

THE STATE ROAD 7/U.S. 441 COLLABORATIVE STEERING COMMITTEE: MEETING SUMMARY & QUARTERLY UPDATE

October 13, 2011

City of Miami Gardens Council Chambers

2:00pm – 3:30pm

1515 NW 167th Street, Bldg. 5, Suite 200

Miami Gardens, FL, 33139

Attendees:

Designees & Alternates:

Broward County: Arethia Douglas
Davie: David Quigley
Fort Lauderdale: Michael B. Ciesielski
Fort Lauderdale: Angela Brewton
Hollywood: Clay Milan
Lauderdale Lakes: Gary Rogers
Lauderhill: Commissioner M. Margaret Bates
North Miami: John O'Brian
Miami Gardens: Bhairvi Pandya
Miami Gardens: Commissioner Lisa Davis
Plantation: Carlos A. Gonzalez
West Park: Commissioner Thomas Dorsett

Ex Officio/Others Present:

Eric Swanson, SFRPC
Angela Brewton, Fort Lauderdale
Pete Schwartz, Broward Planning
Council
Andrew Riddle, FDOT IV
Mohammed Rasheduzzaman,
Broward School Board
James Cromar, Broward MPO
Susan Schreiber, Miami-Dade MPO
Paul Cherry, Kimley-Horn
Jessica Josselyn, Kittelson &
Associates

Project Manager's Report, *Eric Swanson, SFRPC*

Meeting Summary: The meeting for the State Road 7 Collaborative commenced at 2:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers in Miami Gardens on Thursday, October 13, 2011. The State Road 7 Collaborative Chair, Commissioner Thomas Dorsett of West Park gave welcoming remarks. The attendees reviewed and discussed several items, including lessons learned from the opportunity to participate in the Urban Land Institute's Infrastructure Forum in Minneapolis, Minnesota; the Work Plan Subcommittee Report; bus shelter construction projects in Broward County; and the State Road 7 Unified Vision Report presented by the Mobility Studies Coordinating Committee. Action items that were motioned on included the approval of the new State Road 7 Work Plan, and the mailing of the State Road 7 Partnership Agreements, annual progress report for 2012. The Steering Committee also authorized staff to draft a letter of support for FDOT IV to address the issue of pedestrian mid-block walkways at specific locations throughout the corridor. *{Staff agreed to reach out to members to determine additional locations for a request to FDOT IV to study pedestrian mid-block walkways.}*

David Quigley, Town of Davie, reviewed the work plan subcommittee process for streamlining goals that were realistic over a five year timeline and were applicable to the values of the State Road 7 Collaborative. Mr. Quigley covered strategic planning, intergovernmental coordination, dedicated funding and plan implementation in his overview. *{The Work Plan Subcommittee had three meetings to examine and finalize the 2011-2015 Work Plan. The Work Plan Subcommittee members that took part in the review process include Commissioner Thomas Dorsett, David Quigley, and John O'Brien.}*

Arethia Douglas, Broward County Transit, presented the process involved with bus shelter construction projects throughout Broward County. She also reviewed pending projects and answered questions from Collaborative designees. Members of the Southwest Palm Beach County & Northern Broward County Mobility Studies Coordinating Committee gave an update on the State Road 7 Vision Report, which is an effort to consolidate the Northern Broward Livability Transit-Supportive Infrastructure and Land Use Study, the Multimodal Strategy Assessment, and the Palm Beach County Transit-Supportive Study.

The attendees discussed the invitation to the City of Miami to join and participate in the Steering Committee of the State Road 7/U.S. 441 Collaborative. The Committee requested that staff reach out to the City of Miami for enhancing Collaborative Activities along the Corridor in Miami-Dade County.

Collaborative Opportunities

Call for Ideas, Miami-Dade MPO – December 16, 2011

The South Florida Regional Planning Council submitted several ideas for county-wide transportation issues to study and implement in the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) in Miami-Dade County. The Council proposed improving regional transportation coordination, applying the work of the State Road 7/U.S. 441 Collaborative with a master plan extension of the corridor, and enhancing the link between economic development and transportation planning. The draft UPWP is anticipated for review in mid-February, 2012. Please stay tuned as this could enhance Collaborative activities in Miami-Dade County.

Call for Ideas, Broward MPO – February 3, 2012

The Broward MPO is calling for ideas and would like to hear about countywide transportation issues that could potentially be addressed in future planning studies. The Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) is updated every two years with proposed planning activities in Broward County by the Broward MPO during the period of July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2014. A DRAFT UPWP will be available for review on the Broward MPO website www.browardMPO.org, and at the MPO office location in March, 2012. Please submit your ideas by February 3, 2012 via email, info@browardmpo.org or call Roger Del Rio at (954) 876-0040. If you are interested in a letter of support by the State Road 7/U.S. 441 Collaborative, please contact Eric Swanson of Council Staff at: eswanson@sfrpc.com.

Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Forum, FDOT D4 - January 18, 2012

[Register Now!](#)

Wednesday, January 18, 2012,

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District 4, Auditorium

3400 West Commercial Boulevard

Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33309

The workshop will provide a summary of eight (8) U.S. BRT systems currently in operation around the USA. This information will help inform the South Florida community on the potential for the development of BRT and is consistent with the Broward MPO 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). The task is being led by the National Bus Rapid Transit Institute at the University of South Florida and Parsons Brinckerhoff.

Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Workshop, FDOT D4 - January 18 - 19, 2012

[Register Now!](#)

January 8-9, 2012

Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District 4, Auditorium
3400 West Commercial, Florida 33309

The National Transit Institute (NTI) will be holding a BRT Workshop at the Broward MPO, following the BRT Forum. The workshop will start at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 18 and end at 12:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 19. The workshop will include concerns over urban mobility, limited public financial resources, and the costs of rail transit have prompted many transit agencies to examine bus rapid transit as a means of enhancing public transportation service in a cost-effective manner.

ULI's 2012 South Florida Economic & Development Outlook Program, Gulfstream Park - February 1, 2012

[Registration Now Open!](#)

Wednesday, February 1, 2012

2:00pm - 6:00pm

Gulfstream Park, Hallandale Beach

The Urban League Institute (ULI) is scheduled to hold an afternoon program on what's to come, what's recovering and what's not, as well as what's ahead for our financial markets. The three aspects covered will include capital markets and finance, real estate analysis from a national perspective to Florida's local scene, and a futurist's perspective in managing change.

The Smart Growth Partnership is holding a forum entitled, Smart Growth is Smart Economics: Capturing the Economic Benefits of Smart Growth and Achieving Livability. For more information, please see the attached flyer to the event.

Wednesday, February 29, 2012

8:00am - 12:00pm

Nova Southeastern University

The 20th Annual Congress for New Urbanism

[Register Now!](#)

May 9-12, 2012

West Palm Beach, FL

The annual [Congress for the New Urbanism \(CNU\)](#) is the leading venue for New Urbanist education, collaboration, and networking. CNU members come from around the world to discuss development practices and public policies, learn from recent innovative work, and advance new initiatives to transform our communities.

Useful Information

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) has released a report that suggests changes designed to enhance the consideration of Title VI and Environmental Justice (EJ) issues during the Florida transportation planning process. The Executive Summary is an easy read and points out clearly in Table E-4 on page (ix) *“the major documents adopted by MPOs along with their characteristics and relationships to Title VI and EJ considerations.”*

- Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)
- Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
- Public Participation/Involvement Plan (PPP/PIP)
- Unified Planning Work Program or Business Plan (UPWP)
- Transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan (TDSP)

Please follow the link:

http://www.dot.state.fl.us/research-center/Completed_Proj/Summary_PL/FDOT_BDK84_977-12_rpt.pdf

Articles on the Suburbs, Walkability, Public Space and Office Parks

OPINION | December 17, 2011

4 Principles for Re-Designing the Suburbs for the Future

By Rashiq Fataar

Rashiq Fataar is the founder of Future Cape Town, a social media movement aimed at inspiring citizens and stimulating debate about the city today and into the future.

ARTS | December 04, 2011

Treasuring Urban Oases

By MICHAEL KIMMELMAN

Alexander Garvin, an architect and urban planner, has spent the better part of the last half-century thinking about New York City's public spaces.

OPINION | November 26, 2011

Op-Ed Contributor: To Rethink Sprawl, Start With Offices

By LOUISE A. MOZINGO

Local governments can adopt common-sense strategies to point their corporate residents to a more sustainable path than sprawling office parks, corporate campuses and estates.

OPINION | November 26, 2011

Op-Ed Contributor: The Death of the Fringe Suburb

By CHRISTOPHER B. LEINBERGER

As demand for housing in walkable neighborhoods rises, we should be investing in carless transit options.

The Collaborative will have its next Steering Committee Meeting on Thursday, March 8, 2011, in Margate from 2:00-3:30 pm. The site is the Department of Environmental and Engineering Services (DEES) Administration Building (Conference Room), located at 901 NW 66th Ave, Margate, FL, 33063. Please mark your calendars and refer to the Collaborative Website for more information: www.sfrpc.com/sr7.htm.