

Southeast Florida TOD Working Group

Meeting Summary

September 3, 2013 (1:30 PM – 4PM); SFRTA – Training Room

People Invited - Participants with a ✓ were in attendance:
(Group is open to all interested)

✓	Larry Hymowitz	Florida Department of Transportation
✓	Lois Bush	Florida Department of Transportation
	Scott Seeburger	Florida Department of Transportation
	Jayne Pietrowski	Florida Department of Transportation
✓	Kim Delaney	Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council
✓	Karen Hamilton	South Florida Regional Planning Council
✓	Lynda Westin	South Florida Regional Transit Agency
	Wilson Fernandez	Miami Dade Metropolitan Planning Organization
✓	Angela Morlok	Palm Beach MPO
✓	Bret Baronak	Palm Beach MPO
	Nilia Cartaya	Miami-Dade Transit
✓	John Ramos	Broward County Transit
✓	Vivian Arroyo	Broward County Transit
✓	Fred Stubbs	Palm Tran
✓	Marianne Winfield	Smart Growth Partnership
✓	Marcela Cambor	Seven 50 – Sustainable Communities Initiative
	Jim Carras	Carras Community Investment, Inc
✓	Jessica Josselyn	Kittleson Associates
✓	Jason King	Dover, Kohl & Partners
✓	Karen Kiselewski	Renaissance Planning Group
✓	Rob Piatkowski	Renaissance Planning Group

AGENDA

- Introductions
- Summary of Last Meeting
- TOD Mapping / Planning
- Models of Collaboration
- Roles & Responsibilities

NEXT STEPS

- Provide feedback on the roles and responsibilities chart so that a revised version is available for the next Working Group meeting.
- Research and share models from other places on collaborative efforts focused on implementing TOD.
- Develop a regional map and database of TOD opportunities and select the priority locations
- Work with the regional agencies to find a home for the Seven 50 and TOD resources.
- Set a Working Group meeting schedule

KEY DISCUSSIONS

1. Summary of Last Meeting

Four Next Steps

At the meeting on June 7th, four next steps for the Working Group were devised:

- Identify the roles and responsibilities/core responsibilities of the various agencies and groups in Southeast Florida involved in TOD.
- Research and share models from other places on collaborative efforts focused on implementing TOD.
- Focus on education and information sharing on TOD projects, such as a web-based portal of plans and resources.
- Provide a market assessment (site development oriented) of the region's four existing premium transit corridors (Tri-Rail, WAVE, Metrorail, and FEC) building on available information to help guide investments by MPOs and others.

During the September 3rd meeting an additional step was proposed, to refine the maps of TOD locations and transit, both existing and for the year 2035. It was agreed that the transit maps from the 2040 RTP will be used for the longer period. The role of the Working Group was revisited as was increasing participation. Representatives from the financial and development industries should be invited to join. Others to invite include the Broward County Planning Council (Immediately) and local jurisdictions, DDA's and CRA's (once the Working Group is more fully established).

2. TOD Mapping and Planning

The multiple mapping efforts currently underway in the three county area were a major focus of the meeting. These efforts include those of FDOT District 4 (via consultant Renaissance Planning Group), SEFTC 2040 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), and Seven 50. The Seven50 data warehouse is related to mapping because it contains the up-to-date information used to create the plan's maps.

Existing and 2035 Maps – FDOT

One map shows existing transit within the three counties and the various stations, multimodal facilities and mobility hubs. A second map includes the existing transit and facilities plus future year 2035 transit and hubs as listed in the cost feasible and illustrative projects sections of the three 2035 LRTPs. Attendees provided several comments on these maps:

- Add the PalmTran Intermodal Center
- The I-95 Express Route no longer runs to Martin County
- Identify DRIs self-designated as TOD (The land use is for TOD)
 - Metropica, Westeria, Lauderhill Mall, and Sunrise

Regional Transportation Plan – SEFTC

The RTP regional transit system master plan is in progress and maps will be shared at the September RTTAC meeting. The RTP will show the regional transit system vision, including regional scale hubs.

TOD Maps and Data Warehouse – Seven50

Seven 50 provides a “bigger picture” when compared to the SEFTC 2040 RTP, covering a larger seven county area with timeline extended to 2060. The Seven50 maps show activity centers or TODs in the 2060 timeframe. Currently, Seven 50 has a data warehouse and an online, Google-based mapping program. This mapping service is open to the public and allows maps to be created in a simple manner by turning layers on and off. GIS files are also available for download to use in more detailed analysis.

The discussion focused on:

- Who will be responsible for maintaining and updating the database?
- How can the momentum of Seven 50 be maintained?

Other comments are:

- The two RPCs are in the best position to take over the data warehouse and will for the immediate future.
- To be of most benefit to other agencies, sources for the data and map layers should be included, with indicators to show which data/layers to use for which types of analysis. Associated with providing more rigorous metadata is determining what additional steps are needed to get agencies comfortable using data that isn't their own.
- Create a TOD Opportunities layer / regional map of TOD opportunities.
- Have both official data layers and experimental layers
- Possibly add to the map Google's live feed of transit and transportation operations (GTFS).

3. Roles and Responsibilities

A draft chart of the roles and responsibilities of the agencies and organizations involved in the implementation of TOD within the three county area was presented to the Working Group for their review. The purpose of the chart is to provide a snapshot of what each agency/organization is currently doing related to TOD. With this information known, each

agency/organization can learn more about the others and work together to prevent the duplication of work, studies, and data creation, saving time and money. The ultimate goal is to determine what each agency/organizations would do for the regional initiative of creating successful TODS. As a draft version, there was much discussion over the definitions of the column headings and the roles and responsibilities attributed to each agency/organization. Comments received during the meeting will be incorporated into a revised version.

4. General Discussion

The Working Group generally agreed that each of the three counties are in various stages of the TOD timeline, and that Miami-Dade County was well ahead, has developed many successful TODs, and is in fact, a model for other regions of the country. It was thus proposed to not only include Miami in the Working Group as a participant, but to also present lessons learned and to tour some of the existing developments.