacant land and is growing at a rapid rate. These projects will provide necessary infrastructure to meet growing demands.

Palm Beach TPA Executive Director Valerie Neilson echoes acknowledgement of staff and partners in the development of the TRIP.

Motion made by Vice Chair Reed, seconded by Chair Furr to approve FY 2026-FY 2031 TRIP list. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

VIII. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) – Update

Franchesca Taylor, with Miami-Dade TPO, provided an update on the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), presenting the scope of work, project schedule, and coordination efforts. She highlighted the current focus on scenario planning and accessibility and noted that the plan is on track for adoption by June 2025.

In response to Chair Beam Furr's inquiry about climate change data sources, she explained that information is being drawn from the COMP plan, Miami-Dade TPO's resiliency work, and collaborative efforts across the three counties.

B. US-27 Multi Modal Planning Study Update

Victoria Peters, Transportation Planning Manager for FDOT D4, provided an update on the US-27 Multi-Modal Planning Study:

- The Palm Beach TPA and Broward MPO have included the project in their Long-Range Transportation Plans (LRTP), and FDOT is recommending that the Miami-Dade TPO include it in the 2050 LRTP.
- The project is included in the List of Project Priorities (LOPP) for all three agencies (TPA, TPO, and MPO). Once approved, FDOT will consider programming the feasibility study in the new draft tentative work program for 2026-2031, aiming for inclusion in the 2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).
- Miami-Dade TPO Executive Director Aileen Bouclé clarified that the project was already part of the 2050 LRTP, adopted by the TPO Governing Board in September 2024.
- Chair Beam Furr stressed the urgency of the study to separate freight from commuter rail and improve trash movement, noting a perceived lack of urgency from FDOT compared to the counties.
- Victoria Peters stated that while advancing the project is possible, maintaining a balanced work program for legislative approval would require adjustments to other projects.

- Chair Furr highlighted a few projects have had all three counties advocating for completion.
- Palm Beach TPA Executive Director Valerie Neilson invited SEFTC members to visit West Palm Beach's renewable energy facility, the first of its kind in over 20 years in the U.S.

IX. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

- Chair Furr stated that there is a consensus to move forward with the Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) to connect Aventura to the North County Line. A decision is expected by the end of the year regarding the choice between a bridge or tunnel for the New River Crossing.
- Valerie Neilson, Executive Director of the Palm Beach TPA met with FDOT District 4 to review the scope of the commuter rail project for Broward and Palm Beach counties. She expressed enthusiasm for the ongoing efforts to enhance regional connectivity.

X. MOTION TO ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 1:25pm.

NEXT SEFTC MEETING: Friday, April 25th, 2025, at Broward MPO