

VOLUSIA-FLAGLER TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
TPO CONFERENCE ROOM
1540 CORNERSTONE BLVD., SUITE 240
DAYTONA BEACH, FL 32117
JANUARY 28, 2026

TPO Board Members Physically Present:

Commissioner Stacy Cantu
Commissioner Chris Conomos*
Mayor Karen Chasez
Commissioner Kevin Reid
Commissioner Andy Dance
Commissioner Debra Snow
Commissioner Earl Farmer*
Commissioner Carrie Werning**
Council Member Ty Miller
Council Member Skip White*
Council Member Reed Foley
Councilman Eric Sander, TPO Chairperson
County Vice Chair Matt Reinhart
Council Member Danny Robins
Kia Powell (non-voting advisor)

TPO Board Members Absent:

Commissioner Jeffrey Schuitema*
Vice Mayor John Rogers*
Mayor Chris Cloudman (excused)
Vice Mayor Davison Heriot (excused)
Vice Mayor Charlotte Gillis (excused)
Commissioner Rick Belhumeur* (excused)
Vice Mayor Roy Johnson (excused)
Mayor Roger Eckert* (excused)
Vice Mayor Lisa Martin
Mayor Ricky Taylor** (excused)
Council Member Dawn Tiamson (excused)
Commissioner Harold Briley (excused)
Council Member Jake Johansson
County Chair Jeff Brower (excused)
Council Member David Santiago
Jessie Thompson (non-voting)
William Furry (non-voting)
Nic Mostert (non-voting)
Greg Feldman (non-voting)
Simone Kenny (non-voting)

*** Non-voting member of the Small City Alliance**

**** Voting member for the Small City Alliance**

Others Physically Present:

Melanie Pruneau, Recording Secretary
Pamela Blankenship
Stephan Harris
Colleen Nicoulin
Christine Barone
Barb Girtman
Karen Haught

Representing:

Daytona Beach
Daytona Beach Shores
DeBary
DeLand Alternate
Flagler County
Holly Hill Alternate
Lake Helen Alternate
Oak Hill Alternate
Palm Coast
Ponce Inlet
Port Orange
South Daytona
Volusia County, District 2
Volusia County, District 3
FDOT

Representing:

Beverly Beach
Bunnell
DeLand
Deltona
Edgewater
Flagler Beach
Holly Hill
Lake Helen
New Smyrna Beach
Oak Hill
Orange City
Ormond Beach
Volusia County, At-Large
Volusia County, Chairman
Volusia County, District 5
Volusia County School Board
Flagler County School Board
BPAC Chairperson
CAC Chairperson
TCC Chairperson

Representing:

TPO Staff
TPO Staff
TPO Staff
TPO Staff
FDOT
Ghyabi & Associates
Ghyabi & Associates

Others Physically Present:

Jim Cameron
Bobbie King

Representing:

JC Consulting
VoTran

Others Virtually Present:

Mariel Lemke
Omar Atallah
Thee Perry

Representing:

TPO Staff
VC Traffic Engineering
VHB

1. Call to Order / Roll Call / Determination of Quorum/Pledge of Allegiance

The Volusia-Flagler Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Board meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by TPO Chairperson Sander. The roll was called, and it was determined that a quorum was physically present. The meeting was held in a hybrid format with eleven voting members and four non-voting members physically present; and two voting members virtually present.

Chairperson Sander noted that the agenda packet had been amended on January 26th.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

2. Public Comment/Participation

There were no public comments.

3. Consent Agenda

- A. **November 19, 2025 Volusia-Flagler TPO Board Meeting Minutes**
- B. **Treasurer's Reports**
- C. **Executive Committee Report**
- D. **Quality Assurance Committee Report**
- E. **Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board Report**
- F. **Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee Report**
- G. **Citizens Advisory Committee Report**
- H. **Technical Coordinating Committee Report**
- I. **Volusia-Flagler TPO Board Report**
- J. **Executive Director Timesheet Review Report**
- K. **Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board Appointments**
- L. **Review and Approval of a Letter of Support for FDOT's Application to the Federal Railroad Administration / Federal-State Partnership for Intercity Passenger Rail (FSP) Grant Program**
- M. **Review and Approval of a Letter of Support for VoTran's Application to the U.S. Department of Transportation Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Grant Program**

Chairperson Sander pointed out that the members had been sent an additional appointment related to Consent agenda item K, TDLCB Appointments.

Mayor Chasez asked who the voting member of the Small City Alliance was. Ms. Pruneau stated that Commissioner Werning of Oak Hill was the voting member.

MOTION: A motion was made by Council Member Foley to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Mayor Chasez and carried unanimously.

4. Action Items

- A. **Review and Approval of Resolution 2026-01 Amending the FY 2025/26 to FY 2029/30 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

Ms. Nicoulin explained that the TIP needs to be amended to include two projects. She discussed the projects, stating that the first is for the purchase of VoTran vehicles, and the second is a project that received additional funding for an existing PD&E study on I-4 between SR 472 and I-95.

MOTION: *A motion was made by Council Member Foley to approve Resolution 2026-01 amending the FY 2025/26 to FY 2029/30 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cantu and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

B. Review and Approval of Resolution 2026-02 Adopting the 2026 Volusia-Flagler TPO Transportation Safety Targets

Ms. Nicoulin explained that the Federal Highway Administration dictates that safety data and targets must be adopted by TPOs within 180 days from the date that FDOT adopts theirs. Data regarding fatalities and serious injuries was reviewed by Ms. Nicoulin. She stated that the TPO has established the same safety targets that were adopted by the state, a target of zero, which aligns with the TPO's Vision Zero Action Plan.

Mayor Chasez asked for an update on the SS4A grant and whether it would help achieve these goals. Ms. Nicoulin stated that the TPO received the grant, and a Vision Zero Action Plan was undertaken, which identified projects that could be implemented by cities/counties.

Mayor Chasez brought up a problematic intersection in DeBary on Dirksen Drive and Mansion Boulevard, stating that citizens have requested the installation of flashing lights to alert drivers to pedestrians. Council Member Robins suggested that she email this suggestion to him, as the Volusia County Council recently approved funding for traffic safety improvements. Members discussed the process of implementing traffic safety improvements once a need is identified.

A discussion ensued regarding e-bikes, noting that the BPAC has inquired about how they are classified in crash reports; the type of bicycle is not specified.

Ms. Nicoulin explained that fatality and serious injury rates do not affect our funding.

Mayor Chasez followed up on SS4A funding, mentioning that Casselberry is beginning the implementation process and that after an SS4A study is completed, an application may be submitted for an implementation grant. Ms. Nicoulin stated that one more year of grant cycle funding is available and that the challenge the TPO has is with the local match.

Council Member Foley suggested that while Target Zero is a marketing campaign, he questions whether zero is the best internal measurement to determine traffic safety improvements and measure success.

MOTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Cantu to approve Resolution 2026-02 adopting the 2026 Volusia-Flagler TPO Transportation Safety Targets. The motion was seconded by Mayor Chasez and passed unanimously.*

5. Presentations, Status Reports, and Discussion Items

A. Presentation and Discussion of the Volusia-Flagler TPO FY 2026/27 to FY 2027/28 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

Ms. Nicoulin stated that the TPO is in the process of drafting the FY 2026/27 to FY 2027/28 UPWP and explained the concept and purpose of the document. It is expected to be adopted in April. She remarked that the recent adoption of major projects like the Vision Zero Action Plan (VZAP) and the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) allows staff to focus their efforts on new projects. She let the committee know that staff is requesting input regarding potential projects to be included in the next UPWP. The CAC recommended education regarding e-bikes, and the BPAC recommended looking at a bicycle/pedestrian connectivity gap study across the two counties and updating the Bicycle Suitability Map into a digital format.

Mayor Chasez referred to the school safety studies and an update to the Congestion Management Process (CMP). Ms. Nicoulin confirmed that those tasks had not been completed yet. She stated that CMP builds off of the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan, and that staff would look into that moving forward.

Discussion ensued regarding e-bike ordinances and perhaps undertaking a study to determine the rate of e-bike injuries and fatalities.

B. FDOT Report

Ms. Powell reviewed the FDOT report. She shared a video detailing the new roundabout near Cody's Corner, indicating that, since its installation, there have been no serious injuries or fatalities. She also stated that January is National Move Over Month.

6. Executive Director's Report

Ms. Nicoulin stated that the Call for Projects is currently open through February 28th at 4:00 p.m. She noted that the deadline for the cursory review, prior to formal submittal, is February 6th. She discussed the MPOAC legislative newsletter and stated that staff would forward it to the board. She outlined bills that relate to the TPO and its member governments: Senate Bill (SB) 382 and House Bill (HB) 243, regarding e-bike crash reports, SB 804, regarding an annual e-vehicle registration fee, and SB 1220 regarding updates to the Sun Trail network.

7. Volusia-Flagler TPO Board Member Comments

Council Member Foley gave an update that the city of Port Orange will be voting to approve the purchase of a section of I-4 to provide truck parking.

8. Volusia-Flagler TPO Chairperson Comments

Chairperson Sander let the board know that the February Executive Committee meeting was cancelled due to a light agenda.

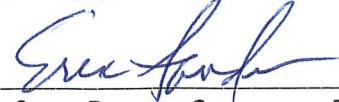
9. Information Items

- A. BPAC Attendance Record
- B. CAC Attendance Record
- C. TCC Attendance Record
- D. TPO Outreach & Activities
- E. Upcoming Events
- F. Volusia County and Flagler County Construction Reports
- G. reThink Your Commute Service Ending

10. Adjournment

There being no further business, the Volusia-Flagler TPO Board meeting adjourned at 10:04 a.m.


VOLUSIA-FLAGLER TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION



CITY OF SOUTH DAYTONA COUNCILMAN ERIC SANDER
CHAIRPERSON, VOLUSIA-FLAGLER TPO

CERTIFICATE:

The undersigned, duly qualified and acting Recording Secretary of the Volusia-Flagler TPO Board certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the January 28, 2026 regular meeting of the Volusia-Flagler Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Board, approved and duly signed this 25th day of February 2026.



MELANIE PRUNEAU, RECORDING SECRETARY

VOLUSIA-FLAGLER TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION

*****A recording of the January 28, 2026 Volusia-Flagler TPO Board meeting is available upon request.***

