

FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MINUTES OF DECEMBER 5, 2006

MEETING NUMBER 158

The one hundred and fifty-eighth meeting of the Florida Transportation Commission was held Tuesday, December 5, 2006 at the Jacksonville Transportation Authority, 100 North Myrtle Avenue, Jacksonville, Florida. Chairman Holton called the meeting to order at 8:40 a.m.

ATTENDANCE

Members in attendance were: Commissioners Jim Holton, Janet Watermeier, Sidney Calloway, Earl Durden, Marty Lanahan, Marcos Marchena, Gabriel Bustamante and Marshall Criser. Commissioner Straz was unable to attend.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

MINUTES

Minutes from the October 24, 2006 Commission Meeting were approved.

Chairman Holton reported on the following:

- The Commission has continued to be involved with the Future Corridors Initiative, assisting the Department when needed in shaping the policy framework and the implementation.
- The Commission has been active putting together information for the new administration's team leaders to ensure a smooth transition.

AGENCY REPORT /NEW CORRIDORS UPDATE

Secretary Denver Stutler gave the Agency Report.

- This is District Three Secretary Edward Prescott's last Transportation Commission meeting before his pending retirement. On December 19th the Department will celebrate the opening of the I-10 Bridge in Pensacola.
- The Department's Legislative agenda for next year consists of:
 - Bond Cap Increase.
 - Fixed Guideways – help implement the Commuter Rail project.
 - Public Private Partnerships and tolling.
 - Tolling, tolling violations and tolling options.

PROPOSED FUTURE CORRIDORS ACTION PLAN

Bob Romig, Director of the Office of Policy Planning gave a presentation on the Corridors Action Plan.

Commissioner Watermeier made a motion to formally document the Commission's support of the Department's direction and concepts regarding the draft Future Corridors Action Plan. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Durden and the motion was carried by the Commission.

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STRATEGIC AGGREGATE STUDY

Ananth Prasad, Chief Engineer, gave a presentation on the Strategic Aggregate Study.

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NATIONAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION POLICY AND REVENUE STUDY COMMISSION UPDATE

Mr. Frank McArdle, Commissioner of the National Surface Transportation Policy and Revenue Study Commission, gave an update on a fair, stable and sufficient funding mechanism that will offer a 21st century solution to funding the nations growing infrastructure needs.

JACKSONVILLE REGION TRANSPORTATION ISSUES

Michael J. Blaylock, Executive Director of Jacksonville Transportation Authority, gave a presentation to the Commission on the Jacksonville region transportation issues.

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JACKSONVILLE PORT INITIATIVES/ISSUES

Rick Ferrin, Executive Director of Jacksonville Port Authority, gave a presentation to the Commission on the Jacksonville Port initiatives and issues.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

Denise Bunnewith, Director of the First Coast Metropolitan Planning Organization, spoke about the transportation issues in the Jacksonville area.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVED _____AS READ_____AS AMENDED

THIS 5th DAY OF JANUARY, 2007

CHAIRMAN

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