

VOLUSIA-FLAGLER TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
TPO CONFERENCE ROOM
1540 CORNERSTONE BLVD., SUITE 240
DAYTONA BEACH, FL 32117
JUNE 24, 2026

TPO Board Members Physically Present:

Commissioner Stacy Cantu
Commissioner Chris Conomos*
Mayor Karen Chazez
Mayor Chris Cloudman
Vice Mayor Charlotte Gillis
Commissioner Debra Snow
Mayor Roger Eckert*
Commissioner Carrie Werning*
Commissioner Briley
Council Member Ty Miller
Council Member Skip White**
Vice Mayor Tracy Grubbs
Councilman Eric Sander, TPO Chairperson
Council Member Jake Johansson
Chuck Koppennolle (non-voting advisor)

TPO Board Members Virtually Present:

Council Member Dawn Tiamson

TPO Board Members Absent:

Commissioner Jeffrey Schuitema*
Vice Mayor John Rogers*
Commissioner Davison Heriot (excused)
Commissioner James Sherman*
Commissioner Andy Dance (excused)
Commissioner Lisa Martin
County Chair Jeff Brower (excused)
County Vice Chair Matt Reinhart (excused)
Council Member Danny Robins (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
Chris Barone
Patricia Gray
Barb Girtman
Karen Haught
Jim Wood

Representing:

Daytona Beach
Daytona Beach Shores
DeBary
DeLand
Edgewater
Holly Hill
Lake Helen
Oak Hill Alternate
Ormond Beach
Palm Coast
Ponce Inlet
Port Orange
South Daytona
Volusia County, At-Large
FDOT

Representing:

Orange City

Representing:

Beverly Beach
Bunnell
Deltona
Flagler Beach
Flagler County
New Smyrna Beach
Volusia County, Chairman
Volusia County, District 2
Volusia County, District 3
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
FDOT
Ghyabi & Associates
Ghyabi & Associates
Kimley-Horn

Others Physically Present:

David Hutchinson
 Babuji Ambikapathy
 Ralf Heseler

Representing:

SRF Consulting Group
 VHB
 Volusia County Transit Services

Others Virtually Present:

Mariel Lemke
 Wiley Page
 April Bacchus
 Donovan Morrell
 Brendan Guess

Representing:

TPO Staff
 AtkinsRéalis
 ETM Inc.
 Upham Inc.
 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 Councilman 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 one voting and one voting member and one non-voting member virtually present.

Ms. Pruneau stated that Council Member White of Ponce Inlet was the voting member of the Small City Alliance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

MOTION: *A motion was made by Council Member Johansson to allow for remote participation. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Gillis and carried unanimously.*

2. Public Comment/Participation

There were no public comments.

3. Consent Agenda

- A. May 27, 2026 Volusia-Flagler TPO Board Meeting Minutes
- B. Treasurer's Report
- C. Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee Report
- D. Citizens Advisory Committee Report
- E. Technical Coordinating Committee Report
- F. Volusia-Flagler TPO Board Report
- G. Approval of Expenditure for Volusia County's Major Update of the Transit Development Plan (TDP) and Transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan (TDSP) (\$100,000)
- H. Approval of Five-Year Contract Extension with Audit Firm James Moore & Co.
- I. Approval of a Letter of Support for FDOT's Application to the Nationally Significant Multimodal Freight & Highway Project (INFRA) Grant Program
- J. Appointment of Casey Polmueller to represent the Agency for Persons with Disabilities on the Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board (TDLCB)
- K. Cancellation of the July TPO Committee and Board meetings

MOTION: *A motion was made by Mayor Chazez to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Gillis and carried unanimously.*

4. Action Items

- A. Review and Approval of Resolution 2026-10 adopting the FY 2026/27 to FY 2030/31 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) (Roll Call Vote Required)

Ms. Nicoulin explained that since the TIP was presented last month, there was a 30-day public comment period which closed on Monday, during which one comment was received regarding the lack of rail projects in the TIP and the desire to see an increase in those projects in the future. A request was received through FDOT from a

developer to include a 100% developer-funded project to be listed in the TIP for informational purposes; a project on the I-4 eastbound off ramp to US-92. FDOT reviewed the TIP and no changes were needed.

Council Member Miller asked if the advance funding for the I-4 truck stop project falls under SIS projects and he asked for clarification regarding what projects on the Priority List were passed over for funding. Ms. Nicoulin confirmed it is a SIS project and explained the project was funded through FDOT with an INFRA grant and no projects were passed over.

MOTION: *A motion was made by Council Member Miller to approve Resolution 2026-10 adopting the FY 2026/27 to FY 2030/31 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The motion was seconded by Mayor Chazez and carried unanimously by roll call vote.*

B. Review and Approval of Resolution 2026-11 adopting the Volusia-Flagler TPO 2026 List of Prioritized Projects (LOPP)

Ms. Nicoulin explained that the LOPP is made up of eight lists of priority projects and stated that, like the TIP, the 30-day public comment period closed on Monday. The TCC provided updated cost estimates, and no rankings have changed since last month.

MOTION: *A motion was made by Commissioner Briley to approve Resolution 2026-11 adopting the Volusia-Flagler TPO 2026 List of Prioritized Projects. The motion was seconded by Council Member Grubbs and carried unanimously.*

5. Presentations, Status Reports, and Discussion Items

A. Presentation and Discussion of Service Changes to VoTran and VoRide

Mr. Heseler gave an update on the upcoming VoTran and VoRide changes including the frequency of routes three, four, and eleven going from every thirty minutes to every hour, and the elimination of Sunday service. He described the public outreach efforts; press releases, public meetings, and comment cards, and stated that many of the changes will go into effect beginning on June 28th.

Chairperson Sander asked if ridership has been generally decreasing and if these changes will be cost-effective. Mr. Heseler confirmed that ridership has actually been increasing as many are switching to on demand service and that utilizing the contractor is very cost-effective.

Members confirmed that all Sunday service has been eliminated except three routes on the beachside and International Speedway Boulevard corridor and discussed how these changes have been communicated to the community.

Vice Mayor Grubbs pointed out that the frequency of routes three, four, and eleven decreasing could impact people's schedules. Mr. Heseler assured that this change is necessary due to the state removing the funding.

B. FDOT Report

Mr. Koppernolle presented the FDOT report; he introduced himself to the Board as the new FDOT Liaison, shared upcoming projects, announced the completion of the two-lane roundabout on Kepler Road in DeLand, and shared a video regarding FDOT's role in hurricane emergency response efforts.

6. Executive Director's Report

Ms. Nicoulin discussed the 2026 Dangerous by Design report, an analysis and ranking of the rate of pedestrian fatalities. There has been an improvement from the spike in the previous few years, although the rate is still higher than it was in 2019. She recognized the headway made while stating that there is always room for improvement. She brought up the truck parking groundbreaking on June 18th held in Seminole County, noting the great attendance. Lastly, she thanked Chairperson Sander for attending the last two outreach events where the TPO was present; Deltona Strong's Ride into Summer event and National Trails Day at DeBary Hall.

Mayor Chasez commented on the Dangerous by Design report, noting that she is happy to see improvement but wonders if colored sidewalks might have been a cost-effective contributor to the recent improvements that have been seen and expressed concern now that they are no longer around.

Chairperson Sander asked how the Board can further improve pedestrian safety. Ms. Nicoulin explained that she believes much of the work the TPO has completed, especially with the Vision Zero Action Plan and putting a large emphasis on safety, will be seen in years to come.

Council Member Miller noted that the report focuses on pedestrian fatalities specifically, and that vehicular fatalities may be a higher rate. Ms. Nicoulin stated that the TPO looks at total crashes when adopting the annual safety targets in January.

Mayor Chasez suggested utilizing a heat map to better see fatality hotspots. Ms. Nicoulin agreed and stated that a heat map was used in the Vision Zero Action Plan. She added that the board could look at the way the funding the TPO receives is distributed; current 40% to Traffic Operations/Safety, 30% to Bicycle/Pedestrian, and 30% to Transit.

Vice Mayor Gillis seconded the idea of using a heat map and added that some traffic cameras show near-miss collisions which could be used in the data as well.

7. Volusia-Flagler TPO Board Member Comments

There were no member comments.

8. Volusia-Flagler TPO Chairperson Comments

Chairperson Sander encouraged members to attend bicycle helmet fitting events with the TPO and wished everyone a safe and happy Fourth of July, noting the 250th anniversary of the nation. He offered a reminder that the TPO Board meeting in July has been cancelled.

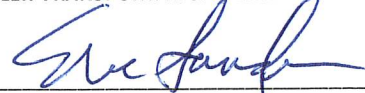
9. Information Items

- 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

10. Adjournment

There being no further business, the Volusia-Flagler TPO Board meeting adjourned at 9:41 a.m.

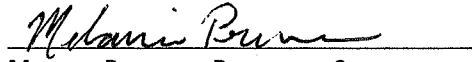
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CITY OF SOUTH DAYTONA COUNCILMAN ERIC SANDER
CHAIRPERSON, VOLUSIA-FLAGLER TPO

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 June 24, 2026 regular meeting of the Volusia-Flagler Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Board, approved and duly signed this 26th day of August 2026.



MELANIE PRUNEAU, RECORDING SECRETARY

VOLUSIA-FLAGLER TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION

*****A recording of the June 24, 2026 Volusia-Flagler TPO Board meeting is available upon request.***

