

Blueprint 2000 Technical Coordinating Committee
Meeting Summary

Wednesday, March 20, 2002

Attendees: Dinah Hart	Edgar Grant
Jack Kostrzewa	Wendy Grey
Sally Dowlen	Theresa Heiker
Debra Schiro	Gabriel Menendez
Mark Beaudoin	Bill Woolery
John Buss	Tony Park
Jess Van Dyke	Nancy Miller
Sandi Williams	Henree Martin
Kathy Archibald	Mark Mustian

Meeting called to order at @ 8:50 AM by Tony Park, Chairperson.

Item #1: Recap of 2/18 Intergovernmental Agency Action

Tony Park provided a brief recap of the direction to staff—to work with the CAC and TCC to develop recommendations for Agency consideration.

Item # 2: Brainstorming Session to Identify Approaches/Alternatives for Discussion

Staff identified the following strategies in an effort to develop a recommendation to present to the CAC on March 21 and Intergovernmental Agency at a later date.

- Regional approach (including sector planning) e.g., stormwater, greenways, roadways
- Move forward with CCSE and CCSW
- Franklin Boulevard/St. Augustine Branch
- Maintain proportionality between roadways and other Blueprint elements
- Project scope changes to reduce dollars
- Sales tax revenue increases
- Seek other funding sources
- Advance ROW acquisition

Item # 3: Development of Proposed Options for Consideration by CAC and IA

After input from most committee members, including those of the EECC who were granted speaking privileges by the committee, the following approach was developed for recommendation to the CAC and the Intergovernmental Agency:

A "regional" approach for implementing Blueprint projects should be recommended to the CAC and IA, which would include the incorporation of all of the elements of a particular map/project, including the stormwater, greenway, environmental and roadway elements, as well as the necessary sector planning to address the land use issues for the specific map/project; "connectivity" between maps and between elements in maps should be emphasized.

Given the non-controversial nature of Map 3 (Franklin Blvd./St. Augustine Branch) it was agreed that we should move forward with the PD&E, incorporating the multi-disciplined approach; this direction would also involve incorporating this approach for Map 4 which includes CCSE, to the extent possible given the current status of the project, but continuing to move forward as currently planned; initiating an expanded PD&E for Capital Circle Southwest from Crawfordville Road to Tennessee Street (Map 2, with the exception of CCNW) which would include these additional elements in the scope; moving forward as currently planned for CCNW from West Tennessee Street to I-10, which includes only the roadway improvements at this time. The committee was reluctant to commence with deleting projects or altering project scopes at this time, with the thought that the PD&E's will provide the best cost estimate and the basis from which those decisions can be made-- however, there was general consensus that the deletion of the two interchanges in Map 2, reduction of right of way on Capital Circle where expansion may not be appropriate/fiscally prudent, and "rerouting" greenways through less expensive land, would result in a more balanced program. The committee also concurred that aggressive efforts should be made in seeking other funding sources, that proportionality should be maintained when reviewing project scopes for possible funding reductions, and that the advance purchase of right of way, where possible, should be a priority and programmed into the work plan as appropriate.

It should be noted, however, that the committee concurred that staff not agenda this action for the April 15 Intergovernmental Agency meeting but to instead delay the item until the June 17 meeting--primarily in an effort to give the (hopefully) new staff director time to become familiar with the program and comfortable with the direction.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 10:50 AM.