

Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) Meeting Minutes
February 14, 2024
Daytona Beach International Airport, Airline Room
700 Catalina Drive
Daytona Beach, FL 32114

Members/Technical Appointees Physically Present:

Terry Lodge, Vice Chairperson
Luis Leal
Larry Coletti
Nic Mostert
Bob Storke
Gayle Belin
Tom Bahleda
Jason Aufdenberg
Elizabeth Bonds
Maggie Ardito
Emery Jeffreys
Eileen Sharp
Meghan Lindsey
Adam Mengel (non-voting)
Amy Stroger (non-voting)
Jacob Lunceford (non-voting)

Representing:

DeBary
Deltona
Flagler County
New Smyrna Beach
Orange City
Ormond Beach
Ponce Inlet
Volusia County At-Large
Volusia County Chair
Volusia County District 1
Volusia County District 1 Alternate
Volusia County District 2
Volusia County Parks Recreation & Culture Alternate
Flagler County
Flagler County Transit
Volusia County Transit Services

Members/Technical Appointees Virtually Present:

Nancy Epps
Suzette Cameron (non-voting)
Penelope Cruz (non-voting)
Jay Williams (non-voting)
David German (non-voting)
Stephanie Moss (non-voting advisor)

Representing:

Ponce Inlet Alternate
Large City, Port Orange
Large City, Port Orange Alternate
Volusia County
Volusia County Schools
FDOT

Members/Technical Appointees Absent:

Doug Hall (excused)
Cassandra Jessie
Ted Wendler, Chairperson (excused)
Candice Cornelissen
Jauxniece Palmer
Patrick McCallister
Christy Gillis (excused)
Katheryn Meagher (excused)

Representing:

Daytona Beach
Daytona Beach Alternate
DeLand
Flagler Beach
Flagler Beach Alternate
Lake Helen
South Daytona
South Daytona Alternate

Others Physically Present:

Donna King, Recording Secretary
Pamela Blankenship
Stephan Harris
Kia Powell

Representing:

TPO Staff
TPO Staff
TPO Staff
FDOT

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

The River to Sea Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Vice Chairperson Terry Lodge. The roll was called, and it was determined that a quorum was physically present. The meeting was held in a hybrid format with thirteen voting and four non-voting members physically present, and six non-voting members virtually present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

MOTION: *A motion was made by Mr. Mostert to allow members attending virtually to participate and vote. The motion was seconded by Mr. Storke and carried unanimously.*

II. Public Comment/Participation

There were no public comments.

III. Action Items

A. Review and Approval of the January 10, 2024 BPAC Meeting Minutes

[Discussion inaudible regarding the east Volusia County trails]

MOTION: *A motion was made by Mr. Storke to approve the January 10, 2024 BPAC meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Coletti and carried unanimously.*

B. Review and Recommend Approval of the Draft FY 2024/25 and FY 2025/26 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Bicycle/Pedestrian Tasks for FDOT/FHWA Review

Mr. Harris explained the UPWP activities and the process of approval. He noted the revisions to the list and explained the process that will take place after the approval. He discussed the tasks that were removed since the last meeting and explained why they were removed.

Mr. Harris answered BPAC members' questions regarding the Bicycle Suitability Map; who will manage the traffic cameras in school zones; allocations/funding; the task 3.01 estimated budget detail sheet; and how the TPO coordinates with local governments.

MOTION: *A motion was made by Mr. Jeffreys to recommend approval of the draft FY 2024/25 and FY 2025/26 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Bicycle/Pedestrian Tasks for FDOT/FHWA Review. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bonds and carried unanimously.*

C. Appointment/Reappointment of 2024 BPAC Project Review Subcommittee Members

Mr. Harris provided in-depth details of the BPAC Project Review Subcommittee's responsibilities and how often the meetings occur. He asked for volunteers and for confirmation of whether the current subcommittee members wanted to be reappointed. Ms. Sharp and Ms. Bonds volunteered to serve, and all the current members elected to be reappointed.

MOTION: *A motion was made by Mr. Mostert to appoint Eileen Sharp and Elizabeth Bonds and reappoint Maggie Ardito, Jason Aufdenberg, Gayle Belin, Terry Lodge, Nic Mostert, and Ted Wendler to the 2024 BPAC Project Review Subcommittee. The motion was seconded by Ms. Belin and carried unanimously.*

D. Appointment/Reappointment of 2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Subcommittee Members

Mr. Harris provided in-depth details of the TIP Subcommittee's responsibilities and how often the meetings occur. He asked for volunteers to serve and if the current members wanted to be reappointed. Ms. Ardito volunteered to serve, and Mr. Storke requested to be reappointed.

MOTION: *A motion was made by Ms. Bonds to appoint Maggie Ardito and reappoint Bob Storke to the 2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Subcommittee. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mostert and carried unanimously.*

IV. Presentation and Discussion Items

A. Presentation and Discussion of Pedestrians, Bicyclists, and Roundabouts

Mr. Harris provided a video presentation on pedestrians, bicyclists, and roundabouts.

Mr. Harris and Ms. Moss (FDOT) answered BPAC members' questions and concerns regarding roundabouts not having a bike lane; dangers of vehicles speeding through roundabouts; what is being done to improve the safety of cyclists; and local laws for pedestrians and cyclists.

Ms. Moss suggested having someone from FDOT give a presentation to the BPAC on roundabouts; the members agreed.

V. Staff Comments

Mr. Harris announced the upcoming FDOT Safety Workshop in Titusville on February 27; he invited the BPAC members to attend from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. and asked that they RSVP by February 16.

VI. Information Items

- BPAC Attendance Record
- TPO Board Report
- TPO Outreach & Activities
- TPO Upcoming Events
- 2024 Priority Project Process Schedule
- FDOT Safety Workshop Invitation

VII. BPAC Member Comments

Several BPAC member comments were received regarding virtual attendees not being able to hear the audio of the meetings.

Mr. Aufdenberg discussed his experience cycling with a professor from Hawaii who is trying to beat the world record for cycling the world on a ten-speed bicycle. He noted that the St. Johns River to Sea Loop was complete between Ridgewood Avenue and LPGA Boulevard.

Ridge Boulevard

Ms. Ardito discussed the importance of the River to Sea Loop Alliance. She noted that the Office of Greenways and Trails has decided to re-rank all the SUN Trails; she is unsure if the St. Johns River to Sea Loop will be changed from the number two ranking. She explained that a phone call meeting will be held tomorrow, and a meeting will also be held at the end of the month in Winter Haven on this topic. She asked that members interested in supporting the River to Sea Loop Alliance join the call and added that members could email her for more information. She also asked that the members send letters of support to the Office of Greenways and Trails supporting the current ranking for the St. Johns River to Sea Loop.

Ms. Sharp stated that she had ridden the recently completely LeHigh trail.

Ms. Stroger discussed several trail projects that are underway in Flagler County.

Mr. Mostert congratulated the newest BPAC Project Review Subcommittee members and commended Mr. Lodge for doing a great job of chairing the BPAC meeting.

Ms. Belin apologized for being late due to a train and traffic.

Mr. Leal apologized for being late and announced his resignation as the city of Deltona BPAC representative, stating it was a pleasure working with everyone.

Mr. Bahleda asked about the three-foot bicycle passing law.

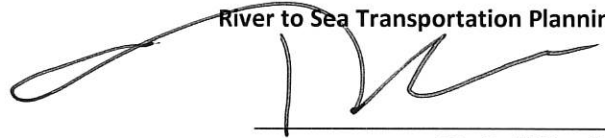
Mr. Storke noted that the TPO produces a bumper sticker promoting the three-foot passing law.

Mr. Harris stated he would bring copies of the sticker to next month's BPAC meeting for the members.

Mr. Coletti stated that he prefers paper products to digital products and would like to see the TPO keep a paper version of the Bicycle Suitability Map. He also noted that a law was recently passed where ten bicycles can go through a stop sign as one vehicle.

VIII. Adjournment

The BPAC meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.


River to Sea Transportation Planning Organization
3/13/24
Mr. Ted Wendler, Chairperson
Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)

CERTIFICATE:

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Recording Secretary of the River to Sea TPO certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the February 14, 2024 regular meeting of the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC), approved and duly signed this 13th day of March 2024.


Donna King, Recording Secretary
River to Sea Transportation Planning Organization

**A recording of the February 14, 2024 BPAC meeting is available upon request.*

*approved
as amended 03-13-24*