

MEETING SUMMARY  
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MTPO)  
FOR THE GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA  
PLAN EAST GAINESVILLE SUBCOMMITTEE

Grace Knight Auditorium  
Alachua County Administration Building  
Gainesville, Florida

5:00 p.m.  
Thursday  
September 20, 2001

SELECTION TEAM  
MEMBERS PRESENT

Rodney Long, Chair  
Chuck Chestnut IV  
Linda Dixon  
Ron Herget  
Ralph Hilliard  
Robert Hutchinson  
Steve Lachnicht  
Warren Nielsen

SELECTION TEAM  
MEMBERS ABSENT

Doreen Joyner-Howard

OTHERS PRESENT

Anne Barkdoll  
Mike Byerly  
Paul Hoffhein  
Dave Wagner

STAFF PRESENT

Gerry Dedenbach  
Andrea Vogler

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Rodney Long called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m.

Mr. Gerry Dedenbach, MTPO Senior Transportation Planner, stated the the purpose of today's meeting is to forward final recommendations to the MTPO concerning the consultant ranking for the Plan East Gainesville project. He said that, according to Mr. Dave Wagner, MTPO Attorney, the Selection Team must forward the numeric consultant ranking to the MTPO. He explained that Mr. Wagner also stated that the Selection Team can also forward any pertinent comments to the MTPO. He reviewed the final tabulation of the numeric consultant ranking:

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| 1. | Duany Plater-Zyberk              | 741 |
| 2. | Renaissance Planning Group       | 718 |
| 3. | The Corradino Group              | 653 |
| 4. | Creative Environmental Solutions | 484 |

**ACTION:** Commissioner Nielsen moved to forward the numeric consultant ranking to the MTPO. Commissioner Chestnut seconded; motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Anne Barkdoll expressed concern that the seven-day charrette format as proposed by Duany Plater-Zyberk may be inappropriate for this project. She said that working citizens might not be able to attend all of these meetings.

The Selection Team discussed additional comments to forward to the MTPO concerning the consultant ranking and selection.

**ACTION: Commissioner Hutchinson moved to recommend that the MTPO incorporate the following items into the Plan East Gainesville consultant contract:**

- 1. the consultant shall:**
  - A. establish a local project office, within the project boundary, to be open at least one day or evening per week;**
  - B. allow adequate time between the project planning phases for public involvement and community input; and**
  - C. assign a project manager with local knowledge, experience and involvement; and**
- 2. note that a seven-day charrette may not be appropriate for this project.**

**Commissioner Nielsen seconded.**

The Selection Team discussed alternative charrette formats for this project.

**It was a consensus of the Selection Team to request that Duany Plater-Zyberk further define their seven-day charrette process.**

Mr. Dedenbach discussed staff's comments concerning the consultant selection process. He said that the consultant should:

1. include, in their project scope, the codification of plan elements and strategies and development of appropriate smart-growth ordinances;
2. address environmental issues, as outlined in the scope of services, consistent with the goals of the Alachua County Environmental Protection Department and the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection;
3. perform a neighborhood profiling index exercise and offer guidance to accommodate future growth and community goals; and

4. include assurances that the proposed work product will be responsive to the community's vision and goals concerning the project area which are to be developed during the public participation and community involvement stages of this project.

Commissioner Mike Byerly discussed the Livable Community Reinvestment Plan and noted that the project should remain consistent with the goals, objectives and vision of that plan.

Mr. Paul Hoffhein discussed the seven-day charrette process. He noted that it appears as though most of the planning will be completed during these seven days. He expressed concern that most of the people attending the full seven days will be either paid to be there or told by their employers to attend. He reiterated the comment that the seven day format may be inappropriate for this project because working citizens would not be able to attend all of these meetings.

A member of the Subcommittee suggested that Subcommittee Chair Rodney Long participate in the consultant negotiation process.

A member of the Selection Team requested that staff contact the references listed in the consultant proposals and forward comments to the MTPO with the final recommendations of the Selection Team.

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**SUBSTITUTE MOTION:**

**Commissioner Hutchinson moved to amend the motion to recommend that the MTPO incorporate the following into the Plan East Gainesville consultant contract:**

1. **the consultant shall:**
  - A. **establish a local project office, within the project boundary, to be open approximately one day or evening per week;**
  - B. **allow adequate time between the project planning phases for public involvement and community input;**
  - C. **assign a project manager with local knowledge, experience and involvement;**
  - D. **include, in the project scope, the codification of plan**

**elements and strategies and development of appropriate smart-growth ordinances;**

- E. address environmental issues, as outlined in the scope of services, consistent with the goals of the Alachua County Environmental Protection Department and the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection;**
  - F. perform a neighborhood profiling index exercise and offer guidance to accommodate future growth and community goals;**
  - G. include assurances that the proposed work product will be responsive to the community's vision and goals concerning the project area which are to be developed during the public participation and community involvement stages of this project; and**
  - H. develop a plan for the project area which is consistent with the goals, objectives and vision of the Liveable Community Reinvestment Plan; and**
- 2. note that a seven-day charrette may not be appropriate for this project.**

**Commissioner Nielsen seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

**ACTION: Commissioner Hutchinson moved to recommend that the MTPO authorize Subcommittee Chairman Rodney Long to participate in the consultant negotiation process. Commissioner Chestnut seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Long adjourned the meeting at 5:58 p.m.