

VOLUSIA TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION

RESOLUTION 2011-15 (amended)

RESOLUTION OF THE VOLUSIA TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION REAFFIRMING ITS POLICY FOR ESTABLISHING AND MAINTAINING TRANSPORTATION PRIORITY PROJECTS

WHEREAS, the Volusia Transportation Planning Organization (VTPO) is the duly designated and constituted body responsible for carrying out the urban transportation planning and programming process for Volusia County and the cities of Beverly Beach and Flagler Beach in Flagler County; and

WHEREAS, Florida Statutes 339.175; 23 U.S.C. 134; and 49 U.S.C. 5303 require that the urbanized area, as a condition to the receipt of federal capital or operating assistance, have a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process that results in plans and programs consistent with the comprehensively planned development of the urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, 23 C.F.R. 134 provides that the Volusia TPO shall annually endorse, and amend as appropriate, the plans and programs required by 23 C.F.R. 450.114 through 450.118 among which is the Surface Transportation Program (STP) projects list of the annual Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) submission; and

WHEREAS, each year the appropriate Volusia TPO committees made up of a cross section of interested citizens and staff are charged with the responsibility of drafting a list of prioritized projects; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Volusia TPO to establish project priorities within the VTPO's planning boundaries that are equitable for all areas of Volusia County and the cities of Beverly Beach and Flagler Beach in Flagler County; and

WHEREAS, the Volusia TPO reaffirms its commitment to the priority process and related policies;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Volusia TPO that the following policies be established to prioritize transportation projects in Volusia County, and the cities of Flagler Beach and Beverly Beach in Flagler County:

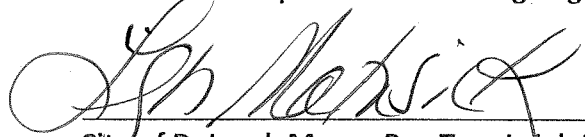
1. Volusia TPO projects that have a Financial Management Number (FM) and are in the Florida Department of Transportation Work Program will automatically be prioritized above projects that are not currently in the FDOT Five Year Work Program.
2. Those projects ranked one through five on the Prioritized List of Florida Strategic Intermodal System (SIS) Roadway projects and are not currently funded through the

- construction phase will remain in their current spot or moved to the next available higher spot until they are completed and drop out of the Work Program.
3. Those projects ranked one through five on the Prioritized List of Regionally Significant Non-SIS Roadway projects that are not funded through the construction phase will be ranked in their current spot or moved to the next available higher spot until they are completed and drop out of the Work Program.
 4. Those projects ranked one through three on the Prioritized List of Bascule Bridge Projects that are not funded through the construction phase will be ranked in their current spot or moved to the next available higher spot until they are completed and drop out of the Work Program.
 5. Those projects ranked one through eight on the Prioritized List of XU Traffic Operations/ITS/Safety Set-Aside projects that are not funded through the construction phase will be ranked in their current spot or moved to the next available higher spot until they are completed and drop out of the Work Program.
 6. Those projects ranked one through three on the Prioritized List of XU Bicycle/Pedestrian Set-Aside projects that are not funded through the construction phase will be ranked in their current spot or moved to the next available higher spot until they are completed and drop out of the Work Program.
 7. Those projects ranked one through eight on the Prioritized List of Enhancement projects that are not funded through the construction phase will be ranked in their current spot or moved to the next available higher spot until they are completed and drop out of the Work Program.
 8. The Volusia TPO will not re-prioritize these projects unless the Volusia TPO Board determines unusual circumstances dictate otherwise.
 9. Annual set-asides of the Volusia TPOs total Surface Transportation Program (STP) XU funding will be made in the following manner: 40% of the total XU funds will be used for Traffic Operations/ITS/Safety project priorities, 30% of the total XU funds will be used for transit project priorities, and 30% of the total XU funds will be used for bicycle and pedestrian project priorities.
 10. FDOT is strongly encouraged to consider the safety of bicyclists, pedestrians, and motorists when determining which bicycle and pedestrian facilities to include as part of highway improvement projects. FDOT is encouraged to provide bicycle and pedestrian facilities which exceed their minimum standards in situations where safety can be maximized.
 11. It is the responsibility of the Volusia TPO and FDOT staffs to provide the Volusia TPO members with current information and data on project status, and to assist the membership in their efforts to make informed decisions regarding the prioritized projects lists.

12. The Volusia TPO will maintain their authority to make all decisions regarding the final prioritized project lists that are annually submitted to FDOT.
13. This resolution will be transmitted by the Volusia TPO chairperson (or her designee) to the following:
 - a. The Secretary of Transportation, State of Florida, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) through the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT);
 - b. The Florida Energy office;
 - c. The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) through the Orlando Airport's District office;
 - d. The East Central Florida Regional Planning Council (ECFRPC);
 - e. The Department of Economic Opportunity;
 - f. The members of the Volusia County Legislative Delegation;
 - g. The members of the Flagler County Legislative Delegation for Beverly Beach and Flagler Beach; and
 - h. The members of the Central Florida MPO Alliance.

DONE AND RESOLVED at the regular meeting of the Volusia Transportation Planning Organization on the 28th day of June 2011.

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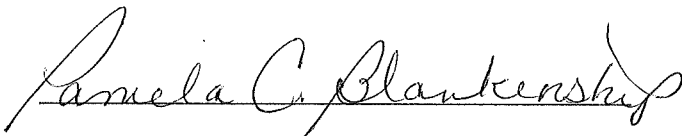


City of DeLand, Mayor Pro-Tem Leigh Matusick
Chairperson Presiding, Volusia TPO

CERTIFICATE:

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Recording Secretary of the Volusia TPO certified that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution, adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Volusia TPO held on June 28, 2011.

ATTEST:



Pamela C. Blankenship, Recording Secretary