Members in Attendance:
Griffin Powell, Chair  City of Orange Beach
Samantha Abell, Vice Chair  City of Gulf Breeze
Tonya Ellis  Escambia County Transit
Terri V. Malone  Escambia County
John Fisher  Escambia County
Leslie Statler  City of Pensacola
M Helen Gibson  City of Pensacola
Amy Miller  Port of Pensacola
Mike Hamlin  ECUA
Ryan Novota  City of Pensacola
Max Rogers  CRA

Members Not in Attendance:
John Dosh  Escambia County
Sarah C Hart  Baldwin County
Andrea Levitt Kvech  Pensacola Airport
Cassie C Boatwright  Purchasing and Auxiliary Services
Chip Chism  University of West Florida
Chris Phillips  Santa Rosa County
Derrik Owens  City of Pensacola
Glenn C Griffith  Brownfields Coordinator
Horace Jones  Escambia County
Jud Crane  Santa Rosa County
Morgan Lamb  Santa Rosa Bay Bridge Authority
Stephen L Furman  Santa Rosa County
Steve Opalenik  Pensacola Naval Air Station
Taylor Rider  Baldwin County
Vince Jackson  Baldwin County
Randy Jorgenson  City of Milton
Steve Harrell  Escambia County

Others in Attendance
Bryant Paulk  FDOT
Christy Johnson  FDOT
Cory Wilkinson  HDR
David Forte  Escambia County
Chandra Middleton  Baldwin County Commission
Barbara Mayall  Citizen
Jenny Cook  City of Milton
Ann Hill  Pensacola City Council
Dottie Dabinson
A. CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE / INVOCATION
   Mr. Powell called the meeting to order.

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
   Ms. Bates stated that an incorrect scope was put into Enclosure G but that a corrected copy was provided.

   **Ms. Abell moved to approve the February 2019 FL-AL Technical Coordinating Committee agenda. Ms. Miller seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.**

C. PUBLIC FORUM
   **There were no speakers from the public.**

D. FHWA/FDOT/ALDOT PRESENTATIONS/UPDATES:

   1. **ENCLOSURE A- TPO ONLY: FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION (FHWA):**
      Presentation of Certification Results by Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Ms. Cathy Kendall, AICP, FWHA Florida Division Planning Team Leader

   2. **ENCLOSURE B- TPO ONLY: ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (ALDOT):**
      Consideration to Authorize the Chairman to Sign an Infrastructure for Rebuilding America (INFRA) Grant Application Support Letter for I-10 Congestion Relief, Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project- Mr. Matthew Ericksen, P.E., ALDOT Mobile River Bridge & Bayway Project Director

   3. **ALDOT UPDATE: Mr. Vincent Beebe, P.E., Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT):**
      Mr. Gary Kramer stated that Vince Beebe is in Montgomery this week and apologizes for not being able to attend the TPO and advisory committees this month. Mr. Kramer provided the briefing of 4 projects in the Orange Beach area and said he will provide any follow-up information on the projects if necessary.

      **Utilities are currently being relocated for the SR-180 (Canal Road) Widening from Foley Beach Express to SR-161 (Orange Beach Boulevard) project. Plans for roadway construction are expected to be bid and let on April 26, 2019.**
Plans are approximately 60% complete and ALDOT is working to obtain ROW for the SR-180 (Canal Road) at SR-161 (Orange Beach Boulevard) Intersection Improvement (Curve project) project. The project is expected to be let for construction in Early 2020.

Mr. Kramer reported that mainline paving has been completed for the SR-182 (Perdido Beach Boulevard) resurfacing project from Perdido Pass Bridge to the AL-FL state line. ALDOT is finalizing driveway and side street tie-in paving and final roadway paint will be applied in approximately 2 weeks.

Mr. Kramer gave an update on the new roadway and bridge from SR-180 (Canal Rd.) to Foley Beach Express (FBE) also known as the “Waterways” project. Mr. Kramer stated that ALDOT is working with the Corps of Engineers and Coast Guard to obtain environmental clearances / permits. Plan revisions are being considered based on public comments received during the public involvement meeting. The current schedule will likely allow the northern roadway portion to be let for construction before the bridge portion. Utility and right-of-way coordination are ongoing.

4. FDOT UPDATE: Mr. Bryant Paulk, AICP, or Ms. Christy Johnson, AICP, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Urban Liaisons

Mr. Paulk stated that he only had one item to update the committee on. Mr. Paulk stated that Mr. Kevin J. Thibault had been chosen as the new Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation. Mr. Paulk stated that Mr. Thibault has extensive experience in the private and public sectors and has previously served for many years at FDOT. Mr. Paulk added that he also has extensive experience in state government, having previously served in senior leadership positions with the Florida Department of Transportation for more than 16 years.

E. CONSENT: ALL COMMITTEES: Approval of December 2018 Meeting Minutes.

Ms. Ellis moved to approve the 2018 December meeting minutes. Ms. Statler seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

F. ACTION:

1. ENCLOSURE C- ALL COMMITTEES Consideration of Resolution FL-AL 19-02 to Approve the Scope of Services for the Florida-Alabama TPO 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan Update- Mr. Gary Kramer, WFRPC Staff.

Mr. Kramer presented the Scope of Services for the Florida-Alabama TPO 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan update. Mr. Kramer stated that this action is recommended to begin the Long-Range Plan update as soon as possible in order meet the November 3, 2020 adoption date.

Ms. Malone moved to recommend the TPO authorize the TPO chairman to sign Resolution FL-AL 19-02 to approve the scope of services for the Florida-Alabama TPO 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan update. Ms. Gibson seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Ms. Barre’ presented the Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set-Aside ranked projects. Ms. Barre’ stated that a total of 11 applications from the Florida-Alabama TPO area were submitted by the January 4, 2019 deadline and the applications were ranked according to adopted ranking criteria. Ms. Barre’ gave a brief background on the project scoring criteria and the requirements.

Ms. Abell stated that she recognized all the projects’ importance but did not understand why the Fairpoint-Shoreline multi-use path in Gulf Breeze was ranked so low when last time it was submitted, it was ranked 2nd. Ms. Abell stated that this loop was imperative for better quality of life within Gulf Breeze. Ms. Abell added that it is the number one priority of the citizens and is recognized in the comprehensive plan and all major planning documents. Ms. Abell stated that it is the only thing that Gulf Breeze has asked for to alleviate the issues that are going to come with the increased motorized vehicles coming into Gulf Breeze, due to the new bridge. Ms. Abell asked that in consideration of the TPO ranking this project as the second highest project last year, that the TCC consider modifying the list to recognize the importance of this project as it relates to 55,000 motorists who drive through the Gulf Breeze community daily.

Ms. Gibson stated that the top two projects are in the community redevelopment area, which are the low-income areas where connectivity and safety are a real big issue. There is a school where the kids cannot walk to due to the major highways which is a major quality of life for the residents of those communities. Ms. Abell asked Ms. Gibson if they had submitted CRA funds to match. Ms. Gibson said they have, and that they are applying for a Safe Route to School grant as well. Ms. Abell stated that for the loop in gulf breeze, there are not alternative forms of funding. Ms. Abell expressed her concern about how a small community with a very large problem will ever get support. Ms. Ellis stated that it would have been helpful to have the breakdown of each criterion included in the agenda packet.

Ms. Abell stated that in reviewing the criterion that was attached, the individual projects rankings are not attached, so it was difficult to see how certain projects weighed out compared to others. Ms. Abell stated that there is no argument to the unbiased and technical approach to the rankings. Ms. Abell explained that the Gulf Breeze Fairpoint-Shoreline multi-use path is the best chance for the residents to try to escape through traffic every day.

Ms. Miller stated that she trusts that staff applied the criteria and the scoring process fairly and equitably to each of the projects. She stated that she would like to move forward with the set list as presented by staff.

Ms. Abell stated that she was trying to figure out why there was such a variation between the last time the project was submitted compared to now. Ms. Barre’ stated that there were new projects submitted that ranked higher.
There was discussion of a motion that would recommend the TPO receive the full rankings and scoring of each individual project so that they could see how each project scored in each criterion. Ms. Abell suggested that in the future, TCC members be sent the full list more in advance so that the rankings can be evaluated, and further input can be made. There was discussion in bringing back a workshop that use to be held prior to the list being presented, that would allow city and county staffs to evaluate each application before the meeting.

Ms. Ellis stated that she needed to have all the data and information in front of her before she could give her support.

**Mr. Novota moved to recommend the TPO authorize the TPO chairman to sign Resolution FL-AL 19-03 adopting the Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set-aside ranked projects and to have staff provide the TPO with all the backup of the scoring process. Mr. Rogers seconded the motion. The motion passed with one opposed.**

There was further discussion about a motion supporting a workshop. Ms. Bates stated that staff would bring that recommendation back to the TPO.

### 3. ENCLOSURE E- ALL COMMITTEES Consideration of Resolution FL-AL 19-05 Approving TPO Staff to Coordinate with the City of Pensacola and Escambia County Staff to Finalize a Scope of Services and Enter into a Contract with the TPO’s General Planning Consultant for the West Cervantes Street Corridor Traffic Feasibility Study- Ms. Jill Lavender, WFRPC Staff.

Ms. Lavender stated that at the TPO’s December 12, 2018 meeting, FDOT staff recommended that the county and city allow the TPO’s general planning consultant to perform the study. On January 10, 2019, the Escambia County Board of County Commissioners approved a resolution supporting the FDOT’s recommendation to retain the TPO’s general planning consultant to perform the West Cervantes Street Corridor Traffic Feasibility Study.

**Ms. Malone moved to recommend the TPO authorize the TPO chairman to sign Resolution FL-AL 19-50 approving TPO staff to coordinate with the City of Pensacola and Escambia County staff to finalize a scope of services and enter into a contract with the TPO’s general planning consultant for the West Cervantes Street Corridor Traffic Feasibility Study. Ms. Miller seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.**

### 4. ENCLOSURE F- ALL COMMITTEES Consideration of Resolution FL-AL 19-01 to Adopt Targets for Safety Performance Measures- Mr. Gary Kramer, WFRPC Staff

Mr. Kramer presented and stated that this action is recommended to comply with the February 27, 2019 deadline to remain in compliance with the federal and state regulations for transportation planning. Mr. Kramer stated that the board could either move forward with the state’s target or establish their own. Mr. Kramer stated that during the December TPO and advisory committee meetings, the members were advised that if there was desire to set targets for Safety which are different from FDOT and ALDOT, comments were to be emailed by December 19, 2018. Mr. Kramer stated that no e-mails were received by that deadline.
Ms. Malone moved to recommend the TPO authorize the TPO chairman to sign Resolution FL-AL 19-01 to adopt targets for Safety Performance Measures. Ms. Statler seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

5. ENCLOSURE G- ALL COMMITTEES Consideration of Resolution FL-AL 19-04 to Sign Notice to Proceed for Escambia County Area Transit (ECAT) Bus Stop Assessment Plan-

Mr. Rob Mahan, WFRPC Staff.

Mr. Mahan stated that this action is recommended to comply with ADA Bus Stop accessibility requirements. Mr. Mahan explained that the FTA requires providers of fixed route service to have a plan to bring bus stops into ADA compliance and to actively implement that plan. During development of the TPO’s State Fiscal Year 2019 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), ECAT and TPO staff discussed programming $65,000 of the TPO’s public transportation planning funds in the FY 2019 UPWP for the TPO’s general planning consultant to develop a Bus Stop Assessment Plan that would evaluate the ADA compliance of all ECAT stops and create a plan to bring non-compliant stops into compliance.

Ms. Miller moved to recommend the TPO authorize the TPO chairman to sign Resolution to Proceed for the TPO’s general planning consultant, HDR to develop a Bus Stop Assessment Plan according to the attached Task Work Order. Ms. Statler seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

G. WEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT- TPO ONLY- Mr. Austin Mount, WFRPC Executive Director.

H. MULTI MODAL UPDATE

Ms. Miller gave a brief update on the Port of Pensacola. She stated that there was going to be a Florida- Alabama Freight Advisory Working Group meeting held on February 28th that included a port tour. Ms. Miller stated that construction on the downtown Pensacola Ferry landing is nearing competition.

Ms. Miller stated that the port submitted the final draw on a 2-million-dollar economic development transportation grant to put an overhead crane facility in one of the warehouses on the port. On January 7th, the birth six rehabilitation project began, which is about a 2.5-million-dollar phase of a three phase ten-million-dollar project. Ms. Miller stated that the final report from the port study should be out soon.

I. PRESENTATIONS (no action):

1. ENCLOSURE H- ALL COMMITTEES Review of Draft Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) (Year 2)- Ms. Mary Beth Washnock, WFRPC Transportation Planning Manager.
Ms. Bates stated that the Florida-Alabama TPO UPWP defines the tasks, activities, responsible parties, and anticipated budget for planning activities to be undertaken in the MPA served by the TPO for FY 2019 (July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019) and FY 2020 (July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020.) TPO members, advisory committee members, staff, and the public are encouraged to review the new two-year UPWP for any potential updates and revisions. Ms. Bates informed the board that comments are due by March 15, 2019. Ms. Bates stated that the link to the DRAFT UPWP was sent out separately in an email.


J. INFORMATION ITEMS (no presentation necessary)
   1. ENCLOSURE J- ALL COMMITTEES
      • TCC and CAC December Meeting Minutes
      • FL-AL TPO December Actions Report
      • FDOT Changes to the Tentative Work Program for FY 2020-2024
      • FDOT Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Modification Letters
      • Note of Appreciation from Britney Moore, Florida Greenways and Trails
      • 2019 FL-AL TPO Schedule

K. OTHER BUSINESS- The next Florida-Alabama TPO meeting will be Wednesday, April 10, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at the Tiger Point Community Center, Gulf Breeze, Florida. Advisory committee meetings are to be held at Pensacola City Hall, 222 West Main Street, Pensacola, Florida 32502. TCC will meet on Monday, April 8, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. The CAC will meet on Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.

L. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 P.M.