



MEETING NOTICE & AGENDA

Please be advised that the Volusia Transportation Planning Organization (VTPO) BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BPAC) will be meeting on:

DATE: Wednesday, June 13, 2012

TIME: 3:00 PM

PLACE: Volusia TPO
2570 W. International Speedway Blvd.,
Suite 100 (Conference Room)
Daytona Beach, Florida 32114-8145

Ms. A.J. Devies, Chairperson

AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/DETERMINATION OF QUORUM/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- II. PUBLIC COMMENT/PARTICIPATION *(Length of time at the discretion of the Chairperson)*
- III. ACTION ITEMS
 - A) REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MAY 9, 2012 BPAC MEETING MINUTES *(Contact: Stephan C. Harris) (Enclosure, pages 3-10)*
 - B) NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF BPAC CHAIR *(Contact: Stephan C. Harris) (Enclosure, page 11)*
 - C) NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF BPAC VICE CHAIR *(Contact: Stephan C. Harris) (Enclosure, page 12)*
 - D) CANCELLATION OF THE JULY 11, 2012 BPAC MEETING *(Contact: Pamela Blankenship) (Enclosure, page 13)*

III. PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A) **PRESENTATION ON THE VOLUSIA TPO 2040 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN** *(Contact: Lois Bollenback) (Enclosure, page 14)*
- B) **REVIEW OF THE DRAFT PRIORITY LIST OF EXTRA URBAN (XU) BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN PROJECTS** *(Contact: Stephan C. Harris) (Enclosure, page 15)*
- C) **VIDEO PRESENTATION ON SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL** *(Contact: Tara McCue, East Central Florida Regional Planning Council) (Enclosure, page 16)*

V. STAFF COMMENTS *(Enclosure, page 17)*

VI. INFORMATION ITEMS *(Enclosures, pages 17-31)*

- Ø BPAC Attendance Record
- Ø Florida Safe Routes to School Updates – May 30, 2012
- Ø FPZA Surfcoast Chapter June Luncheon
- Ø VCOG Resolution 2012-02
- Ø VTPO 2012 Priority Process Schedule

VII. BPAC MEMBER COMMENTS *(Enclosure, page 17)*

VIII. ADJOURNMENT *(Enclosure, page 17)*

*****The next meeting of the BPAC will be Wednesday, August 8, 2012*****

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NOTE: If any person decides to appeal a decision made by the committee with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he/she will need a record of the proceedings including all testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. To that end, such person will want to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made.

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III. Action Items

A) Review and Approval of May 9, 2012 BPAC Meeting Minutes

Background Information:

Minutes are prepared for each meeting and must be approved by the BPAC. The May 9, 2012 BPAC meeting minutes are provided with this agenda packet for your review.

Action Requested:

Motion to approve the May 9, 2012 BPAC meeting minutes

Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)
Meeting Minutes
May 9, 2012

Members Present:

Holly Idler
Tim Bustos
Nick Mostert
Bob Storke
Phyllis Campbell, Vice Chair
Colleen Nicoulin
Mike Chuven
Roy Walters
A.J. Devies, Chair

Representing:

Daytona Beach
DeLand
Holly Hill
Orange City
Ponce Inlet
Port Orange
Volusia County, At-Large
Volusia County, At-Large
Volusia County, District 2

Non-Voting Technical Appointees Present:

Wendy Hickey
William "Bill" McCord
Tina Skipper
Melissa Winsett
Bob Davenport

Representing:

Orange City
Port Orange
Volusia County School Board
Volusia County Traffic Engineering
Votran

Members/Technical Appointees Absent:

Rani Merens (excused)
Michelle Grenham (excused)
Joan Carter (excused)
Craig Wells
Jim Mascola
William "Bill" Pouzar
Amanda Vandermaelen (excused)

Representing:

DeBary
Edgewater
FDOT, District 5
Flagler Beach
Ormond Beach
Volusia County, District 5
Volusia County Parks, Rec. & Culture

Others Present:

Pamela Blankenship, Recording Secretary
Stephan Harris
Robert Keeth
Ralph Bove
Steve Friedel
Jack Freeman
Suzanne Grubbs
Bobbi King

Representing:

TPO Staff
TPO Staff
TPO Staff
DRMP, Inc.
FDOT, District 5
Kittelson & Associates, Inc.
Volusia County Health Department/FDOH
Volusia County Parks, Rec. & Culture

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

The meeting of the Volusia Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) was called to order at 3:03 p.m. by Chairperson A.J. Devies. The roll was called and it was determined that there was a quorum.

II. Public Comment/Participation

No public comments.

III. New BPAC Member Introduction

[Mr. Mascola was absent.]

IV. Action Items

A. Review and Approval of January 11, 2012 BPAC Meeting Minutes

***MOTION:** A motion to approve the April 11, 2012 BPAC meeting minutes was made by Mr. Storke. The motion was seconded by Mr. Chuyen and carried unanimously.*

B. Review and Recommend Approval of Resolution 2012-XX Adopting the Supplemental Local Agency Program Agreement with FDOT for Bicycle/Pedestrian Feasibility Studies

Mr. Harris stated the Supplemental Local Agency Program Agreement with FDOT is used to conduct bicycle/pedestrian feasibility studies. The agreement programs \$100,000/year to fund the studies.

Mr. Chuyen stated at one time monies for feasibility studies were transferred to another program--what was the program and how long did the transfer last? Mr. Harris stated roll over funds from previous years were transferred to the Corridor Improvement Program. Mr. Chuyen replied no, it was for a project that used XU funds for a given number of years. Mr. Keeth suggested the Corridor Improvement Program.

Mr. Friedel did not know of such a project.

Mr. McCord asked if the \$100,000 set-aside for bike/ped feasibility studies is part of the 30% in XU funds. Mr. Harris responded yes.

***MOTION:** A motion to recommend approval of resolution 2012-XX Adopting the Supplemental Local Agency Program Agreement with FDOT for Bicycle/Pedestrian Feasibility Studies was made by Mr. Chuyen. The motion was seconded by Mr. Storke and carried unanimously.*

Mr. Mostert asked for clarification on the set-aside amount. Mr. Friedel responded \$100,000 is taken off of the annual allocation the TPO receives. The remaining amount is sub allocated with 30% going to bicycle/pedestrian projects, 40% to traffic operations projects and 30% to transit projects.

C. Review and Recommend Approval of the draft FY 2012/13 to FY 2016/17 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Mr. Keeth stated the TIP is a five year budget for transportation projects. The TIP includes transit, aviation, traffic operations, bicycle/pedestrian projects, maintenance projects, even planning studies. New projects added to the five year program come from our priority lists approved the previous year. The local projects section was handed out before the meeting. These projects do not use state or federal funds and are included for informational purposes only. The TPO Board will be considering the TIP for adoption in June.

Mr. Storke stated the I-4 managed lanes were referenced in the 2035 LRTP, but cannot be found in the TIP. Mr. Keeth responded it is listed as a pending amendment, meaning the 2035 LRTP had not been amended at that time. The TPO Board amended the 2035 LRTP last month.

Mr. McCord stated the City of Port Orange is exploring the possibility of constructing the Herbert Street Sidewalk without federal funds and asked if the city decides to keep the project in the work program, will a TIP amendment be required? Mr. Keeth responded yes.

Mr. Chuyen asked about the sidewalk program in Port Orange. Mr. Keeth responded it is for Safe Routes to Schools sidewalk projects. Mr. McCord added it is for sidewalks identified in the Bicycle/Pedestrian School Safety Review Study in the CDBG area that will be eligible for grant funds.

Ms. Nicoulin asked if projects such as the Williamson Blvd. widening will include bicycle lanes. Mr. Keeth responded the TPO did not have specific information on the bicycle lanes. Ms. Winsett added Volusia County makes attempts to include paved shoulders in urban areas when widening roads.

Mr. McCord stated the I-4 managed lanes project is very expensive and many questions remain unanswered about it.

Mr. Chuyen stated west bound traffic on I-4 does not get heavy until in the Lake Mary area.

MOTION: *A motion to recommend approval of the draft FY 2012/13 to FY 2016/17 TIP without the I-4 managed use lanes was made by Mr. Chuvén. [The motion was not seconded.]*

Ms. Winsett requested information on the project from FDOT. Mr. Friedel responded In order to expend federal funds, the I-4 managed lanes project has to be in the TIP and LRTP.

Mr. Chuvén stated another study of I-4 isn't needed.

Ms. Idler asked if the intersection of Clyde Morris and the pines includes an audible pedestrian signal. Mr. McCord responded it is a city project that is not funded at this time.

Mr. Keeth stated the I-4 managed lanes project has been approved by the TPO Board.

Mr. Chuvén asked why the I-4 managed lanes project is before the BPAC. Mr. Keeth responded the project is not before the BPAC itself, but is part of the larger TIP.

IV. Presentations and Discussion Items

C. Update on the SR 40 Project Development & Environment (PD&E) Study [This presentation is included in the minutes for reference purposes.]

Mr. Bustos stated the narrow width (4') of the bicycle lanes doesn't leave much room between passing motorists.

Mr. Freeman stated standard bicycle lanes are 4' wide, but 5' wide bicycle lanes are optional.

Ms. Idler asked if APS (accessible pedestrian signals) will be included [at Williamson and SR 40]. Mr. Freeman responded the inclusion of APS is a design decision that hasn't been made.

Ms. Nicoulin asked which agency will be holding the public hearing. Mr. Freeman responded FDOT is holding the meeting at Riverbend Church. A hearing/alternatives meeting has not been scheduled.

Mr. McCord asked if Hand Avenue was included in a traffic model. Mr. Freeman responded no.

Mr. Mostert asked when construction is anticipated. Mr. Freeman responded construction is not funded in the five-year work program.

A. Presentation on Volusia County's National Trails Day Celebration

Ms. King stated Ms. Vandermaelen is sick and unable to attend the BPAC meeting. The National Trails Day Celebration will be held at Green Springs Park this year on June 2nd from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Bicycle helmet fittings will be held [by Volusia TPO], guided historical walking tour, nature tour and informational displays. Flyers are available to help get the word out about the event.

Mr. Bustos asked if other organizations will be allowed to set up tables at the event. Ms. King stated Ms. Vandermaelen is handling the display activities.

B. Presentation on Volusia County Health Department's Walkable Communities Workshop [This presentation is included in the minutes for reference purposes.]

Mr. Chuyen asked about a time line for the TIGER grant. Ms. Grubbs responded the grant has been submitted and a response is expected soon.

Mr. Mostert asked where was the overgrown vegetation? Ms. Grubbs responded it was near a convenience center.

Mr. Mostert asked about the contact for such issues. Ms. Winsett responded it depends on the maintaining agency.

[Action Item C - continued]

Mr. Keeth stated the I-4 managed lanes project has some money programmed in FY 2011/12, but most of the money is programmed in the outer work program years (none of it for construction.)

Mr. Chuyen stated the I-4 managed lanes project is a waste of money.

Mr. Harris stated the TPO Board has already taken action on this issue.

Mr. Walters stated this is a protest.

MOTION: *A motion to recommend approval of the draft FY 2012/13 to FY 2016/17 TIP without the I-4 managed use lanes was made by Mr. Chuyen. The motion was seconded by Mr. Walters and did not carry on a 5 to 4 vote.*

Mr. Keeth stated another motion is needed.

MOTION: *A motion to recommend approval of the draft FY 2012/13 to FY 2016/17 TIP was made by Ms. Campbell. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mostert and carried on a 5 to 4 vote.*

Ms. Devies stated Rani Merens has won the Johanna Knox Award for Community Service.

V. Staff Comments

Mr. Harris stated the Project Review Subcommittee met on May 1st to rank 18 applications submitted during the Call for Projects. About 1/3 of them were ranked, so the subcommittee will reconvene on May 17th to complete the rankings.

Ms. Bollenback stated the Volusia County Council met on April 19th and discussed an Alternatives Analysis for a transit connection between SunRail and the Daytona Beach International Airport. The Alternatives Analysis is estimated to cost \$3 million with a 25% local match (\$750,000). The county council is expected to adopt a resolution to the Volusia TPO asking for the funding match. TPO staff has been directed to look at the budget to see where the local match can come from.

Ms. Campbell asked if other partners are involved. Ms. Bollenback responded no other partners have been identified so far.

VI. Information Items

Ms. Devies noted the information items in the agenda packet.

Mr. Mostert stated bicycle rides are great in Long Leaf Pine Preserve.

Mr. Bustos stated the Florida Bicycle Association will be holding a grand opening for the DeLand office on May 25th.

Mr. Walters asked who has taken John Harper's position in Volusia County Government. Mr. Harris responded his position has not been filled.

VII. BPAC Member Comments

Ms. Idler stated police are ticketing bicyclists riding on Beach Street sidewalks.

VII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:56 p.m.

Volusia Transportation Planning Organization

Ms. A.J. Devies, Chairperson
Bicycle /Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)

CERTIFICATE:

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Recording Secretary of the Volusia TPO certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the May 9, 2012 regular meeting of the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC), approved and duly signed this 13th day of June 2012.

Pamela Blankenship, Recording Secretary
Volusia Transportation Planning Organization

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III. Action Items

B) Nomination and Election of BPAC Chair

Background Information:

The bylaws of the BPAC (Section 1.2: Officers and Duties) call for the election of a Chair for the new term by a majority of the voting members present at this meeting. BPAC officers serve a term of one year and cannot serve more than two consecutive terms for the same office. The term of Chairperson A.J. Devies began in June 2010.

Action Requested:

Motion to nominate BPAC Chair/Motion to elect BPAC Chair/Election of BPAC Chair

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C) Nomination and Election of BPAC Vice Chair

Background Information:

The bylaws of the BPAC (Section 1.2: Officers and Duties) call for the election of a Vice Chair for the new term by a majority of the voting members present at this meeting. BPAC officers serve a term of one year and cannot serve more than two consecutive terms for the same office. The term of Vice Chairperson Phyllis Campbell began in June 2010.

Action Requested:

Motion to nominate BPAC Vice Chair/Motion to elect BPAC Vice Chair/Election of BPAC Vice Chair

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D) Cancellation of the July 11, 2012 BPAC Meeting

Background Information:

Traditionally, none of the TPO Committees meet during the month of July if there is no outstanding business that needs to be conducted before the summer break.

Action Requested:

Motion to cancel the July 11, 2012 BPAC meeting

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IV. Presentations and Discussion Items

A) Presentation on the Volusia TPO 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan

Background Information:

As a requirement for receiving state and federal transportation dollars, the Volusia TPO is responsible for developing and maintaining the area's Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). The LRTP is the guiding document that identifies the transportation projects that may be pursued in the TPO area over the next 25 years and outlines the transportation mobility vision for the TPO planning area.

The Volusia TPO staff is currently developing a scope of services for the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan which will begin next year. At this meeting, staff will discuss the project approach and seek input from committee members.

Action Requested:

No action is required unless otherwise directed by the BPAC

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B) Review of the Draft List of Prioritized Extra Urban (XU) Bicycle/Pedestrian Projects

Background Information:

The Volusia TPO accepted application packets for Extra Urban (XU) Bicycle/Pedestrian projects and feasibility studies from February 8 to April 13, 2012. The Project Review Subcommittee met on May 1, 2012 to create a draft list of projects from the applications that were submitted. The draft list of XU Bicycle/Pedestrian Projects will be provided under separate cover.

Action Requested:

No action is required unless otherwise directed by the BPAC

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B) Video Presentation on Safe Routes to School

Background Information:

Protect the Journey: Making Safe Routes to School Possible is a video created by the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council to educate and encourage decision and policy makers, planners, engineers, parents and the school community to incorporate Safe Routes to School policies and guidelines in school siting and planning, as well as transportation and land-use decisions.

Action Requested:

No action is required unless otherwise directed by the BPAC

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Florida SRTS Updates

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May 30, 2012



Florida Updates: State

SRTS Coordinator's Update: I continue to be very busy, trying to get things ready for my successor to step in without missing a beat (or not too many beats, in any case). I'm organizing, filing, completing contracts and working on my Desk Manual. The interviewing process has begun, so I hope I can announce my successor in my last Update.

In the last month I have gained a new intern, William Wade, an FSU student working on his Masters' Degree in Urban and Regional Planning. He has been helping me organize my files, creating a separate file for each SRTS project. With 246 projects, this has been a massive undertaking. He also has been helping with the SRTS Updates and initial project reviews. This job is so busy that I wish I had found someone like William to help me long ago!

Lifesavers National Conference on Highway Safety Priorities: This premier US traffic safety conference is fast approaching, and it will be held in Orlando this year, from June 13-16. I hope some of you will be able to attend and send in your feedback from the sessions. The agenda includes a couple of sessions on pedestrian and bicycle issues. For more information, see: <http://www.lifesaversconference.org/>.

Helmet Fit Crucial, Other Safety Gear a Must: A recent article by Phil Attinger in News Chief includes this quote:

Florida has one of the nation's highest rates of injuries and deaths from bicycle crashes. Whether you ride for recreation or commuting, for health benefits or for transportation, one essential piece of equipment is a helmet. Helmets are required by Florida law for any rider less than 16 years old.

Read more at: <http://m.newschief.com/>.

Florida Updates: Local

Northeast Florida Counts - Three Safe Routes to School Student Videos: the website for Northeast Florida Counts says:

Three Safe Routes to School videos were produced by Duval County middle school students from Julia Landon College Preparatory. This project was part of a bigger initiative facilitated by the Health Planning Council of Northeast Florida with support from the Duval County Health Department Healthy Jacksonville Childhood Obesity Prevention Coalition. The aim is to provide our children with safe ways to get to school and provide opportunities for increased physical exercise in daily activities.

[SRTS Video #1- Why Ride?](#)

[SRTS Video #2- First Things First- Preparing to Ride](#)

[SRTS Video #3- Safety on the Road](#)

You can also access all three videos at: <http://www.nefloridacounts.org/> and see a list of related content at: <http://www.nefloridacounts.org/promisingpractices>.

More Bicycle Safety Videos from Florida: The Florida Bicycle Association has created many excellent videos on bicycle safety. Two series of videos which are especially appropriate for National Bike Month and Safe Routes to School are entitled *Group Riding* and *Bicycle Tips You Might Not Know*.

Other series of videos deal with *Bicycle Law Enforcement*, *Share the Road* and *Senior Cyclist* topics. Watch them all at: <http://www.youtube.com/FloridaBicycleAssoc>.

Cape Coral to Install New Sidewalks through 5 Year Plan: This report on CBS News includes the quote:

Cape Coral has a plan to keep you safe when you walk. It involves installing new sidewalks in about a dozen areas of the city. Some are near schools, others are around major intersections. The city says in the past it used to spend \$600,000 to \$1.2 million a year on sidewalks, through the general fund. But now, funding comes through grants from the Florida Department of Transportation and Community Development Block Grants.

Read more and watch the video at: <http://www.winknews.com>.

Enthusiasts Tout Advantages of Biking to Work: This article about the positive effects of bike month in Winter Haven includes this quote:

Bike Month is really a way to encourage more cycling across more communities. It's also a time of the year when we try to introduce more people to bicycling. This year's theme, 'One Ride, Many Reasons,' highlights the many benefits of riding bicycles.

Amy Wiggins, spokeswoman for the Lakeland Area Chamber of Commerce is quoted as saying:

I'm hoping that we'll be able to bring more exposure to biking to work and the opportunities that Commuter Services brings to employers through FDOT.

Read more at: <http://www.newschief.com/>.

Cycle of life: Riders have rights, responsibilities: This article on Bike to Work Day in the News Chief includes this quote:

Being safe on that daily ride is a matter of each rider having confidence and knowing both the rights and responsibilities of cyclists on Florida's roads.

That involves educating both motorists and cyclists and promoting safer road conditions by design, a task that has been handed to Billy Hattaway, the new District 1 secretary for the Florida Department of Transportation.

Read more tips for biking to work (or to school!) at: <http://tinyurl.com/7hvo93r>.

News from Other States and Countries

Navigating Safe Routes to School: This recent article in the Klamath Falls, Oregon Herald and News includes these quotes:

County health officials want to change the way parents, children and motorists behave in school zones...

Under the Safe Routes to School program, the Klamath County Health Department, Klamath Falls Police Department and Klamath Falls City Schools are partnering to encourage kids to walk to school, while simultaneously teaching drivers and students to watch for one another on crowded roads, said program coordinator Beverly Leigh...

Efforts started Friday at Fairview Elementary when students sat with a police officer in an unmarked vehicle while they used a radar gun to learn about the flow of traffic.

Students also walked to school in a formation called a "walking school bus." Joined by teachers and adults, the walking bus is one way students can stay healthy, make friends and cut back on emissions by reducing trips in cars.

Read more at: <http://www.heraldandnews.com/>.

Teachers Use Ride as Lesson in Fitness: This article about National Bike to Work Day includes these quotes:

A resounding cheer went up as 25 teachers and staff members arrived on bicycles, marking National Bike to Work Day and giving the students an example of how to stay fit and be environmentally friendly...

"We want to show our support for exercise as a staff," she said. "We want our kids here at Lisha Kill to participate in things like this, to be active and live a life of fitness."

Read more at: <http://www.timesunion.com/>.

Will Green Transportation Create Lots of Green Jobs: This article by EV World's Newswire includes these quotes:

Yes, we need to look at jobs, but we also need to see we are not in this alone. The United States should be part of a global move toward interconnected, seamless transportation that, in addition to creating jobs locally, reduces the threat of global [climate change](#), enhances trade and improves the health and livability of our rapidly urbanizing world while making sure we don't leave less populated areas behind.

This was the theme of the International Transport Forum recently held (May 2-4) in Leipzig, Germany...

The number of people riding bicycles to school and work, taking streetcars or buses and walking in Leipzig showed what that future could look like. Traveling through town I couldn't help notice that it wasn't just a few cycling fanatics or students who were reclaiming the streets with their bikes. The city was also linked to the rest of Germany and Europe by an efficient rail system with centrally located train stations that were served by streetcars, buses and taxis that provided connections to airports. Inexpensive rental bicycles were also readily available...

Moving forward will require public support inspired by a new vision that conjures up a compelling future of walkable cities and towns, bicycles, streetcars, clean buses, high-speed trains and fuel-efficient cars close to accessible airports. We have a lot to undo and rebuild to get there. China and India and other countries still have the opportunity to get it right the first time. The result for countries, states and cities that join the transportation transformation will be jobs and economic growth, a cleaner environment, reduced concerns about global climate change, healthier people who get more exercise from riding bikes and walking and the knowledge that we've built a sustainable system that meets the needs of our people while connecting us to the world.

Read more at: <http://evworld.com/>.

Walkers and Cyclists to be Rewarded: A May 8th article in the Press Association includes these quotes:

A scheme has been launched to reward people for walking and cycling in London...

Under the new programme, people can download a mobile app to collect points for journeys they make by bike or on foot, which can be redeemed against offers and discounts from a range of companies including Marks & Spencer, Planet Organic and Champneys.

Read more at: <http://www.google.com/hostednews/ukpress/>.

An Olympic Respite from Air Pollution: In a recent article for the New York Times, Nicholas Bakalar writes:

Chinese officials clamped down on air pollution during the 2008 Olympics in Beijing, giving researchers an unusual opportunity to assess the effects of polluted air on the risks for cardiovascular disease...

"Even with a short-term cleanup of dirty air, you immediately see benefits for the cardiovascular system," said the senior author, Junfeng Zhang, a professor of environmental and global health at the University of Southern California.

"The largest contribution was from traffic control," he continued. "Decreasing traffic not only decreases traffic jams but increases cardiovascular health. That's something for people to think about from a policy standpoint."

This research is similar to research on the Atlanta Olympics, where fewer children were admitted to hospitals with asthma attacks, following traffic restrictions. Less driving, and more walking and biking (like to and from school) can reduce air pollution. Read more at: <http://well.blogs.nytimes.com/>.

Pedestrian and Bicycle Involved Collisions Decline in Montgomery: A recent Gazette article says:

Reductions in pedestrian-involved collisions were most notable in the County's High Incidence Areas — locations targeted as having the highest density of collisions — as well as areas around schools and locations where traffic calming measures have been completed, according to a county news release...

Among the Safe Routes to School program areas, where 129 engineering improvements were completed at elementary and middle schools, pedestrian collisions dropped from 48 before improvements to 12 after completion.

Read more at: <http://www.gazette.net/>.

National News

Bike Support Careens Ahead But Congress is Still Spinning Wheels: According to a recent Pacific Sun article:

As Congress began conference work last week in an attempt to reach a consensus transportation bill, a new nationwide survey revealed overwhelming bipartisan support for maintaining or increasing federal funding for bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure...

79% to 91% of people surveyed supported sustaining or increasing funding for non-motorized transportation, in all age categories. The article continues:

Support for maintaining or increasing funding for sidewalks and bikeways was consistently high among all survey demographics," according to the survey report. "Respondents reported support for biking and walking funding in all gender, age, income and racial groups. Support also was high regardless of political identification, educational background, region and community type.

Read more at: <http://www.pacificsun.com/>.

CDC Provides Games Changer Award to Safe Routes to School: In recognition of its seven-year track record promoting safe walking and bicycling routes to school for children and fighting obesity, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention presented the Safe Routes to School National Partnership with the 2012 Game Changer Award, at the recent Weight of the Nation Conference. Here is a quote from Director Deb Hubsmith's acceptance speech:

As we move into the future, you'll see the Safe Routes to School National Partnership focusing on three strategies to improve the built environment:

- 1) Breaking down silos and building partnerships – we need to collaborate to achieve a transportation transformation and bring health into all policies*
- 2) Assisting lower income communities, the populations that are most vulnerable to childhood obesity and safety concerns, and*
- 3) Empowering kids – our greatest spokespeople can be the youth of America. Their voices can help us achieve the policy changes that we're striving for.*

Read more at: <http://www.saferoutespartnership.org/>

Safety-based Prioritization of Schools for Safe Routes to School Infrastructure Projects: A Process for Transportation Professionals: This valuable new resource created by the National Center for SRTS describes a straightforward way to identify the schools and specific locations that have the greatest need for pedestrian infrastructure improvements. Find it at: <http://www.saferoutesinfo.org/>.

Community Design and Policies for Free-Range Children: Creating Environments That Support Routine Physical Activity: A research article by Mark Fenton in *Childhood Obesity* includes this quote:

The premise of Safe Routes to School (SRTS) is not simply to help those children who live close to school begin walking and bicycling more regularly. It is to create an environment where all children get more safe opportunities for more routine physical activity. The prescription is to use engineering improvements, education and encouragement programs, enhanced enforcement, and on-going evaluation (the five Es) to make physical improvements, as well as to change policies and practices to support more physically active travel.

Mark defines the four elements of active community design as:

- Compact and varied neighborhoods
- A network of facilities for "active transportation"
- Inviting and functional site designs for active transportation, and
- Safety and access for all

Read more at: <http://online.liebertpub.com/>.

Kids Who Get Driven Everywhere Don't Know Where They're Going: In this article for Atlantic Cities, Sarah Goodyear writes:

Traffic and kids don't mix. That's something people intuitively understand. Automobile collisions disproportionately kill kids, for starters. Heavy traffic also prevents them from playing on their neighborhood streets. And communities with limited opportunities for walking and playing outside have been shown to have higher rates of childhood obesity, which can lead to serious health complications in later life...

(Bruce) Appleyard worked with children in two suburban communities. One had light traffic and infrastructure that allowed children to walk and bike on their own. One had heavy traffic and children traveled almost exclusively by car. Using a technique called cognitive mapping, Appleyard asked groups of nine- and 10-year-old kids to draw maps of their neighborhoods, showing destinations such as school and friends' houses, and marking places they liked or disliked. The results were revealing:

In the Heavy [traffic exposure] neighborhood, the children frequently expressed feelings of dislike and danger and were unable to represent any detail of the surrounding environment... Participants from the Light [traffic exposure] neighborhood, on the other hand, showed a much richer sense of their environment, drawing more of the streets, houses, trees, and other objects, and including fewer signs of danger, or dislike and fewer cars. The children also drew many more places in the street where they liked to play and areas that they just simply liked: they noted playing in 43 percent more locations in their streets relative to the children in the heavy-traffic-exposure neighborhood.

In sum, as exposure to auto traffic volumes and speed decreases, a child's sense of threat goes down, and his/her ability to establish a richer connection and appreciation for the community rises.

We did this type of experiment in Florida about 15-20 years ago, with similar results. It's nice to see the results of our early work on this topic confirmed in a more formal research project. Read more at: <http://www.theatlanticcities.com/>.

Streets as Places Campaign Goals: In announcing this new campaign, the website of the Project for Public Spaces says:

The overarching goal of Streets as Places is to transform the design and construction of public streets into places that improve the quality of human life and the environment rather than simply move vehicles from place to place. This campaign seeks to support Placemaking and produce beneficial community outcomes through the transformation of federal, state, and metropolitan transportation policy and practice that currently favors and prioritizes movement of vehicles over people and community, as well as influencing the design and construction of the highways and streets that reflect these policies.

Learn more at: <http://www.pps.org/>.

Safe Routes to School: Helping All Students Walk and Bike Safely: This helpful new 2-page flyer by the American Public Health Association contains statistics and examples that highlight the connections between safe routes to school programs and health. One of the examples given is the WalkSafe Program from Miami-Dade County:

Miami-Dade County, FL: The WalkSafe program works within the school district to teach children about the importance of safe and active transportation, and works to improve neighborhood walkability. The program's effectiveness is evident in a 51.9% decrease in the total number of child pedestrians involved in collisions with automobiles in the county since the program's implementation in 2001.

Find the flyer/fact sheet at: <http://tinyurl.com/7d9pt4v>.

Transportation and the New Generation: Why Young People are Driving Less and What It Means for Transportation Policy: This report documents the many ways in which young people are changing their transportation behavior and their desires for the future. The report includes data that young people are walking and bicycling more than in the past. The Executive Summary includes this quote:

Federal and local governments have historically made massive investments in new highway capacity on the assumption that driving will continue to increase at a rapid and steady pace. The changing transportation preferences of young people—and Americans overall—throw those assumptions into doubt. The time has come for transportation policy to reflect the needs and desires of today's Americans—not the worn-out conventional wisdom from days gone by.

Safe Routes to School may be contributing to this healthy trend. Read more at: <http://www.frontiergroup.org/>.

From Inspiration to Action: Implementing Projects to Support Active Living: This free guide from AARP and the Walkable and Livable Communities Institute aims to take community members from “inspiration to action.” The guide describes how to engage the public in planning and visioning and how the public can work with local governments to make active living an outcome of every project. You can download it free at: <http://www.walklive.org/>.

Weight of the Nation: The Weight of the Nation campaign is a four-part documentary series on HBO. Each film features case studies, interviews with our nation’s leading experts, and individuals and their families struggling with obesity. You can watch this important series at: <http://theweightofthenation.hbo.com/> or on YouTube:

Part 1: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-pEkCbqN4uo&feature=relmfu>

Part 2: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hLv0Vsegmoo&feature=relmfu>

Part 3: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T24B6T-hp0E&feature=relmfu>

Part 4: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YN164Zb329I>

Shared Use – Introduction and Practical Guide Webinar: This May 17 webinar by the Prevention Institute and PreventObesity.net explained the basics of shared-use agreements, how they can help address childhood obesity and how schools and communities share their facilities to create more opportunities for residents to be active. If you missed it, you can catch up by hitting Playback at: <https://preventobesity.webex.com/>.

U.S. DOT Launches Contest to Curb Distracted Driving Among Teens: The website announcing this contest includes these quotes:

U.S. Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood recently launched a new contest for students to design a social networking icon to help encourage young drivers to speak up when riding with a distracted driver...

The contest, which will accept submissions through July 31, is open to all U.S. students ages 13 to 18. The winning design will be selected by Secretary LaHood and a panel of U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) experts, and will be incorporated into the DOT’s distracted driving campaign.

Some of your middle school SRTS programs may be interested. Read more at: <http://www.fenderbender.com/>.

HAWK Pedestrian Signals: Here are an older article and research study on a fairly new pedestrian signal treatment which was created in Tucson and which has been tested and proven to be an effective safety treatment. It has now been added into the most recent version of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices:

- **HAWK Lights to Help Reduce Pedestrian Deaths in Metro Phoenix:** Some Phoenix-area streets are getting new traffic devices that have been shown to save lives. This article includes the quote:

The new devices...give pedestrians a safer way to cross busy streets midblock. That could help reduce the state’s annual toll of more than 100 pedestrian deaths.

Read more at: <http://www.azcentral.com/>.

- **Safety Effectiveness of the HAWK Pedestrian Crossing Treatment:** The U.S. Federal Highway Administration has released a report that explores the safety effectiveness of the HAWK pedestrian beacon.

Read more at: <http://www.trb.org>.

Florida & National Calendar of Events & Training Opportunities

✓ Indicates new items Calendar items are repeated until events are held All times are Eastern unless noted

2012:

June:

- **June 2, National Trails Day.** More info: <http://www.americanhiking.org/NTD.aspx>.
- ✓ **June 5, 1:00-2:30 pm, free Webinar, *Tools for Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety and Exposure Analysis*.** More info: <https://www2.gotomeeting.com/>.
- **June 6-8, Working Together to Achieve Livable Cities Conference;** Geelong, Australia. More info: <http://www.healthycities.com.au/>.
- ✓ **June 7, 2:00-3:00 pm, free Webinar: *Federal Funding 201: How Safe Routes to School Projects Actually Get Built: An Overview of Obligation and Obligation Authority/Limitations*.** More info: <https://saferoutespartnership.ilinc.com/>.
- **June 10-14, 46th Annual Conference and Exhibition, sponsored by NARC - National Association of Regional Councils;** St. Petersburg, FL. Watch for more info at: <http://narc.org/events/conferences.html>.
- **June 12, Workshop: Planning For and Implementing Transit Oriented Development in Florida,** Daytona Beach. More info and register at: www.ftod.com/renaissance/docs/Products/FrameworkTOD_0715.pdf.
- **June 13-16, Lifesavers National Conference on Highway Safety Priorities,** Orlando, FL. This is the premier US traffic safety conference, which includes a couple of sessions on pedestrian and bicycle issues. More info: <http://www.lifesaversconference.org/>.
- ✓ **June 20, 3:00-4:00 pm, Webinar: *Resolving Conflicts at Complex Intersections*.** There is a charge for this webinar: \$50 per site for APBP members; \$75 per site for non-members. More info: <http://www.apbp.org/>.
- **June 20-22, Reclaiming Vacant Properties Conference,** New Orleans, LA. More info: <http://tinyurl.com/7e7byoq>.
- **June 24-27, ITE Midwestern District and TRB 4th Urban Street Symposium,** Chicago, IL. More info: <http://bit.ly/mQHvBT>.
- **June 24-29, Built Environment Assessment Training Institute 2012,** Boston, MA. More info: <http://www.med.upenn.edu/beat/>.
- **June 26-28, American Public Health Association 2012 Midyear Meeting,** Charlotte, N.C. More info: www.apha.org/Midyear.
- **June 26-29, Velo-City Global 2012 Conference,** Vancouver, British Columbia, CA. More info: <http://www.velocity2012.com/>.
- **June 27-30, Sustainable Futures Conference: Architecture and Urbanism in the Global South,** Kampala, Uganda. More info: <http://sfc2012.org/>.

July:

- **July 11-13, National Association of County and City Health Officials – Annual Conference,** Los Angeles, CA. More Info: <http://www.nacchoannual.org/>.
- **July 13-17, National Association of Counties – Annual Conference,** Pittsburgh, PA. More info: <http://www.naco.org/Pages/default.aspx>.

- ✓ **July 18, 3:00-4:00 pm, Webinar: *The Greener Side of Green Streets: Reducing Pavement Footprints*.** There is a charge for this webinar: \$50 per site for APBP members; \$75 per site for non-members. More info: <http://www.apbp.org/>.
- **July 16-19, Health Impact Assessment summer training course**, Oakland, Ca, The overall goal of the course is to provide current and future practitioners of HIA experience using available procedures, regulations and tools to implement an HIA. Registration is open through July 1st. More info at: <http://www.sfpbes.org/services/hia-training>.

August:

- **August 6-9, National Conference of State Legislatures – Legislative Summit**, Chicago, IL. More Info: <http://www.ncsl.org/meetings/legislativesummit12/overview/general.aspx>.
- **August 12-15 Institute of Transportation Engineers Annual Meeting**, Atlanta, GA. More info: <http://www.ite.org/annualmeeting/default.asp>.
- ✓ **August 15, 3:00-4:00 pm, Webinar: *Transforming Streets into Inviting Public Space*.** There is a charge for this webinar: \$50 per site for APBP members; \$75 per site for non-members. More info: <http://www.apbp.org/>.
- **August 14-17, Annual Transportation and Infrastructure Summit & 5th Global HSR Forum**, Irving, TX. More Info: <http://transportationsummit.com/about.asp>.
- **August 26-29, American Public Works Association – Congress and Expo**, Anaheim, CA. More Info: <http://www.apwa.net/congress/>.
- **August 26-29, Governors Highway Safety Association - Annual Meeting**, Baltimore, MD. The 2012 GHSA Annual Meeting will explore highway safety from the public health perspective, focusing on how to apply successes in public health and highway safety to continue improving safety on our nation's roadways. More Info: <http://www.ghsa.org/html/meetings/annual/2012/index.html>.

September:

- **September 10-12, 5th International Urban Design Conference**, Melbourne Australia. More Info: <http://www.urbandesignaustralia.com.au/>.
- **September 10-13, Pro Walk/Pro Bike® 2012**, Long Beach, California. This is the premier US Pedestrian and Bicycle Conference, produced by the National Center for Bicycling & Walking, and Project for Public Spaces. For 2012, the conference theme is Pro Walk/Pro Bike: Pro Place. Walking and biking are community-building tools; community is built around place. More info: <http://www.bikewalk.org/2012conference/index.php>, or email Mark Plotz at mark@bikewalk.org.
- **September 11-14, Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations – Annual Conference**, Saratoga Springs, NY. More Info: <https://www.ampo.org/content/index.php?pid=261>.
- **September 12-14, Transportation Planning for Small and Medium-Sized Communities**, Big Sky, MT. More Info: <http://trbtoolsofthetrade.org/>.
- **September 21-24, International Downtown Association – Poised to Compete**, Minneapolis, MN. More Info: <https://www.ida-downtown.org/eweb/>.
- **September 20-22, AARP – Life@50+**, New Orleans, LA. More Info: http://www.aarp.org/about-aarp/events/national_event/schedule/.
- **September 26-28, Child in the City**, Zagreb, Croatia. More Info: <http://www.childinthecity.com/page/6099>.
- **September 27-28, Networks for Mobility**, Stuttgart, Germany. This event provides the opportunity for representatives from the sciences, industry, and politics meet together to discuss the future of mobility and transportation. More Info: <http://www.uni-stuttgart.de/fovus/>.

- **September 28-October 1, American Society of Landscape Architects – Annual Meeting and EXPO**, Phoenix, AZ. The ASLA 2012 Annual Meeting and EXPO in Phoenix will be the largest gathering of landscape architecture professionals in the world. More Info: <http://www.asla.org/ads/expo.html>.
- **September 20-October 3, American Public Transportation Association- Annual Meeting**, Seattle, WA. The industry's premier event. More Info: <http://www.apta.com/mc/annual/Pages/default.aspx>.
- **September 30-October 4, Walk21 Conference, Mexico City**. More info: http://www.walk21.com/conferences/mexico_city.asp.

October:

- **October 1-4, World Conference on Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion**, Wellington, New Zealand. More Info: <http://www.conference.co.nz/worldsafety2012>.
- **October 3, International Walk to School Day**. More info: <http://www.walkbiketoschool.org/>.
- **October 7-10, International City/County Management Association – 98th Annual Conference**, Phoenix, AZ. This event will help develop and advance professional local government management to create sustainable communities that improve lives worldwide. More Info: http://icma.org/en/conference/events/evening_events.
- **October 9-12, Canadian Institute of Planners – The Great Exchange**, Banff, AB, Canada. The Great Exchange 2012: Putting Ideas into Action will bring together a wide array of professionals involved in planning to discuss how we are getting things done on the ground. More Info: <http://cip2012.cip-icu.ca/english/index.htm>.
- **October 14-16, 7th Annual Land Bank Conference**, Kalamazoo, Michigan. More info: <http://tinyurl.com/79g93fv>.
- **October 14-17, Rail-Volution**, Los Angeles, California. Rail-Volution is a conference for those who want to engage in thoughtful discussion about building livable communities with transit. More info: <http://www.railvolution.com>.
- **October 18-20, 142nd Annual Civil Engineering Conference**, Montreal, QC, Canada. More Info: <http://content.asce.org/conferences/annual2012/index.html>.
- **October 18-21, Urban Land institute – ULI Fall Meeting and Urban Expo**, Denver, CO. More Info: <http://www.ulifall.org/>.
- **October 23-24, Smart Cities 2012 Conference**, Amsterdam. More Info: <http://www.smartcitiesglobal.com/events/amsterdam/>.
- **October 27-31, 2012 Annual Meeting of the American Public Health Association, *Prevention and Wellness across the Lifespan***, San Francisco, CA. More info: <http://apha.confex.com/apha/140am/oasys.epl>.
- **October 28-31, ATSIP – 38th Forum on Traffic Records & Highway Information Systems**, Biloxi, MS. More Info: <http://www.trafficrecordsforum.org/>.
- **October 31, Global Youth Traffic Safety Month, sponsored by National Organizations for Youth Safety**. More info: http://www.noys.org/global_youth_traffic_safety_month_2012_partners.aspx.

November:

- **November 8-10, Sustainable Futures for Global Cities and Suburbs**, Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY. The conference will focus primarily on the New York metropolitan area, though we also seek participation from experts working in other cities around the world. More Info: https://www.hofstra.edu/Community/culctr/culctr_events_sustainability.html.
- **November 11-14, ASCE – 3rd International Conference on Urban Transportation Systems**, Paris, France. More Info: <http://content.asce.org/conferences/tidi/utsconference/call.html>.

- **November 14-16, Urban Planning, Regional Development, and Information Society – International Conference**, Venice, Italy. More Info: <http://www.waset.org/conferences/2012/venice/icuprdis/>.
- **November 15-19, AASHTO – Annual Meeting**, Pittsburg, PA. More Info: <http://www.transportation.org/meetings/352.aspx>.
- **November 27-12/1, 2012 Congress of Cities and Exposition**, Boston, MA. More info: <http://www.nlc.org/events/coc>.

December:

- **December 5-9, National Conference of State Legislatures – Fall Forum**, Washington, DC. The meeting will focus on how best to advance the States' Agenda and tackle the difficult policy issues of our time, including budget gaps, health care coverage, education affordability, transportation funding, energy costs and many others. More Info: <http://www.ncsl.org/meetings.aspx?tabs=2638,122,920>.

2013:

- **July 17-19, 20th International Symposium on Transportation and Traffic Theory**, Noordwijk, The Netherlands. The ISTTT series is the premier gathering for the world's leading transportation and traffic theorists, and for those who are interested in contributing to or gaining a deeper understanding of the field. More Info: <http://www.ertico.com/20th-international-symposium-on-transportation-and-traffic-theory/>.

COME JOIN US ON JUNE 15TH FOR THE
FPZA SURFCOAST CHAPTER'S LUNCHEON PROGRAM

Topic:
reThink Your Commute

Speakers Provided by:



Event Hosted By:



IMPORTANT RSVP
INFORMATION

Please indicate if payment is to be accepted at the door or mailed. Make checks out to "Florida Planning and Zoning Association" and mail to P.O. Box 470462, Lake Monroe, Fl. 32747, Attn. John Stockham. RSVPs are responsible for payment unless cancelled 48 hrs prior to the luncheon.

AICP Accreditation:
Pending Approval

Speakers:

Nicolle Avery Masters, reThink Outreach Specialist
Andy Nicol, Project Mgr with Trans Systems

Join us on Friday, June 15, 2012 for a presentation by reThink.

reThink is the Commuter Assistance Program in Central Florida, sponsored by the Florida Department of Transportation. reThink promotes commuter options such as biking and walking; carpooling and vanpooling; riding transit; telecommuting; and alternate work schedules. reThink is working with local companies, organizations and governments to develop transportation plans that will help reduce Central Florida's carbon footprint and save everyone money.

This session is designed to inform you about the strategies that are being developed and implemented throughout the state and beyond to decrease the strain on roadways; thus improving air quality, conserving our natural resources and saving us money.

Date: Friday, June 15, 2012

Registration begins at 11:30AM

Presentation/Lunch: Noon to 1:00PM

Location: Volusia Transportation Planning Organization
2570 W. International Speedway Blvd. #100
Daytona Beach, FL 32114

Lunch: Sandwich platters, side, cookie, and drink

Cost: \$10 for FPZA Members/\$15 for Non-members

RSVP: By Wed, June 13th by calling 386-947-8786 ext. 50805 or email [Helen LaValley](mailto:Helen.LaValley)



✠ Resolution 2012-02 ✠

A RESOLUTION OF THE VCOG, INC. GOVERNING BOARD TO PROMOTE SAFETY AWARENESS FOR CHILDREN, PARENTS AND THE COMMUNITIES OF VOLUSIA COUNTY

Whereas, VCOG, Inc. a Volusia Council of Governments, was established in January 1970, to develop coordinated plans, programs and policies of mutual interest for all participating jurisdictions in Volusia County; and

Whereas, VCOG, Inc. Governing Board consists of representatives from the Cities of Daytona Beach, Daytona Beach Shores, DeBary, DeLand, Deltona, Edgewater, Holly Hill, Lake Helen, New Smyrna Beach, Oak Hill, Orange City, Ormond Beach, Pierson, Ponce Inlet, Port Orange and South Daytona, the County of Volusia and the Volusia County School Board; and

Whereas, twenty four Volusia County students have experienced a traffic related accident during the 2011-12 school calendar year; fourteen walkers, and ten bicyclers; two which resulted in death; and

Whereas, as a result of these accidents, a Safety Initiative Committee, consisting of School Administrators, local Law Enforcement and other outside agencies have come together to communicate a safety message to all students through school wide assemblies, build and distribute Public Service Announcements (PSA's) for schools, District Advisory Council (DAC), Student Advisory Council (SAC) and Parent Teacher Association (PTA) groups and develop and fund sustainable safety programs to educate students on proper pedestrian safety; and

Whereas, the Safety Initiative Committee site based reviews focus to utilize technology and design counter-measures, examine adequate walk space for students, leading pedestrian interval at crossing and the addition of school warning signs and pavement markings where needed; and

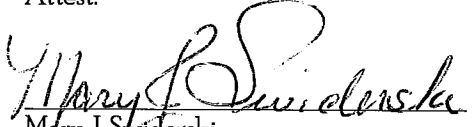
Whereas, Volusia County and its communities are urged to work closely with local schools and neighboring jurisdictions, promoting public awareness of Walk Safe Programs, Walk to School Programs, Pedestrian and Bicycle Training Programs, offering tips for children and adults on pedestrian and school bus safety prior to the beginning of the 2012-13 school calendar year; and

Whereas, all drivers on Volusia County roadways need to acquaint themselves with the school zone, stopped school bus and pedestrian laws prior to and during the 2012-13 school year as well as eliminating any form of distraction while driving; and

Whereas, the media covering the Volusia County area are urged to promote these programs and assist in public awareness of safety tips and procedures prior to and during the 2012-13 school calendar year.

Be it further resolved, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting held May 21, 2012.

Attest:


Mary J. Swiderski
VCOG, Inc., Executive Director


Mayor Adam Barringer
VCOG Inc., 2012 Chair



2012 Priority Project Process Schedule

February 2012

- TPO staff issues **call for new projects** – application packets sent out to all interested parties (Tuesday, February 7)
- **Except as noted below, local governments are NOT required to submit a new application for a candidate project already on one of the VTPO's Priority Project lists. However, if a local government would like for its project(s) to remain on a list for funding, that local government must submit a letter to the VTPO reaffirming its support for the project(s). Candidate projects on the list of projects ready for Feasibility Study will not be moved to the list of projects ready for Project Implementation until a Feasibility Study has been completed AND the local government has submitted an application for Project Implementation to the VTPO.**
- TPO staff hosts **workshops** with local governments to discuss the Priority Project process and application requirements: East Volusia and West Volusia (dates, times and locations to be determined).

March/April 2012

- **Deadline** to submit Priority Project applications and/or letters of support for “candidate project(s)” **5:00 p.m. Friday, April 13, 2012**

May 2012

- TCC/CAC/BPAC - TIP Subcommittee meets to rank Transportation Enhancement and Traffic Ops/ITS/Safety projects (Tuesday, May 1)
- BPAC Ranking Subcommittee meets to rank XU Bicycle/Pedestrian projects (Tuesday, May 1)
- BPAC 1st review of draft XU Bicycle/Pedestrian and Transportation Enhancement Priority Project Lists (Wednesday, May 9)
- CAC 1st review of Transportation Enhancement and Traffic Ops/ITS/Safety Priority Project Lists (Tuesday, May 15)
- TCC 1st review of draft Transportation Enhancement and Traffic Ops/ITS/Safety Priority Project Lists (Tuesday, May 15)

June 2012

- BPAC 2nd review of draft XU Bicycle/Pedestrian and Transportation Enhancement Priority Project Lists (Wednesday, June 13)
- CAC 2nd review of draft Transportation Enhancement & Traffic Ops/ITS/Safety Priority Project Lists (Tuesday, June 19)
- TCC 2nd review of draft Transportation Enhancement & Traffic Ops/ITS/Safety Priority Project Lists (Tuesday, June 19)
- 30-day public notice for public to Review the draft Priority Project Lists (Friday, June 22)
- TPO 1st review of draft Priority Project Lists (Tuesday, June 26)
- TPO staff transmits draft Transportation Enhancement list(s) to FDOT for review (Friday, June 29)

July 2012

- Submit draft Priority Project Lists to TPO Board for 2nd review (July 10)
- TPO Board holds a Public Hearing on the Draft Priority Project Lists (Tuesday, July 24, unless meeting canceled, then Tuesday, August 28)
- **TPO Board adopts Priority Project Lists** (Tuesday, July 24, unless meeting canceled, then Tuesday, August 28)

August 2012

- TPO staff compiles all of the prioritization process information (including the adopted priority lists) and transmits this information to FDOT prior to the October 1, 2012 deadline