

TALLAHASSEE-LEON COUNTY
BLUEPRINT 2000 INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGENCY

Meeting Minutes

September 23, 2002, 3:00 PM

City Commission Chambers, City Hall, 2nd Floor

MEMBERS PRESENT

County

Commissioner Ed DePuy
Commissioner Tony Grippa
Commissioner Bill Proctor
Commissioner Bob Rackleff
Commissioner Jane Sauls
Commissioner Cliff Thaell
Commissioner Dan Winchester

City

Mayor Scott Maddox
Comm. John Paul Bailey, Chairman
Commissioner Allan Katz
Commissioner Debbie Lightsey
Commissioner Steve Meisburg

STAFF/OTHERS PRESENT

Mr. Parwez Alam, County Administrator
Mr. Jim Davis, Director Blueprint 2000
Mr. Bruce Barrett, MPO
Ms. Sally Dowlen, County Public Works
Mr. Jim English, City Attorney
Ms. Shelonda Gay, Blueprint 2000
Ms. Dinah Hart, DMA
Ms. Theresa Heiker, Leon County
Ms. Val Hubbard, Planning
Mr. Jack Kostrzewa, Planning
Mr. Vince Long, Assistant County Administrator
Mr. Tony Park, Leon County Public Works
Mr. Daniel Rigo, County Attorney's Office
Ms. Debra Schiro, Assistant City Attorney
Ms. Jean Weekley, FDOT
Ms. Sandi Williams, City Manager's Office
Mr. Bill Woolery, City Engineering
Mr. Michael Wright, Assistant City Manager
Ms. Kate Brady, Citizen
Ms. Debbie Dantin, Citizen
Mr. Paco de la Fuente, Citizen
Mr. David Van Leuven, Citizen

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Dan Winchester at 4:30 PM, immediately following the MPO meeting.

II. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There were no agenda modifications

III. CONSENT ITEMS

1. June 17, 2002 Meeting Minutes

Mayor Maddox moved approval of the June 17, 2002 Minutes. Commissioner Katz seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Staff Organization and request to issue RFP for General Engineering Consultant

Mayor Maddox moved to authorize commencement of the hiring process for a General Engineering Consultant Firm. Commissioner Katz seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

IV. CONSENT ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

No consent items were pulled for discussion.

V. DISCUSSION ITEMS

ITEM #3: CAPITAL CIRCLE NW ROW INCREASE

There was no discussion of the item.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve \$24,048,000.00 in advanced funding for right of way acquisition for Capital Circle Northwest plus and additional 10% for contingency.

ACTION TAKEN: Mayor Maddox moved approval of \$24,048,000.00 in advanced funding for right of way acquisition for Capital Circle Northwest plus an additional 10% for contingency. Commissioner Katz seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM #4: OPERATING BUDGET

There was discussion of the unclassified contractual services (\$1,605,000.00) line item of the budget. Mr. Davis stated that \$1,500,000.00 of that line item was for the appraisal and acquisition services for the right of way for Capital Circle Northwest. He further stated that this would be undertaken by the Department of Transportation and that the Intergovernmental Agency had agreed to advance fund this project. Mr. Davis further stated that there were other items such as funding for a sector plan and miscellaneous other items that would be funding from these funds.

Commissioner Thael discussed the increasing cost of the right of way. Commissioner Lightsey stated that the IA was working to minimize the cost through the CUTR Corridor Management study. Mr. Davis stated that he would like to implement a land bank practice, where when an opportunity arose and a property owner was willing to sale property, that Blueprint would purchase this property from the willing seller years in advance in order to minimize the cost of the right of way.

There was discussion of the acquisition of property behind businesses along Capital Circle for the construction of bike paths and greenways. Mr. Davis stated that he had discussed this idea with the project manager for DOT and he stated that to pull the bike lanes from the design of the project at this point and move them to other locations would be more costly.

Mr. Grippa stated that he did not believe that the public wished to have a bike path from I-10 to the airport. He stated that the resources would be better used to connect communities to schools.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt the Fiscal Year 2003 budget and related budget resolution.

ACTION TAKEN: Mayor Maddox moved approval of the Fiscal Year 2003 budget and related budget resolution. Commissioner Katz seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

VI. UNAGENDAED BUSINESS

NONE

VII. PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2003 BUDGET

Mr. Patrick Elliott was present to testify at the public hearing. He stated that he lived in Seminole Manor and that he would like to publicly state his objection to the alternate route for Capital Circle Southwest. He stated that this change would negatively impact several neighborhoods, lakes, woods and swamps in the area.

The Committee stated that the PD & E study had not been conducted and that public input would be taken at that time. They further stated that no money was spent on studies for

this area and that the alternate and the current route would be studied before any decision is made.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:03 p.m.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Commissioner Bailey
Chairman of Blueprint 2000 IA

Secretary to Blueprint 2000 IA