

Minutes
Lake~Sumter Metropolitan Planning Organization
Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting

Wednesday, February 11, 2026
Regular Meeting, 1:30 p.m.

1300 Citizens Blvd., Suite 175
Leesburg, Florida 34748
Phone (352) 315-0170

I. OPENING

Rebecca Higgins called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m. and confirmed the meeting was properly noticed and a quorum was present. (5 voting members in person, 6 online).

Members Present

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| Melving Isaac | Lake County |
| Helen LaValley | Lake County Schools |
| Deborah Snyder | Sumter County |
| Joshua Smith | Lake County/Transit |
| Jim Maiworm | City of Clermont |
| Rebecca Higgins | Town of Lady Lake |
| Cliff Kelsey | City of Leesburg |
| Joyce Heffington | City of Minneola |
| Michele Janiszewski | City of Mount Dora |
| Melanie Strickland | City of Wildwood |

Members Absent

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| Stephen Cross | Town of Astatula |
| Mike Eastburn | City of Bushnell |
| Rick Gierok | City of Eustis |
| Rob Dicus | City of Fruitland Park |
| T.J. FIsh | City of Groveland |
| Max Spann | City of Mascotte |
| Antonio Fabre | City of Tavares |
| Aaron Mercer | City of Umatilla |

Staff Present

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| Michael Woods | Executive Director |
| Doris LeMay | Financial Coordinator |

*Motion was made by Deborah Snyder to allow virtual voting, seconded by Cliff Kelsey – **motion passed 5-0.***

I. COMMENTS FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC ON ANY AGENDA ITEMS

None

II. CONSENT AGENDA

- A.** Approval of October 8, 2025, and November 12, 2025, TAC Meeting Minutes
- B.** Recommendation for Approval of Emergency Resolution 2026-01, Amendment to the 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program.
- C.** Recommendation for Approval of Resolution 2026-02 Adopting the statewide performance measure targets for Safety PM1.

Motion was made by Cliff Kelsey to approve consent agenda, seconded by Melving Isaac - **motion passed 11-0.**

III. ACTION ITEMS

- A.** Approval of TAC 2026 Meeting Dates
 - February 11, 2026
 - April 8, 2026
 - June 10, 2026
 - October 12, 2026
 - November 18, 2026

Motion was made by Jim Maiworm to approve 2026 meeting dates as presented, seconded by Deborah Snyder -**motion passed 11-0.**

- B.** TAC Election of Officers for 2026

Motion was made by Deborah Snyder to nominate Melanie Strickland as Chair and Rebecca Higgins as Vice Chair, seconded by Cliff Kelsey – **motion passed 11-0.**

- C.** Approval of the 2025-2026 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Amendment #5. Michael Woods provided a brief overview of the Amendment.

Motion was made by Jim Maiworm to approve the Amendment #5, seconded by Cliff Kelsey – **motion passed 11-0.**

D. Recommendation for Approval of Resolution 2026-3. Amendment to the 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program.

Melissa Porcaro, HDR provided a brief overview of the Resolution and Amendment.

Motion was made by Deborah Snyder to approve Resolution 2026-3 seconded by Cliff Kelsey – **motion passed 11-0.**

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Lake~Sumter MPO Vision Zero Safety Action Plan Update – Dr. Mohamed Abdel-Aty and UCF SST team presented update to the committee.

B. 2026 List of Priority Projects – Melissa Porcaro HDR

V. PRESENTATIONS, STATUS REPORTS

A. FDOT Report – Chuck Koppernolle

B. FTE Report – Loren Hughes

C. Lake Transit & Transportation Disadvantaged Reports

D. Sumter Transportation Disadvantaged Report

E. County City Updates, Committee Member Comments

VI. ADJOURNMENT There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 2:51 p.m.

Melanie Strickland, Chair