

Central Florida Commuter Rail Commission Meeting

April 19, 2017

9:00 a.m.

Metro Plan Orlando

250 South Orange Avenue

Orlando, Florida 32801

Attendees: Chairman Bob Dallari, Vice Chairman Viviana Janer, Secretary Pat Patterson, Board Members Mayor Teresa Jacobs and Mayor Buddy Dyer

Minutes

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Bob Dallari	
Pledge of Allegiance and Confirmation of Quorum	
Commission Chairman's Announcements	Bob Dallari
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reformatted the agenda, gave it a different look. It is a work in progress; changes will be made as the Board sees fit• Wants to dive into more deliberate conversations of topics• April is child abuse awareness month	
SunRail CEO Announcements	Nicola Liquori
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• New COO, Elliott Shepherd, will start on May 5th. He has nearly 30 years of experience in freight & commuter rail operations. He has a lot of experience with the FRA on the safety & security side.• There are 2 other vacant positions we are looking to fill:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• One on the administrative side, looking to fill that one in the next couple of weeks• The other one is for the Contract Administrator; looking to advertise this one in May and hoping to have it filled by June• Mayor Dyer's guest column in the Orlando Sentinel was great press for SunRail• Information items include the Quarterly Progress Report with the FTA and the quarterly PTC update with the FRA; meeting minutes are included in the packet	
Public Comments On Agenda Items:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Joanne Cornelius, Seminole County Resident stated that she would like SunRail to run 24/7 including nights, weekends and holidays.• Nathan Selikoff of Omni had statements pertaining to the App. Development<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Through Omni's research, they have learned about open data formats that that make the transit data with the train more compatible with existing apps such as Google Maps• It is important to emphasize that we make sure that the data is open in the correct format• Right now the only source of real time information is on the SunRail website• David Bottomley, Orange County Resident stated that Sand Lake Road to Downtown Orlando only took 13 minutes; staff is friendly and on time	
Action Items:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adoption of meeting minutes from February 23, 2017; Motion to adopt minutes passed unanimously.	

<p>Agenda Item: Customer Advisory Committee Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting held January 25, 2017 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The committee continues to recommend closing daytime service gaps (some are up to 2.5 hours) • Offer a Southbound train between 8:00am & 8:30am and Northbound between 3:00pm & 3:30pm • For connectivity with Maitland, possibly consider a partnership with Lynx • Texting service has been implemented and works well • Station notifications are useful and helpful 	<p>Presenter: Jeffery Morris</p>
<p>Agenda Item: Technical Advisory Committee Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting held April 11, 2017 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Election of officers was deferred to the next meeting in July 2017 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewed the Florida Department of Transportation’s presentation and went through it with more detail • Received updates on the Dashboard, Quiet Zones, Construction, Phase 3, Mobility Assessments • Discussed current status with Lynx and Votran • Have concluded the discussions with the five Funding Partners of an agreement to fund a consultant to help guide us through the transition of SunRail from DOT to the local government • Scope has been agreed upon by the five Funding Partners • Volusia County has stated they are not prepared to take action on the agreement until there has been some discussion of their proposed Amendments to the SunRail Agreement 	<p>Presenter: Jim Harrison</p>
<p>Agenda Item: Agency Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quarterly Highlights <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Launched Text Alert System • Platform announcements have begun • “Art Is Moving” train funded by Downtown Orlando Foundation; it was tied in with the Winter Park Safety and Security <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Digital billboard safety campaign “Keep Your Tail Off The Rail” • In January, February and March there were a number of incidences of vehicles not clearing the tracks at stop lights • One of the three incidents was with SunRail train • We have provided a lot of these safety messages to your teams; we encourage the campaigns be used on your websites • On Time Performance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our month to date is 98.78% • Monthly average is usually 98-99% • Ridership Trends <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peaks in March, July and December • Keep both business and recreational riders in mind 	<p>Presenter: Nicola Liquori</p>
<p>Agenda Item: SunRail Phase 1 Quiet Zones</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Combined quiet zone and capital improvement project • This is a \$13M contract • Some funding from contingency (FFGA) • Grade crossing work to begin at the end of May 	<p>Presenter: George Gault</p>
<p>Agenda Item: Construction Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meadow Woods Station: painting and roof decking • Tupperware Station: canopy is up and 1 side of platform is done • Kissimmee Station: drainage, east platform • Poinciana Station: entrance to parking lot is on South Rail Avenue • Kissimmee Parking Garage: ribbon cutting ceremony scheduled for May 9, 2017 • DeBary Parking Lot Expansion: estimated completion in May 	<p>Presenter: Tammie Andrews</p>

Agenda Item: Phase 3 Update

Presenter: Nicola Liquori

- Draft result was presented at the end of February
- Department has completed a refresh of the alternatives
- Central Office would like us to look at draft results of Phase 3 PD&E
- Estimated cost without right of way \$200M; with right of way \$250M

Agenda Item: Business Development/Marketing

Presenter: Steve Olson

- Business Development
 - Leisure Ridership
 - School trips/Spring Breaks
 - OIA connectivity
- Marketing
 - Millennial video
 - Hospital campaigns
 - App development

Agenda Item: SunRail Multimodal Mobility Assessments

Presenters: Annette Brennan & Jane Lin-Yap

- Phase 1 Stations
 - Bike & pedestrian connectivity assessment
- Phase 2 South Stations
 - Transit supportive land use assessment
 - Make people want to go to the stations
 - Expand transit capture & improve mobility for all
 - Leverage community investments
 - Potential benefits/actual benefits

Information Items:

Presenter: Bob Dallari

- PTC Quarterly Meeting Summary updates from the FRA (Federal Railroad Administration)
- Quarterly Progress Meeting Summary from the FTA (Federal Transit Administration)

Discussion Items:

- App. Development
 - A concern about open data was addressed; every major Metropolitan area in the United States and throughout the world uses real time data. There are policy considerations to the use of open data.
- SunRail Phase 2 North – Changes to Agreements Proposed by Volusia County
 - Volusia County presented their proposal to this Board at the last meeting.
 - Commissioner Patterson noted the Volusia Council’s concern. When the Council entered into the original Agreement they were not aware that Phase 2 North into Deland would not get fulfilled.
 - Commissioner Dallari stated he believed the commitment of 61 miles needs to be reviewed in a work session.
 - Mayor Dyer noted that he supported having a work session. He stated the members should have discussion as to whether the local governments and state are willing to pick up the 50% funding portion that the federal government has not provided for Phase 2 North.

Motion was made to table the Volusia County proposed Amendments and that the Commission hold a Workshop related to Phase 2 North.

Commissioner Patterson asked for a point of order. He stated that to Table the Amendments would not be the proper Motion. The Motion should be for postponing Action on the Amendments.

Motion was amended to postpone action on the Volusia County proposed Amendments and that the Commission hold a Work Shop within the next month related to Phase 2 North.

Under discussion, Commissioner Dallari provided that calendaring the meeting within the next 30 days could be difficult based upon the members' schedules.

Mayor Jacobs stated she supported a Motion to postpone action on the Volusia County proposed Amendments.

Commissioner Janer recommended the Motion be amended to provide for a Work Shop before the next Rail Commission meeting.

Motion was further amended to postpone action on the Volusia County proposed Amendments and the Commission hold a Work Shop within the next 60 days. Motion was Seconded and passed unanimously.

- Transition Process
 - Jim Harrison requested guidance from the Commission Board. The funding for the consultant is divided equally between the five Funding Partners. Four of the members have tentatively placed the item on the Agenda of their respective Boards. He asked if this course of action should be continued or place the item on hold in anticipation of the Workshop. The Agreement would not take effect until all five Partners have executed.
 - Commissioner Patterson was in support of waiting until the Workshop.
 - Mayor Jacobs was in support of waiting until the completion of the Workshop.
 - Mayor Dyer expressed concern that after the Work Shop each member have a sense of urgency to move the Agreement forward to their respective Boards.
- Proposed Commission Workshop
 - Commissioner Dallari noted that Ms. Liquori will be contacting each member's office to schedule the Workshop to discuss Phase 2 North and to have a better understanding of the SunRail financials.

Board Member Comments:

- Commissioner Janer asked that staff provide projections at the next Commission meeting for operating dollars for years 2021 and beyond in order for the members to take that information to their Boards to begin the planning process for funding the operation.
- Commissioner Janer noted that she had discussed with Ms. Liquori and would like to ask the Chair if there is sufficient time at the next Commission meeting that she would like to make a presentation on Transit Oriented Development.

Public Comments (General):

- Joanne Cornelius expressed concern that Commissioner Patterson opposes SunRail into Volusia County.
 - Commissioner Dallari clarified that Commissioner Patterson is not opposed. He wants to ensure that every partner is paying their fair share.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, July 19th, 2017 @ 9:00 AM

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Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 10:41 a.m.