



Citizens Advisory Committee

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

October 9, 2009
10:00 a.m.

Board Room

800 NW 33rd Street, Suite 100
Pompano Beach, FL 33064

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CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
OF OCTOBER 9, 2009

The meeting will convene at 10:00 a.m., and will be held in the Board Room of the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority, Administrative Offices, 800 NW 33rd Street, Pompano Beach, Florida 33064.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AGENDA APPROVAL - Additions, Deletions, Revisions.

MATTERS BY THE PUBLIC – Persons wishing to address the Committee are requested to complete an “Appearance Card” and will be limited to three (3) minutes. Please see the Minutes Clerk prior to the meeting.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

Those matters included under the Consent Agenda are self-explanatory and are not expected to require review or discussion. Items will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. If discussion is desired by any Committee Member, however, that item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

C1 – MOTION TO APPROVE: Minutes of the Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting of August 14, 2009

REGULAR AGENDA

Those matters included under the Regular Agenda differ from the Consent Agenda in that items will be voted on individually. In addition, presentations will be made on each motion, if so desired.
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None.

INFORMATION / PRESENTATION ITEMS

Action not required, provided for information purposes only. If discussion is desired by any Member, however, that item may be considered separately.

I 1 – PRESENTATION: South Florida Regional Transportation Authority Public Opinion Study

I 2 – PRESENTATION: South Florida Regional Transportation Authority Transit Development Plan

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORTS/COMMENTS

1. General SFRTA Update

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Legislative Update

REPORTS

1. Attendance Sheet - 2009

ADJOURNMENT

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 286.26, Florida Statutes, persons with disabilities needing special accommodation to participate in this proceeding, must at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, provide a written request directed to the Executive Department at 800 NW 33rd Street, Suite 100, Pompano Beach, Florida, or telephone (954) 942-RAIL (7245) for assistance; if hearing impaired, telephone (800) 273-7545 (TTY) for assistance.

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MINUTES
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
OF AUGUST 14, 2009

The Citizens Advisory Committee meeting was held at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, August 14, 2009 in the Board Room of the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority (SFRTA), Administrative Offices, located at 800 NW 33rd Street, Suite 100, Pompano Beach, FL 33064.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ms. Patricia Archer, Vice-Chair
Mr. Tomas Boiton
Ms. Nadine Hankerson
Mr. Anthony Robinson
Mr. Rick Rodriguez Pina

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ms. Isabel Cosio Carballo
Ms. Susan Haynie, Chair
Mr. Allan Hooper

ALSO PRESENT:

Mr. Joseph Giulietti, SFRTA Executive Director
Mr. Jack Stephens, SFRTA Deputy Executive Director
Ms. Bonnie Arnold, SFRTA
Mr. Brad Barkman, SFRTA
Mr. Chris Bross, SFRTA
Mr. Dan Glickman
Mr. Dan Mazza, SFRTA
Ms. Flavia Silva, SFRTA

CALL TO ORDER

The Vice-Chair called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Vice-Chair led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA APPROVAL - Additions, Deletions, Revisions.

Mr. Boiton moved to approve the Agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rodriguez Pina.

The Vice-Chair called for further discussion and/or opposition to the motion. Upon hearing none, the Chair declared the motion carried unanimously.

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None.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

D1 – Grass Roots Efforts for Dedicated Funding

Mr. Boiton, Citizens for Improved Transit and Citizens’ Advisory Committee (CAC) member, presented the Grass Roots Efforts for Dedicated Funding. Mr. Boiton distributed the Tri-Rail Pledge of Support and Tri-Rail Petition to our Florida Legislators for the 2010 Legislative Session to be sent out to citizens and legislators in support of \$2/day car rental surcharge to be used as a dedicated funding source.

The Vice-Chair moved the discussions to the next item on the Agenda.

D2 - Legislative Strategy Coordination

Ms. Wooldridge, South Florida Regional Transportation Authority (SFRTA) Government Affairs Manager, provided information on the status of the State Legislative Strategy Coordination.

Ms. Wooldridge stated that staff and consultants are working together to outline a legislative strategy to be used during the upcoming special or regular session for the 2009-2010 period. The package would include bill language, stakeholder identification and a management plan including the participation of the SFRTA Governing Board and the Citizen’s Advisory Committee members. Ms. Wooldridge stated that staff would present the Legislative Strategic Plan to the SFRTA Governing Board at its August 28, 2009 meeting.

The Vice-Chair moved the discussions to the next item on the Agenda.

D3 – Citizens Advisory Committee Goals

The Vice-Chair suggested the CAC goals as follows:

- A. Hold a joint session with the SFRTA Governing Board during the fall of 2009.

1. Ability to make reasonable changes, provide suggestions, share information with the SFRTA Board and network on their behalf.
 - a) Network for the SFRTA
 - i. Bridge the gap to the public
 1. Develop an animated map to show a spine of the bigger picture
 - ii. Provide feedback to Florida's State Governor and Legislative Leaders in support of SFRTA
 - b) Develop strategies
 - i. Outreach efforts to provide information in support of mass transit to communities
 - ii. Political outreach – both state and national

B. Hold a joint session with the SFRTA Board and Staff to develop Visioning for 2030.

1. Develop plans to facilitate interconnectivity between agencies
2. Make alliances with other connectivity/community groups
 - a. Bicyclists
 - b. Bus
 - c. Local Shuttles
 - d. Pedestrian & environmental groups
 - e. Smart growth movements
3. Research and Develop a new paradigm to open up opportunities for the future
4. Assist with the Florida East Coast (FEC) corridor development

C. Have a position at the table for the 10-year Transit Development Plan (TDP).

Mr. Robinson moved to forward the goals for the CAC to the SFRTA Governing Board at their August 2009 meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Hankerson.

The Vice-Chair called for further discussion and/or opposition to the motion. Upon hearing none, the Vice-Chair declared the motion carried unanimously.

There was discussion on Committee Members attendance to the CAC meetings and it was requested that a Cumulative Attendance Report be added to the Committee meeting Agenda.

The following motion was moved:

Mr. Robinson moved to review the absences for any Committee Member who misses three (3) regularly scheduled meetings during the current calendar year. The motion was seconded by Ms. Hankerson.

The Vice-Chair called for further discussion and/or opposition to the motion. Upon hearing none, the Vice-Chair declared the motion carried unanimously.

The Vice-Chair moved the discussions to the next item on the Agenda.

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C1 – MOTION TO APPROVE: Minutes of the Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting of June 12, 2009

Mr. Rodriguez Pina moved to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Robinson.

The Vice-Chair called for further discussion and/or opposition to the motion. Upon hearing none, the Chair declared the motion carried unanimously.

The Vice-Chair moved the discussions to the next item on the Agenda.

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I 1 – PRESENTATION: Federal Stimulus Update

Mr. Cross, SFRTA Planning and Capital Development Department Manager, informed the Committee that the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, 2009 (ARRA) was signed into law on February 2009 and, that goals of the Statute include the preservation or creation of jobs and the promotion of an economic recovery, investment in transportation, environmental protection and other infrastructure providing long-term economic benefits.

SFRTA has received a formula allocation of ARRA funds that is being applied to the purchase of new locomotives. In addition, SFRTA has submitted two project applications seeking ARRA funds through the Transit Investments in Greenhouse Gas and Energy Reduction (TIGGER) program. SFRTA is also currently developing four project applications seeking ARRA funds through the Grants for Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) program.

The Vice-Chair moved the discussions to the next item on the Agenda.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORTS/COMMENTS

1. General SFRTA Update

Mr. Giulietti stated that the SFRTA Governing Board acknowledged Resolution No. 09-01CAC that recommended that the SFRTA Governing Board direct total annual contributions received from Broward, Palm Beach and Miami-Dade Counties to operations in support of a 50-train schedule for at least one year.

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 am.

SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING: OCTOBER 9, 2009

PRESENTATION ITEM REPORT

Information Item Presentation

SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
PUBLIC OPINION STUDY

SUMMARY EXPLANATION AND BACKGROUND:

From November 2008 through January 2009, the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority (SFRTA) Planning and Capital Development Department conducted a Public Opinion Study, which consisted of three survey efforts.

The goal of these surveys (telephone, web-based, and focus groups) was to gauge the public's perception of public transportation, specifically issues such as preferred dedicated funding sources and ways to attract new riders. The telephone component was a statistically valid survey. All three surveys targeted the entire tri-county region.

An explanation of the survey methods and results will be presented during the Citizens Advisory Committee meeting on October 9, 2009.

EXHIBITS ATTACHED: Exhibit 1 – Executive Summary (via electronic mail)

SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING: OCTOBER 9, 2009

PRESENTATION ITEM REPORT

Information Item Presentation

SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT PLAN

SUMMARY EXPLANATION AND BACKGROUND:

At recent Citizens' Advisory Committee meetings, Committee Members have inquired about the various plans produced by the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority (SFRTA) Planning and Capital Development Department. In response to this interest, a presentation on the SFRTA Transit Development Plan (TDP) will be given at the Committee meeting on October 9, 2009.

The TDP is a short-term planning document required in order to receive funding through the State of Florida Public Transit Block Grant Program. Through 2007, SFRTA's TDPs followed state requirements that a five year planning horizon be used. The state requirements were changed in 2008 to a ten year planning horizon, which coincided with SFRTA's preparation of its TDP Major Update. This TDP Major Update was completed in August 2008 and includes the operational and capital improvement needs of SFRTA and Tri-Rail, as well as data and information on regional conditions and other transit operators in South Florida.

In order to continue eligibility for block grant funding, annual updates of the TDP must be completed. As a result, SFRTA developed a TDP annual update earlier this year and it was approved by the SFRTA Governing Board in August, 2009. This TDP Annual Update covers FY 2010-2019 and incorporates the changes and activities that occurred during the past fiscal year. The TDP Annual Update document includes revised goals & objectives, accomplishments, challenges, financial plan and work program.

EXHIBITS ATTACHED: Exhibit 1 - The TDP Major Update (via electronic mail)
 Exhibit 2 - The TDP Short Plan (via electronic mail)