

Blueprint 2000 CAC Meeting Summary

Thursday, September 12, 2002

Amtrak Station

4:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Meeting called to order at 4:45 PM by Kathy Archibald, Chairperson.

Attendees:

Kathy Archibald

Anita Davis (via telephone)

Jess Van Dyke

Terrence Hinson

John Hutchinson

Charles Pattison

Albert Trull

Staff:

Jim Davis

Shelonda Gay

Dinah Hart

Sandi Williams

Guests/Presenters:

Lee Hartsfield

Agenda Modifications

A copy of the agenda modifications were provided to the members prior to the meeting. They were not read, however they are a part of the record.

Consent Items

Item #1: Staff request for approval of the June 6, 2002 Meeting Minutes

Mr. Trull moved staff's recommendation. Mr. Hinson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Presentations/Action

Item #8: Operating Budget

Ms. Dinah Hart presented the proposed 2003 Operating Budget for Blueprint 2000. She stated that there would be a public hearing to review the budget on September 23, 2002, and that the City and the County would be advance funding the Blueprint 2000 office.

Mr. Trull moved staff's recommendation. Mr. Hinson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Item #7: LiDAR Funding

Ms. Archibald stated that this issue requested that the Intergovernmental Agency fund 1/3 of the total cost for the Light Detection and Ranging, LiDAR, GIS upgrade. The cost to Blueprint would be \$350,000 and COT and Leon County will fund equal amounts. She stated that this technology has an accuracy of approximately 2 foot contours and that it would be more accurate than the present technology.

Mr. Lee Hartsfield, County GIS, did a presentation of the LiDAR system. He stated that the present system was accurate up to 4 feet contours but accuracy is substantially less and it will not penetrate foliage. He further stated that the LiDAR system is more accurate and it is a critical technology that will be used to support the engineering of future projects. This will offset the cost of the preliminary design phase of the Blueprint projects. There was further discussion and a presentation of the product was shown.

There were questions regarding the recovery of costs and how this technology would directly benefit Blueprint 2000. The Committee discussed the tracking of the savings and how this technology would benefit contractors and would they pay a part of the costs. There was also discussion of the need to periodically update the information.

Mr. Hartsfield stated that the data would need to be updated every 5 years, however the updates would not be as costly as the initial flyover. The Committee stated that they felt the contractors and developers should also pay some of the costs for the technology. They further stated that they did not feel that Blueprint 2000 should pay 1/3 of the costs for the technology because LiDAR would be surveying the entire City and County and that much of the data would be immaterial to Blueprint projects. The Committee further stated that Blueprint has a limited amount of funding to cover roadway improvements and the purchase of greenways. They stated that Blueprint should not pay 1/3 of the costs for the technology.

Mr. Pattison moved that the Committee support the LiDAR project, however Blueprint should pay only 20% of the costs and that the City and County should explore the recovery of funds through fees for services. Mr. Van Dyke seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Item #5: Capital Circle NW ROW increase

Mr. Davis stated that the original cost for the right of way along Capital Circle NW had increased from \$15.1M to \$24,048,000. He stated that this increase was due to an increase in the length of the segment, current estimates are more refined and that recent land developments (Lowe's, Harley Davidson, etc.) within the area had encroached within the proposed right of way. Mr. Davis recommended approval to fund the increase in cost plus an additional 10% for contingency.

Mr. Pattison moved staff's recommendation. Mr. Hutchinson seconded the motion for discussion. The Committee further recommended that the IA work to introduce an interim ordinance that would prevent this type of development in proposed ROW in the future. The motion carried unanimously.

Item #6: Staff Organization and Request to issue RFP for GEC

Mr. Davis stated that Blueprint 2000 would have a small staff and that he was requesting that the Intergovernmental Agency authorize staff to move forward with issuing a RFP for a General Engineering Consultant. He stated that the General Engineering Consultant would augment the Blueprint staff and provide technical services as requested on a non-exclusive basis for individual projects. Mr. Davis stated that the consultant would not design projects or conduct major studies, but would develop scope of services for these activities and evaluate the work product.

Mr. Hinson moved staff's recommendation. Mr. Hutchinson seconded the motion for discussion. There was further discussion of the services that would be provided by the GEC and the costs for the services. The motion carried unanimously.

Item #10: Water Quality criteria modification

Mr. Davis stated that this issue addressed the revision of the water quality criteria to include geography. He stated that a second phase of the project evaluation that would include a map that identified, by quadrant, the location of the previously approved projects and the location of new projects being submitted for approval. He stated that this would allow members of the IA to consider location in their final decision for project approval.

Mr. Hinson moved staff's recommendation. Mr. Pattison seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Item #9: Northwest Florida Water Management District partnership for Headwaters of the St. Marks River

Mr. Davis stated that he was requesting authorization from the Intergovernmental Agency to move forward to enter into negotiations with the Northwest Florida Water Management District to equally share the acquisition costs for properties located within the headwaters of the St. Marks River. Mr. Davis stated that there were issues such as ownership and management of the properties acquired that needed to be worked out during the negotiations.

Mr. Trull moved staff's recommendation. Mr. Pattison seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Item #2: Add MPO Director to TCC as Voting Member

Mr. Davis stated that this item requests that the Director of the MPO be included as a voting member of the Blueprint 2000 Technical Coordinating Committee.

Mr. Trull moved staff's recommendation. Mr. Pattison seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Informational Items

The CAC meeting that was scheduled for October 9, 2002 will need to be changed due to a conflict in the schedules of several of the Committee members. Many of the members and Jim are scheduled to attend a conference in Raleigh, NC from October 9, 2002 until October 11, 2002. Ms. Gay will contact the entire Committee via e-mail to schedule the next meeting.

Item #5a: Capital Circle NW ROW increase- Grant Request (informational only)

Mr. Davis provided the members of the committee with a copy of a grant request to the Federal Government for the funding of Capital Circle Northwest. Mr. Davis stated that he recommended that Blueprint move forward to lobby the Federal Government for a grant for funding of the widening of Capital Circle NW.

Unagendaed Items

NONE

There being no further business, the chairperson adjourned the meeting at 6:50 p.m.