



## **PUBLIC FORUM**

### **FDOT UPDATES:**

Christy Johnson provided two updates. The first regarded the resurfacing project at US 331 and SR 20, which will add a second northbound left-turn lane from US 331 onto SR 20 and a new merge lane on SR 20. Christy Johnson noted that project maps and design materials are available through the Northwest Florida Roads website.

The second update concerned the “Around the Mound” project. A hybrid public hearing is scheduled for December 9 at the Destin-Fort Walton Beach Convention Center, with virtual attendance available by registration. Kristy Johnson explained that Alternative 1A, the at-grade option with a slight northern alignment shift and multi-use trail improvements, was identified as the preferred alternative. Questions were asked regarding the proposed traffic signal near the churches on Beal Parkway, to which Chirsty Johnson clarified that a new signal would be added. Kirby Locklear asked for a time confirmation for the public hearing, which Chisty Johnson confirmed as 5:30 p.m. Chirsty Johnson also reminded members that detailed project updates had been emailed previously.

### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

**1. ALL COMMITTEES: Approval of the August 2025 Meeting Minutes**

Tiffany Bates outlined two corrections to the minutes: adjusting the heading to reflect that the minutes were for the CAC rather than the TCC, and adding Bill Cox and Kirby Locklear to the list of members not in attendance, as both provided notice prior to the meeting.

**2. ALL COMMITTEES: Consideration of Addition of Quest Corporation of America, Inc. as a Subcontractor to the TPO’s Planning Consultant Contract**

**3. ALL COMMITTEES: Consideration of Resolution O-W 25-07 Adopting the Long Range Transportation 2050 Public Participation Plan (PPP)**

**4. TPO ONLY: Consideration of Membership Certifications for the Okaloosa County and Walton County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Boards**

**5. TPO AND CAC ONLY - Consideration of Citizens’ Advisory Committee (CAC) Applications**

**Robert Rennie moved to approve the CAC minutes as amended and to recommend that the TPO approve the remaining Consent Agenda items. Bill Cox seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.**

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

**1. ENCLOSURE A - ALL COMMITTEES - ROLL CALL VOTE - Consideration of**

**Resolution O-W 25-15 Amending the FY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program to Add the Utility Phase for SR 20 from Merchants Way to Peter Kuth Drive Lighting Project, Financial Project Identification (FPID) Number 4568701 in FY 2025/2026 at a Total Cost of \$13,196 - *Bryant Paulk, AICP, FDOT***

Chirsty Johnson presented Resolution O-W 25-15, which proposed amending the FY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program to add the Utility Phase for the SR 20 Lighting Project from Merchants Way to Peter Kuth Drive. The amendment identified Financial Project Identification Number 4568701 and reflected a total cost of \$13,196 for FY 2025/2026. Chirsty Johnson stated that this phase would support lighting improvements along the corridor and represented a small but necessary addition to the program. The committee decided to consider Enclosure A and B in one motion.

**2. ENCLOSURE B - ALL COMMITTEES - ROLL CALL VOTE - Consideration of Resolution O-W 25-16 Amending the FY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program to Add the Design Phase for I-10 from 1.146 Miles West of SR 285 to the Holmes County Line, Walton County I-10 Median Barrier Project, Financial Project Identification (FPID) Number 4556972 in FY 2025/2026 at a Total Cost of \$967,173 - *Bryant Paulk, AICP, FDOT***

Chirsty Johnson presented Resolution O-W 25-16, which proposed adding the Design Phase for the I-10 Median Barrier Project in Walton County, covering the segment from 1.146 miles west of SR 285 to the Holmes County Line. The amendment identified Financial Project Identification Number 4556972 with a total cost of \$967,173 for FY 2025/2026. Christy Johnson noted that this project aims to improve safety on I-10 through the installation of median barriers.

**Robert Rennie moved to recommend the TPO authorize the TPO chair to sign Resolutions O-W 25-15 and 25-16 amending the FY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program. Kirby Locklear seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.**

**3. ENCLOSURE C - ALL COMMITTEES - Consideration of Resolution O-W 25-12 Accepting the FDOT FY 2027-2031 Tentative Work Program- *Carla Hodges, FDOT or Bryant Paulk, AICP, FDOT***

Christy Johnson presented major elements of the FDOT Tentative Work Program. Kristy Johnson reviewed capacity projects, resurfacing additions, landscaping enhancements, aviation improvements, and safety projects across Okaloosa and Walton counties. A notable update included the widening of SR 85 and the breaking of the long US 98 project into multiple segments to advance right-of-way funding more efficiently. Kirby Locklear asked about the resurfacing timeline for Eglin

Parkway, which Christy Johnson confirmed is scheduled to begin late January or early February.

**Bill Cox moved to recommend the TPO authorize the TPO chair to sign Resolution O-W 25-12 accepting the FDOT FY 2027-2031 Tentative Work Program. The motion was seconded by Robert Rennie, and it was unanimously approved.**

**4. ENCLOSURE D - ALL COMMITTEES - Consideration of Resolution O-W 25-13 Adopting Targets for Safety Performance Measures - *Gary Kramer, ECRC Staff***

Gary Kramer explained the requirement to adopt annual safety performance measure targets by February 27. Gary Kramer described the categories, past board action, and the recommendation to continue adopting FDOT statewide targets, consistent with previous years. Robert Rennie asked about accessing actual fatality and injury numbers, staff directed the committee to the Safe Streets for All report card included in the packet.

**Robert Rennie moved to recommend the TPO authorize the TPO chair to sign Resolution O-W 25-13 adopting Targets for Safety Performance Measures. The motion was seconded by Kirby Locklear, and it was unanimously approved.**

**5. ENCLOSURE E - ALL COMMITTEES - Consideration of Resolution O-W 25-14 Adopting the Congestion Management Process Plan (CMPP) Minor Update - *Jill Nobles, ECRC Staff***

Jill Nobles presented the annual CMPP minor update and explained that major updates coincide with LRTP cycles. Jill Nobles reviewed the shift from static level-of-service tables to FDOT interactive mapping tools and highlighted a series of performance metrics used to monitor congestion, safety, demand reduction, and system preservation.

**Robert Rennie moved to recommend the TPO authorize the TPO chair to sign Resolution O-W 25-14 adopting the Congestion Management Process Plan (CMPP) Minor Update. The motion was seconded by Bill Cox, and it was unanimously approved.**

**6. ENCLOSURE F - ALL COMMITTEES - Consideration of Resolution of O-W 25-11 Adopting the Intergovernmental Coordination and Review and Public Transportation Coordination Joint Participation Agreement (ICAR) - *Jill Nobles, ECRC Staff***

Jill Nobles outlined the updated ICAR agreement, which establishes coordination responsibilities among FDOT, the TPO, the Emerald Coast Regional Council, Okaloosa

County, Walton County, and public transportation providers, including airports. The update reflects name changes and statutory references but maintains the longstanding framework for coordinated planning.

**Robert Rennie moved to recommend the TPO authorize the TPO chair to sign Resolution of O-W 25-11 adopting the Intergovernmental Coordination and Review and Public Transportation Coordination Joint Participation Agreement (ICAR). The motion was seconded by Kirby Locklear, and it was unanimously approved.**

- 7. ENCLOSURE G – TPO ONLY – Appointment of Okaloosa - Walton TPO Board Member and Alternate to the MPOAC Governing Board for Calendar Year 2026 – *Kandase Lee, ECRC CEO***

#### **PRESENTATION ITEMS**

- 1. ENCLOSURE I - ALL COMMITTEES- Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program and the Transportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP) Presentation – *Jill Nobles, ECRC Staff***

Jill Nobles delivered a detailed presentation on the Transportation Alternatives and TRIP programs. Jill Nobles explained the application limits, eligible project types, submittal procedures through FDOT's GAP system, and upcoming deadlines. Jill Nobles reviewed distinctions between TPO-level and ECRC-level application review based on project location and emphasized the importance of verifying eligibility on the regional network map.

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS (no presentation necessary):**

- 1. TCC and CAC August 2025 Meeting Minutes**
- 2. Amendment to the FY 2025-2029 TIP Letters**
- 3. Safe Streets for All (SS4A) Annual Report**

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

**ADJOURNMENT-** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.