VOLUSIA-FLAGLER TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
DAYTONA BEACH INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AIRLINE ROOM
700 CATALINA BLVD.
DAYTONA BEACH, FL 32114
MAY 28, 2025

TPO Board Members Physically Present:	**Representing:**
Commissioner Jeffrey Schuitema*	Beverly Beach
Commissioner Chris Conomos*	Daytona Beach Shores
Mayor Karen Chasez	DeBary
Mayor Chris Cloudman	DeLand
Vice Mayor Charlotte Gillis	Edgewater
Commissioner Rick Belhumeur*	Flagler Beach
County Chair Andy Dance	Flagler County
Vice Mayor Roy Johnson	Holly Hill
Vice Mayor Roger Eckert**	Lake Helen
Vice Mayor Lisa Martin	New Smyrna Beach
Mayor Ricky Taylor*	Oak Hill
Council Member Dawn Tiamson	Orange City
Commissioner Harold Briley	Ormond Beach
Council Member Ty Miller	Palm Coast
Council Member Skip White*	Ponce Inlet
Councilman Eric Sander, TPO Chairperson	South Daytona
Council Member Jake Johansson	Volusia County, At-Large
Council Member Danny Robins	Volusia County, District 3
County Vice Chair Matt Reinhart	Volusia County, District 2
County Chair Jeff Brower	Volusia County, Chairman
Kia Powell (non-voting advisor)	FDOT

TPO Board Members Virtually Present:	**Representing:**
Vice Mayor John Rogers*	Bunnell
Commissioner Nick Lulli	Deltona
Commissioner Leann Pennington	Flagler County Alternate
Ted Wendler (non-voting)	BPAC Chairperson

TPO Board Members Absent:	**Representing:**
Commissioner Stacy Cantu	Daytona Beach
Council Member Reed Foley (excused)	Port Orange
Council Member David Santiago	Volusia County, District 5
Jessie Thompson (non-voting)	Volusia County School Board
Dave Castagnacci (non-voting)	CAC Chairperson
Becky Mendez (non-voting)	TCC Chairperson

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

Others Physically Present:	**Representing:**
Melanie Pruneau, Recording Secretary	TPO Staff
Pamela Blankenship	TPO Staff
Stephan Harris	TPO Staff
Colleen Nicoulin	TPO Staff
Jim Wood	Kimley-Horn
Jim Cameron	JC Consulting
Chris Engels	FDOT
Ralf Heseler	Volusia County Transit Services

Others Virtually Present:	Representing:
Nancy Weary	Citizen

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 twenty voting members and one non-voting member physically present, and one voting member virtually present.

Ms. Pruneau announced that Vice Mayor Eckert, Lake Helen, would be the voting member for the Small City Alliance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

MOTION: *A motion was made by Vice Mayor Martin to allow members attending virtually to participate and vote. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Gillis and carried unanimously.*

2. **Public Comment/Participation**

There were no public comments.

3. **Consent Agenda**

   A. **April 23, 2025 Volusia-Flagler TPO Board Meeting Minutes**
   B. **Treasurer's Report**
   C. **Executive Committee Report**
   D. **Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee Report**
   E. **Citizens Advisory Committee Report**
   F. **Technical Coordinating Committee Report**
   G. **Volusia-Flagler TPO Board Report**
   H. **BPAC Project Review Subcommittee Report**
   I. **Executive Director Timesheet Review Report**
   J. **Appointment to the Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board**
   K. **Review and Approval of Resolution 2025-06 Authorizing the Filing and Execution of the FY 2025/26 Transportation Disadvantaged (TD) Planning Grant Agreement with the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged**

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

4. **Action Items**

   A. **Review and Approval of Slate of TPO Officers for FY 2025/26**

   Ms. Nicoulin explained that the TPO's Bylaws dictate that a slate of officers must be elected every year. The current officers have served a partial term that began in November 2024. The slate of officers that was recommended by the Executive Committee at their meeting on May 7th includes Councilman Eric Sander as Chairperson, Council Member Reed Foley as 1st Vice Chairperson/Treasurer, and Council Member Danny Robins as 2nd Vice Chairperson/Secretary.

   MOTION: *A motion was made by Council Member Johansson to approve the slate of TPO Officers for FY 2025/26. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Briley and motion carried unanimously.*

   B. **Review and Support the Development of an Application for a Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant for the Expansion of the Smart Driving College Challenge Pilot Project**

   Ms. Blankenship reviewed the TPO and FDOT's Smart Driving College Challenge, which took place in January through March of this year, with the four colleges and universities in Volusia County. She explained the process,

incentives, and the goal of expanding the challenge to high schools in Volusia and Flagler Counties with the support of the Board.

Mayor Chasez brought up a potential issue with collecting data from minors. Ms. Blankenship stated that the data is de-aggregated and the participants' names are removed from the data that the TPO will receive, however, this issue would be discussed with the school boards and permission obtained from the parents.

Members inquired about the cost and the expected number of participants in the program. Ms. Blankenship also spoke about the data gathered and improvements noted. Ways to keep students using the app after the program ends were discussed, as well as parental monitoring of the app.

Members discussed how this project ties in with the Target Zero initiative.

> *MOTION:*   *A motion was made by Mayor Chasez to support the development of an application for a Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant for the expansion of the Smart Driving College Challenge Pilot Project. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Eckert and carried unanimously.*

5. **Presentations, Status Reports, and Discussion Items**

   A. **Presentation and Discussion of the Development of the Volusia-Flagler 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)**

   Mr. Jim Wood, Kimley-Horn, gave a presentation update on the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan Preliminary Cost-Feasible Plan. He reviewed the recent open houses and announced a virtual workshop on June 2nd. He discussed the evaluation criteria scores, reviewed the 2050 revenue forecasts from FDOT, and asked the board for input on the draft cost-feasible project list and ways to rank the projects.

   Members provided input, mainly suggesting a hybrid approach to the ranking of projects.

   B. **Presentation and Discussion of the Draft 2025 List of Priority Projects**

   [Handout provided]

   Ms. Nicoulin gave a presentation on the Draft 2025 List of Priority Projects, explaining that it is made up of eight lists. She highlighted updates and changes to the projects. The draft List of Priority Projects will be posted to the TPO website for a thirty-day public comment period.

   County Vice Chair Reinhart inquired about the timeline of the shared-use path on Beville Road. Ms. Powell responded that she is waiting for a response from Florida Power & Light, and that she would let him know as soon as she hears back.

   C. **Presentation and Discussion of the Draft FY 2025/26 to FY 2029/30 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

   [Handout provided]

   Ms. Nicoulin gave a presentation update on the draft Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). She stated that the TPO received the five-year snapshot of funding from FDOT; the 350-page document is available for a 30-day public review period. She asked the members to review the projects in their areas and provide any comments they may have. She explained how the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), and the List of Priority Projects (LOPP) are interrelated.

   D. **FDOT Report**

   Ms. Powell reviewed the FDOT report. She provided an update on FDOT's inaugural hiring event, a review of the Central Florida Safety Summit, and an announcement of FDOT's new Director of Transportation

Development, Jim Stroz. She added that there was a successful "Coffee with Construction" event on March 6, 2025.

6. **Executive Director's Report**

    Ms. Nicoulin gave a review of the awards given to Volusia County Sheriff's Office and the City of Port Orange at the Central Florida Safety Summit, an update that the TPO office has officially been relocated and work continues on the new conference room audio/visual system, and a reminder that the September Board meeting has been moved to September 17th due to the adoption of the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan.

7. **Volusia-Flagler TPO Board Member Comments**

    Mayor Chasez asked TPO staff to include the updated CAC/TCC attendance in next month's agenda, and suggested the use of mobility fees, mentioning the benefits DeBary has experienced.

8. **Volusia-Flagler TPO Chairperson Comments**

    Chairperson Sander reminded board members to appoint alternates, should they be unavailable for a future meeting, and thanked everyone for attending.

9. **Information Items**
    A. **Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee Attendance Record**
    B. **Citizens Advisory Committee Attendance Record**
    C. **Technical Coordinating Committee Attendance Record**
    D. **TPO Outreach and Activities**
    E. **Upcoming Events**
    F. **Volusia and Flagler County Construction Reports**

10. **Adjournment**

    There being no further business, the Volusia-Flagler TPO Board meeting adjourned at 10:52 am.

                                        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 May 28, 2025 regular meeting of the Volusia-Flagler Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Board, approved and duly signed this 25th day of June 2025.

MELANIE PRUNEAU, RECORDING SECRETARY
VOLUSIA-FLAGLER TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION

*** A recording of the May 28, 2025 Volusia-Flagler TPO Board meeting is available upon request.**