FDOT CMASS 41

Sarasota | Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS)

SUMMARY OF OUTREACH

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OVERVIEW

In late 2021, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District One began conducting the Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS) along US 41 and US 41 Business in Sarasota and Manatee Counties. The purpose of the project is to develop concepts and implementation strategies to enhance multimodal mobility (specifically transit services/operations), interconnectivity/access within adjacent neighborhoods, and safety for all users along the US 41/US 41 Business corridor between University Parkway in Sarasota and 17th Street W in Palmetto.

This document provides an overview of outreach tools, techniques, and activities conducted during the study. For a summary of project work completed to date, refer to the *Sarasota/Manatee US 41 CMASS Summary*.

PROJECT WEBSITE, LOGO, AND E-MAIL ADDRESS

A project website, www.swflroads.com/project/440154-1, was developed and has been updated throughout the duration of the study. The website includes study information, Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs), pertinent project documents, and contact information. Additionally, a project logo depicting the project name CMASS, an acronym also created by the study team, was developed and is included on the website as well as all presentations, documents, collaterals, notifications, etc. related to the study.

The project website is also posted on the Connecting Communities Program website at www.swflroads.com/connectingcommunities. FDOT, District One is conducting several projects in partnership with the Sarasota/Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and local governments to holistically enhance the multimodal transportation network within Sarasota and Manatee Counties as part of the Connecting Communities Program. While all transportation projects (as well as all project phases – Planning, Project Development and Environment (PD&E), Design, and Construction) being performed within Sarasota and Manatee Counties are part of the Connecting Communities Program, US 41 CMASS is considered one of the five major projects of the program.

A project-specific email address, info@us41cmass.com, was secured and is being monitored throughout the duration of the study. This email address is included on the project website as well as presentations, documents, collaterals, notifications, etc. related to the study.

SARASOTA/MANATEE MPO | LOCAL AGENCY MEETINGS

The project team presented at various meetings with the Sarasota/Manatee MPO Committees and Board as well as local governments. These meetings are listed below.

- **Sarasota/Manatee MPO Board** Presentation on Current Projects in Sarasota & Manatee Counties - February 28, 2022 *(See Appendix A)*

- **Sarasota/Manatee MPO Bike/Ped/Trails Advisory Committee** Presentation on US 41 CMASS - April 19, 2022 *(See Appendix B)*
- **Sarasota/Manatee MPO Citizens Advisory Network** Presentation on US 41 CMASS - May 9, 2022 *(See Appendix C)*
- **Sarasota/Manatee MPO Technical Advisory Committee** Presentation on US 41 CMASS - May 9, 2022 *(See Appendix C)*
- **Sarasota/Manatee MPO Board** Presentation on US 41 CMASS - May 23, 2022 *(See Appendix D)*
- **Manatee County Board of County Commissioners** Presentation on US 41 CMASS - June 7, 2022 *(See Appendix D)*
- **Bradenton City Council** Presentation on US 41 CMASS - June 15, 2022 *(See Appendix D)*
- **Palmetto City Commission** Presentation on US 41 CMASS - June 27, 2022 *(See Appendix E)*

Copies of these presentations are also available on the project website.

Representatives with the City of Sarasota and Sarasota County were also contacted. Both agencies indicated they may be interested in meeting with the CMASS project team as the study progresses.

ONE-ON-ONE STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS

Virtual one-on-one meetings were conducted with key stakeholders. These meetings were held to present information about the study including project description, background, goals and objectives, schedule, and public outreach and conduct an open discussion between the study team and stakeholders. A digital whiteboard application (Mural) was used to capture and document stakeholder ideas and feedback. These meetings are listed below.

- **Bradenton Area Convention and Visitors Bureau** – January 17, 2023
- **New College of Florida** – January 18, 2023
- **Sarasota Manatee Airport Authority (SMAA)** – January 19, 2023
- **Greater Sarasota Chamber of Commerce** – January 20, 2023
- **University of South Florida (USF) Sarasota-Manatee** – January 20, 2023
- **Manatee NAACP** – January 24, 2023
- **Manasota Black Chamber of Commerce** – February 1, 2023
- **Bradenton Area Economic Development Corporation** – February 3, 2023

Notes for each meeting, a copy of the presentation, and a copy of the Mural whiteboard with all feedback received to date from the individual stakeholder meetings were provided to each stakeholder *(See Appendix F)*. Meeting attendees

were also provided with a link to the Connecting Communities questionnaire, which was open through June 30, 2023, as well as a flyer with information about the questionnaire.

The project team also contacted the Gulf Coast Latin Chamber of Commerce, John and Mable Ringling Museum of Art, Manatee Chamber of Commerce, and Sarasota NAACP via phone and email to schedule one-on-one meetings in early 2023. Additional efforts were made via email to schedule meetings in May 2023 *(See Appendix G)*.

PROJECT FLYER AND UPDATE EMAIL

In February 2024, a project update email was sent by the District One Environmental Management Office (EMO) Environmental Administrator, EMO Project Manager, and US 41 CMASS Project Manager to stakeholders including elected officials, appointed/government officials, representatives from the previous one-on-one stakeholder meetings, contacts made during Connecting Communities outreach efforts, and interested parties that submitted contact information at the DeSoto Bridge Alternatives Public Meeting. The email included a link to an interactive StoryMap and a flyer which provided an overview of the project and included website QR codes, and additional links for project information. The email also encouraged comments and questions. A copy of the email, the project flyer, and mailing lists are located in *Appendix H*.

The project team received three (3) comments sent to the project email address. These comments with responses are included in *Appendix I*. However, two of the three comments received were regarding areas outside of the US 41 CMASS project limits.

STAKEHOLDER CONCERNS, SUGGESTIONS, AND INPUT

Key stakeholders agreed that safety is a major concern. Areas near 26th Avenue, 44th Avenue, 63rd Avenue, and at General Spaatz Boulevard/College Drive were specifically highlighted as well as along the southern end of the study corridor. Pedestrian and bicycle safety was frequently cited with stakeholders mentioning the absence of pedestrian accommodation along the DeSoto Bridge, lack of bicycle accommodation between New College and USF Sarasota-Manatee campus, and an overall lack of pedestrian and bicycle crossings. Insufficient lighting along the corridor for vehicles, pedestrians, and bicyclists is a concern particularly at locations near the Crosley Estate, USF, and the New College entrance moving northward along US 41. Other concerns include vehicle speeds specifically in the evening and traffic congestion northbound along US 41 during peak hours as well as between University Parkway and the New College entrance.

During one-on-one stakeholder meeting open discussions, concerns were also raised regarding how future projects along US 41 may impact some of the oldest African American churches in the community and/or inhibit the establishment of grocers/food retailers as there is currently a lack of these businesses along the corridor. There is also concern about the effects future projects would have on

businesses at the south end of Bradenton heading into Sarasota, which have been struggling for years due to traffic congestion.

Suggestions and additional input from one-on-one stakeholder meetings include:

- Provide continuous bicycle and pedestrian features throughout the corridor including bicycle lanes, crosswalks, and pedestrian overpasses.
- Improve coordination/timing of traffic signals.
- Implement speed management/speed controlling measures.
- Establish better connections between US 41 and the neighborhoods behind it.
- Enhance multimodal mobility including transit services, transit stops, and connectivity.
- Improve signage.
- Improve lighting including illuminating all sidewalk areas along the corridor.
- Aesthetic improvements and consistency along the corridor to reflect the vibrancy of the region.
- Concerns for potential impacts to local historic and cultural focal points along the corridor.
- Consider planning improvements to address the homeless population.

Comments and concerns that were emailed to the project email address and relevant to US 41 CMASS include:

- Concerns for non-motorists, specifically wheelchair users, due to the lack of continuous sidewalk and poor lighting for pedestrians particularly between the months of June and September.
- Lack of bus stops with shelter.

Appendix A:

Sarasota/Manatee MPO Board – Presentation on Current Projects in Sarasota & Manatee Counties & Meeting Minutes

Florida Department of Transportation
District One
Update on Current Projects

Sarasota/Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization

February 28, 2022

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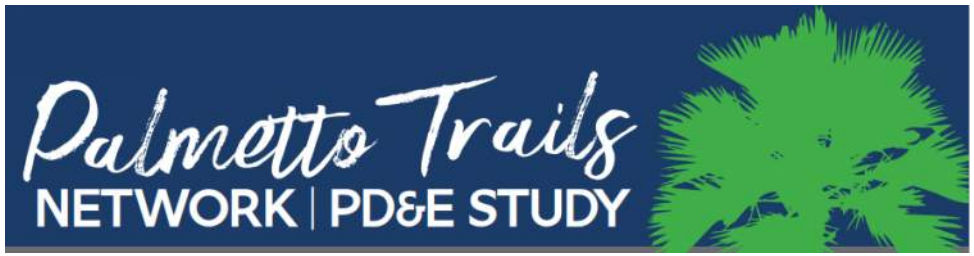
Update on Current Area Projects

1. 10th Avenue Complete Street Study
2. Palmetto Trails Network Project Development & Environment (PD&E) Study
3. Bradenton-Palmetto Connector Alternative Corridors Evaluation (ACE) Study
4. Desoto Bridge PD&E Study
5. Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS)
6. US 41 Transit Choices Concept of Operations (ConOps)
7. US 41 Resurfacing from Edwards Drive to Magellan Drive
8. Cortez Corridor Visioning Plan



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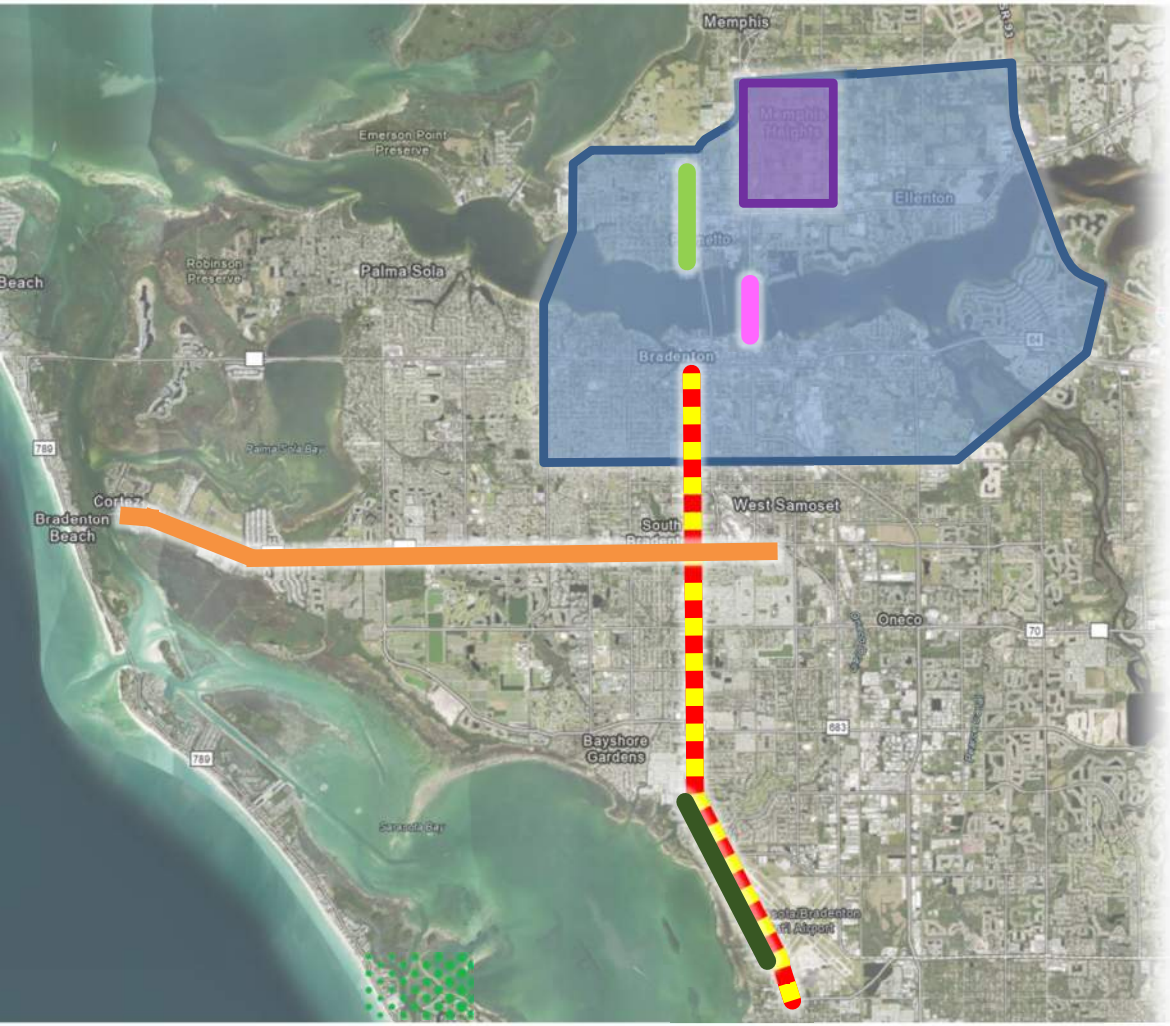


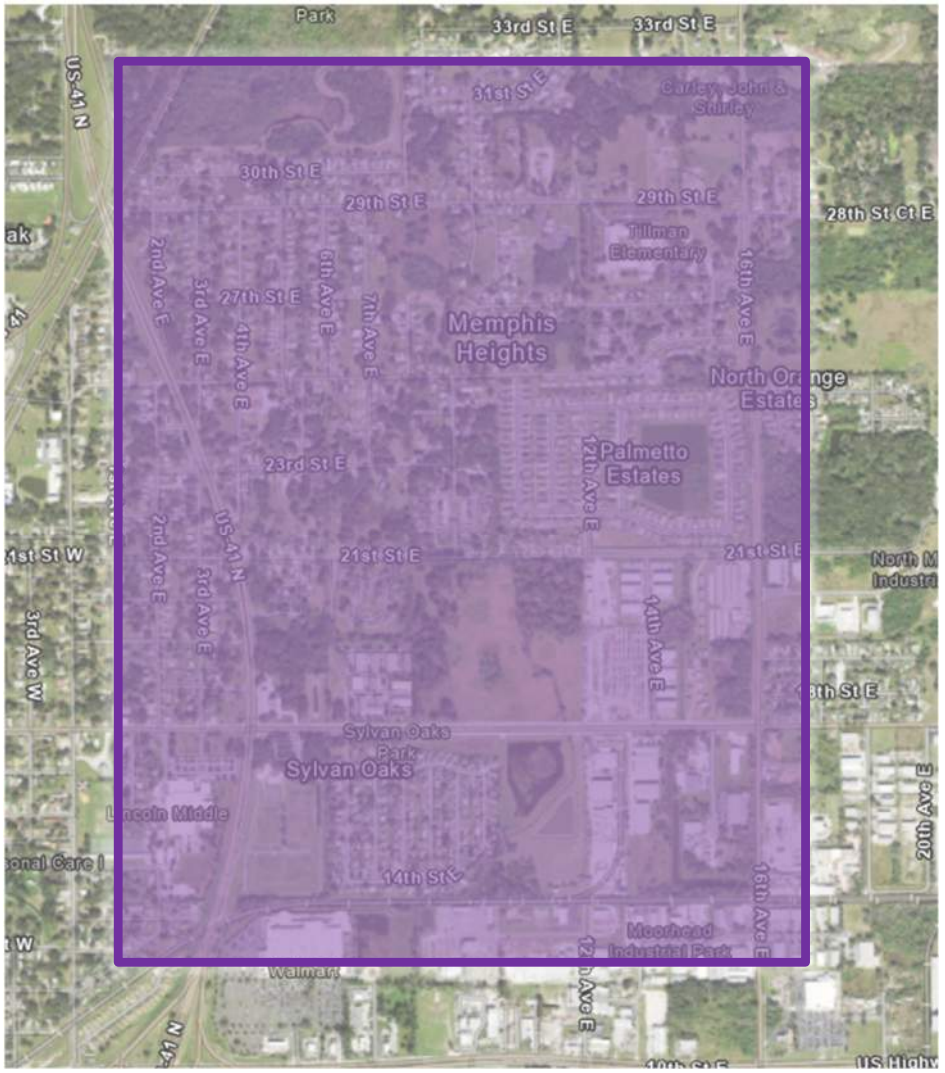
- 10th Avenue Complete Street Study [FPID: 433142-2]
- Palmetto Trails Network PD&E Study [FPID: 444857-1]
- Bradenton-Palmetto Connector ACE Study [FPID: 444843-1]
- Desoto Bridge PD&E Study [FPID: 442630-1]
- Sarasota/Manatee US 41 CMASS [FPID: 440154-1]
- US 41 Transit Choices ConOps
- US 41 Resurfacing from Edwards Drive to Magellan Drive [FPID: 444612-1]
- Cortez Corridor Visioning Plan

10th Avenue Complete Street Study [FPID: 433142-2]

- **Limits:** Riverside Drive to 17th Street
- **Location:** City of Palmetto
- **Description:** Multimodal improvements
- **Status:** Design Phase
- **Key Milestones:**
  - Phase II Plans: Fall 2022
  - Public Meeting: Late 2022
  - Phase IV Plans: Spring 2023

Palmetto Trails Network PD&E Study [FPID: 444857-1]

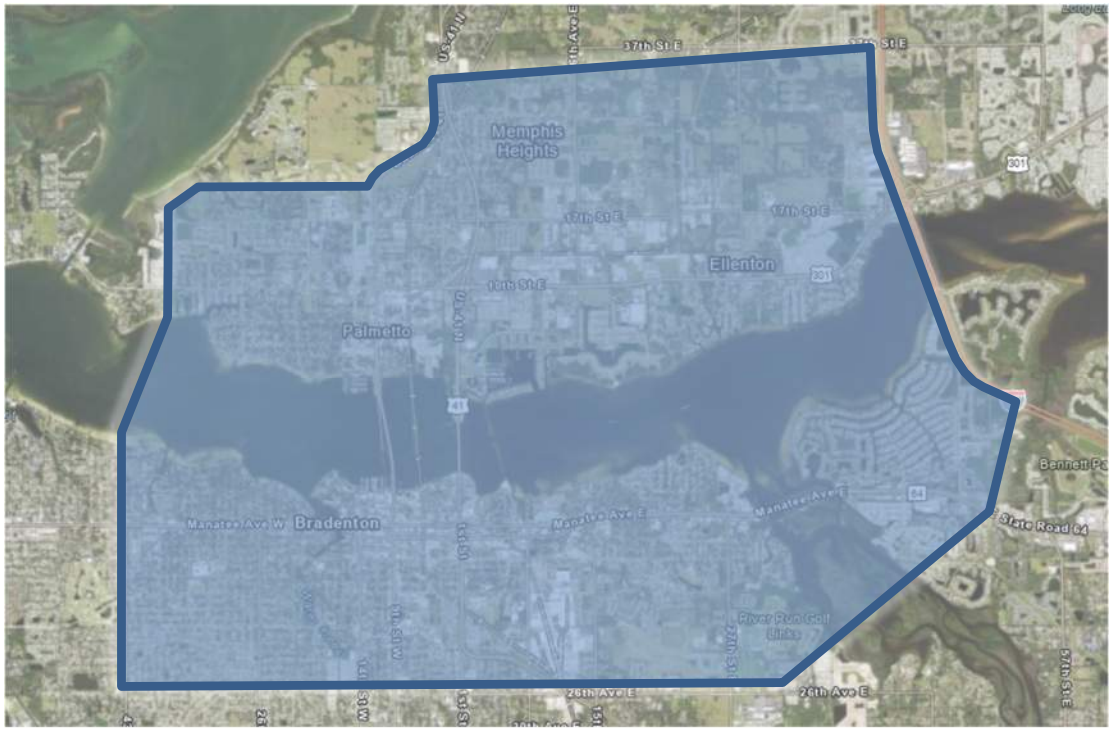
- **Location:** City of Palmetto
- **Description:** Study of trail system to connect NE Palmetto to Lincoln Park, Lincoln Tunnel, etc.
- **Status:** PD&E Study
- **Key Milestones:**
  - Public Meeting: 1/27/22 & 2/2/22
  - Public Hearing: Early 2023
  - PD&E Completion: Spring 2023



Palmetto Trails
NETWORK | PD&E STUDY

Bradenton-Palmetto Connector ACE Study [FPID: 444843-1]

- **Location:** Regional
- **Description:**
  - Determine capacity improvements to increase mobility between Bradenton & Palmetto
  - US 301 is key component
- **Status:** ACE Study
- **Key Milestones:**
  - Kickoff Meeting: Early 2022
  - Public Meetings: Spring & Fall 2022
  - Final Report: Late 2022



Desoto Bridge PD&E Study [FPID: 442630-1]

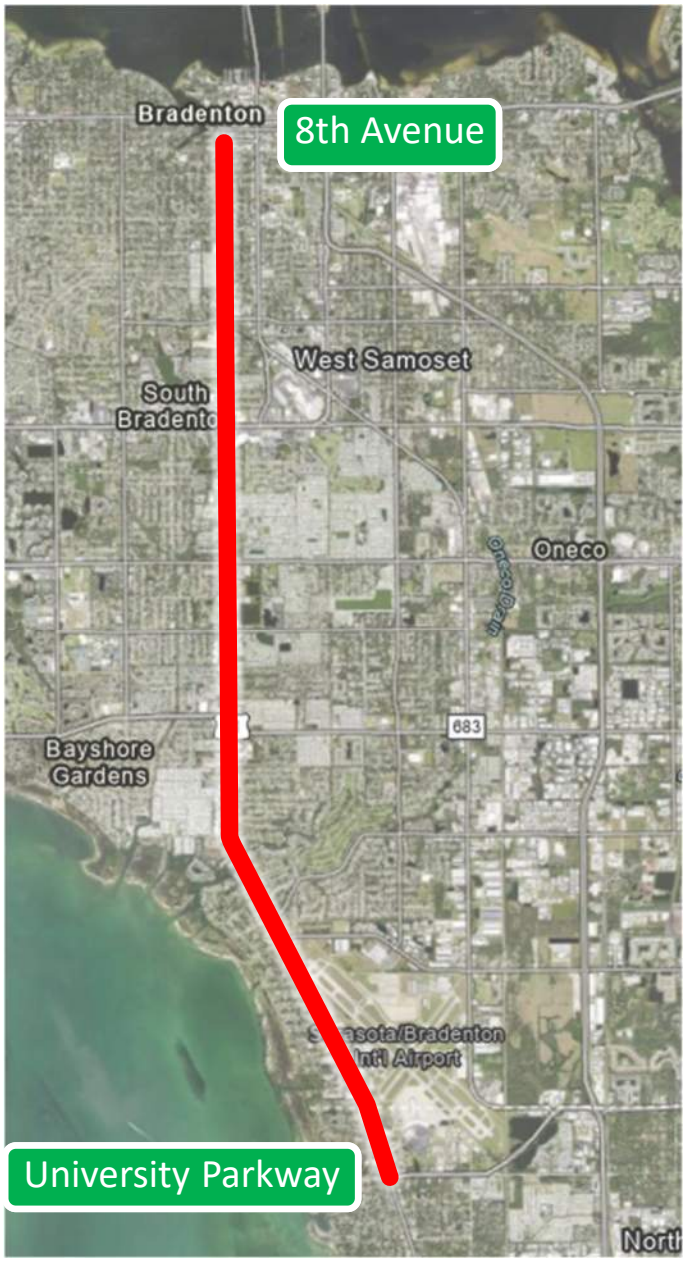
- **Limits:** 21st Avenue W to US 19

  (Bridge #130053)

- **Location:** Manatee County
- **Description:** Improvements dependent on FPID 444843-1 – Bradenton-Palmetto Connector Ace Study
- **Status:** PD&E Phase
- **Key Milestones:**
  - Begin PD&E: FY 2023
  - Design Build: FY 2025

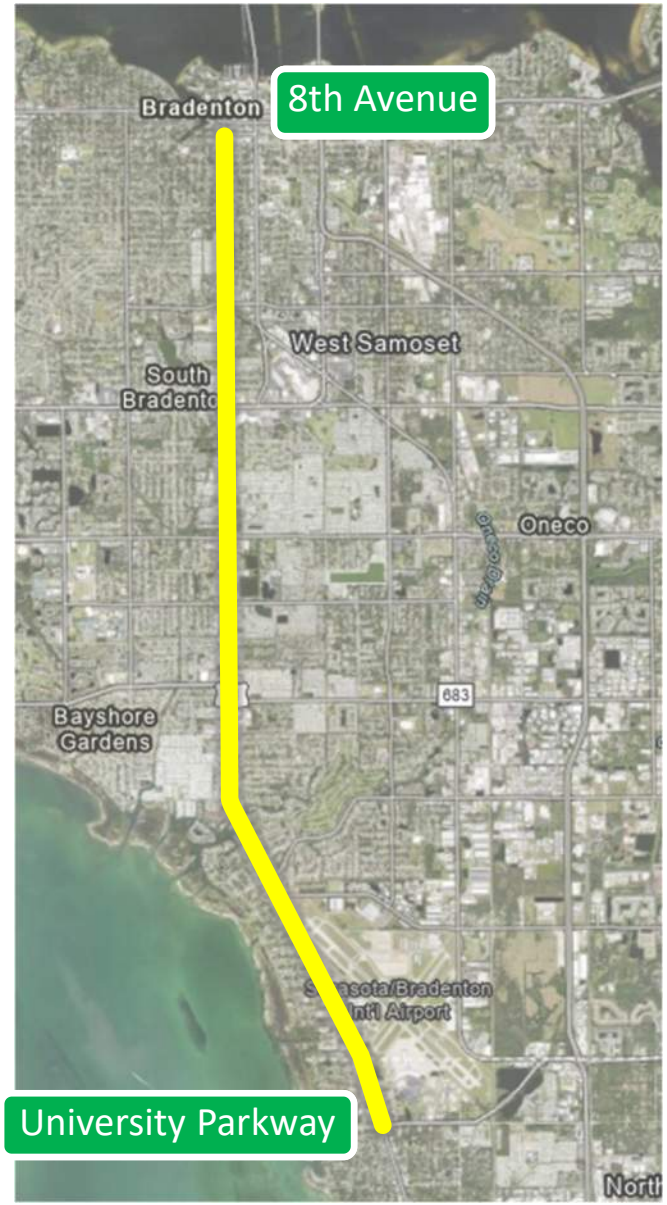
Sarasota/Manatee US 41 CMASS [FPID: 440154-1]

- **Limits:** University Parkway to 8th Avenue (including Airport & Downtown Bradenton transit hubs)
- **Location:** Regional
- **Description:** Enhance multimodal mobility (including transit prioritization options) & safety conditions along US 41/US 41 Business corridor
- **Status:** Feasibility Study – Phase I
- **Key Milestones:**
  - Begin Public Outreach: Early 2022
  - Engineering & Environmental Review: Late Spring 2023
  - Phase I Completion: Late Spring 2023



US 41 Transit Choices ConOps [Sarasota Manatee MPO project]

- **Limits:** University Parkway to 8th Avenue
- **Location:** Regional
- **Description:** Evaluate operating characteristics, potential risks associated with implementation, justification and analysis of the proposed system changes along US 41/US 41 Business corridor
- **Status:** ConOps Study
- **Key Milestones:**
  - Scenario Analysis: Spring 2022
  - Engineering Assessment: Summer 2022
  - Project Completion: Late Fall 2022

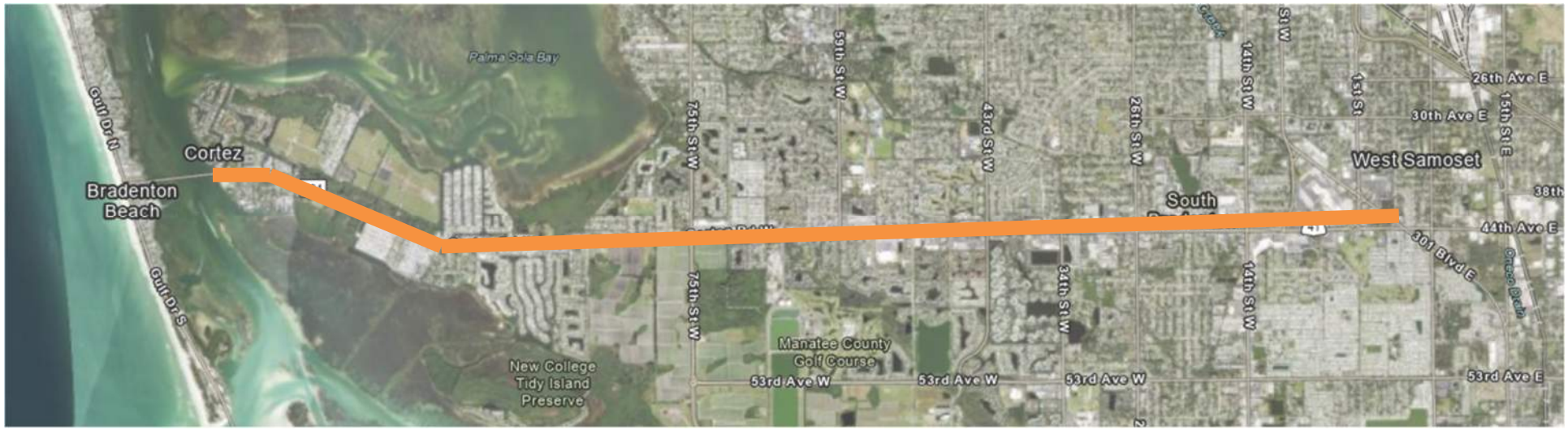


US 41 Resurfacing [FPID: 444612-1]

- **Limits:** Edwards Drive to Magellan Drive
- **Location:** Manatee County
- **Description:** Add median/resurface roadway/widen sidewalk
- **Status:** Design Phase
- **Key Milestones:**
  - Public Meeting: Late Spring 2022
  - Phase IIR Completion: Summer 2022
  - Phase IV Completion: Late Fall 2022

Cortez Corridor Visioning Plan [FPID: TBD]

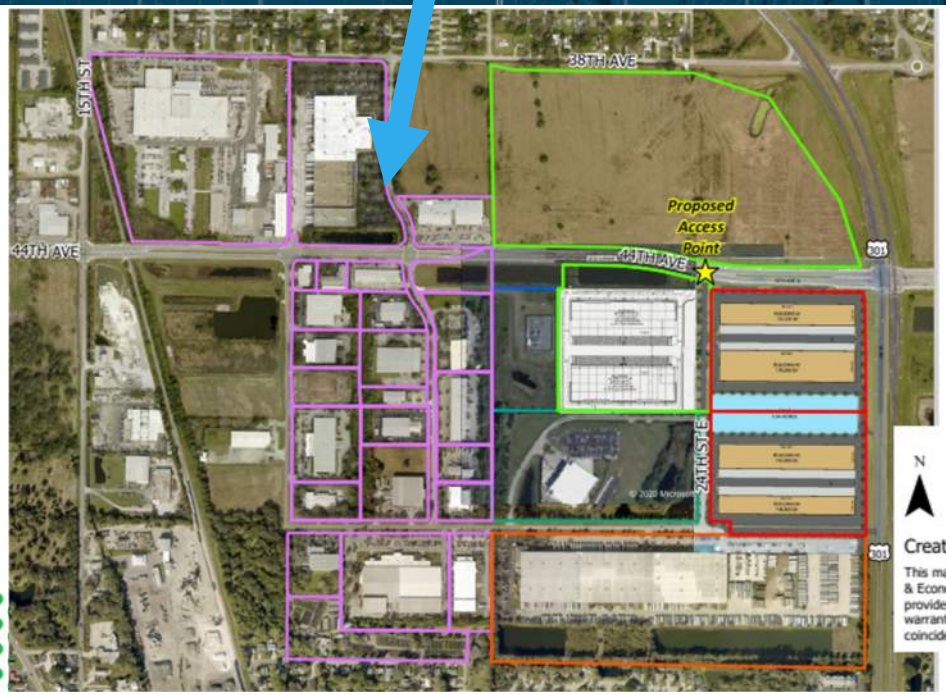
- **Limits:** Gulf Drive to 301 Blvd East
- **Location:** Manatee County
- **Description:** Enhance mobility and safety along Cortez Rd corridor
- **Status:** Corridor Vision Plan
- **Key Milestones:**
  - Concurrence from Manatee County on Study scope
  - Kickoff: April 2022



Other Development Considerations [Along 44th Ave]

Manatee County FLORIDA

44th Ave East Extension Projects



Manatee Logistics Area: Potential Plans

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Redevelopment & Economic Opportunity

- Proposed Access Point
- Manatee Logistics
- Shamrock
- Bealls
- Manatee County EOC
- FPL
- Other Industrial Parcels

THANK YOU!

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Sarasota/Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization
February 28, 2022 MPO Governing Board Meeting

DATE: Monday, February 28, 2022

TIME: 9:32 a.m.

LOCATION: **Holiday Inn**
8009 15th Street East
Sarasota, Florida 34243

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MPO Chair, Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Manatee County

MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 28, 2022

Chair Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Manatee County, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. The invocation was provided by Commissioner Misty Servia, Manatee County, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Nanette Eubanks, Clerk to the Board, confirmed a quorum was present after a roll call.

MEMBERS PRESENT

City of Bradenton
Mayor Gene Brown
Councilmember Bill Sanders

Island Transportation Planning Organization (ITPO: Anna Maria, Holmes Beach & Bradenton Beach)
Mayor Judy Titsworth

Town of Longboat Key
Vice Mayor Mike Haycock

Manatee County
Commissioner Vanessa Baugh
Commissioner Van Ostenbridge
Commissioner Misty Servia

City of North Port
Mayor Pete Emrich
Vice Mayor Barbara Langdon

City of Venice
Councilmember Joe Neunder

Sarasota County
Commissioner Ron Cutsinger
Commissioner Alan Maio
Commissioner Christian Ziegler

City of Sarasota
Commissioner Liz Alpert
Commissioner Jen Ahearn-Koch for
Mayor Erik Arroyo, City of Sarasota

FDOT District One Non-Voting Advisor
Secretary L.K. Nandam

MEMBERS ABSENT

Sarasota Manatee Airport Authority
Commissioner Carlos Beruff

City of Palmetto
Mayor Shirley Groover Bryant

MPO Staff Present
Ryan Brown, Planning Manager
Slade Downs, Multi Modal Planner
Nanette Eubanks, Clerk to the Board
David Hutchinson, Executive Director
Rachel McClain, Fiscal Technician
Wenonah Venter, Multi Modal Planner

Others Present
Jim Bennett, Citizen
Rich Garrett, Citizen
Chris Keller, Benesch
Tanya Merkle, FDOT
Jeff Novotry, American Consulting
Amber Russo, FDOT
Mark Schiefer, Florida Bicycle Association

Chair Vanessa Baugh recognized former MPO Chair, Mr. Jim Bennett, City of Venice.

3. **Public Comment** (Items not on the agenda)
None.

4. **Reports**

a. Florida Department of Transportation, FDOT Secretary L.K. Nandam and Ms. Tanya Merkle, FDOT reported on the following:

- Announced Mr. Kevin Thibault will be stepping down as Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation and has taken the position of CEO with the Greater Orlando Aviation Authority (GOAA).
- The Transportation Commission has advertised for the FDOT Secretary position and will be going through the interview process to recommend a candidate to the Governor's Office.
- Also, FDOT Assistant Secretary of Engineering and Operations, Mr. Brian Blanchard, has left FDOT for a position with a consultant.
- The Public Hearing for River Road (SR 777) was successful and well attended; construction is estimated to begin in May 2022.
- FDOT is working on the I-75 Feasibility Study and will report back as more information becomes available.

b. MPO Executive Director, David Hutchinson, reported on the following:

- The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) will be presented to the Board at its May 23, 2022 meeting.
- The next Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), which is the two-year budget document of the Sarasota/Manatee MPO, will be out for public review and comment, for adoption at the meeting.
- Information is being received regarding the Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill; some of the funding is beginning to show up in projections but not the Work Program.
- Anticipating a 35% increase in formula funds overall for Florida.
- The 13 existing grant programs that are funded through the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Authorization Bills are continuing and there are 21 new competitive grant programs.
- Notices of funding availability (NOFAs) should be issued over the next couple of years on some of those programs; some are not fully funded because they are operating under continuing Resolutions for the current fiscal year.
- Presented the Analysis of Crash Data at Selected Roundabouts to Members.

c. MPOAC Report, Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Manatee County, reported on the following:

- An Executive Board Meeting was held last week in the Manatee County Board of County Commissioners Conference Room.
- The MPOAC Bylaws ares being revamped and updates will be provided as changes are made.
- The Executive Board will be meeting more often and will follow the Governing Board's meeting schedule.

d. MPO Chair, Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Manatee County, reported on the following:

1. Florida Bicycle Association (FBA) Recognition
   Chair Vanessa Baugh announced the Florida Bicycle Association (FBA) has recognized one of the Sarasota/Manatee MPO's volunteers, Mr. Rich Garrett, as "2021 Citizen Advocate of the Year."

   Mr. Mark Schiefer, Director, Florida Bicycle Association, presented Mr. Rich Garrett with a plaque recognizing him as an individual who has worked to make cycling safer in this area. Mr. Rich Garrett has served on safe cycling coalitions, is a member of the Sarasota/Manatee MPO's Bicycle/Pedestrian/Trails/Advisory (BPTAC) Committee, two local bicycle clubs including the Sarasota-Manatee Bicycle Club and has led bicycle advocacy. Mr. Rich Garrett stated this was a great honor bestowed on him and the Sarasota/Manatee MPO; a great leadership.

5. **Consent Agenda**

For the record, Mr. David Hutchinson, MPO, read the Consent Agenda Items. Chair Commissioner Vanessa Baugh asked for a motion and a second for the Consent Items.

Mayor Gene Brown: I move to approve the Consent Agenda items.

Commissioner Kevin Van Ostenbridge: I second the motion.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Consent items approved:

a. Approved the Sarasota/Manatee MPO Board Meeting Minutes for January 24, 2022.
b. Include the 2022 Manatee County Transportation Disadvantaged (TD) Local Coordinating Board (LCB) Bylaws in the MPO Policies.
c. Include the 2022 Sarasota County Transportation Disadvantaged (TD) Local Coordinating Board (LCB) Bylaws in the MPO Policies.
d. Adopted Resolution No. 2022-03 and approved the Public Transportation Grant Agreement (PTGA) and authorized Staff to enter into, modify or terminate the PTGA with the FDOT.
e. Approved the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Administrative Modification.

6. Action Item

a. 2022 Project Priorities **(Requires a vote by the show of hands)**

Mr. Ryan Brown, MPO, explained Florida Statute requires each MPO to develop a list of Project Priorities and to submit the list to FDOT. FDOT District One has requested that the MPO submit priorities by March 15, 2022:

- Project Priorities were initially presented in January to the MPO Board and the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC).
- Editorial comments were received from the counties and cities regarding the priorities, i.e., changes of some limits, naming of projects, and next phases.
- MPO member jurisdictions have updated prior applications and have submitted new projects for review.
- Full Project Applications have been submitted to ensure that projects are completed based upon eligibility requirements set forth in the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan's (LRTP) Cost Feasible Plan.
- Elected officials from each MPO member agency have been asked to review and rank projects within their jurisdiction to ensure agency and public support for the requested priorities by February 4, 2022.
- Comments were received

Mr. Ryan Brown, MPO, noted the Cover Sheet for the next Five-Year Work Program Fiscal Years (FYs) should reflect 2023/2024 – 2027/2028. The adopted MPO 2022 Project Priorities will be considered for funding by FDOT in the next tentative Five-Year Work Program.

Commissioner Misty Servia: I move the Board approve the 2022 Project Priorities.

Councilmember Bill Sanders: I second the motion.

Chair Vanessa Baugh noted this item required a vote by the show of hands.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

b. MPO Destination Zero Policy

Mr. Ryan Brown, MPO, explained the MPO has been working with Benesch (formerly Tindale Oliver) on the MPO's Vision Zero safety effort. The MPO has gone from setting targets to determining on how to reach Destination Zero. The Action Plan and Policy are a culmination of that, which has been brought forward by the Board, its jurisdictions staff, as well as the state's guidance on how to reach the MPO's safety Targets moving forward. Mr. Chris Keller, Benesch, provided a presentation regarding the MPO Destination Zero Policy:

- Destination Zero is the Sarasota/Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization's (MPO) effort to reduce traffic-related deaths and serious injuries.
- The Destination Zero Action Plan identifies strategies and actions to help the MPO and its partner agencies achieve its goal.

- MPOs are uniquely positioned by having the ability to bring together key stakeholders and facilitate regional discussions of safety issues, provide training, and to further embed safety in the regional culture.
- They can use this unique positioning to emphasize a safety-first approach in planning, design, and policy-setting and can encourage expanded collaboration between state, local, and community partners.
- The Resolution outlines the policy initiatives and steps that the MPO and its partners can take towards committing to Destination Zero and advancing its efforts to reduce traffic-related deaths and serious injuries.

Discussion ensued regarding zero being an unrealistic goal along with the steps to achieve same. Mr. Ryan Brown, MPO, noted that the MPO supported FDOT's goal of zero which was adopted by the Board in January. The Action Plan lays out exactly how the MPO is taking steps to reach its goal. Zero is a lofty number, however without taking the appropriate steps and having an action plan and policy in place the MPO will not have direction on how to obtain those goals.

Secretary L.K. Nandam noted for local jurisdiction who adopt zero for their communities and identify projects on the state highway system, the Department will help the jurisdictions in finding the funds to implement hose projects.

Councilmember Bill Sanders: I move the Board adopt Resolution No. 2022-02 as presented.

Commissioner Liz Alpert: I second the motion.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

c. MPO Destination Zero Action Plan
Mr. Chris Keller, Benesch, provided an overview of the MPO Destination Zero Action Plan:

- The MPO has an established long-term objective to reduce traffic-related fatalities and serious injuries, with an ultimate goal of zero.
- To aid in the success of attaining this goal, the MPO developed the Destination Zero Action Plan.
- The Plan utilized a data-driven approach to identify actionable strategies that consider the 6E's:
    - Engineering
    - Enforcement
    - Education
    - Equity
    - Emergency Response
    - Engagement
- This action plan will serve as the roadmap leading the MPO and its partners to the ultimate goal of zero fatalities and serious injuries from traffic crashes.
- Additionally, the MPO's efforts lead to strategies and an educational framework for the MPO's partner jurisdictions to catalyze the development of their own plans and efforts.
- The Action Plan is a guiding document that is the beginning of the path, the start of Destination Zero. It is a living document that needs to be monitored, updated, and its success relies on working together.

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Commissioner Misty Servia: I move the Board adopt the Destination Zero Action Plan and corresponding Appendices.

Councilmember Bill Sanders: I second the motion.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. **Presentations**
   a. FDOT Reports
      1. Interstate 75/State Road 93A Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Studies
         Ms. Tanya Merkle, FDOT, explained FDOT District Seven is performing a Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study along I-75 from Moccasin Wallow Road to south of US 301 to study the potential expansion of I-75 in the southern portions of Hillsborough County to Moccasin Wallow Road in Manatee County. Ms. Amber Russo, Project Manager, FDOT District Seven, provided a presentation regarding the Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study along I-75; project documents and information may be viewed at https://www.fdotd7studies.com/projects/i75/

      2. Update on current Sarasota, Bradenton, and Palmetto Projects
         The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District One, is conducting several projects in partnership with the Sarasota/Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization and local governments to holistically enhance the multimodal transportation network within Sarasota and Manatee Counties. These projects will work together to provide safe mobility options for all users, specifically within the Sarasota, Bradenton, and Palmetto areas. Mr. Richard O.J. Oujevolk, FDOT, provided an update on current Sarasota, Bradenton, and Palmetto projects:

         - 10th Avenue Complete Street Study [FPID: 433142-2]: Design Phase; Phase II Plans Fall 2022; Public meeting late 2022; Phase IV Plans Spring 2023.
         - Palmetto Trails Network Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study [FPID:444857-1]: Public meeting 18/27/2022 and 2/2/2022; Public Hearing early 2023; PD&E completion Spring.
         - Bradenton-Palmetto Connecter Alternative Corridors Evaluation (ACE) Study [FPID: 444843-1]: ACE Study; Kickoff meeting Spring/Summer 2022; Public meeting Summer through Winter 2022/2023; Final Report Spring 2023.
         - Desoto Bridge PD&E Study [FPID: 442630-1]; Begin PD&E FY 2023 and Design Build FY 2025.
         - Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS) [FPID: 440154-1]: Feasibility Study Phase I; Begin public outreach early 2022; Engineering and environmental review late Spring 2023; Phase I completion later Spring 2023.
         - US 41 Transit Choices Concept of Operations (ConOps): ConOps Study; Scenario Analysis Spring 2022; Engineering Assessment Summer 2022; Project completion late Fall 2022.
         - US 41 Resurfacing from Edwards Drive to Magellan Drive [FPID: 444612-1]: Design Phase; Public Meeting late Spring 2022; Phase IIR completion Summer 2022; Phase IV completion late Fall 2022.
         - Cortez Corridor Visioning Plan: Concurrence from Manatee County on Study Scope; Kickoff April 2022.

   b. MPO Annual Report
      Mr. Slade Downs, MPO, presented the following:

      1. 2021 Top 10 Accomplishments
         The purpose of the annual report is to provide information to stakeholders and other interested parties regarding MPO activities in 2021. This report looks back at organizational goals in order to preserve recent history and to celebrate accomplishments of the past year. The result of this analysis is the Sarasota/Manatee MPO's Top Ten Accomplishments.

2. 2022 Strategic Priorities
The MPO also develops strategic priorities on annual basis that outline anticipated planning activities that will take place during the upcoming year. These priorities will be used in the development of the MPO's budget (UPWP), as well as several other planning documents.

Mayor Gene Brown:	I move the Board affirm the 2021 Top 10 Accomplishments and 2022 Strategic Priorities.
Vice Mayor Barbara Langdon:	I second the motion.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

8. Member Comments

- Commissioner Misty Servia stated she has received emails regarding 75th Street and Manatee Avenue and the timing of the traffic signal creating congestion. Chair Baugh suggested Commissioner Servia check with Manatee County Traffic Management regarding same.
- Mayor Judy Titsworth also commented on congestion getting onto the island. Also, has received many complaints from bicyclist due to cars encroaching into the bicycle lanes and would like to be able to find funding to paint the bicycle lanes on Holmes Beach.

9. Adjournment

Chair Commissioner Vanessa Baugh adjourned the meeting at 11:55 a.m.

NO STENOGRAPHIC RECORD BY A CERTIFIED COURT REPORTER WAS MADE OF THIS MEETING. ACCORDINGLY, ANY PERSON WHO MAY SEEK TO APPEAL ANY DECISIONS INVOLVING THE MATTER HEREIN WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING A VERBATIM RECORD OF THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE AT THIS MEETING UPON WHICH ANY APPEARS TO BE BASED.

BY: _____
Commissioner Vanessa Baugh
MPO Chair

State of *Florida*
County of *Manatee*

Dated this 23rd day of May 2022

ATTESTED
BY: _____
Nanette Eubanks, Clerk to the Board
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Appendix B:

Sarasota/Manatee MPO Bike/Ped/Trails Advisory Committee – Presentation on US 41 CMASS & Meeting Minutes

Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS)

From University Parkway to 8th Avenue W

Florida Department of Transportation – District One
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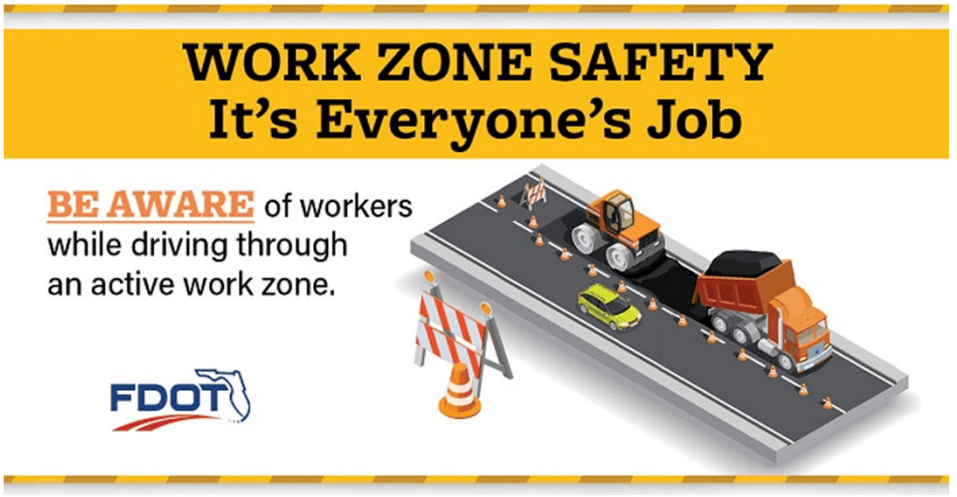
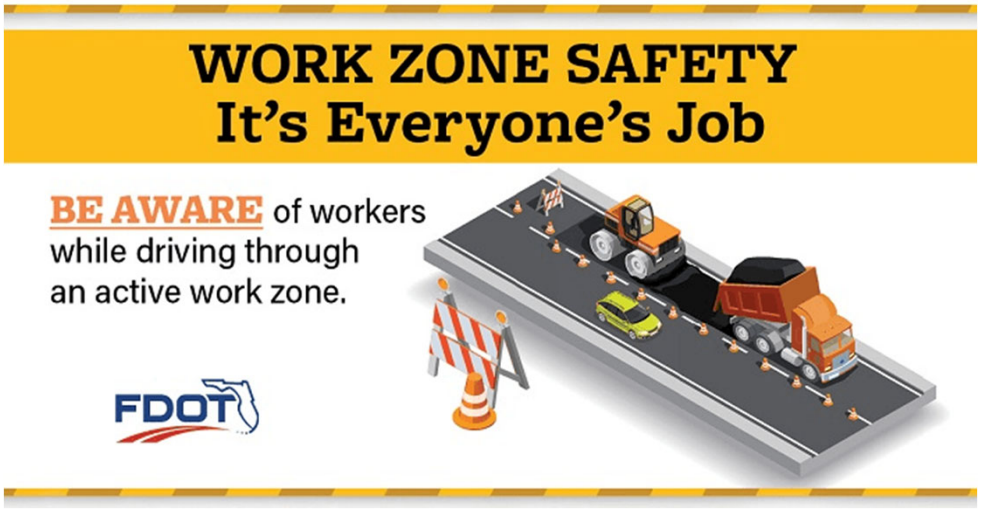
Sarasota Manatee MPO
Bike/Ped/Trails Advisory Committee
April 19, 2022

Distracted Driving and Work Zone Awareness





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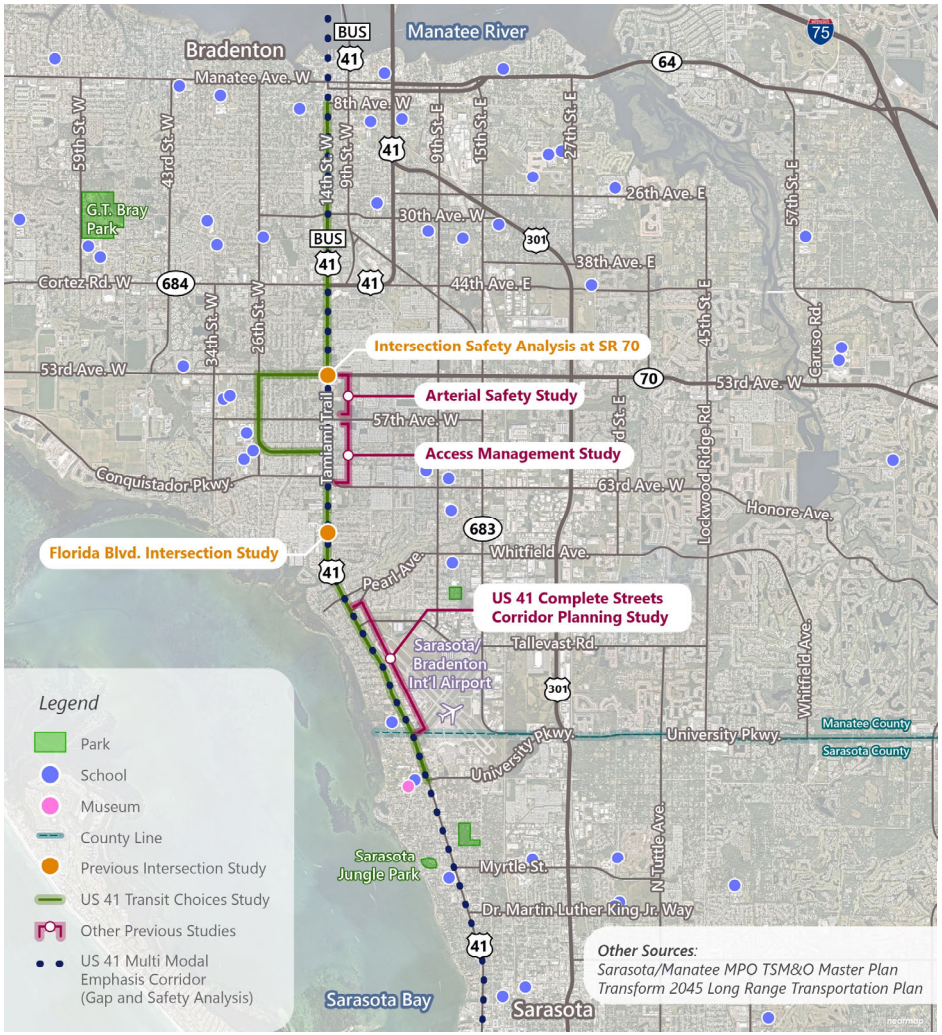

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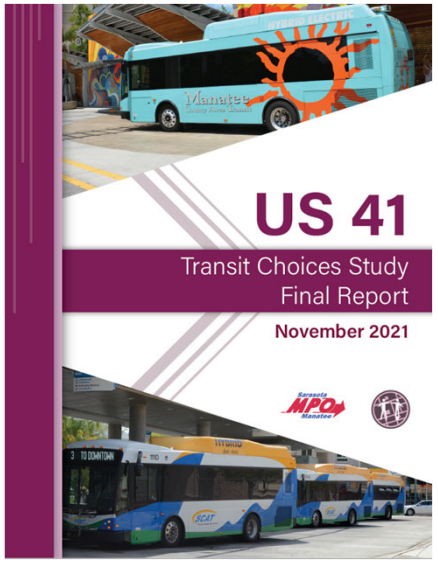

US 41 Transit Choices Study

- Transit signal priority, dedicated lanes, stop modifications, bus operation (low, medium, and high) investment projects
- Development of a concept of operations
- Implementation of a demonstration project
- Agency coordination

US 41 Complete Streets Corridor Planning Study

- Support for implementation of bicycle and pedestrian facilities, intersection improvements, landscaping, and access management
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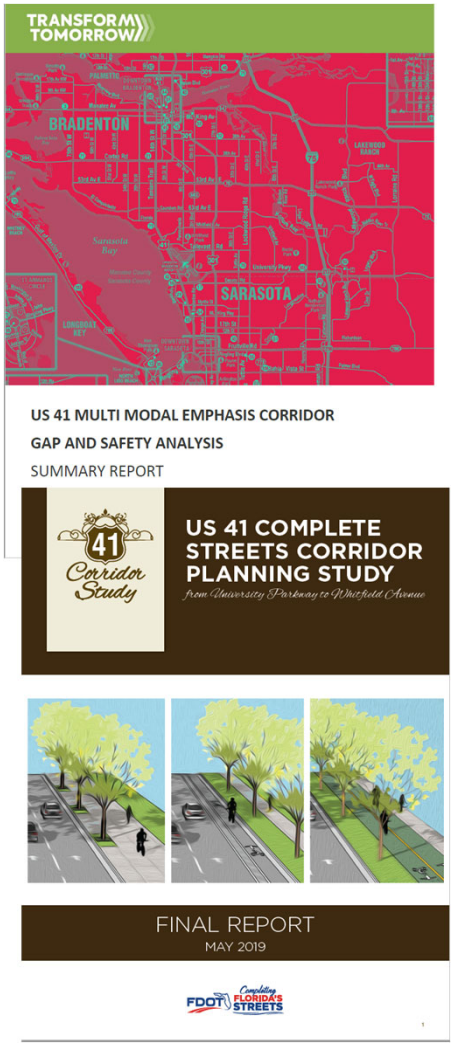
- Intersection improvements at University Parkway and at Tallevast Road



Previous Study Findings

Arterial Safety Study

- Provide designated / high visibility crosswalks
- Install lighting
- Provide advanced street name signs
- Evaluate Signal Timing / Phasing, including Pedestrian Phasing
- Add supplemental nearside signal heads at Cortez Road
- Include dilemma zone detection
- Provide ADA improvements for all curb ramps and pedestrian push button assemblies
- Increase signage
- Conduct speed zone study to reduce speed limit
- Convert continuous two-way left-turn lane to a raised median
- Add bike lanes

Access Management Study

- Convert continuous two-way left-turn lane to a raised median

Intersection Safety Studies

- US 41 at SR 70 (53rd Ave)
  - Convert northbound and southbound protected/permissive left turn phasing to protected only
- US 41 at Florida Blvd
  - Perform access management study within influence area
  - Install lighting at intersections and approaches
  - Restriping crosswalks
  - Change signal phasing
  - Advanced street names
  - Enhance signal visibility

US 41 CMASS Overview

Project Purpose

- Enhance multimodal mobility and safety along the US 41/US 41 Business corridor from University Parkway to 8th Avenue W
- Advance transit service/operation strategies along the US 41/US 41 Business corridor
- Improve access and interconnectivity within neighborhoods/areas adjacent to US 41/US 41 Business from the transit center at the Sarasota Bradenton International Airport to the Bradenton transit hub, including the Desoto Mall transit hub
- Develop corridor concepts
- Develop implementation strategies

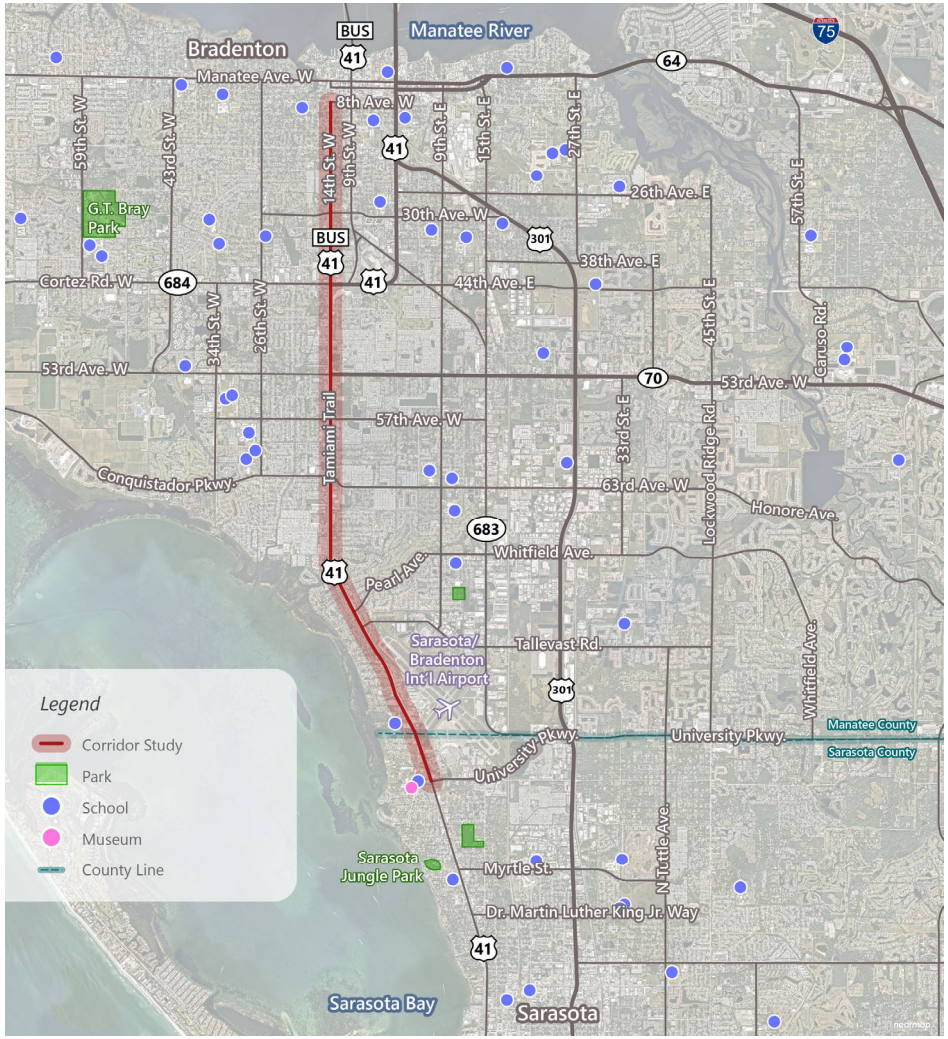
US 41 CMASS
FPID: 440154-1-21-01

US 41 CMASS Overview

Project Status: Feasibility Study – Phase I

Key Milestones:

- Public Outreach - Ongoing
  - MPO Board and Committee Meetings
  - Project Working Group Meetings
  - Stakeholder Meetings
  - Conduct Questionnaire
- Develop Goals & Objectives and Measures of Effectiveness
- Existing Conditions Data Collection and Assessment
- Develop Corridor/Neighborhood Strategies
- Phase I Completion: Late Spring 2023
- Phase 2: Develop Concepts for Implementation



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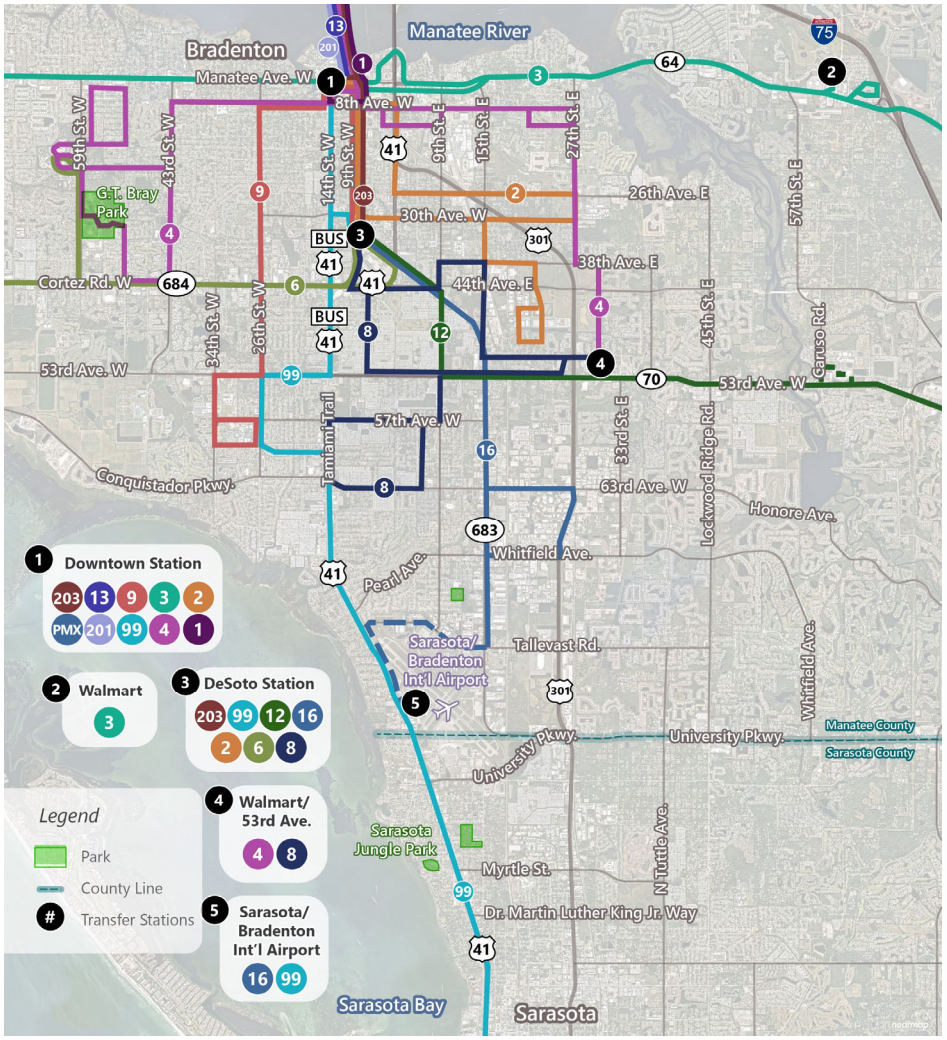
Manatee County Area Transit

- Route 99 Bradenton-Sarasota
  - Runs length of study area
  - 20-minute AM and PM Peak Period service started Dec 2021
  - New Sunday service proposed starting in 2026
- Stations Near Project
  - Downtown Station – northern limit of US 41 CMASS
  - DeSoto Station
  - Sarasota-Bradenton International Airport Station



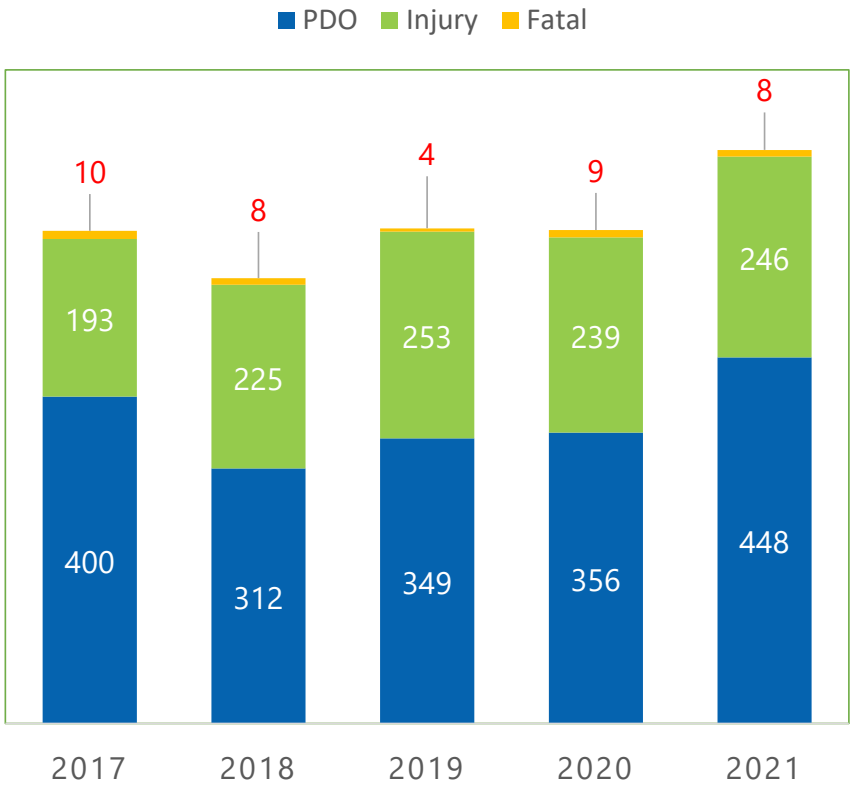
Historical Crash Analysis

- Total of 3,060 crashes in 5 years (2017-2021)
  - Major types – Rear-end, Left turn, Sideswipe, Angles and Off-road
  - 39 fatalities (15 DUI related); 1,156 injuries (38%)
  - 112 ped/bike related
  - 1,865 property damage
  - 2,009 Intersection crashes (65.5% of total)

Five segments are listed as
FDOT District One Fatal Top 20 Segments

- 63rd Ave W to 55th Ave W; Ranked #1
- 55th Ave W to Orlando Ave; Ranked #2
- Magellan Dr to 63rd Ave W; Ranked #8
- County line to Scott Ave; Ranked #9
- Orlando Ave to 30th Ave W; Ranked #11

TOTAL CRASHES BY SEVERITY AND YEAR



Source: Signal Four Analytics

Local Comprehensive Plans

Agency	Policies/Objectives Stated in Agency Comprehensive Plans	Goals/Policies Directly Related to CMASS
City of Sarasota	Transportation Element Objective 3.0 Multimodal Transportation	The City shall continue to support and promote multiple modes of transportation, in coordination with other units of local government and the private sector, including handicapped-accessible mass transit, bicycle lanes, and pedestrian pathways to all existing and proposed major trip generators.
City of Bradenton	Transportation Element Policy 1.6.8 Transit Operations and Service Area Policy 2.1.2 System Interconnectivity	The City will promote an interconnected, multimodal transportation system that transitions from a system focused on quickly moving motor vehicles toward a system that emphasizes the movement of people of all ages and abilities, whether those people choose to walk, bicycle, ride transit, drive a motor vehicle or use a new transportation mobility technology.
Manatee County	Transportation Element Objective 5.6.6 Transit as an Attractive, Convenient Alternative to Single Occupancy Vehicles	Reduce traffic congestion along constrained transportation corridors, intersections and downtown areas, promote economic development through provision of convenient and accessible transit linking employees with employment centers, and reduce pollution through the integration of the walking, bicycling, and transit systems.
Sarasota County	Mobility Element Objective 1.3 Interconnected Transportation System Objective 1.4 Complete Streets	The County shall provide for a safe, convenient, energy-efficient, interconnected, multi-modal transportation system that will enable County residents the opportunity to live and travel utilizing an integrated, intermodal transportation system based on complete streets design principles and the latest technological innovations and trends including sharing of vehicles and bicycles.

Goals and Objectives

Previous Studies and Local Planning Agency:

Goals/Objectives	Source
• Identify a system of improvements that will support regional mobility and safe and comfortable travel by all modes • Improve bicycle and pedestrian facilities • Improve access to transit stops • Improve access to destinations along the corridor including connections to USF Sarasota-Manatee • Maintain mobility along the corridor	US 41 Complete Streets Corridor Planning Study
• Increase access to bus stops and transfer stations • Increase availability of park-n-rides • Expand transportation options to reduce auto use • Promote projects that reduce travel time	Sarasota/Manatee County MPO LRTP, US 41 Transit Choices Study, US 41 Multi-modal Emphasis Corridor (MMEC) Gap and Safety Analysis
• Increase safety across all modes of travel • Increase travel reliability, reduce congestion, and establish clear performance metrics	Transportation System Management and Operations (TSM&O) Master Plan
• Continue to expand and enhance existing sidewalk and bicycle facility networks • Establish target speeds on key corridors	Destination Zero Action Plan
• Identify technology and capital projects that will improve the speed, efficiency, and reliability of fixed-route public transportation services operating within the corridor • Ensure equity in all transportation decisions • Expand access to essential services and affordable housing • Improve access for persons with disabilities	US 41 Transit Choices Study

Goals and Objectives

Potential Goals and Objectives for US 41 CMASS:

- Enhance multimodal mobility and safety for all users
- Advance transit service/operation strategies along the study corridor
- Improve transportation network access and interconnectivity within neighborhoods, adjacent areas, and transit centers

Measures of Effectiveness

Potential Measures of Effectiveness for US 41 CMASS:

- Improve multimodal Level of Service (LOS)
- Reduce rate of fatalities and serious injuries
- Enhance ADA accessibility and provide sidewalk connections to transit
- Improve sidewalk conditions in accordance with FDOT Design Manual (FDM), Florida Greenbook, and local standards
- Increase overall corridor travel time reliability
- Increase transit reliability during peak hours

Thank you!

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Sarasota/Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization
Bicycle/Pedestrian/Trails Advisory Committee Meeting

DATE: Tuesday, April 19, 2022

TIME: 2:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Sarasota/Manatee MPO
8100 15th Street East
Sarasota, Florida 34243

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Patrick Lui, Chair, Sarasota County
Maika Arnold, Vice Chair, Town of Longboat Key

MEETING MINUTES

Chair Patrick Lui called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. A quorum was present.

Members Present
Amy Anderson, Sarasota County Schools
Maika Arnold, Town of Longboat Key
Rich Garrett, Citizen
Bruce Henry, Citizen
John League, Citizen
Michael Lynch, Manatee County
Patrick Lui, Sarasota County
Jeff Nelson, City of North Port
Kathleen Weeden, City of Venice

Staff Present
Ryan Brown
Slade Downs
Nanette Eubanks
David Hutchinson
Wenonah "Nina" Venter

Non-Voting Advisory Members Present
Sam Huffman, SCAT
Tanya Merkle, FDOT
Richard "O.J." Oujevolk, FDOT
Bessie Reina, FDOT

Others
Beth Rutishauser, HNTB
Amy Sirmans, VHB
Betty Ann Sherer, Charlotte County-Punta Gorda MPO
Gail Woods, TranSystems
Franco Saraceno, Kittelson & Associates

Remote Participation
Wiatt Bowers, Atkins
Leigh Holt, Benesch

Public Comment
There was no one from the public.

Approval of Minutes for February 15, 2022
Ms. Amy Anderson made a motion to approve the February 15, 2022 minutes. Mr. John League second the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports and Presentations

a. FDOT Report

1. US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS)
   Mr. Richard "O.J." Oujevolk, FDOT, and Ms. Amy Sirmans, VHB, presented the US 41 CMASS. The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District One, is conducting projects in partnership with the Sarasota/Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and local governments to holistically enhance the multimodal transportation network within Sarasota and Manatee Counties. The Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS) is part of this program. This project will develop concepts and implementation strategies to enhance multimodal mobility (specifically transit services/operations) and safety for all users along the US 41/US 41 Business corridor between University Parkway in Sarasota and 8th Avenue West in Bradenton.

   The study includes community and agency outreach, data collection, evaluation of existing corridor conditions and corridor/modal usage, and an analysis of feasible improvement strategies. The study will ultimately result in concepts to be advanced for implementation. Currently, the FDOT study team is gathering data and inviting stakeholder input on the US 41 CMASS goals and objectives and measures of effectiveness.

2. Bradenton Palmetto Connector

Ms. Gail Woods, TranSystems, explained the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District One, is conducting several projects in partnership with the Sarasota/Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and local governments to holistically enhance the multimodal transportation network within Sarasota and Manatee Counties. The Bradenton-Palmetto Connector Alternative Corridor Evaluation (ACE) & Project Development and Design (PD&E) Study is part of this program. The Study will evaluate corridors and alternatives to address regional congestion within Manatee County between the cities of Bradenton and Palmetto. Each corridor will be evaluated on their ability to meet the project purpose and need and quantify their impacts on the social, cultural, natural, and physical environment to enhance multimodal mobility and safety conditions. The website for the Study is live: http://swflroads.com/bpcconnector/faqs.html.

3. SR 780 Fruitville Road Corridor Vision Plan

Ms. Bessie Reina, FDOT, and Mr. Wiatt Bowers (virtual), FDOT, provided a presentation regarding the SR 780 Fruitville Road Corridor Vision Plan:

- The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District One is preparing a Corridor Vision Plan for SR 780 (Fruitville Road) in Sarasota County, for a length of approximately 6 miles from US 301 to just east of I-75.
- This plan would evaluate the existing conditions of the corridor including traffic/safety, socioeconomic and cultural resources, and multi-modal connections and opportunities.
- The plan will also assess the land use adjacent to the corridor, local municipal policies (e.g., Community Redevelopment Areas), concurrent planning, and public input.
- The goal is to formulate a Corridor Vision Plan that will be reflective of where the community would like to be and how FDOT, as a partner, can better understand the area's needs.
- More information may be found on the project's website: SR 780 (Fruitville Road) Corridor Vision Plan (swflroads.com)

Ms. Bessie Reina stated FDOT will be looking for a resolution of support from the MPO Board and asked for the BPTAC to recommend the Board's support of the Plan through a resolution. This would allow FDOT to continue forward; FDOT is also seeking resolutions of support from the City and County of Sarasota. Discussion ensued regarding cyclist's safety versus motorized vehicles and pedestrians versus E-Bikes and wanting more information regarding same before supporting the plan. It was determined that the plan, along with a sample of a resolution of support, be brought back to the next BPTAC meeting for consideration.

b. MPO Report

1. Destination Zero

Mr. Ryan Brown, MPO, stated Destination Zero is the Sarasota/Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization's (MPO) effort to reduce traffic-related deaths and serious injuries. The Destination Zero Action Plan identifies strategies and actions to help the MPO and its partner agencies achieve its goal. MPOs are uniquely positioned by having the ability to bring together key stakeholders and facilitate regional discussions of safety issues, provide training, and to further embed safety in the regional culture. They can use this unique positioning to emphasize a safety-first approach in planning, design, and policy-setting and can encourage expanded collaboration between state, local, and community partners. The MPO and its partners are taking steps towards committing to Destination Zero and advancing efforts to reduce traffic-related deaths and serious injuries.

The MPO has an established long-term objective to reduce traffic-related fatalities and serious injuries, with a goal of zero. To aid in the success of attaining this goal, the MPO developed the Destination Zero Action Plan. The Plan utilized a data-driven approach to identify actionable strategies that consider the 6E's: Engineering; Enforcement; Education; Equity; Emergency Response; and Engagement.

This action plan will serve as the roadmap leading the MPO and its partners to the goal of zero fatalities and serious injuries from traffic crashes by 2045. Additionally, the MPO's efforts lead to strategies and an educational framework for the MPO's partner jurisdictions to catalyze the development of their own plans and efforts. The Destination Zero Action Plan may be found at: https://www.mympo.org/files/216/DZ-Action-Plan/1547/FINAL-DRAFT---Destination-Zero-Action-Plan.pdf

2. National Bike Month – May

   Ms. Nina Venter, MPO, stated the "Ride of Silence" is held during "National Bike Month" to raise awareness of bicyclists having the legal right to public roadways and to also show respect for and honor the lives of those who have been killed or injured. For more information please visit: https://www.bikeleague.org/bikemonth

   A "Ride of Silence" will be held in Manatee County and Sarasota County on May 18, 2022 at 6:30 p.m., each location will have a slowed paced silent ride of about 4 miles. Sarasota County location: Robarts Arena parking lot, 3000 Ringling Boulevard, Sarasota. Manatee County location: Amphitheater at G.T. Bray Park, 2811 51st Street West, Bradenton.

c. MPO Trails Studies

1. SR 64/Manatee Avenue Area and Fruitville Road/University Parkway Area

   Mr. Franco Saraceno, Kittelson & Associates, stated the Sarasota/Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) kicked off two trail alignment studies on January 17, 2022. The MPO has contracted Kittelson & Associates, Inc. to conduct the two shared-use trail feasibility studies in Manatee and Sarasota Counties. The studies will determine feasible alignment options to increase connectivity to the SUN Trail Network and expand our local trail networks. Expanding the trail networks in this area will improve bicycle and pedestrian safety, provide more multi modal options, and support the economic vitality of nearby businesses.

   To date, informational interviews with over twenty stakeholders in both Counties have been completed; and the first of three Project Advisory Group meetings will be hosted on April 20, 2022. In the current project stage, geospatial data are being analyzed, existing conditions are being evaluated, and a public survey is active. The trails studies will include a second public survey, as well as a public workshop. The final product will result in a preferred alignment of the proposed trail connections in each study area. The study websites and surveys can be found at the following links:

   - SR 64/Manatee Avenue Area Study – www.publicinput.com/ManateeTrailsStudy
   - Fruitville Road/University Parkway Area Study – www.publicinput.com/SarasotaTrailsStudy

Once Around the Table

- Mr. Rich Garrett noted there have been 3 bicycle accidents caused by construction debris in the Lakewood Ranch area and encouraged riders to be careful.
- Ms. Maika Arnold stated the Town of Longboat Key has joined the SR 789/Gulf of Mexico Drive Corridor Study and has hired Kimley Horn with Ms. Colleen McGue as the point of contact. The next step will be to hold a public meeting to go over the concepts and then hopefully adoption later this year or next.

Adjournment

Having no further business, the BPTAC meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Appendix C:

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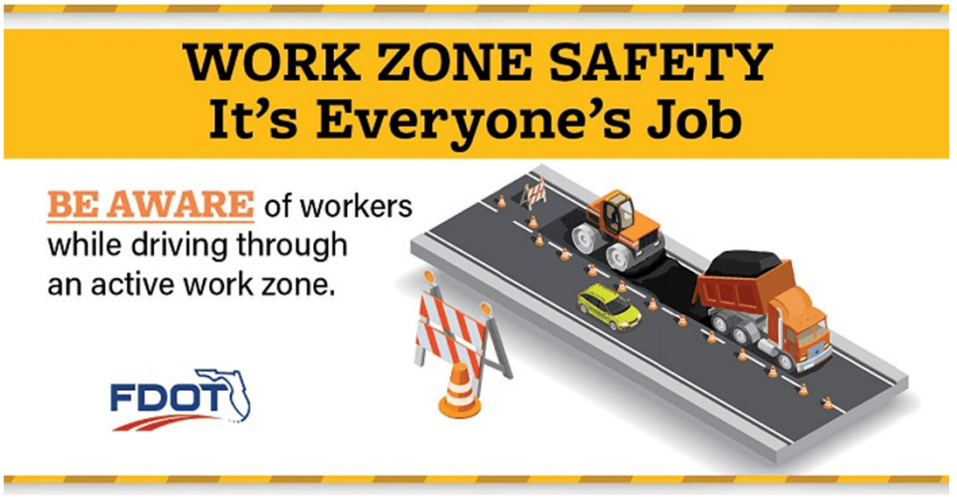

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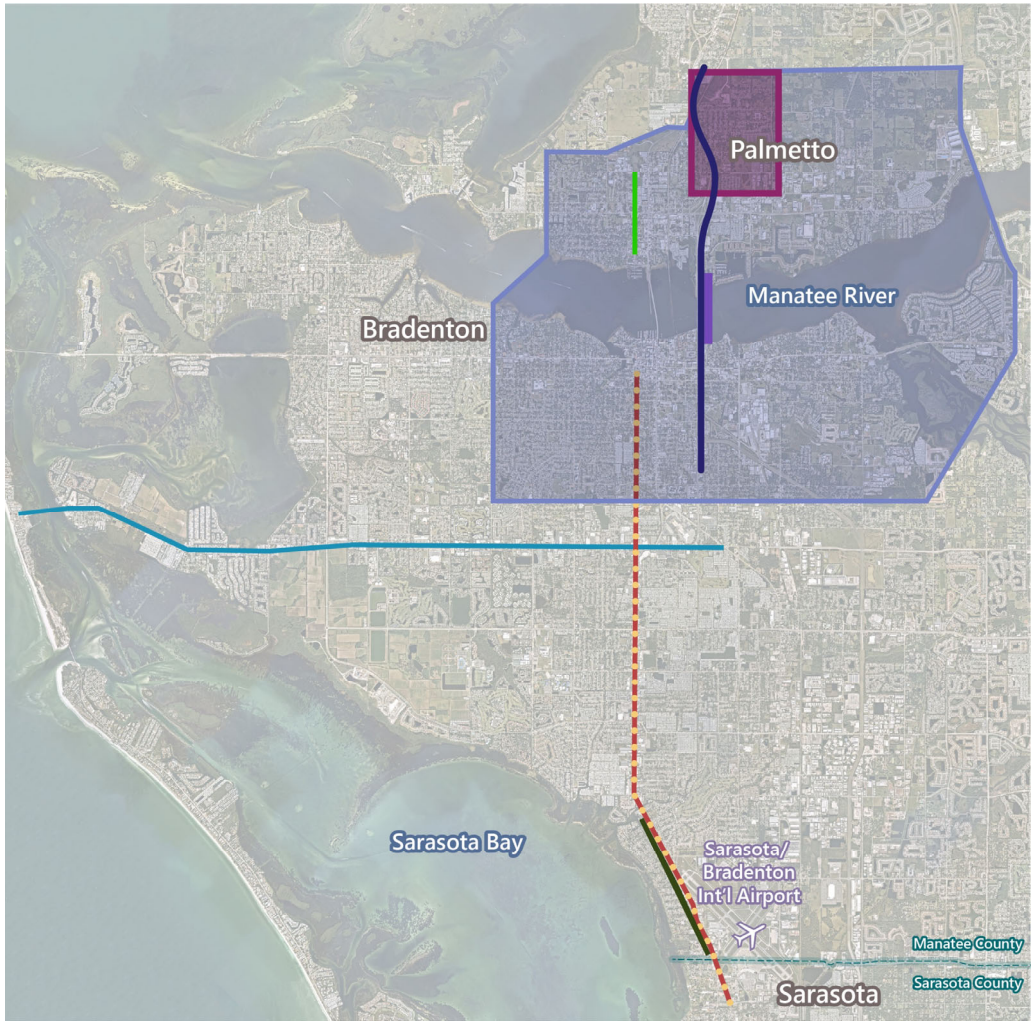

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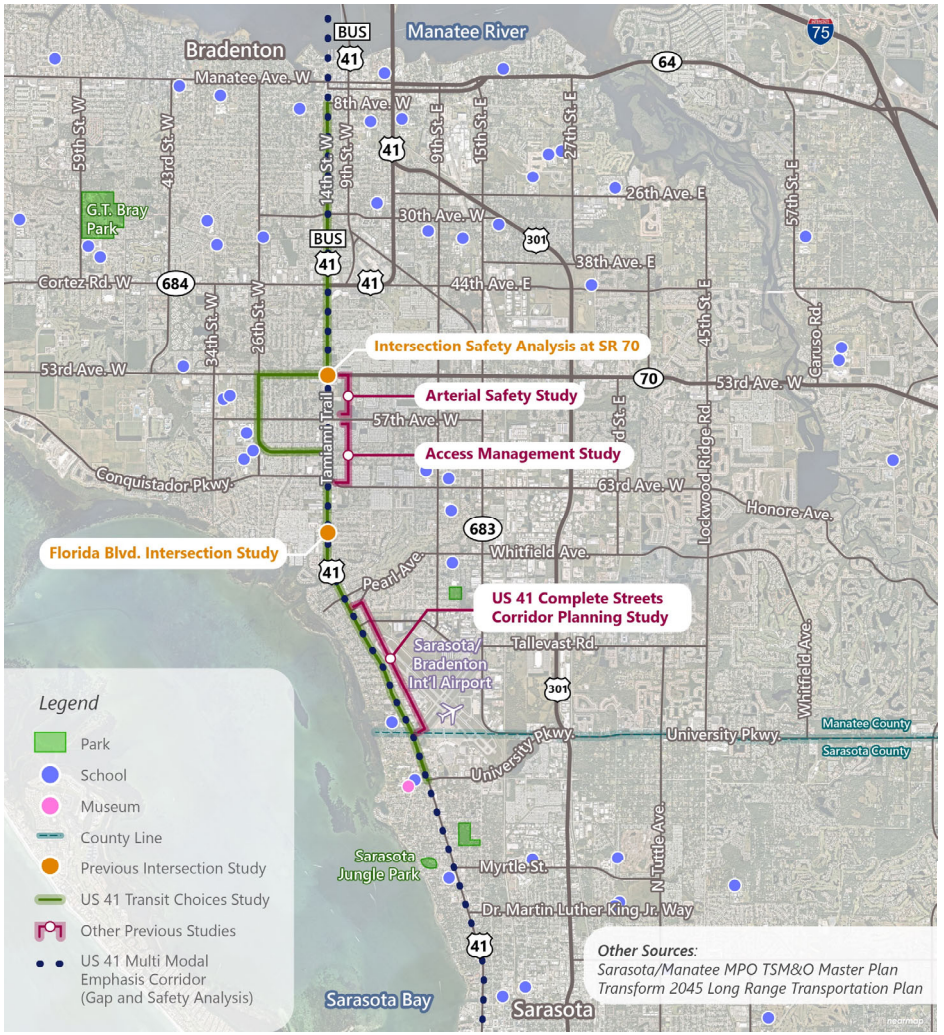

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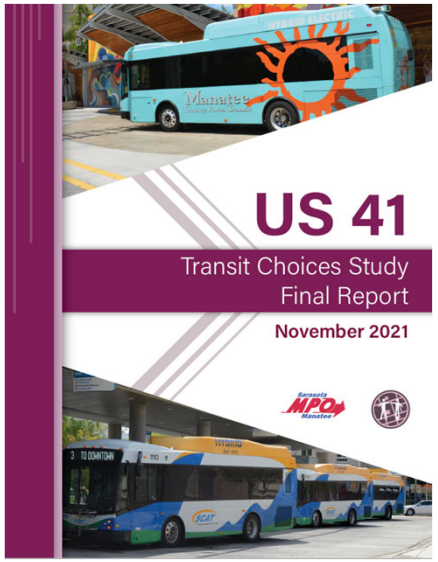
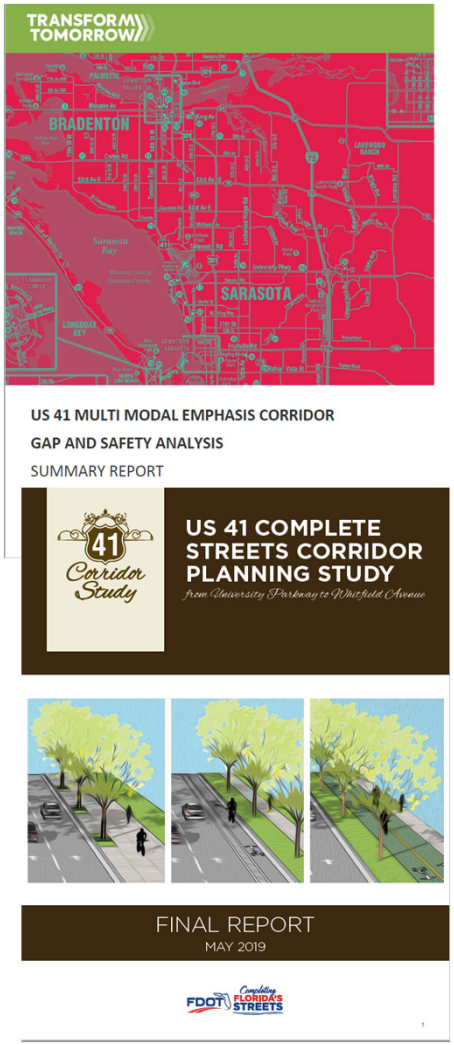


US 41 Transit Choices Study

- Transit signal priority, dedicated lanes, stop modifications, bus operation (low, medium, and high) investment projects
- Development of a concept of operations
- Implementation of a demonstration project
- Agency coordination

US 41 Complete Streets Corridor Planning Study

- Support for implementation of bicycle and pedestrian facilities, intersection improvements, landscaping, and access management
- Evaluated 4 lane facility with various bicycle and pedestrian improvements
- Intersection improvements at University Parkway and at Tallevast Road



Previous Study Findings

Arterial Safety Study

- Provide designated / high visibility crosswalks
- Install lighting
- Provide advanced street name signs
- Evaluate Signal Timing / Phasing, including Pedestrian Phasing
- Add supplemental nearside signal heads at Cortez Road
- Include dilemma zone detection
- Provide ADA improvements for all curb ramps and pedestrian push button assemblies
- Increase signage
- Conduct speed zone study to reduce speed limit
- Convert continuous two-way left-turn lane to a raised median
- Add bike lanes

Access Management Study

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Intersection Safety Studies

- US 41 at SR 70 (53rd Ave)
  - Convert northbound and southbound protected/permissive left turn phasing to protected only
- US 41 at Florida Blvd
  - Perform access management study within influence area
  - Install lighting at intersections and approaches
  - Restriping crosswalks
  - Change signal phasing
  - Advanced street names
  - Enhance signal visibility

US 41 CMASS Overview

Project Purpose

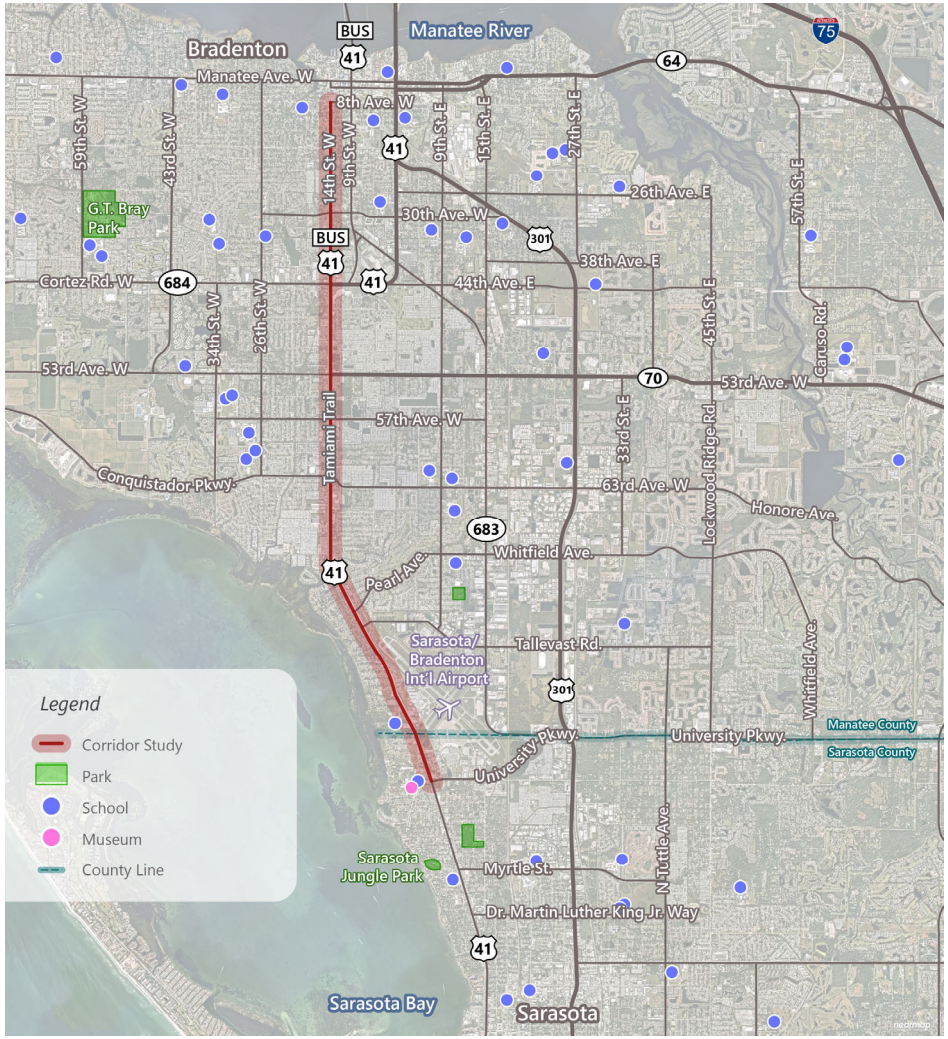
- Enhance multimodal mobility and safety along the US 41/US 41 Business corridor from University Parkway to 8th Avenue W
- Advance transit service/operation strategies along the US 41/US 41 Business corridor
- Improve access and interconnectivity within neighborhoods/areas adjacent to US 41/US 41 Business from the transit center at the Sarasota Bradenton International Airport to the Bradenton transit hub, including the Desoto Mall transit hub
- Develop corridor concepts
- Develop implementation strategies

US 41 CMASS Overview

Project Status: Feasibility Study – Phase I

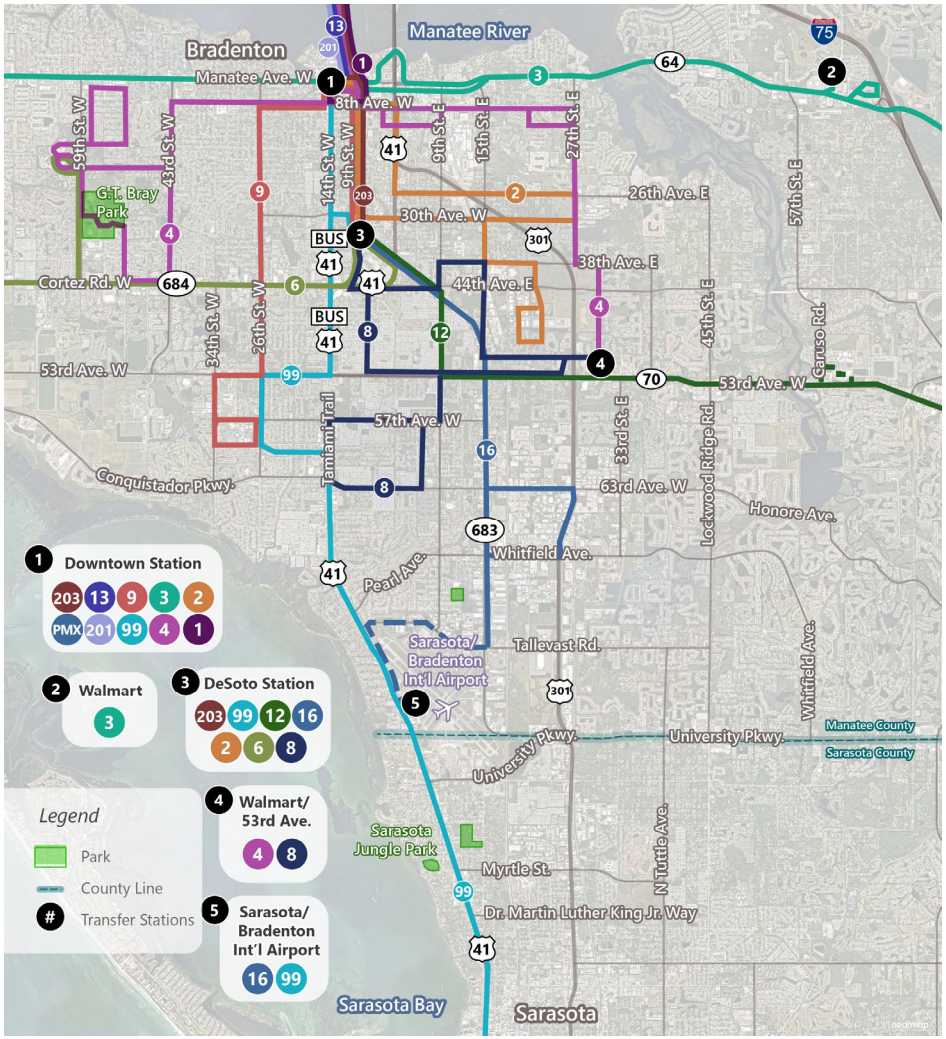
Key Milestones:

- Public Outreach - Ongoing
  - MPO Board and Committee Meetings
  - Project Working Group Meetings
  - Stakeholder Meetings
  - Conduct Questionnaire
- Develop Goals & Objectives and Measures of Effectiveness
- Existing Conditions Data Collection and Assessment
- Develop Corridor/Neighborhood Strategies
- Phase I Completion: Late Spring 2023
- Phase 2: Develop Concepts for Implementation



Manatee County Area Transit

- Route 99 Bradenton-Sarasota
  - Runs length of study area
  - 20-minute AM and PM Peak Period service started Dec 2021
  - New Sunday service proposed starting in 2026
- Stations Near Project
  - Downtown Station – northern limit of US 41 CMASS
  - DeSoto Station
  - Sarasota-Bradenton International Airport Station



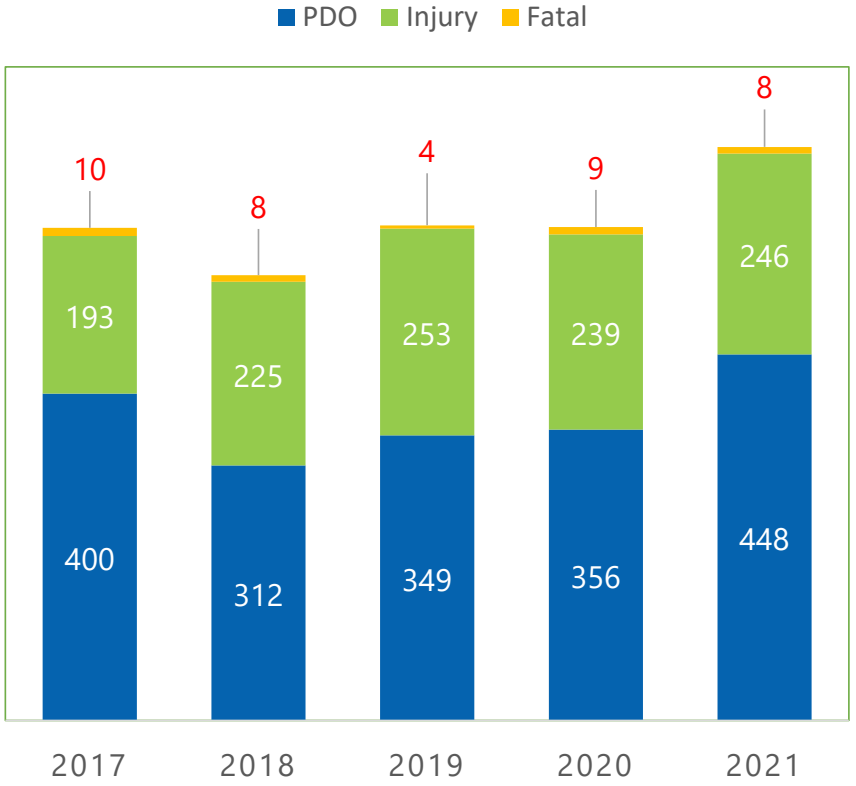
Historical Crash Analysis

- Total of 3,060 crashes in 5 years (2017-2021)
  - Major types – Rear-end, Left turn, Sideswipe, Angles and Off-road
  - 39 fatalities (15 DUI related); 1,156 injuries (38%)
  - 112 ped/bike related
  - 1,865 property damage
  - 2,009 Intersection crashes (65.5% of total)

Five segments are listed as
FDOT District One Fatal Top 20 Segments

- 63rd Ave W to 55th Ave W; Ranked #1
- 55th Ave W to Orlando Ave; Ranked #2
- Magellan Dr to 63rd Ave W; Ranked #8
- County line to Scott Ave; Ranked #9
- Orlando Ave to 30th Ave W; Ranked #11

TOTAL CRASHES BY SEVERITY AND YEAR



Source: Signal Four Analytics

Local Comprehensive Plans

Agency	Policies/Objectives Stated in Agency Comprehensive Plans	Goals/Policies Directly Related to CMASS
City of Sarasota	Transportation Element Objective 3.0 Multimodal Transportation	The City shall continue to support and promote multiple modes of transportation, in coordination with other units of local government and the private sector, including handicapped-accessible mass transit, bicycle lanes, and pedestrian pathways to all existing and proposed major trip generators.
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Manatee County	Transportation Element Objective 5.6.6 Transit as an Attractive, Convenient Alternative to Single Occupancy Vehicles	Reduce traffic congestion along constrained transportation corridors, intersections and downtown areas, promote economic development through provision of convenient and accessible transit linking employees with employment centers, and reduce pollution through the integration of the walking, bicycling, and transit systems.
Sarasota County	Mobility Element Objective 1.3 Interconnected Transportation System Objective 1.4 Complete Streets	The County shall provide for a safe, convenient, energy-efficient, interconnected, multi-modal transportation system that will enable County residents the opportunity to live and travel utilizing an integrated, intermodal transportation system based on complete streets design principles and the latest technological innovations and trends including sharing of vehicles and bicycles.

Goals and Objectives

Previous Studies and Local Planning Agency:

Goals/Objectives	Source
• Identify a system of improvements that will support regional mobility and safe and comfortable travel by all modes • Improve bicycle and pedestrian facilities • Improve access to transit stops • Improve access to destinations along the corridor including connections to USF Sarasota-Manatee • Maintain mobility along the corridor	US 41 Complete Streets Corridor Planning Study
• Increase access to bus stops and transfer stations • Increase availability of park-n-rides • Expand transportation options to reduce auto use • Promote projects that reduce travel time	Sarasota/Manatee County MPO LRTP, US 41 Transit Choices Study, US 41 Multi-modal Emphasis Corridor (MMEC) Gap and Safety Analysis
• Increase safety across all modes of travel • Increase travel reliability, reduce congestion, and establish clear performance metrics	Transportation System Management and Operations (TSM&O) Master Plan
• Continue to expand and enhance existing sidewalk and bicycle facility networks • Establish target speeds on key corridors	Destination Zero Action Plan
• Identify technology and capital projects that will improve the speed, efficiency, and reliability of fixed-route public transportation services operating within the corridor • Ensure equity in all transportation decisions • Expand access to essential services and affordable housing • Improve access for persons with disabilities	US 41 Transit Choices Study

Goals and Objectives

Potential Goals and Objectives for US 41 CMASS:

- Enhance multimodal mobility and safety for all users
- Advance transit service/operation strategies along the study corridor
- Improve transportation network access and interconnectivity within neighborhoods, adjacent areas, and transit centers

Measures of Effectiveness

Potential Measures of Effectiveness for US 41 CMASS:

- Improve multimodal Level of Service (LOS)
- Reduce rate of fatalities and serious injuries
- Enhance ADA accessibility and provide sidewalk connections to transit
- Improve sidewalk conditions in accordance with FDOT Design Manual (FDM), Florida Greenbook, and local standards
- Increase overall corridor travel time reliability
- Increase transit reliability during peak hours

Thank you!

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Sarasota/Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization
Citizen Advisory Network Meeting

DATE: Monday, May 9, 2022 **TIME:** 5:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Sarasota/Manatee MPO
8100 15th Street East
Sarasota, Florida 34243

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Doug Christy, Chair, Sarasota County Representative

MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Slade Downs, MPO, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. A quorum was not present.

Members Present
Darin Autrey, City of Bradenton
Sara Calhoun, Holmes Beach-ITPO
Bob Gause, City of Palmetto
Gerald Noeske, Manatee County

MPO Staff Present
Ryan Brown
Slade Downs
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David Hutchinson
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Remote Participation
Lauren Brooks
Alyssa Gay, Manatee County

Others
Eddie Abrams, Citizen
Wiatt Bowes, Atkins
Franco Saraceno, Kittelson & Associates
Amy Sirmans, VHB

Public Comment
Mr. Slade Downs, MPO, introduced Mr. Eddie Abrams, who will be joining the CAN as a representative to the Town of Longboat Key once his appointment is ratified by the MPO Board. Mr. Eddie Abrams stated he retired after 48 years in the engineering business and ran a consulting engineering firm in Virginia Beach, Virginia. Since moving to the Longboat key area he has become very active in his community.

Approval of Minutes for May 10, 2021, September 13, 2021, October 24, 2021, January 10, 2022, and February 14, 2022
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Due the lack of a quorum, CAN Members were encouraged to fill out comment cards on each of the Review Items; none were received.

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b. MPO Report

1. MPO Trails Studies

   Mr. Franco Saraceno, Kittelson & Associates, stated the Sarasota/Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) kicked off two trail alignment studies on January 17, 2022. The MPO has contracted Kittelson & Associates, Inc. to conduct the two shared-use trail feasibility studies in Manatee and Sarasota Counties. The studies will determine feasible alignment options to increase connectivity to the SUN Trail Network and expand our local trail networks. Expanding the trail networks in this area will improve bicycle and pedestrian safety, provide more multi modal options, and support the economic vitality of nearby businesses.

   To date, informational interviews with over twenty stakeholders in both Counties have been completed; and the first of three Project Advisory Group meetings was hosted on April 20th. In the current project stage, geospatial data are being analyzed, existing conditions are being evaluated, and a public survey is active. The trails studies will include a second public survey, as well as a public workshop. The final product will result in a preferred alignment of the proposed trail connections in each study area.

   The study websites and surveys can be found at the following links:
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   - Fruitville Road/University Parkway Area Study – www.publicinput.com/SarasotaTrailsStudy

2. Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Resiliency/Vulnerability Assessment Study

   Mr. Slade Downs, MPO, explained that as recommended in the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) and 2018 Security Assessment Report, the LRTP Resiliency/Vulnerability Assessment Study is underway. The purpose of this project is to develop and apply new methods that integrate resilient corridor planning with transportation planning and decision making in order to assess and mitigate risks from all hazards that affect the Sarasota/Manatee region's transportation system. Vulnerability, risk, and mitigation-evaluation methods and tools are being developed and applied to the region based on lessons-learned and guidance provided by experts, stakeholders, and All-Hazards Recovery Training.

   Implementation programs based on these analyses will be developed, including recommendations to incorporate vulnerability into the MPO's project prioritization process. The resulting methods, tools, processes, and recommendations will be documented, and training provided for MPO staff and jurisdictions to develop transportation resiliency plans for the Sarasota/Manatee transportation system and to enhance local and regional hazard mitigation plans. The Final Report will be presented to the TAC and MPO Board in September.

2022 Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Due to lack of a quorum this item was deferred.

Adjournment

Having no further business, the CAN meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Sarasota/Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization
Technical Advisory Committee Meeting

DATE: Monday, May 9, 2022 **TIME:** 10:00 a.m.

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Paula Wiggins, Chair, Sarasota County

MEETING MINUTES

Chair Paula Wiggins called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. A quorum was present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Self-introductions were made.

Members Present
Amy Anderson, Sarasota County Schools
Maika Arnold, Town of Longboat Key
Isaac Brownman, Town of Longboat Key
Joel Carranza, City of Bradenton
Alvimarie Corales, City of Sarasota
Clarke Davis, Manatee County
Anthony Friedman, City of North Port
Megan Lui, Sarasota County Area Transit
Susan Montgomery, Manatee County Area Transit
Dan Ohrenstein, City of Sarasota
Kathleen Weeden, City of Venice
Paula Wiggins, Sarasota County

Advisory Members Present
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Victoria Peters, FDOT
Bessie Reina, FDOT
Michelle Rutishauser, FDOT

Remote Participation
Colleen McGue, Kimley Horn
Brian Pessaro, TBARTA
Kate Widness, Kimley Horn

Others
Gail Woods, TransSystems
Betty Ann Sherer, Charlotte County-Punta Gorda MPO
Wiatt Bowes, Atkins
Franco Saraceno, Kittelson & Associates

Staff Present
Ryan Brown
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Public Comment
None.

Approval of Minutes for February 14, 2022
Chair Paula Wiggins entertained a motion to adopt the minutes.

Ms. Amy Anderson: I move to approve the minutes.

Ms. Kathleen Weeden: I second the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

Action Items

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Ms. Alvimarie Corales, City of Sarasota, stated regarding Main Street and Ringling Boulevard roundabouts on US 41, does show up on this TIP, but in the State TIP the project has $2.5 million in outer years and that is not reflected in this TIP. Mr. Ryan Brown, MPO, responded this was brought up to Ms. Tanya Merkle and Mr Wayne Gaither, of FDOT, where those funds are hopefully will have the answers in a couple of weeks.

Chair Paula Wiggins asked for a description for the 3 Sarasota County projects in the TIP that state "safety approved projects: 1) US 301 from 12th Street to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Way; 2) Fruitville Road at Beneva Road; and 3) SR 683 at University Parkway. She also asked if the safety dollars for Venice Avenue and Pinebrook could be switched to construction. Mr. Ryan Brown responded he would get with Ms. Tanya Merkle, FDOT, (Ms. Merkle is on vacation) to get the answers to Chair Wiggins' questions.

Mr. Clark Davis: I move to recommend MPO Board adoption of the FY 2022/23-2026/27 TIP including any comments received.

Ms. Alvimarie Corales: I second the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

b. Joint Transportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP) Project Priority Lists

Mr. Ryan Brown, MPO, explained the Transportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP) was created to improve regionally significant transportation facilities in "regional transportation areas." State funds are available throughout Florida to provide incentives for local governments and the private sector to help pay for critically needed projects that benefit regional travel and commerce. The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) will pay up to 50 percent of the non-federal share of project costs for public transportation facility projects.

The Sarasota/Manatee MPO has interlocal agreements with the Charlotte County-Punta Gorda MPO and the Polk TPO (via the TBARTA MPOs Chairs Coordinating Committee) for joint regional transportation planning and coordination and asks that FDOT attempt to award TRIP funding on an equitable basis.

Mr. Slade Downs, MPO, noted on the Charlotte County-Punta Gorda MPO (CCPG MPO) TRIP List, their #10 project was originally estimated at $4.5 million but has been updated to $5 million.

Chair Paula Wiggins requested to reorder the Sarasota County projects on the Joint TRIP List with the Charlotte County-Punta Gorda MPO: to #1 from #8 Fruitville Road; to #2 from #7 Lorraine Road from Palmer Boulevard; to #3 from #2 Honore Avenue; and to #4 from #5 Lorraine Road from SR 72/Clark Road; this would not affect ranking of the other projects on the list. Mr. Brown stated this would not be a problem.

Mr. Dan Ohrenstein: I move to recommend MPO Board approval of the Joint TRIP Project Priority Lists with the requested changes.

Ms. Maika Arnold: I second the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

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b. MPO Report

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Mr. Slade Downs, MPO, stated Destination Zero is the Sarasota/Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization's (MPO) effort to reduce traffic-related deaths and serious injuries. He announced the City of Holmes Beach unanimously voted to endorse the Destination Zero Action Plan. The Destination Zero Action Plan identifies strategies and actions to help the MPO and its partner agencies achieve its goal. MPOs are uniquely positioned by having the ability to bring together key stakeholders and facilitate regional discussions of safety issues, provide training, and to further embed safety in the regional culture. They can use this unique positioning to emphasize a safety-first approach in planning, design, and policy-setting and can encourage expanded collaboration between state, local, and community partners. The MPO and its partners are taking steps towards committing to Destination Zero and advancing efforts to reduce traffic-related deaths and serious injuries.

The MPO has an established long-term objective to reduce traffic-related fatalities and serious injuries, with a goal of zero by 2045. To aid in the success of attaining this goal, the MPO developed the Destination Zero Action Plan. The Plan utilized a data-driven approach to identify actionable strategies that consider the 6E's: Engineering; Enforcement; Education; Equity; Emergency Response; and Engagement.

This action plan will serve as the roadmap leading the MPO and its partners to the goal of zero fatalities and serious injuries from traffic crashes. Additionally, the MPO's efforts lead to strategies and an educational framework for the MPO's partner jurisdictions to catalyze the development of their own plans and efforts. The Destination Zero Action Plan may be found at: https://www.mympo.org/files/216/DZ-Action-Plan/1547/FINAL-DRAFT--Destination-Zero-Action-Plan.pdf

2. MPO Trails Studies

Mr. Franco Saraceno, Kittelson & Associates, stated the Sarasota/Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) kicked off two trail alignment studies on January 17, 2022. The MPO has contracted Kittelson & Associates, Inc. to conduct the two shared-use trail feasibility studies in Manatee and Sarasota Counties. The studies will determine feasible alignment options to increase connectivity to the SUN Trail Network and expand our local trail networks. Expanding the trail networks in this area will improve bicycle and pedestrian safety, provide more multi modal options, and support the economic vitality of nearby businesses.

To date, informational interviews with over twenty stakeholders in both Counties have been completed; and the first of three Project Advisory Group meetings on April 20th was hosted. In the current project stage, geospatial data are being analyzed, existing conditions are being evaluated, and a public survey is active. The trails studies will include a second public survey, as well as a public workshop. The final product will result in a preferred alignment of the proposed trail connections in each study area.

The study websites and surveys can be found at the following links:

- SR 64/Manatee Avenue Area Study – www.publicinput.com/ManateeTrailsStudy
- Fruitville Road/University Parkway Area Study – www.publicinput.com/SarasotaTrailsStudy

3. Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Resiliency/Vulnerability Assessment Study

Ms. Colleen McGue and Ms. Kate Widness (virtually) of Kimley-Horn explained that as recommended in the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) and 2018 Security Assessment Report, the LRTP Resiliency/Vulnerability Assessment Study is underway. The purpose of this project is to develop and apply new methods that integrate resilient corridor planning with transportation planning and decision making in order to assess and mitigate risks from all hazards that affect the Sarasota/Manatee region's transportation system. Vulnerability, risk, and mitigation-evaluation methods and tools are being developed and applied to the region based on lessons-learned and guidance provided by experts, stakeholders, and All-Hazards Recovery Training.

Implementation programs based on these analyses will be developed, including recommendations to incorporate vulnerability into the MPO's project prioritization process. The resulting methods, tools, processes, and recommendations will be documented, and training provided for MPO staff and jurisdictions to develop

transportation resiliency plans for the Sarasota/Manatee transportation system and to enhance local and regional hazard mitigation plans. The Final Report will be presented to the TAC and MPO Board in September.

c. Once Around the Table
   - Ms. Megan Lui stated Sarasota County Area Transit (SCAT) will be going before its Board with information regarding rebranding of SCAT.
   - Ms. Alvimarie Corales stated in April the City of Sarasota submitted a RAISE Grant for 10th Street and Boulevard of the Arts and should hear back in August. Also, looking to partner for Safe Streets for All funding as a multijurisdictional approach, the City of Sarasota would like to work with the MPO on a partnership and Destination Zero.
   - Mr. Ryan Brown noted the new 2 year Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), which is the MPO's budget, is posted on the MPO's website for review and comment.

Adjourn

Having no further business, the TAC meeting adjourned at 11:56 a.m.

Appendix D:

Sarasota/Manatee MPO, Manatee County Board of County Commissioners, & Bradenton City Council – Presentation on US 41 CMASS & Meeting Minutes

Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS)

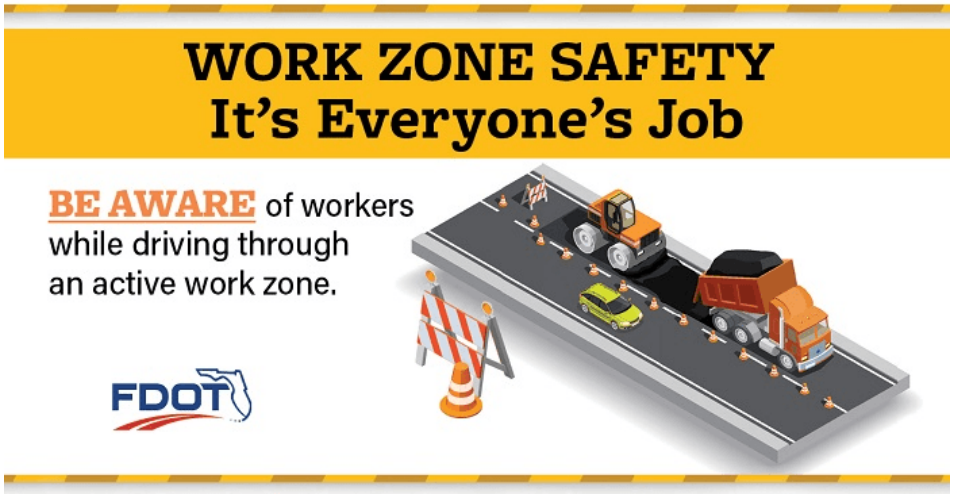
From University Parkway to 17th Street W

Florida Department of Transportation – District One
FPID: 440154-1-21-01

Distracted Driving and Work Zone Awareness

WHAT IS DISTRACTED DRIVING?

ANY activity that can take a person's attention from the primary task of driving



Meeting Agenda

- Current Area Projects
- Previous Studies Overview
- US 41 CMASS Overview
- Goals and Objectives
- Measures of Effectiveness
- Open Discussion

US 41 CMASS

FPID: 440154-1-21-01

Current Area Projects

- Sarasota/Manatee US 41 CMASS [440154-1 - This project]
- US 41 Transit Choices Concept of Operations (ConOps) [MPO Study]
- 10th Avenue Complete Street Design [FPID: 433142-2]
- Desoto Bridge PD&E Study [FPID: 442630-1]
- Palmetto Trails Network Project Development & Environment (PD&E) [FPID: 444857-1]
- Bradenton-Palmetto Connector Alternative Corridor Evaluation (ACE) Study [FPID: 444843-1]
- Cortez Corridor Visioning Plan [FPID Pending]
- Manatee Trail Alignment Study [MPO Study]
- Sarasota Trail Alignment Study [MPO Study]
- SR 55 (US 19) Resurfacing [FPID: 447379-1]
- US 41 Resurfacing [FPID: 444612-1]
- SR 683 (US 301) Resurfacing [FPID: 449113-1]
- SR 45 (US 41) Resurfacing [FPID: 449114-1]
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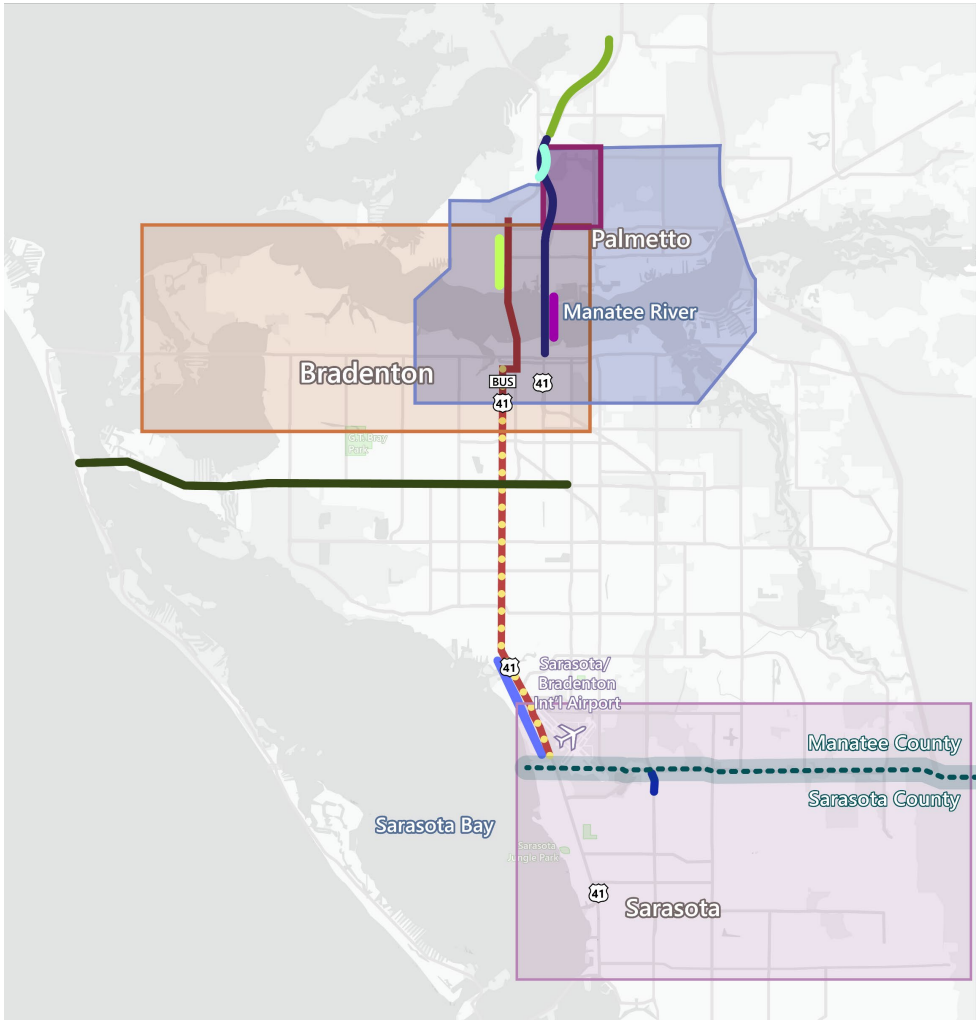


Previous Studies Overview

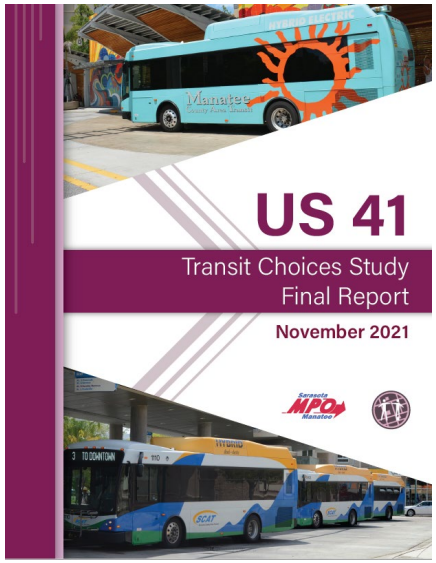
- US 41 Complete Streets Corridor Planning Study
- Arterial Safety Study
- Access Management Study
- Intersection Safety Studies
  - US 41 at Florida Boulevard
  - US 41 at SR 70 (53rd Ave)

- US 41 Multi Modal Emphasis Corridor (MMEC) Gap and Safety Analysis
- US 41 Transit Choices Study

Previous Studies Findings

US 41 Multi Modal Emphasis Corridor (MMEC)

- Crosswalk markings
- Roadway and intersection crosswalk lighting
- Signage
- Flashing yellow arrow
- Bus stop locations
- Right turn on red restrictions
- Driveway consolidation
- Innovative intersection designs
- Bikeway selection
- Speed management
- Signal timing and spacing
- Safe Transportation for Every Pedestrian (STEP)



US 41 Transit Choices Study

- Transit signal priority, dedicated lanes, stop modifications, bus operation (low, medium, and high) investment projects
- Development of a concept of operations
- Implementation of a demonstration project
- Agency coordination

US 41 Complete Streets Corridor Planning Study

- Support for implementation of bicycle and pedestrian facilities, intersection improvements, landscaping, and access management
- Evaluated 4 lane facility with various bicycle and pedestrian improvements
- Intersection improvements at University Parkway and at Tallevast Road

Arterial Safety Study

- Provide designated / high visibility crosswalks
- Install lighting
- Provide advanced street name signs
- Evaluate Signal Timing / Phasing, including Pedestrian Phasing
- Add supplemental nearside signal heads at Cortez Road
- Include dilemma zone detection
- Provide ADA improvements for all curb ramps and pedestrian push button assemblies
- Increase signage
- Conduct speed zone study to reduce speed limit
- Convert continuous two-way left-turn lane to a raised median
- Add bike lanes

Access Management Study

- Convert continuous two-way left-turn lane to a raised median

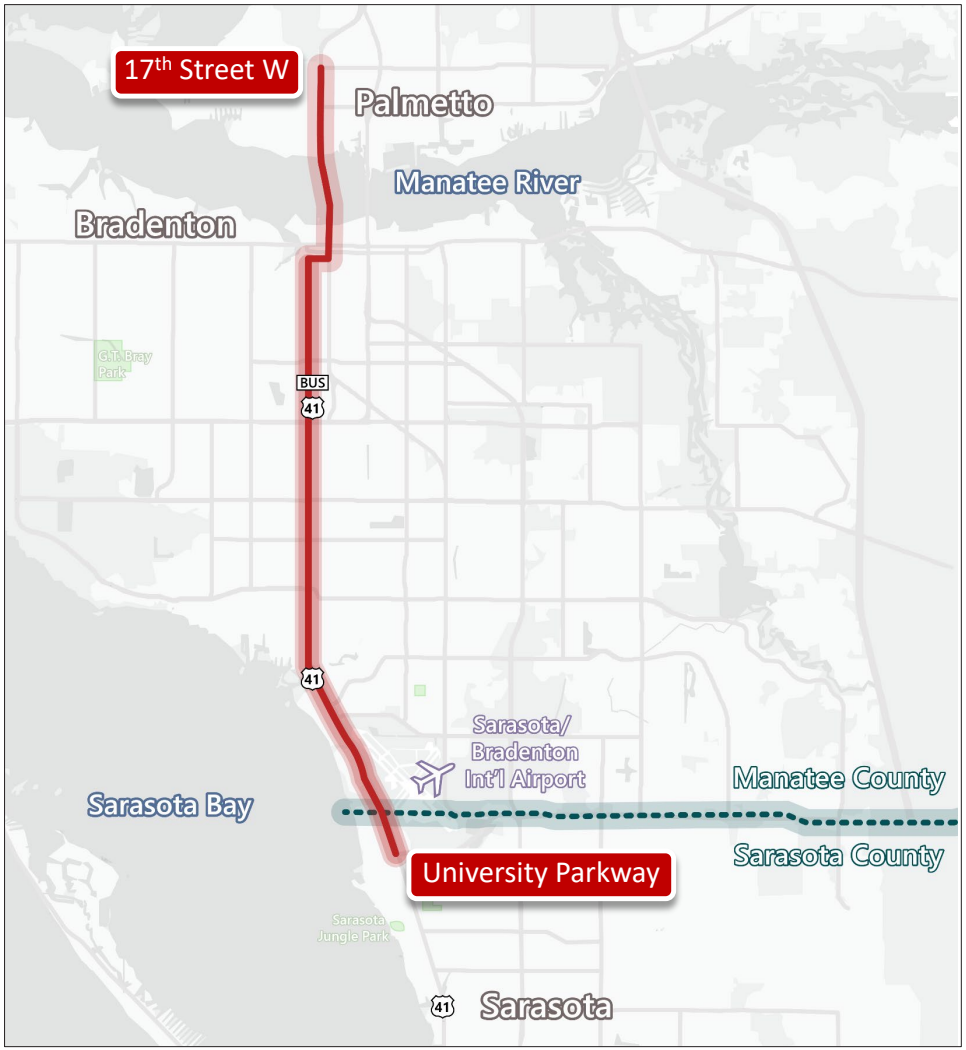
Intersection Safety Studies

- US 41 at SR 70 (53rd Ave)
  - Convert northbound and southbound protected/permissive left turn phasing to protected only
- US 41 at Florida Blvd
  - Perform access management study within influence area
  - Install lighting at intersections and approaches
  - Restriping crosswalks
  - Change signal phasing
  - Advanced street names
  - Enhance signal visibility

US 41 CMASS Overview

Project Purpose

- Enhance multimodal mobility and safety along the US 41/US 41 Business corridor from University Parkway in Sarasota to 17th Street W in Palmetto
- Advance transit service/operation strategies along the US 41/US 41 Business corridor
- Improve access and interconnectivity within neighborhoods/areas adjacent to US 41/US 41 Business from the transit center at the Sarasota Bradenton International Airport to the Bradenton transit hub, including the Desoto Mall transit hub
- Develop corridor concepts
- Develop implementation strategies



US 41 CMASS Overview

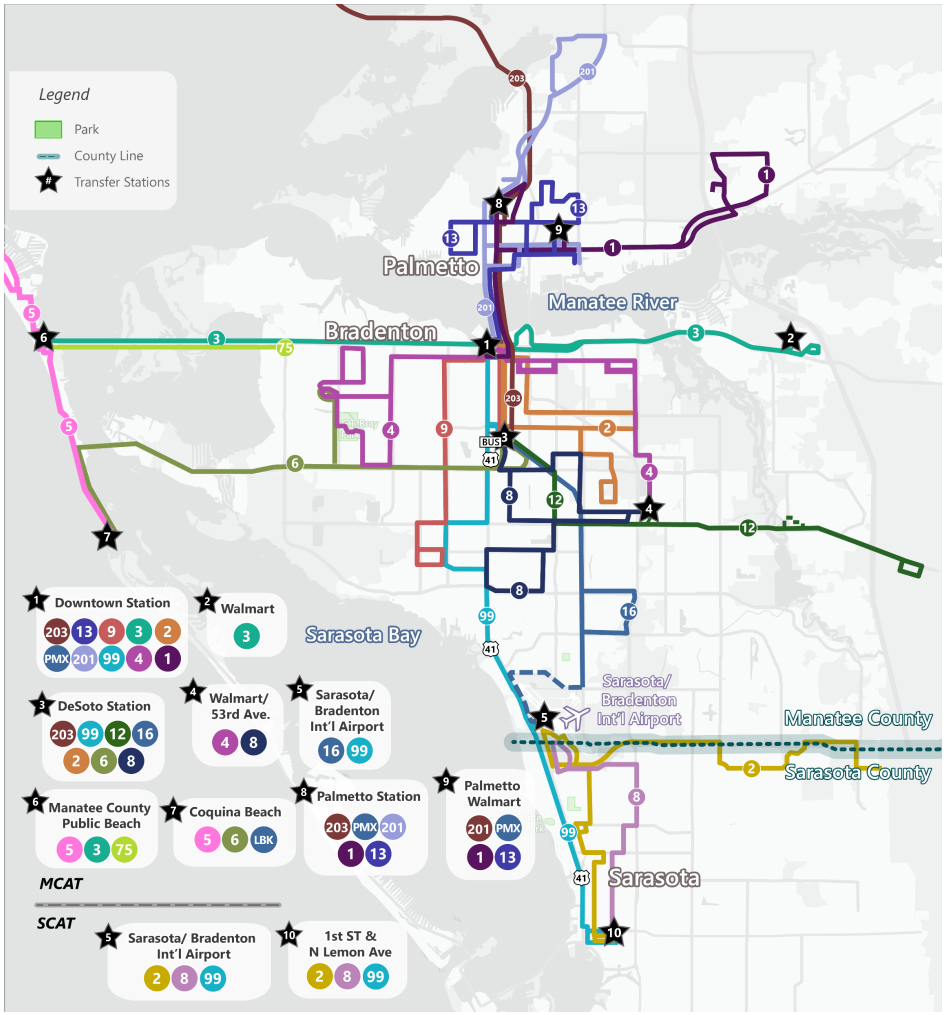
Project Status: Feasibility Study – Phase I

Key Milestones:

- Public Outreach - Ongoing
  - MPO Board and Committee Meetings
  - Project Working Group Meetings
  - Stakeholder Meetings
  - Conduct Questionnaire
- Develop Goals & Objectives and Measures of Effectiveness
- Existing Conditions Data Collection and Assessment
- Develop Corridor/Neighborhood Strategies
- Phase I Completion: Late Spring 2023
- Phase 2: Develop Concepts for Implementation

Area Transit Routes

- Route 99 Bradenton-Sarasota
  - Runs length of study area
  - 20-minute AM and PM Peak Period service started Dec 2021
  - New Sunday service proposed starting in 2026
- Stations Near Project
  - Downtown Station – northern limit of US 41 CMASS
  - DeSoto Station
  - Sarasota-Bradenton International Airport Station



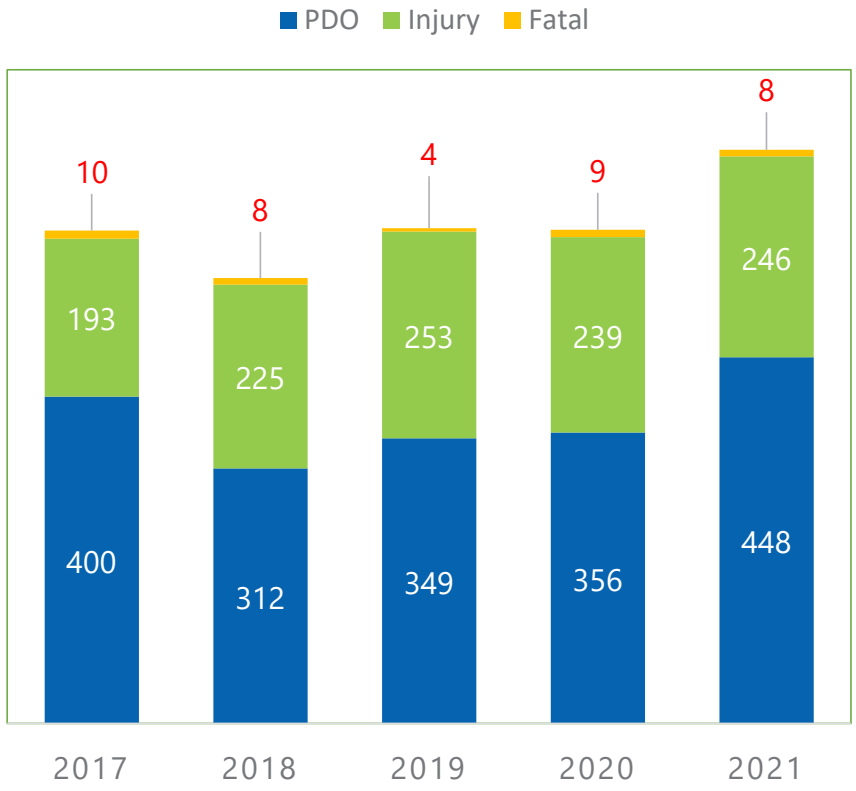
Historical Crash Analysis

- Total of 3,060 crashes in 5 years (2017-2021)
  - Major types – Rear-end, Left turn, Sideswipe, Angles and Off-road
  - 39 fatalities (15 DUI related); 1,156 injuries (38%)
  - 112 ped/bike related
  - 1,865 property damage
  - 2,009 Intersection crashes (65.5% of total)

Five segments are listed as
FDOT District One Fatal Top 20 Segments

- 63rd Ave W to 55th Ave W; Ranked #1
- 55th Ave W to Orlando Ave; Ranked #2
- Magellan Dr to 63rd Ave W; Ranked #8
- County line to Scott Ave; Ranked #9
- Orlando Ave to 30th Ave W; Ranked #11

TOTAL CRASHES BY SEVERITY AND YEAR



Source: Signal Four Analytics

Agency	Policies/Objectives Stated in Agency Comprehensive Plans	Goals/Policies Directly Related to CMASS
City of Sarasota	Transportation Element Objective 3.0 Multimodal Transportation	The City shall continue to support and promote multiple modes of transportation, in coordination with other units of local government and the private sector, including handicapped-accessible mass transit, bicycle lanes, and pedestrian pathways to all existing and proposed major trip generators.
City of Bradenton	Transportation Element Policy 1.6.8 Transit Operations and Service Area Policy 2.1.2 System Interconnectivity	The City will promote an interconnected, multimodal transportation system that transitions from a system focused on quickly moving motor vehicles toward a system that emphasizes the movement of people of all ages and abilities, whether those people choose to walk, bicycle, ride transit, drive a motor vehicle or use a new transportation mobility technology.
Manatee County	Transportation Element Objective 5.6.6 Transit as an Attractive, Convenient Alternative to Single Occupancy Vehicles	Reduce traffic congestion along constrained transportation corridors, intersections and downtown areas, promote economic development through provision of convenient and accessible transit linking employees with employment centers, and reduce pollution through the integration of the walking, bicycling, and transit systems.
Sarasota County	Mobility Element Objective 1.3 Interconnected Transportation System Objective 1.4 Complete Streets	The County shall provide for a safe, convenient, energy-efficient, interconnected, multi-modal transportation system that will enable County residents the opportunity to live and travel utilizing an integrated, intermodal transportation system based on complete streets design principles and the latest technological innovations and trends including sharing of vehicles and bicycles.

Goals and Objectives

Previous Studies and Local Planning Agency:

Goals/Objectives	Source
• Identify a system of improvements that will support regional mobility and safe and comfortable travel by all modes • Improve bicycle and pedestrian facilities • Improve access to transit stops • Improve access to destinations along the corridor including connections to USF Sarasota-Manatee • Maintain mobility along the corridor	US 41 Complete Streets Corridor Planning Study
• Increase access to bus stops and transfer stations • Increase availability of park-n-rides • Expand transportation options to reduce auto use • Promote projects that reduce travel time	Sarasota/Manatee County MPO LRTP, US 41 Transit Choices Study, US 41 Multi-modal Emphasis Corridor (MMEC) Gap and Safety Analysis
• Increase safety across all modes of travel • Increase travel reliability, reduce congestion, and establish clear performance metrics	Transportation System Management and Operations (TSM&O) Master Plan
• Continue to expand and enhance existing sidewalk and bicycle facility networks • Establish target speeds on key corridors	Destination Zero Action Plan
• Identify technology and capital projects that will improve the speed, efficiency, and reliability of fixed-route public transportation services operating within the corridor • Ensure equity in all transportation decisions • Expand access to essential services and affordable housing • Improve access for persons with disabilities	US 41 Transit Choices Study

Goals and Objectives

Potential Goals and Objectives for US 41 CMASS:

- Enhance multimodal mobility and safety for all users
- Advance transit service/operation strategies along the study corridor
- Improve transportation network access and interconnectivity within neighborhoods, adjacent areas, and transit centers

Potential Measures of Effectiveness for US 41 CMASS:

- Improve multimodal Level of Service (LOS)
- Reduce rate of fatalities and serious injuries
- Enhance ADA accessibility and provide sidewalk connections to transit
- Improve sidewalk conditions in accordance with FDOT Design Manual (FDM), Florida Greenbook, and local standards
- Increase overall corridor travel time reliability
- Increase transit reliability during peak hours

Thank you!

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Sarasota/Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization
May 23, 2022 MPO Governing Board Meeting

DATE: Monday, May 23, 2022

TIME: 9:32 a.m.

LOCATION: Holiday Inn
8009 15th Street East
Sarasota, Florida 34243

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MPO Chair, Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Manatee County

MEETING MINUTES MAY 23, 2022

Chair Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Manatee County, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. The invocation was provided by Commissioner Ron Cutsinger, Sarasota County, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Ms. Nanette Eubanks, Clerk to the Board, confirmed a quorum was present.

MEMBERS PRESENT

City of Bradenton
Mayor Gene Brown
Councilmember Bill Sanders

Island Transportation Planning Organization (ITPO: Anna Maria, Holmes Beach & Bradenton Beach)
Mayor Judy Titsworth

Town of Longboat Key
Vice Mayor Mike Haycock

Manatee County
Commissioner Vanessa Baugh
Commissioner Van Ostenbridge
Commissioner Misty Servia

City of North Port
Mayor Pete Emrich
Vice Mayor Barbara Langdon

City of Venice
Councilmember Joe Neunder

Sarasota County
Commissioner Ron Cutsinger

City of Sarasota
Commissioner Liz Alpert (Virtual)
Commissioner Jen Ahearn-Koch for
Mayor Erik Arroyo, City of Sarasota

FDOT District One Non-Voting Advisor
Secretary L.K. Nandam

MEMBERS ABSENT

Sarasota Manatee Airport Authority
Commissioner Carlos Beruff

City of Palmetto
Mayor Shirley Groover Bryant

Sarasota County
Commissioner Alan Maio
Commissioner Christian Ziegler

MPO Staff Present
Slade Downs, Multi Modal Planner (Virtual)
Nanette Eubanks, Clerk to the Board
David Hutchinson, Executive Director
David Machado, Fiscal Coordinator
Rachel McClain, Fiscal Technician (Virtual)
Wenonah Venter, Multi Modal Planner

Others Present
Taylor Cox, Benesch
Charles Hines, Florida Gulf Coast Trails
Tanya Merkle, FDOT
Colleen McGue, Kimley Horn
Richard "O.J." Oujevolk, FDOT
Franco Saraceno, Kittelson & Associates
Amy Sirmans, Kittelson & Asscoiates
Gail Woods, TranSystems

Ms. Nanette Eubanks noted, as referenced in MPO Bylaws, with a physical quorum, recognition of extraordinary circumstances and the Board's approval, Commissioner Liz Alpert will be able to vote remotely for this meeting.

Chair Vanessa Baugh entertained a motion to approve Commissioner Liz Alpert to vote remotely for this meeting.

Mayor Gene Brown: I move to approve Commissioner Liz Alpert to vote remotely.

Commissioner Joe Neunder: I second the motion.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. **Public Comment** (Items not on the agenda)
Mr. Charles Hines, Florida Gulf Coast Trails, provided an overview of the approved map for the Florida Gulf Coast Trail. The Trust for Public Land was instrumental in Sarasota County through the land deal and a referendum to build the Legacy Trail, which is now complete to downtown Sarasota and estimated to be completed into the City of North Port by August 2022. He stated there are a lot of gaps along the Florida Gulf Coast Trail, but the Trust for Public Land will invest its resources and expertise into this region to push the Trail to completion. More information may be found at www.TPL.org

4. **Reports**
   a. Public Transportation Task Force (PTTF) Vice Chair, Mayor Pete Emrich, City of North Port, reported on the following:
      - Received reports from Manatee County Area Transit (MCAT), Sarasota County Area Transit (SCAT), and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT).
      - FDOT District One presented its Commute Connector Program.

   b. Florida Department of Transportation, FDOT Secretary L.K. Nandam and Ms. Tanya Merkle, FDOT, reported on the following:
      - The Governor has appointed Mr. Jared Perdue as FDOT Secretary. He was previously District Five (Orlando area) Secretary.
      - FDOT's Chief Engineer, Mr. Phil Watts, is now FDOT Assistant Secretary over Engineering and Operations.
      - Thanked everyone who attended FDOT's Vision Zero Workshop that was held May 4, 2022, which was held in support of the MPO's Destination Zero and the FDOT's Target Zero initiatives.
      - Regarding the allocations from the new Federal Infrastructure Bill, allocations from the state level have been received, but we are still waiting on what the numbers are to be at the District level; we are slated to receive an approximately 35% increase in federal funds each year. But, as the funds are distributed around the state, that 35% is not going to be as significant once it reaches District One.
      - FDOT is experiencing a lot of cost estimate increases for projects and bids are coming in 20% to 25% higher and this trend is expected to continue. As FDOT works on building its Work Program for the next 5 Years, increase in revenues will probably go towards keeping the Work Program stabilized.
      - March 24, 2022, a meeting was held with FDOT's Interstate Office, Sarasota County, Charlotte County-Punta Gorda MPO, Sarasota/Manatee MPO, and the City of North Port to discuss the potential new interchange at Yorkshire and Raintree. Discussions are being had and continued coordination is needed at the local level to determine what exactly the plan is. Once the specifics and details have been finalized a presentation will be given to the MPO.
      - FDOT's District One Planning Studio will be hosting a Speed Management Workshop focusing on safe speeds and countermeasures which may be used to address the speed challenges we have today. The workshop will be held on June 14, 2022 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at FDOT's Southwest Area Office (SWAO) in Ft. Myers. A workshop for the northern area will be held on September 13, 2022 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the FDOT Operations Center.

   c. MPO Executive Director, David Hutchinson, reported on the following:
      - The MPO is working with its jurisdictions to make safety-oriented presentations regarding Destination Zero/Vision Zero in coordination with the FDOT so that jurisdictions may adopt a policy and plan to apply for available federal funds to implement those plans.
      - Five (5) MPO staff attended the Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (AMPO) Symposium.
      - Introduced the MPO's new Fiscal Coordinator, Mr. David Machado, who came from Sarasota County Area Transit (SCAT) where he worked on procurement and budgeting.

- Announced Mr. Ryan Brown, Planning Manager, who was not at the meeting, had just gotten married and is on his honeymoon. The Board expressed Congratulations.
- The Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council (MPOAC) Institute Weekend has been cancelled and still has not been rescheduled.
- June 10, 2022 Chair Baugh will be representing the MPO at the Sun Coast Transportation Alliance (SCTPA) in Tampa.
- Presented the gold shovel that had been utilized for the groundbreaking ceremony for River Road construction (between I-75 and US 41) in North Port.
- Noted there were 3 (three) Addendum Items to the agenda.

c. MPO Chair, Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Manatee County, reported on the following:
- Agreed FDOT's Vision Zero Workshop was a great success.

e. MPOAC Report, Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Manatee County, reported on the following:
- Held discussion regarding Destination Zero.
- The MPOAC will meet in July with the theme "How to Build a Road." The meeting will be held in Gainesville, Florida.
- In 2023, Chair Baugh will be the MPOAC's Chair.

5. Consent Agenda

For the record, Mr. David Hutchinson, MPO, noted that Commissioner Kevin Van Ostenbridge requested Consent Item 5.e. Letter of Support for the Palma Sola Scenic Highway Extension Application be pulled. Mr. Hutchinson read the remainder of the Consent Agenda Items.

Chair Commissioner Vanessa Baugh asked for a motion and a second for the remainder of the Consent Items.

Commissioner Kevin Van Ostenbridge: I move to approve the Consent Agenda items minus item 5.e and Addendum to the UPWP.

Mayor Gene Brown: I second the motion.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Consent items approved:

a. Approved the Sarasota/Manatee MPO Board Meeting Minutes of February 28, 2022
b. Adopted the Sarasota/Manatee MPO Policies (DZAG, TRAG, and TSM&O)
c. Adopted Resolutions No. 2022-06 and No. 2022-07 and authorized Executive Director to submit the Transportation Disadvantaged (TD) Trust Fund Grants for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023/2024
d. Authorized MPO Chair to execute the required Certification Document of the Joint Certification Statement of the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process
f. Approved the Amendment to 2020/21-2021/22 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)
g. Confirmed Committee Appointments/Reappointments of Mr. Eddie T. Abrams representing the Town of Longboat Key and Mr. Tom Ratzki representing Sarasota County to serve as Members of the MPO's Citizen Advisory Network (CAN).

<u>ADDENDUM</u>

f.(b) Approved Amended/Modified 2020/21-2021/22 UPWP Including De-obligation of SU Funds.

Consent Item Pulled:

d. Letter of Support for Palma Sola Scenic Highway Extension Application
Commissioner Kevin Van Ostenbridge explained he would like a better understanding and the Board should have a full understanding of what the implications of the designation would be. He expressed concern with the designation impeding, in any way, the ability to allow parking along the side of Gulf Drive when the County is doing what can be done to maximize beach access.

Discussion ensued regarding the designation of the Palma Sola Scenic Highway Extension. It was the consensus to have the Palma Sola Scenic Highway Committee provide a report to the Board at its next meeting.

6. Action Item

a. Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Fiscal Year (FY) 2022/23-2023/24

Mr. David Hutchinson, MPO, explained every two years the MPO must develop and adopt a Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) that identifies and describes the MPO's budget, planning activities, studies, and technical support projects expected to be undertaken in the metropolitan area for the next two fiscal years. The UPWP is based on state and federal transportation planning requirements, regional priorities, and annual state and federal emphasis areas.

The purpose of the MPO Agreement is to ensure consistency between the current adopted UPWP and the FDOT Agreement as it relates to receipt and use of Federal and State transportation planning funds. Specifically, the agreement incorporates new provisions to satisfy the Florida Department of Financial Services (DFS) and incorporates the MPO's Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) as Exhibit A to serve as the Scope of Work for the agreement.
The UPWP may be found at: https://www.mympo.org/m/mandates/upwp

Councilmember Bill Sanders: I move the Board adopt the FY 2022/23-2023/24 UPWP via Resolution 2022-05 and the FDOT/MPO Agreement, including changes to address any comments or guidance from FDOT, FHWA, FTA, and the Public or to reflect technical corrections made since the document was published for review.

Commissioner Misty Servia: I second the motion.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

b. Fiscal Year (FY) 2022/23-2026/27 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Mr. David Hutchinson, MPO, stated the Sarasota/Manatee MPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is developed and updated annually as part of the MPO urbanized area transportation planning process in accordance with state and federal statutes. It provides information to the public and the implementing agencies regarding the schedule of projects including the MPO priorities.

The process to develop the DRAFT FY 2022/23-2026/27 TIP started in February 2021 when the MPO Board adopted its 2021 Project Priority List. That list was forwarded to the FDOT to prepare its Draft Tentative Five-Year Work Program. The TIP also includes regionally significant local projects from the capital improvement programs of MPO member jurisdictions.

The DRAFT FY 2022/23—2026/27 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) will be posted on the MPO website and sent out to various groups including committee and Board Members for review and comment. The complete document is available to view at: https://www.mympo.org/m/mandates/tip.

Addendum
Addition of SU funds of $1,000,000 for Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) 2050 Special Studies (Consultant Services) in FY 2022/23 as reflected on page 111 of the Draft TIP.

Chair Vanessa Baugh noted this item required a vote by the show of hands.

Commissioner Ron Cutsinger: I move the Board adopt the FY 2022/23-2026/27 TIP including the Addendum regarding SU funds.

Mayor Gene Brown: I second the motion.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

c. Joint Transportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP) Project Priority Lists
Mr. David Hutchinson explained the Transportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP) was created to improve regionally significant transportation facilities in "regional transportation areas." State funds are available throughout Florida to provide incentives for local governments and the private sector to help pay for critically needed projects that benefit regional travel and commerce. The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) will pay up to 50 percent of the non-federal share of project costs for public transportation facility projects.

The Sarasota/Manatee MPO has interlocal agreements with the Charlotte County-Punta Gorda MPO and the Polk TPO (via the TBARTA MPOs Chairs Coordinating Committee) for joint regional transportation planning and coordination and asks that FDOT attempt to award TRIP funding on an equitable basis.

Sarasota/Manatee MPO's Committee recommended MPO Board approval with the re-ordering of Sarasota County projects.

Commissioner Misty Servia: I move MPO Board approval of the 2022 Joint TRIP Project Priorities.

Councilmember Joe Neunder: I second the motion.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

d. Consideration of Extending Executive Director's Employment Agreement
Chair Vanessa Baugh requested the MPO Board's consideration of an extension to the Executive Director's Employment Agreement which runs through July 1, 2023. She also requested the Board consider a 4% salary adjustment addressing inflation, reported to be the highest in 40 years, with agreement amendment language to be prepared by the MPO legal counsel.

Commissioner Misty Servia: I move the Board extend the Executive Director's Employment Agreement through 2025 along with a salary adjustment.

Mayor Gene Brown: I second the motion.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. **Presentations**
   a. MPO Report
      1. US 41 Concept of Operations Study
      Mr. Taylor Cox, Benesch, explained the US 41 Transit Choices study determined travel demand, defined existing deficiencies, and future transportation needs. The study identified 21 intersections for potential Transit Signal Priority (TSP) implementation. The next step before implementation of TSP or any further technology is to develop a Concept of Operations (ConOps).

      The ConOps process is a required document designed to evaluate the operating characteristics, potential risks associated with implementation, justification, and analysis of the proposed system changes. The MPO will provide the overall project schedule and present information related to existing conditions, ongoing traffic signal data analysis, as well as expected outcomes from the study.

      2. Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Resiliency/Vulnerability Assessment Study
      Ms. Colleen McGue, Kimley-Horn, explained that as recommended in the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) and 2018 Security Assessment Report, the LRTP Resiliency/Vulnerability Assessment Study is underway. The purpose of this project is to develop and apply new methods that integrate resilience corridor planning with transportation planning and decision making in order to assess and mitigate risks from all hazards that affect the Sarasota/Manatee region's transportation system. Vulnerability, risk, and

mitigation-evaluation methods and tools are being developed and applied to the region based on lessons-learned and guidance provided by experts, stakeholders, and All-Hazards Recovery Training.

Implementation programs based on these analyses will be developed, including recommendations to incorporate vulnerability into the MPO's project prioritization process. The resulting methods, tools, processes, and recommendations will be documented, and training provided for MPO staff and jurisdictions to develop transportation resiliency plans for the Sarasota/Manatee transportation system and to enhance local and regional hazard mitigation plans. The Final Report will be presented to the TAC and MPO Board in September

3. MPO Trails Studies
Mr. Franco Saraceno, Kittelson & Associates, stated the Sarasota/Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) kicked off two trail alignment studies on January 17, 2022. The MPO has contracted Kittelson & Associates, Inc. to conduct the two shared-use trail feasibility studies in Manatee and Sarasota Counties. The studies will determine feasible alignment options to increase connectivity to the SUN Trail Network and expand our local trail networks. Expanding the trail networks in this area will improve bicycle and pedestrian safety, provide more multi modal options, and support the economic vitality of nearby businesses.

To date, informational interviews with over twenty stakeholders in both Counties have been completed; and the first of three Project Advisory Group meetings on April 20th was hosted. In the current project stage, geospatial data are being analyzed, existing conditions are being evaluated, and a public survey is active. The trails studies will include a second public survey, as well as a public workshop. The final product will result in a preferred alignment of the proposed trail connections in each study area.

The study websites and surveys can be found at the following links:
- SR 64/Manatee Avenue Area Study – www.publicinput.com/ManateeTrailsStudy
- Fruitville Road/University Parkway Area Study – www.publicinput.com/SarasotaTrailsStudy

b. FDOT Report
1. Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS)
Mr. Richard "O.J." Oujevolk, FDOT, and Ms. Amy Sirmans, VHB, provided a presentation regarding the US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS).
   - The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District One, is conducting projects in partnership with the Sarasota/Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and local governments to holistically enhance the multimodal transportation network within Sarasota and Manatee Counties.
   - The Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS) is part of this program.
   - This project will develop concepts and implementation strategies to enhance multimodal mobility (specifically transit services/operations) and safety for all users along the US 41/US 41 Business corridor between University Parkway in Sarasota and 8th Avenue West in Bradenton.
   - The study includes community and agency outreach, data collection, evaluation of existing corridor conditions and corridor/modal usage, and an analysis of feasible improvement strategies.
   - The study will ultimately result in concepts to be advanced for implementation.
   - Currently, the FDOT study team is gathering data and inviting stakeholder input on the US 41 CMASS goals and objectives and measures of effectiveness.

2. The Bradenton-Palmetto Connector Alternative Corridor Evaluation (ACE) PD&E Study
Ms. Gail Woods, TranSytems, provided an update to the Bradenton-Palmetto Connector:
   - Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District One has kicked off the much-anticipated Bradenton-Palmetto Connector Alternative Corridor Evaluation (ACE) Study.
   - This ACE study will evaluate feasible corridor alternatives to connect the Cities of Bradenton and Palmetto across the Manatee River and improve regional multimodal mobility, connectivity, and safety for all users, including motorists, bicyclists, pedestrians, trucks, and transit.
   - The need for improved access across the Manatee River was identified as part of the Central Manatee Network Alternatives Analysis (CMNAA) Study in Manatee County, which was a collaboration between

- FDOT, Manatee County, the Cities of Bradenton and Palmetto, and the Sarasota/Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO).
- Following the ACE Study, FDOT District One will evaluate the most feasible project corridors as part of a Project Development & Environment (PD&E) Study.
- The website for the Study is live: http://swflroads.com/bpcconnector/faqs.html.

8. Member Comments

- Commissioner Mike Hancock stated the Town of Longboat Key has hired Kimley Horn for its Complete Streets Supporter Plan for Gulf of Mexico Drive, primarily focused on pedestrian and bicycle safety.

9. Adjournment

Chair Commissioner Vanessa Baugh adjourned the meeting at 11:55 a.m.

NO STENOGRAPHIC RECORD BY A CERTIFIED COURT REPORTER WAS MADE OF THIS MEETING. ACCORDINGLY, ANY PERSON WHO MAY SEEK TO APPEAL ANY DECISIONS INVOLVING THE MATTER HEREIN WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING A VERBATIM RECORD OF THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE AT THIS MEETING UPON WHICH ANY APPEARS TO BE BASED.

BY: _____
Commissioner Vanessa Baugh
MPO Chair

State of *Florida*
County of *Manatee*

Dated this 26th day of September 2022

ATTESTED
BY: _____
Nanette Eubanks, Clerk to the Board
Notary Public State of Florida

MANATEE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, HONORABLE PATRICIA M. GLASS CHAMBERS
1112 Manatee Avenue West
Bradenton, Florida 34205
June 7, 2022

Meeting video link: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUlgjuGhS-qV966RU2Z7AtA

Present were:

Kevin Van Ostenbridge, Chairman
James A. Satcher, III, First Vice-Chairman
George Kruse, Second Vice-Chairman
Carol Whitmore, Third Vice-Chairman
Vanessa Baugh
Reggie Bellamy
Misty Servia

Also present were:

Dr. Scott L. Hopes, County Administrator
William Clague, County Attorney
Vicki Tessmer, Board Records Supervisor, Clerk of the Circuit Court

Chairman Van Ostenbridge called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was delivered by Reverend Sam Rainer, West Bradenton Baptist Church.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by William A. Phillips, First Lieutenant, U.S. Army.

AGENDA

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Agenda Updates BC20220607DOC002

Item 10 – Resolution R-22-107, Alzheimers' Disease Initiative, requested action updated to add "Adoption of Budget Resolution B-22-089 amending the annual budget for FY 22"
Item 13 – Interlocal Agreement; Warranty Deed with Manatee County Housing Authority, Interlocal Agreement replaced to update the exhibits attached to the agreement
Item 18 – Budget Amendment B-22-084 and Budget Amendment Resolution for Infrastructure Sales Tax B-22-088, Resolution B-22-084 updated and replaced to add item 14, the transfer of funds for the construction of athletic fields at the East Bradenton Park
Item 22- Agreement for the Bayshore Yacht Basin Relocation and Force Main Replacement, Budget Resolution B-22-092, Budget Resolution B-22-092 was added to the agenda
Item 51 – New Washington Area Street Lighting Pilot Program, Location map added to the agenda package
Item 55 – Local Agency Program Agreement for the FDOT U.S. 41 Sidewalk and Lighting Project from 69th Avenue to Cortez Road – The LAP Agreement was updated and replaced to remove the redlined strikethroughs
Item 59 – Resolution R-22-105 Infrastructure Sales Tax – Affidavit of Publication added to the agenda
Item 66 – Resolution R-22-065, Approve Alignment of Canal Road (16th Avenue East) – The Resolution updated to incorporate comments from the County Attorney's Office
Item 68 – GTE Building – Removed from the Agenda BC20220607DOC003
Item 70 – Authorization to Purchase Books for Manatee County Children Summer Reading Program – Added to the agenda
Item 71 – Authorization for the Financial Advisor to Circulate a Request for Services on the County's Behalf to accomplish debt issuance for General Government and Utilities for Related Capital

Projects, And Adoption of Reimburse Resolution establishing the County's intent to reimburse certain capital expenditures with proceeds from Tax Exempt Financing – Added to the agenda
Item 72 – Adoption of Resolution R-22-071, authorizing the conveyance of Real Property to the Florida Cultural Group, Inc., for a not-for-profit corporation conveying property located at 1009 4th Avenue West – Added to the agenda
Item 73 – Adoption of Ordinance 22-43, amending Section 2-22-24 of the Manatee County Code concerning no stopping, standing, and parking designations – Added to the agenda
Update Memorandum 2
Item 74 – Confirmation of Courtney DePol as Deputy County Administrator
Time Certain
Item 67 – 1:30 p.m., Florida Department of Transportation Updates for the U.S. 41 Corridor Mobility safety Study and the Bradenton-Palmetto Connector Alternative Corridor Evaluation Study
Item 65 – 1:30 p.m., Acceptance of Recommendation from the Supervisor of Elections Office for the new Precinct Boundaries

CONSENT AGENDA (Items pulled for individual consideration)
Items 12 and 71 – Pulled by Commissioner Whitmore
Item 15 – Pulled by Chairman Van Ostenbridge

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT INTERIM DIRECTOR

Dr. Scott L. Hopes, County Administrator, announced Sheila McLean as Interim Financial Management Director.

Sheila McLean expressed her gratitude for the opportunity.

74. **COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR/DEPUTY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

Discussion ensued regarding the accomplishments of Courtney DePol.

A motion was made by Commissioner Baugh and seconded by Commissioner Whitmore, to confirm Ms. DePol as Deputy County Administrator.

Ms. DePol thanked the Board for the opportunity and announced she is working on getting her professional engineering designation in the State of Florida.

There being no public comment, Chairman Van Ostenbridge closed public comment.

The motion carried 7-0. BC20220607DOC004

PROCLAMATIONS

A motion was made by Commissioner Baugh, seconded by Commissioner Servia and carried 7-0, to adopt the following Proclamations:

3. Women Veterans Day – June 12, 2022, accepted by Renee Medina, Veterans Services Councilor BC20220607DOC005
4. Juneteenth Day – June 19, 2022, accepted by Ruby Fox and Dr. Jefferson BC20220607DOC006
5. Parks and Recreation Month – July 2022, accepted by Matt Porter, Recreation Division Manager BC20220607DOC007

AWARDS

1. Employee of the Month – Tim Cristello, Senior Real Property Specialist, Property Management

Jeanine Amick stated it has been a pleasure to work with Mr. Cristello. BC20220607DOC008

2. **MASTER GARDENER PROGRAM**
Alyssa Vinson, Residential Horticulture Agent, presented certificates to graduates of the Master Gardener Program. BC20220607DOC009

CITIZEN COMMENTS (Future Agenda Items Only)

Aaron Welch owns Two Dock Shellfish, raises clams and oysters in Tampa Bay, purchased property on Bayshore Road, and is cleaning the property along Terra Ceia Bay. He plans to build a shellfish hatchery. He requested the County waive the recycling fees for the tires, as ten-yard bins of tires were taken to the County dump, and the fee will exceed $5,000.

There being no further citizen comments, Chairman Van Ostenbridge closed citizen comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

CITIZEN COMMENTS (Consent Agenda Only)

A motion was made by Commissioner Bellamy and seconded by Commissioner Whitmore, to approve the Consent Agenda, with the changes incorporated in the Agenda Update Memorandum and with the deletion of Items 12, 15 and 71 (pulled for separate action).

There being no public comment, Chairman Van Ostenbridge closed public comment.

Discussion ensued regarding the timing of the GTE Building item, appreciate support for projects in District 2, and congratulations to the Manatee Center for Performing Arts.

The motion carried 7-0.

6. **CLERK'S CONSENT AGENDA** BC20220607DOC010

A. **MINUTES**
Approved the Minutes of May 3, 2022

B. **REPORTS**
Accepted:
1. State of Florida Annual Local Government Financial Report/Manatee County, for FY 20/21 BC20220607DOC011

C. **REFUNDS**
Approved:
1. Neal Communities of Southwest Florida LLC (Jen Villarreal) – Transportation Impact fees, $100,513 BC20220607DOC012
2. Daniel Gomez – Billing Adjustment, $1,908.04 BC20220607DOC013
3. D.R. Horton, Inc. – Sewer Facility Investment Fees, $712 BC20220607DOC014
4. Shroyer Drapala Engineering LLC – Final Site Plan, $2,250 BC20220607DOC015
5. Madaline R. Sellers – Application Withdrawn, $2,000 BC20220607DOC016

D. **BONDS**
Accepted the following Bonds:
1. Oasis at Manatee River

- Accepted and executed Agreement in Conjunction with Surety Bond (Attachment A) as Defect Security Related to Required Improvements securing Pope Road turn lane and White Eagle turn lane improvements;
- Accepted and executed Surety Bond (Defect) 701088265, $6,147.15; and
- Accepted and executed Bill of Sale BC20220607DOC017

2. Sandpiper Place Apartments
   - Accepted and executed Agreement in Conjunction with Surety Bond (Attachment A) as Defect Security Related to Required Improvements securing potable water, sanitary, force main, paving, and storm drainage on 46th Avenue West and 26th Street West;
   - Accepted and executed Letter of Credit (Defect) NUSCGS040615, $7,701.78; and
   - Accepted and executed Bill of Sale BC20220607DOC018
3. Savanna at Lakewood Ranch, Phases IIA and IIB
   - Released Agreement in conjunction with Surety Bond (Attachment A) as Defect Security Warranting Required Improvements, potable water and sanitary sewer improvements, $61,613.60 and $56,844.44;
   - Released and returned Letter of Credit (Defect) FGAC-17390, and any associated riders, $61,613.60; and
   - Released and returned Letter of Credit (Defect) FGAC-18392, and any associated riders, $56,844.44 BC20220607DOC019

7. **COUNTY ATTORNEY/LAWSUIT**

Authorized the County Attorney, or his designee, to pay $138,000 to settle all claims against Manatee County in the matter of Betsy A. Dhuyvetter, as Guardian of Michael Murphy v. Manatee County; Case 2021-CA-005075 BC20220607DOC020

8. **COMMUNITY AND VETERANS SERVICES/RESOLUTION**

Adopted Resolution R-22-100, amending Resolution R-22-013, providing for technical revisions to Manatee County's FY 2021-2024 Local Housing Assistance Plan for the State Housing Initiative Partnership (SHIP) Program BC20220607DOC021

9. **COMMUNITY AND VETERANS SERVICES/RESOLUTION**

- Adopted Resolution R-22-106, authorizing acceptance and execution of Agreement CCE-22/23-MAN with Senior Connection Center, Inc., for the Community Care for the Elderly grant program in the amount of $1,606,464 ($1,391,818 State Funds, $154,646 County Match, and $60,000 Client Co-Payments) for the time period July 1, 2022, to September 30, 2023; and
- Adopted Budget Resolution B-22-090, amending the annual budget for FY 22

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10. **COMMUNITY AND VETERANS SERVICES/RESOLUTION**

- Adopted Resolution R-22-107, authorizing acceptance and execution of Agreement ADI-22/23-MAN with Senior Connection Center, Inc., for the Alzheimer's Disease Initiative grant program in the amount of $637,618 ($601,618 State Funds, $36,000 Client Co-Payments) for the time period July 1, 2022, to September 30, 2023; and
- Adopted Budget Resolution B-22-089, amending the annual budget for FY 22

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11. **COMMUNITY AND VETERANS SERVICES/RESOLUTION**

- Adopted Resolution R-22-108, authorizing acceptance and execution of Agreement HCE-22/23-MAN with Senior Connection Center, Inc., for the Home Care for the Elderly grant program in the amount of $108,976 State funds for the time period July 1, 2022, to September 30, 2023; and
- Adopted Budget Resolution B-22-091, amending the annual budget for FY 22

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13. **COMMUNITY AND VETERANS SERVICES/AGREEMENT**

- Executed Interlocal Agreement with the Manatee County Housing Authority;
- Accepted Warranty Deed from Manatee County Housing Authority;
- Executed Satisfaction and Release of Promissory Note and First Mortgage;
- Executed Agreement to Terminate the Land Use Restriction Agreement and Deed Restrictions between the Housing Authority and the County; and
- Authorized staff to record (a) Interlocal Agreement between the Housing Authority and the County, (b) Warranty Deed from the Housing Authority, (c) Satisfaction and Release of Promissory Note and First Mortgage, and (d) Agreement to Terminate the Land Use Restriction Agreement and Deed Restrictions for The Housing Authority between the Housing Authority and the County

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14. **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES/FINAL PLAT/CROSS CREEK**

- Executed and authorized recording of Final Subdivision Plat;
- Authorized recording of Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for The Laurels;
- Authorized recording of Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for The Willows;
- Authorized the County Administrator to accept, execute, and record Agreement for Public Subdivision Improvements from Land Experts, Inc.;
- Authorized the County Administrator to accept and execute Surety Bond for Performance of Required Public Improvements, Cross Creek Phase ID, Surety Bond 3302973, $182,119.73;
- Authorized the County Administrator to accept, execute, and record Agreement for Private Subdivision Improvements from Land Experts, Inc.;
- Authorized the County Administrator to accept and execute Surety Bond for Performance of Required Private Improvements, Cross Creek Phase ID, Surety Bond 3302971, $243,873.86;
- Authorized the County Administrator to accept and execute Surety Bond for Performance of Required Private Improvements, Cross Creek Phase ID, Surety Bond 3302969, $145,194.67;
- Authorized the County Administrator to accept and execute Surety Bond for Performance of Required Private Improvements, Cross Creek Phase ID, Surety Bond 3302968, $160,167.15;
- Authorized the County Administrator to accept and execute Surety Bond for Performance of Required Private Improvements, Cross Creek Phase ID, Surety Bond 3302972, and $178,218.95; and
- Authorized the County Administrator to accept and execute Surety Bond for Performance of Required Private Improvements, Cross Creek Phase ID, Surety Bond 3302970, $13,650

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16. **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES/FINAL PLAT/MORGAN'S GLEN COMMERCIAL**

- Executed and authorized recording Final Subdivision Plat;
- Authorized recording of Declaration of Restrictions, Covenants, and Grant of Easements for Morgan's Glen Commercial Final Plat;

- Authorized the County Administrator to accept, execute, and record Agreement for Private Subdivision with Public Improvements for Morgan's Glen Commercial;
- Authorized the County Administrator to accept and execute Surety Bond for Performance of Required Improvements, Morgan's Glen Commercial, Surety Bond 7901080281, $293,042.55;
- Authorized the County Administrator to accept and execute Surety Bond for Performance of Required Improvements, Morgan's Glen Commercial, Surety Bond 7901080283, $148,578.61;
- Authorized the County Administrator to accept, execute, and record Agreement for Private Subdivision with Private Improvements for Morgan's Glen Commercial;
- Authorized the County Administrator to accept and execute Surety Bond for Performance of Required Improvements, Morgan's Glen Commercial, Surety Bond 7901080282, $766,337.37;
- Authorized the County Administrator to accept and execute Surety Bond for Performance of Required Improvements, Morgan's Glen Commercial, Surety Bond 7901080279, 148,597.31; and
- Authorized the County Administrator to accept and execute Surety Bond for Performance of Required Improvements, Morgan's Glen Commercial, Surety Bond 7901080280, $41,940.09

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17. **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES/AGREEMENT**

Executed Interlocal Agreement with Duette Fire and Rescue District, for collection of Fire Impact Fees

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18. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/BUDGET RESOLUTIONS**

- Adopted Budget Amendment Resolution B-22-084; and
- Adopted Budget Amendment Resolution for Infrastructure Sales Tax B-22-088

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19. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/RESOLUTION**

Adopted Resolution R-22-110, approving the request in connection with the Issuance of Bonds by Florida Development Finance Corporation (FDFC) requested by Parrish Charter Academy, to finance and refinance the expansion of educational facilities within Manatee County

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20. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/AGREEMENT**

Authorized the Purchasing Official, or designee, to issue a Blanket Purchase Order Agreement for Calcium Hypochlorite, Sodium Hydroxide, and Hydrofluorosilicic Acid, water treatment chemicals with Univar Solutions USA, Inc.

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21. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/AGREEMENT**

- Authorized the Purchasing Official, or designee, to execute Agreement 21-R077666CD - Construction Management at Risk Services for Southeast Water Reclamation Facility Capacity Improvements with PCL Construction, Inc., in the not-to-exceed amount of $944,340, for pre-construction services and development of a Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) and schedule for construction; and
- Adopted Budget Resolution B-22-082, amending the annual budget for FY 22 (This budget amendment adjusts the FY 22-26 Capital Improvement Program [CIP])

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22. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/AGREEMENT**

- Authorized the Purchasing Official, or designee, to execute Agreement 22-TA004046RP, Bayshore Yacht Basin Relocation and Force Main Replacement, to the lowest responsive

and responsible bidder, TLC Diversified, Inc., for a total not-to-exceed amount of $5,419,106, based on a construction schedule of 450 calendar days;
- Authorized to accept and date the Public Construction Bond; and
- Adopted Budget Resolution B-22-092, amending the annual budget for FY 22 (This budget amendment adjusts the FY 22-26 CIP) BC20220607DOC033

23. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/AGREEMENT**
- Authorized the Purchasing Official, or designee, to execute Agreement 22-TA003951CD for Professional Transportation Engineering Services for 59th Street West Project, from Cortez Road to Manatee Avenue, with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., in the not-to-exceed amount of $2,383,698; and
- Adopted Budget Resolution B-22-097, amending the annual budget for FY 22 (This budget amendment adjusts the FY 22-26 CIP) BC20220607DOC034

24. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/AGREEMENT**
- Authorized the Purchasing Official, or designee, to execute Agreement 22-TA004125CD for Professional Transportation Engineering Services for Lena Road Project, from south of 44th Avenue East to S.R. 64, with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., in the not-to-exceed amount of $2,002,011; and
- Adopted Budget Resolution B-22-094, amending the annual budget for FY 22 (This budget amendment adjusts the FY 22-26 CIP) BC20220607DOC035

25. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/AGREEMENT**
- Authorized the Purchasing Official, or designee, to execute Agreement 22-TA004128CD for Professional Transportation Engineering Services for 75th Street West Project, from 20th Avenue West to Manatee Avenue, with Cardno, Inc., in the not-to-exceed amount of $1,134,464; and
- Adopted Budget Resolution B-22-096, amending the annual budget for FY 22 (This budget amendment adjusts the FY 22-26 CIP) BC20220607DOC036

26. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/AGREEMENT**
- Authorized the Purchasing Official, or designee, to execute Agreement 22-TA004129CD for Professional Transportation Engineering Services for Upper Manatee River Road Project, from North of S.R. 64 to Fort Hamer Bridge, with HNTB Corporation, in the not-to-exceed amount of $3,019,912;
- Adopted Budget Resolution B-22-095, amending the annual budget for FY 22 (This budget amendment adjusts the FY 22-26 CIP) BC20220607DOC037

27. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/AGREEMENT**
Authorized the Purchasing Official, or designee, to execute Change Order 1 to Agreement 22-TA003710JE for Manatee County Piney Point Injection Well Project, with Youngquist Brothers LLC, to add an additional 122 calendar days to the construction schedule BC20220607DOC038

28. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/AGREEMENT**
- Authorized the Purchasing Official, or designee, to execute the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) Design-Build Amendment to Agreement 20-TA003404CD for Design-Build Services for Southwest Water Reclamation Facility Electrical Distribution System Rehabilitation, with Wharton-Smith, Inc., in the not-to-exceed amount of $11,179,920, with a construction schedule of 1,086 calendar days;
- Authorized to date the Public Construction Bond; and
- Adopted Budget Resolution B-22-093, amending the annual budget FY 22 (This budget amendment adjusts the FY 22-26 CIP) BC20220607DOC039

29. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/AGREEMENT**
Authorized the Purchasing Official, or designee, to execute Amendment 3 to Agreement 18-R069908BLS with Angelo's Aggregate Materials, Ltd., for collection of waste tires
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30. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/AGREEMENT**
- Authorized the Purchasing Official, or designee, to execute the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) Addendum to Agreement 21-TA003832DJ, Construction Management at Risk Services for Manatee County Chambers A/V Upgrade, with The A.D. Morgan Corporation, in the not-to-exceed amount of $904,534.41, with a construction schedule of 200 calendar days;
- Authorized to accept and date the Public Construction Bond; and
- Adopted Budget Resolution B-22-083, amending the annual budget for FY 22 (This budget amendment adjusts the FY 22-26 CIP) BC20220607DOC041

31. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/AGREEMENT**
- Authorized the Purchasing Official, or designee, to execute the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) Addendum to Agreement 22-R078541RP, Construction Management at Risk Services for the Honore Avenue at Cooper Creek Boulevard Project, with PCL Construction, Inc., in the not-to-exceed amount of $2,466,238, with a construction schedule of 335 calendar days;
- Authorized to accept and date the Public Construction Bond; and
- Adopted Budget Resolution B-22-081 amending the annual budget for FY 22 (This budget amendment adjusts the FY 22-26 CIP) BC20220607DOC042

32. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/AGREEMENT**
- Authorized the Purchasing Official, or designee, to execute the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) Addendum to Agreement 22-R078793RP, Construction Management at Risk Services for the 9th Street East Rebase and Resurface Improvements, with The A.D. Morgan Corporation, in the not-to-exceed amount of $3,441,265, with a construction schedule of 60 calendar days;
- Authorized to accept and date the Public Construction Bond; and
- Adopted Budget Resolution B-22-087 amending the annual budget for FY 22 (This budget amendment adjusts the FY 22-26 CIP) BC20220607DOC043

33. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/AGREEMENT**
- Authorized the Purchasing Official, or designee, to execute the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) Addendum to Agreement 22-R079022DJ, Construction Management at Risk Services for Coquina Beach Phase 2 Drainage Improvements, with Woodruff & Sons, Inc., in the not-to-exceed amount of $3,139,350.83, with a construction schedule of 300 calendar days;
- Authorized to accept and date the Public Construction Bond; and
- Adopted Budget Resolution B-22-098, amending the annual budget for FY 22 (This budget amendment adjusts the FY 22-26 CIP) BC20220607DOC044

34. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/AGREEMENT**
- Authorized the Purchasing Official, or designee, to execute the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) Addendum to Agreement 22-TA004121JH, Construction Management at Risk Services for Manatee County Transit Fleet Facility Petroleum Renovation, with McIntyre Elwell and Strammer General Contractors, Inc., in the not-to-exceed amount of $621,201.13, with a construction schedule of 90 calendar days;
- Authorized to accept and date the Public Construction Bond; and

- Adopted Budget Resolution B-22-037, amending the annual budget for FY 22 (The budget amendment adjusts the FY 22-26 CIP) BC20220607DOC045

35. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/AGREEMENT**
- Authorized the Purchasing Official, or designee, to execute the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) Addendum to Agreement 22-TA003936RP, Construction Management at Risk Services for the Robinson Preserve Volunteer Building Project, with Atlas Building Company of Florida LLC, in the not-to-exceed amount of $1,041,676, with a construction schedule of 180 calendar days;
- Authorized to accept and date the Public Construction Bond; and
- Adopted Budget Resolution B-22-086, amending the annual budget for FY 22 (This budget amendment adjusts the FY 22-26 CIP) BC20220607DOC046

36. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/AGREEMENT**
- Authorized the Procurement Official, or designee, to execute the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) Addendum 2 to Agreement 19-TA003144CD, Construction Management at Risk Services for the Lincoln Park Basketball Project, with A-2 Group, Inc., in the not-to-exceed amount of $1,197,551.38, with a construction schedule of 180 calendar days;
- Authorized to date the Public Construction Bond; and
- Adopted Budget Resolution B-22-085, amending the annual budget for FY 22 (This budget amendment adjusts the FY 22-26 CIP) BC20220607DOC047

37. **PARKS AND NATURAL RESOURCES/AGREEMENT**
Executed Sixth Amendment to Golf Course Management Agreement with Pope Golf LLC, for Manatee County Golf Course and Buffalo Creek Golf Course, for an increase in remittance payment of $30,500, for a new total of $330,060 BC20220607DOC048

38. **PROPERTY MANAGEMENT/DEEDS AND EASEMENTS**
- Accepted and authorized recording of Special Warranty Deed from The Oasis At Manatee River LLC, for a portion of Pope Road for dedicated right-of-way;
- Accepted and authorized recording of Partial Release from M and T Bank; and
- Authorized recording of Affidavit of Ownership and Encumbrances from Richard R. Haley BC20220607DOC049

39. **PROPERTY MANAGEMENT/DEEDS AND EASEMENTS**
- Accepted and authorized recording of Special Warranty Deed from The Oasis At Manatee River LLC, for a portion of White Eagle Boulevard
- Accepted and authorized recording of Partial Release from M and T Bank; and
- Authorized recording of Affidavit of Ownership and Encumbrances from Richard R. Haley BC20220607DOC050

40. **PROPERTY MANAGEMENT/DEEDS AND EASEMENTS**
Executed and authorized recording of Easement to Florida Power and Light for property located at 915 4th Avenue West BC20220607DOC051

41. **PROPERTY MANAGEMENT/CONTRACT**
Executed Contract for Sale and Purchase with the Girl Scouts of Gulfcoast Florida, Inc., for property located at 4825 51st Street East, to reconstruct storm water outfall to the Braden River, CIP Project 6096700, $15,000 BC20220607DOC052

42. **PROPERTY MANAGEMENT/CONTRACT**
Executed Contract for Sale and Purchase with Ronald L. Brown, for Parcels 111, 111.03A and 111.03B/Moccasin Wallow Road – U.S. 41 to Gateway Boulevard, CIP Project 6092560, $162,484.50 BC20220607DOC053

43. **PROPERTY MANAGEMENT/CONTRACT**
Executed Contract for Sale and Purchase for a Permanent Easement with Thomas L. Eversman, Individually and as Trustee of the Thomas L. Eversman Revocable Trust U/A/D December 28, 1999, for property located at 4504 9th Street West, for Tangelo Park water main replacement, CIP Project 6030272, $1,000 BC20220607DOC054

44. **PROPERTY MANAGEMENT/CONTRACT**
Executed Contract for Sale and Purchase with Ricardo Pallares and Maria Pallares, for property located at 3804 36th Avenue East, Palmetto, for the purpose of the Ellenton Gillette Road-Mendoza Intersection Improvements, $13,150 BC20220607DOC055

45. **PROPERTY MANAGEMENT/DEEDS AND EASEMENTS**
Executed and authorized recording of Notice of Termination of a Permanent Utility Easement with Donald F. Swanson, for property located at 1136 Palma Sola Boulevard BC20220607DOC056

46. **PUBLIC SAFETY/BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**
Approved the 2022-2025 Manatee County Behavioral Health System and Transportation Plan BC20220607DOC057

47. **PUBLIC WORKS/RESOLUTION**
Adopted Resolution R-22-095, authorizing execution of the annual Exhibit A renewal to the Traffic Signal Maintenance and Compensation Agreement with Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) for FY 22/23 BC20220607DOC058

48. **PUBLIC WORKS/RESOLUTION**
Adopted Resolution R-22-096, authorizing the Chairperson to sign the State FY 22/23 Trip and Equipment Grant Application Form and Standard Assurances with Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged (FCTD) for the period of July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023. The grant application is for a total amount of $717,402, including local matching funds BC20220607DOC059

49. **PUBLIC WORKS/RESOLUTION**
Adopted Resolution R-22-104, approving and authorizing submission of the Transit Division 2022 Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) BC20220607DOC060

50. **PUBLIC WORKS/RESOLUTION**
Adopted Resolution R-22-109, authorizing the submission of State FY 23/24 Public Transit Service Development Grant Application BC20220607DOC061

51. **PUBLIC WORKS/NEW WASHINGTON AREA STREET LIGHTING**
Authorized to set the first public hearing on July 26, 2022, at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter, to consider creating a new Street Lighting Municipal Services Benefit Unit (MSBU) for Memphis known as New Washington Area BC20220607DOC062

52. **PUBLIC WORKS/AGREEMENT**
Executed Assignment of Maintenance Agreement for The Woods of Moccasin Wallow from the Woods of Moccasin Wallow Community Association, Inc., to the Woods of Moccasin Wallow Master Association, Inc. BC20220607DOC063

53. **PUBLIC WORKS/AGREEMENT**
Executed Impact Fee Credit Agreement with Gamble Creek Holdings LLC, for a Local Road to Thoroughfare Redesign through the Saltmeadows Development BC20220607DOC064

54. **PUBLIC WORKS/AGREEMENT**
Executed Annual Exhibit A of the Highway Lighting Maintenance and Compensation Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation for FY 22/23 BC20220607DOC065

55. **PUBLIC WORKS/AGREEMENT**
Executed Local Agency Program Agreement for the FDOT U.S. 41 sidewalk and lighting project, from 69th Avenue to Cortez Road BC20220607DOC066

56. **PUBLIC WORKS/AGREEMENT**
Executed Manatee Mitigation Bank Credit Purchase Agreement with TerraBlue Environmental LLC, for 0.13 Freshwater Forested Mitigation Bank Credits from the Manatee Mitigation Bank, for the Manatee County Project: Canal Road Segment 1, located in Little Manatee River Basin BC20220607DOC067

57. **UTILITIES/TIME PAYMENT AGREEMENT**
Executed and authorized recording of Time Payment Agreement with Nancy C. Johnson and William C. Johnson, for one or more of the following: Facility Investment, Connection, and Line Fees (Agreement 1615) BC20220607DOC068

58. **UTILITIES/SERVICE FEES**
Authorized waiving a total of $370 in service fees assessed to utility customer accounts for returned bank items BC20220607DOC069

70. **COMMUNITY AND VETERANS SERVICES/PURCHASE**
Authorized Community and Veterans Services to expend $3000 (Summer Reading 2022) to purchase a quantity of the book, Stewie the Duck Learns to Swim BC20220607DOC070

72. **PROPERTY MANAGEMENT/RESOLUTION**
- Adopted Resolution R-22-071;
- Executed Contract for Sale and Purchase of Real Property owned by Manatee County to Florida Cultural Group, Inc., a Florida not-for-profit corporation, $150,000;
- Executed County Deed;
- Executed License Agreement; and
- Accepted Permanent Non-Exclusive Ingress, Egress, Construction Maintenance Easement from Florida Cultural Group, Inc. BC20220607DOC071

(End Consent Agenda)

15. **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES/FINAL PLAT/HUNTERS POINT AND MARINA**
Chairman Van Ostenbridge pulled this item due to conflict of interest and filed Memorandum of Voting Conflict Form 8B.

(Depart Chairman Van Ostenbridge; Gavel to First Vice-Chairman Satcher presiding)
A motion was made by Commissioner Servia, seconded by Commissioner Baugh and carried 6-0, with Commissioner Van Ostenbridge abstaining, to:
- Execute and authorize recording Final Subdivision Plat;
- Authorize recording of Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for Hunters Point and Marina Final Plat;
- Accept, execute, and authorize recording of Mortgagee's Joinder In and Ratification of Subdivision Plat and All Dedications and Reservations Thereon;
- Authorize the County Administrator to Accept, execute and record Agreement for Private Subdivision with Public Improvements for Hunters Point and Marina;
- Authorize the County Administrator to accept and execute Surety Bond for Performance of Required Improvements, Hunters Point and Marina, Surety Bond 3303031, $3,078,976.47;

- Authorize the County Administrator to accept and execute Surety Bond for Performance of Required Improvements, Hunters Point and Marina, Surety Bond 3303032, $373,341.15; and
- Authorize the County Administrator to accept and execute Surety Bond for Performance of Required Improvements, Hunters Point and Marina, Surety Bond 3303033, $11,700

BC20220607DOC072

(Enter Chairman Van Ostenbridge, presiding)

12. **COMMUNITY AND VETERANS SERVICES/HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

Commissioner Whitmore pulled this item and questioned St. Vincent DePaul.

Jennifer Yost, Community Development Project Manager, explained that funds are received every year by the Federal Government and there is a competitive application process. There are specific eligibility criteria, and St. Vincent De Paul asked for more money than the agency has to give.

A motion was made by Commissioner Whitmore and seconded by Commissioner Bellamy, to approve the proposed project and activities for inclusion in the Draft FY 22/23 Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Annual Action Plan.

There being no public comment, Chairman Van Ostenbridge closed public comment.

The motion carried 7-0. BC20220607DOC073

71. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/DEBT ISSUANCE**

Sheila McLean, Interim Financial Management Director, provided a background on the item and the financial advisor advised to pay off the lines of credit due to rising interest rates.

Wendell Gardner, Financial Advisor, Public Resources Advisory Group, stated they are negotiating sales of the bonds, and recommend a separate team for the General Government and Utility bonds. He suggested using a team of underwriters to expedite the process in the future to have a predetermined pool of underwriters available.

A motion was made by Commissioner Whitmore and seconded by Commissioner Kruse, to authorize the Financial Advisor to circulate a Request for Services (RFP) on the County's behalf to accomplish debt issuance for General Government and Utilities for related capital projects.

There being no public comment, Chairman Van Ostenbridge, closed public comment.

Discussion ensued to keep the line of credit as long as there are no fees.

The motion carried 7-0. BC20220607DOC074

PUBLIC HEARINGS (Presentations upon request)

59. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/RESOLUTION**

A duly advertised public hearing was held to consider adoption of proposed Resolution R-22-105, regarding Infrastructure Sales Tax, removing and adding road improvement projects in the Canal Road Corridor.

Sheila McLean, Interim Financial Management Director, provided an overview and explained that each time there is a change to the Infrastructure Sales Tax projects, those changes must be brought forward in a public hearing. She reviewed the changes to the

projects for the Sheriff's evidence building, and they are changing the rational for the evidence facility.

Dr. Scott L. Hopes, County Administrator, noted they are accelerating the road project, since land is already available.

Board members expressed appreciation on the forward movement of projects.

There being no public comment, Chairman Van Ostenbridge closed public comment.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bellamy, seconded by Commissioner Servia and carried 7-0, to adopt Resolution R-22-105, Approval of changes to the Project and Equipment List, and adoption of Budget Resolution B-22-100. BC20220607DOC075

(Depart Commissioners Whitmore and Baugh)

60. **PROPERTY MANAGEMENT/RESOLUTION**

A duly advertised public hearing was held to consider adoption of proposed Resolution R-22-053, vacating a portion of a platted alleyway located in the Pinehurst Subdivision.

There being no public comment, Chairman Van Ostenbridge closed public comment.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bellamy, seconded by Commissioner Servia and carried 5-0, with Commissioners Baugh and Whitmore absent, to adopt Resolution R-22-053, and accept a Permanent Drainage Easement from Gregory P. Kinney and Debra K. Kinney. BC20220607DOC076

61. **PROPERTY MANAGEMENT/RESOLUTION**

A duly advertised public hearing was held to consider adoption of proposed Ordinance 22-49, regarding regulating engine compression release braking on Honore Avenue.

(Enter Commissioner Whitmore)

There being no public comment, Chairman Van Ostenbridge closed public comment.

A motion was made by Commissioner Servia, seconded by Commissioner Whitmore and carried 6-0, with Commissioner Baugh absent, to adopt Ordinance 22-49, amending Section 2-22-15 of the Manatee County Code; prohibiting engine compression release braking on Honore Avenue, from Lockwood Ridge Road to University Parkway, providing for codification; providing for severability; and providing an effective date. BC20220607DOC077

(Enter Commissioner Baugh)

73. **ORDINANCE/PUBLIC WORKS/PARKING**

A duly advertised public hearing was held to consider adoption of proposed Ordinance 22-43, amending Section 2-22-24 of the Manatee County Code of Ordinances, concerning No Stopping, Standing, or Parking Designations.

Aaron Burkett, Public Works Division Manager, explained the Ordinance is adding two restrictions for no stopping standing or parking for Martha Road abutting the Parrish High School and on 115th Avenue East. There is a lot of traffic and people are parking in the road. The Sheriff brought the issue regarding 115th Avenue East forward, and the issues on Martha Road were brought forward by a parent and Code Enforcement.

There was discussion that nothing makes it easy for parents to pick up their children at the school, staff should consult with District Commissioners when making changes like this, where are parents supposed to park when waiting to pick up children, this is not a County problem, the schools need to build the proper channels for parents to pick-up their children, there is no shoulder but only a sidewalk, impacts to school bus parking, everyone is supposed to use Fort Hamer Road to pick-up students, parents making moves for quick drop-off and pick-up, and it is important to keep children safe by using designated pick-up areas.

Dr. Scott L. Hopes, County Administrator, explained there is extensive engineering done regarding pick-up areas when schools are built, and the entrance to Parrish High School was built with a large parking lot and pick-up areas. This request is from the Sheriff to encourage the parents to use specific areas for pick-up and drop-off.

Discussion continued to support law enforcement, the Board has no say when schools are being designed, bus shortages cause children to get home late so parents pick-up their children if they can, get parents in and out of the school quickly, this is a short-term traffic issue during pick-up and drop-off times, and parents can plan to leave earlier.

Scott May, Deputy Director Public Works, stated there are issues with the roundabout, and there is currently only one entrance lane. Cars head north and south, and drivers cut people off in the roundabout. There is adequate parking and storage at the school. The issue is the one entrance lane and impatient drivers. Concern is the pedestrian crosswalk.

Discussion ensued that once on the campus the lanes are empty.

William Clague, County Attorney, noted that children are the liability of the County until they are on school property. This is a safety issue that needs to be addressed.

Discussion continued regarding make things more efficient for parents, unless there are no other options, not everyone at schools is responsive to parent needs, need proof the Sheriff is asking for something, an additional turn lane is needed, and there is plenty of parking but areas are chained off.

Mr. Burkett stated Captain Shaeffer requested the change.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kruse and seconded by Commissioner Satcher, to adopt Ordinance 22-43, amending Section 2-22-24 of the Manatee County Code, concerning no stopping, standing and parking designations.

There being no public comment, Chairman Van Ostenbridge closed public comment.

The motion carried 7-0. BC20220607DOC078

RECESS/RECONVENE: 10:42 a.m. – 10:53 a.m. All Commissioners were present.

PUBLIC HEARINGS (Presentation scheduled)

62. **COMMUNITY AND VETERANS SERVICES/RESOLUTION**

A duly advertised public hearing was held to consider adoption of proposed Resolution R-22-093, amending the 2017-2022 Consolidated Plan and the 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22 Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Annual Action Plans.

Jennifer Yost, Community Development Project Manager, used a slide presentation to discuss funding sources for reallocation and cancellation of projects that are not able to move forward as they were approved, completed projects, $3,976 was added to the Home Rehabilitation Program, and some allocations being given increased funding.

Discussion ensued regarding St. Vincent de Paul has a program determining which hotels clients can be placed in, and they have services for those individuals, the 30-day public period has passed, and the Plan will be submitted to HUD within ten days.

There being no public comment, Chairman Van Ostenbridge closed public comment.

A motion was made by Commissioner Whitmore, seconded by Commissioner Servia and carried 7-0, to

- Adopt Resolution R-22-093, approving and authorizing submission to HUD of the substantial amendments to the 2017-2022 Consolidated Plan and the 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22 HUD Annual Action Plans, and de-appropriate and appropriate grant funds to align and realign revenues and expenditures for activities within said plans; and
- Authorize the Chairman to sign all required HUD documents necessary to implement the program activities as approved and adopted by the Board of County Commissioners in Manatee County's Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plans, including the Non-State Certifications and federal assistance applications (SF424 forms).

BC20220607DOC079

63 **COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR/2022 VALUE ADJUSTMENT BOARD**

Vicki Tessmer, Board Records Supervisor, reviewed the request for the appointment of two Commissioners and one citizen with homestead property in unincorporated Manatee County to the 2022 Value Adjustment Board (VAB).

Nominations – Chairman
Chairman Van Ostenbridge – by Commissioner Whitmore (Chairman Van Ostenbridge declined the nomination)
Commissioner Satcher nominated himself

A motion was made by Commissioner Baugh, seconded by Commissioner Kruse and carried 7-0, to close nominations. Commissioner Satcher was appointed as Chairman to the VAB.

There being no public comment, Chairman Van Ostenbridge closed public comment.

Nominations – Commission Member
Chairman Van Ostenbridge – by Commissioner Kruse (Chairman Van Ostenbridge declined the nomination)
Commissioner Servia – by Commissioner Baugh

A motion was made by Commissioner Whitmore, seconded by Commissioner Kruse and carried 7-0, to close nominations. Commissioner Servia was appointed to the VAB.

There being no public comment, Chairman Van Ostenbridge closed public comment.

Nominations – Alternate Commission Member
Chairman Van Ostenbridge – by Commissioner Kruse

A motion was made by Commissioner Baugh, seconded by Commissioner Kruse and carried 6-1, with Commissioner Van Ostenbridge voting nay, to close nominations. Chairman Van Ostenbridge was appointed as Alternate Commission Member to the VAB.

There being no public comment, Chairman Van Ostenbridge closed public comment.

Nominations – Citizen Member
Peter DeAngelis – by Commissioner Servia
Jory Berkwits – by Commissioner Satcher

A motion was made by Commissioner Whitmore, seconded by Commissioner Servia and carried 7-0, to close nominations. Peter DeAngelis was nominated to serve on the VAB.

Discussion ensued regarding looking at resumes and Mr. DeAngelis is willing to serve.

There being no public comment, Chairman Van Ostenbridge closed public comment.

BC20220607DOC080

64. **COUNTY ATTORNEY/MANATEE COUNTY CANVASSING BOARD**

William Clague, County Attorney, explained this item is on the agenda because an active Commissioner supporting a candidate cannot participate on the Canvassing Board. There is a need for a confirmation to send a letter to the Chief Judge requesting an appointment of a substitute member to the Canvassing Board.

All Commissioners either expressed their support for Commission candidates, or are running for re-election; therefore, all Commissioners have a conflict.

There being no public comment, Chairman Van Ostenbridge closed public comment.

A motion was made by Commissioner Baugh, seconded by Commissioner Kruse and carried 7-0, to authorize and direct the County Attorney's Office to work with the Manatee County Supervisor of Elections to request that the Chief Judge of the 12th Judicial Circuit appoint a substitute member to the Manatee County Canvassing Board. BC20220607DOC081

66. **PUBLIC WORKS/RESOLUTION**

Scott May, Deputy Director Public Works, referenced a map in the agenda package and stated that staff is limited as to what they can do regarding the alignment of Canal Road, due to the alignment of the railroad. Once properties are acquired for right-of-way, staff can move forward.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bellamy and seconded by Commissioner Baugh, to adopt Resolution R-22-065, to approve the alignment of Canal Road (16th Avenue East) Segment 1 – U.S. 301 to 17th Street East.

There being no public comment, Chairman Van Ostenbridge closed public comment.

The motion carried 7-0.

BC20220607DOC082

RECESS/RECONVENE: 11:19 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. All Commissioners were present except Chairman Van Ostenbridge

(First Vice-Chairman Satcher presiding)

15. **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES/FINAL PLAT/HUNTERS POINT**

William Clague, County Attorney, explained there is a revised Declaration of Covenants and Conditions for Hunters Point, and approval is requested to approve the revised Declaration of Covenants.

A motion was made by Commissioner Servia and seconded by Commissioner Baugh, to approve the revised Declaration of Covenants and Conditions for Hunters Point.

There being no public comment, First Vice-Chairman Satcher closed public comment.

The motion carried 6-0, with Van Ostenbridge abstaining due to conflict. BC20220607DOC072

(Enter Chairman Van Ostenbridge, presiding)

65. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/PRECINCT BOUNDARIES**

Michael Bennett, Supervisor of Elections, introduced the item.

There was discussion that not all Commissioners were briefed on this item.

Scott Farrington, Assistant Supervisor of Elections, explained that by law, Commissioners must approve the precincts, but there are changes to the precincts due to the district realignments in the Commission District boundaries. The School Board has different districts, but precincts are not determined by the School Board or the County Commission. There is no actual time frame for determining the precincts, except for when redistricting takes place, but they are re-evaluated due to population trends.

There being no public comment, Chairman Van Ostenbridge closed public comment.

A motion was made by Commissioner Servia and seconded by Commissioner Satcher, to accept recommendations from the Supervisor of Elections, Michael Bennett, to accept the new boundaries resulting from the recent census required redistricting.

Mr. Bennett noted that the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) early voting site on S.R. 64 will no longer be open at FDOTs request. It is difficult to find early voting sites.

There being no public comment, Chairman Van Ostenbridge closed public comment.

The motion carried 7-0. BC20220607DOC083

67. **PUBLIC WORKS/REPORT**

Clarke Davis, Deputy Director Public Works, provided updates on the U.S. 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS) and the Bradenton Palmetto Connector Alternative Corridor Evaluation Study.

Richard Oujevolk, FDOT, used a slide presentation to review and identify current area projects, FDOT is moving forward with a replacement for the Desoto Bridge as a safety matter and is looking for the safest and best way to move traffic in downtown Bradenton.

Lauren Brooks, AECOM, continued the slides and reviewed distracted driving tips, the U.S. 41 CMASS is part of a larger scope of projects, overview of previous studies and findings, traffic operations, project location map, project purpose to enhance multimodal mobility and

safety along U.S. 41 business corridor, Feasibility Study, Phase 1, area transit routes, historical crash analysis, compliance with local Comprehensive Plans, goals and objectives, and measures of effectiveness.

Discussion ensued regarding issues with the area near the airport and blocking off a driveway, bypassing hotels and the need for more discussion, meetings with stakeholders, have decisions been made, do not divide the community, additional bridge placement, overpass or relocation at the Desoto Bridge, Alternative Corridor Evaluation, and determine trips going across the Manatee River.

Gail Woods, FDOT, continued the slides on the Bradenton-Palmetto Connector study, the need for the project is safety, they will not do anything unless the community and the Board are in agreement, they will meet with specific communities so everyone is aware of the process, they will ensure community feedback is heard, encourage building confidence and trust, the QR code is live in the agenda package, and the project schedule including public engagement.

Discussion ensued that Round 1 of the Bradenton-Palmetto Corridor presentation did not engage the stakeholders who are all residents in Manatee County, allow local officials to make the pitch, there has never been revitalization in the U.S. 301 corridor, if there will be better lighting, streetscaping, crosswalks, increased mobility, explain to people how their lives will be improved, environmental impacts of another bridge, in favor of improvements that will make a difference, concern with access points all along the U.S. 301 corridor, north and south of the Manatee River, and the lifespan on the Desoto bridge has expired.

A motion was made by Commissioner Servia and seconded by Commissioner Whitmore, to add Commissioner Comments back on the agenda.

Mr. Oujevolk briefly discussed a new crossing over the Manatee River and all projects need to be considered.

Discussion ensued on the importance of having Commissioner Comments during the meeting.

William Clague, County Attorney, stated there are certain items the Board should not discuss, but it is the Board's prerogative as a whole to decide when comments can be made.

There was further discussion to have Commissioner Comments at the end of every meeting as it is the only time Commissioners can discuss matters together, and build trust with each other and the public.

A motion was made by Commissioner Baugh and seconded by Chairman Van Ostenbridge, to call the question. The motion carried 4-3, with Commissioners Bellamy, Servia, and Whitmore voting nay.

The motion failed 3 to 4, with Chairman Van Ostenbridge and Commissioners Baugh, Kruse and Satcher voting nay. BC20220607DOC084

(Depart Commissioner Whitmore)

COMMISSIONER AGENDA

69. **GULF COAST TRAIL/COMMISSIONER KRUSE**

Commissioner Kruse introduced Charles Hines with Trust for Public Land, who wishes to develop a full-trail system in Manatee County.

Charles Hines, Trust for Public Land (TPL), distributed a map of the Florida Gulf Coast Trail. TPL completed a portion of the trail along a rail corridor and the issue is segments of isolated trails that do not lead anywhere. TPL wants to help local jurisdictions fill the gaps. He is speaking with local Boards to see where local jurisdictions need the gaps filled. TPL will acquire property and flip it over to the local jurisdictions. There are willing partners in Manatee County, and TPL can bring all the parties together to connect the lands. There is not a need for a lot of land acquisition, as there can be a trail next to rail corridors. The Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) has two current studies, and it is important to put the pieces together. TPL can help with land acquisition, and encouraged working with the MPO to keep trails in the forefront. Staff can partner with the TPL to use available resources.

Discussion ensued regarding the importance of having a trail system out east, there is land to create trails today, move forward, provide access for other modes of transportation, different phase of land banking, the Palmetto Trails project, the Gulf Coast Trail is a north/south trail, and the Palmetto Trail would be a connector.

Mr. Hines stated this is a regional, State-wide trail, and there will be connector trails locally. The trails can hook up to destinations, including schools and businesses.

Discussion continued regarding a Comprehensive Plan amendment with the lines for the trails, developers may donate land, TPL could also help with fundraising, and the need to determine the locations of the trail.

Mr. Hines requested Board support. County staff has been working on the exact locations for the trail.

Dr. Hopes explained there are items in the budget to work with parties to draw the lines and then adopt Plan amendments. Changes are coming with Parks and Natural Resources Department to put more emphasis on natural resources, and they are working on securing access to the Florida Power and Light abandoned rail track. BC20220607DOC085

ADJOURN

There being no further business, Chairman Van Ostenbridge adjourned the meeting at 3:10 p.m.

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July 20, 2022

CITY OF BRADENTON

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

June 15, 2022
8:30 A.M.

The City of Bradenton City Council met in the City Hall Council Chamber, 101 Old Main Street, Bradenton, Florida, at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, June 15, 2022.

Present: Mayor Gene Brown; Councilwoman Ward I Jayne Kocher; Councilwoman Ward II Marianne Barnebey; Councilman Ward III Patrick Roff; Councilman Ward IV Bill Sanders; and Vice Mayor and Councilwoman Ward V Pam Coachman.

City Officials: Rob Perry, City Administrator; Christophe St. Luce, Assistant City Administrator; Melanie Bevan, Police Chief; Jim McLellan, Public Works & Utilities Director; Tim Geer, Fire Chief; Robin Singer, Planning & Community Development Director; Nilsa Taylor, Administrative Services Director; Tamara Melton, City Clerk; and Scott Rudacille, City Attorney.

The pre-meeting invocation was led by Pastor Don Sturiano with Kingdom Life Christian Church.

(The City does not endorse the religious beliefs of any speaker.)

Mayor Gene Brown led the Pledge of Allegiance and the meeting was opened.

PROCLAMATIONS:

Juneteenth – June 18, 2022

Dr. Sharon Jefferson, President of RECESS Education, accepted the proclamation along with Reverend McArthur Sellars, who was one of the coordinators for the first Juneteenth Community Celebration.

Reverend Sellars provided a history of the Juneteenth Community Celebration and invited everyone to this year's celebration at the Dream Center on June 18, 2022 at 11:00 a.m.

PRESENTATIONS:

FDOT Connecting Communities Program Update: Bradenton-Palmetto Connector and Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS)

Richard Oujevolk, Project Development Manager with Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), provided an overview for current projects in the area. He explained FDOT has been working on the US 41 Multimodal Emphasis Corridor Study with the Sarasota/Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). He said these studies will assist FDOT staff in taking a more responsive look at projects in the pipeline to assist in implementation of future projects. Another project, he continued, is the replacement of the DeSoto Bridge which is set to be completed by 2027.

Amy Sirmans, VHB Project Manager, presented an overview of the Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS) project from University Parkway to 17th Street West. She stressed the need to educate motorists regarding distracted driving and work zone awareness.

Ms. Sirmans presented an overview of previous studies conducted by FDOT and findings from those studies which included:

- US 41 Complete Streets Corridor Planning Study
- Arterial Safety Study
- Access Management Study
- Intersection Safety Studies
- US 41 Multi Modal Emphasis Corridor (MMEC) Gap and Safety Analysis
- US 41 Transit Choices Study
- Arterial Safety Study
- Access Management Study
- Intersection Safety Studies

She said the goal of the US 41 CMASS project is to enhance mobility, advance transit service, improve interconnectivity, develop corridor concepts, and develop implementation strategies. She said public outreach is ongoing and the anticipated completion date for Phase I is late spring of 2023.

Gail Woods, TranSystems Project Manager, announced the reason for the Bradenton Palmetto Connector study is to improve regional multimodal mobility, connectivity, and safety for all users between the Cities of Bradenton and Palmetto.

She said the study is two phases. Phase 1, she continued, is to conduct an Alternatives Corridor Evaluation (ACE) Study and Phase 2 is to conduct a PD&E Study. Ms. Woods provided details for each study which included studying regional traffic patterns and evaluating corridors. Lastly, she provided communication plan goals and the project schedule.

BusinessFlare Presentation

Peter Altman with BusinessFlare, shared an economic base overview presentation. He explained that capital, land, labor, markets, regulations, and quality of life are drivers of economic success to the city.

He said the City recently experienced employment growth in construction, healthcare and social assistance, transportation and warehousing, with an average salary of $64,000. He added that the majority of employees who work in the City have an average commute of 15-24 minutes. However, he continued, City residents who have jobs outside the City have a longer commute, as they are traveling to St. Petersburg and Tampa.

Mr. Altman shared the median age of residents is 45 years old, the average household size is 2.3, with a household income of $52,861. He went on to say that the retirement community population is the largest segment, which translates into shopping habits. Mr. Altman said the Bradenton Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) District has the lowest population and the highest median age at 57 years old or older. He explained the Central CRA District has the highest population and the lowest median age at 28 years old, therefore this district is the most employable segment in the community.

Mr. Altman commented the quality of life is the most attractive aspect of a community and will lead to more residents moving to the area. He continued that it will also enhance the lives of those who already live in the City and provide a better chance for long term sustainability.

He went on to present data from cellular phones that provide information on where people live, works, where they visit, and how long they stay in the area. He shared that the next phase will be a review of opportunity sites for city-owned parcels, highlight redevelopment processes and benefits, research aging conditions of existing buildings and historical landmarks and conduct more in-depth informative workshops.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Kimlah Morell, 521 12th Avenue West, thanked Mayor Brown, Vice Mayor Coachman, and the Bradenton Police Department for listening to her concerns about crime in her neighborhood. She said the crime has substantially decreased and she is thankful for all their efforts.

Rodney Jones, 213 16th Avenue West, expressed his concerns regarding a recent survey from the Police Benevolent Association (PBA). He recommended an independent investigation for the Bradenton Police Department.

Mayor Brown announced he requested the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) review the survey Mr. Jones referenced. He said FDLE would determine if an investigation is warranted.

Councilman Sanders also voiced his concerns with the survey. Scott Rudacille, City Attorney, cautioned Council about discussing the matter because of on-going negotiations with the Police Benevolent Association. He added as with any type of allegation, it is prudent to wait for findings from an investigation before any action is taken.

After Councilman Sanders continued to voice concerns, Rob Perry, City Administrator, explained the report Council received from the Police Benevolent Association was part of a union survey. Mr. Perry said in his 35 years of experience, these types of survey results are routine during union negotiations.

Following continued statements from Councilman Sanders after admonishment by the City Attorney and Board Chair, Mayor Brown, the meeting was recessed at 10:13 a.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 10:21 a.m.

Mayor Brown invited Shay Hawkinberry to the podium for citizen comment on Consent Agenda Item j.

Shay Hawkinberry, 7515 27th Avenue West, announced she represents the landowner for 5004 State Road 64 East. As referenced in Consent Agenda Item j, she continued, she did not feel that there was an adequate number of the public opposed to the development for Council to deny the Special Use Permit. She said the applicant met or exceeded all stipulations recommended by staff. She then requested Council reconsider the denial of the Final Order.

Mr. Rudacille explained the matter was Quasi-judicial and a public hearing was held at the May 25, 2022 City Council meeting. At that meeting, he continued, Council made their decision on the matter by vote. He said the Final Order referenced in Consent Agenda Item j, is simply the memorialization of Council's decision. He said, if Council would like to reconsider the action, a public hearing would need to be scheduled before engaging in any discussion regarding the merits of the application.

CONSENT AGENDA

a) Administration: Resolution 22-36 - Establishing Fees and Fines for Vacation Rentals
b) Administrative Services: Resolution 22-35 – Defining Department Head, Senior Management Class & Merit Board Exempt Employees
c) Administrative Services: Technology Data Hosting Services Agreement #CAC 2017-0129, Amendment 5, with Sarasota County
d) City Clerk: January 26, 2022 Minutes
e) City Clerk: February 9, 2022 Minutes
f) Finance: Budget Adjustment BA22-13
g) Legal: HTG Riverview6 LURA
h) Legal: Suncoast Waterkeeper et al v. City of Bradenton - Stipulation on Attorneys' Fees and Costs
i) Legal: Tidewater Preserve Traffic Enforcement Agreement
j) Planning: Final Order Denying Resolution 22-12, Case Number SU.22.0727
k) Planning: SF.22.1069 - Final Subdivision Plat for Phase 1D of the Villages of Glen Creek
l) Police: Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) Grant Acceptance
m) Police: Renewal of School Resource Officer Contract for 2022-2023
n) Public Works: Budget Adjustment BA22-26
o) Public Works: Budget Adjustment BA22-27
p) Public Works: Budget Adjustment BA22-29
q) Public Works: Piggyback Agreement Extension PB-20-01MK with Advanced Roofing, Inc.
r) Public Works: Resolution 22-32 – Authorization for Mayor's signature on FDOT Contract Amendment ARW43
s) Special Event Application: Riverwalk East Grand Opening – September, 10, 2022
t) Public Works: Budget Adjustment BA22-28

Item a was removed prior to the meeting by City Administration and Item g was pulled before the meeting by Katerina Gerakios-Siren, Community Redevelopment Agency Executive Director.

Councilman Bill Sanders pulled items b, d, e, f, h, m and t for further discussion.

MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS C, I, J, K, L AND N-S was made by Councilman Sanders.

Councilman Roff requested Consent Agenda Item s be removed for further discussion.

AMENDED MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS C, I, J, K, L AND N-R was made by Councilman Sanders and seconded by Councilman Roff. Motion passed 5-0.

Regarding Consent Agenda Item b, Councilman Sanders said he was unaware of the newly created position of Police Legal Advisor/Administrative Services Assistant Director. Melanie Bevan, Police Chief, explained that the Police Legal Advisor position was always a contracted position and the Administrative Services Assistant Director function was added to assist the department due to senior level staff shortages. She said the person that has served as the Police Legal Advisor on a contractual basis, accepted the full-time position with the added responsibilities.

Mr. Perry explained that Consent Agenda Item b, is simply to approve the Police Legal Advisor/Administrative Services Assistant Director position to be added to the Senior Management

Class of the Florida Retirement System. Councilman Sanders requested more information regarding any costs to the City.

Nilsa Taylor, Administrative Services Director, explained the cost is calculated by percentage of employees' wages. Mr. Perry explained with the two Assistant Chief positions open, the salary for the position would be covered in the budget. He said the only cost to the City would be a higher contribution to the employee's retirement.

Councilman Roff inquired if Chief Bevan would still fill the two vacant Assistant Chief positions or if the position of Police Legal Advisor/Administrative Services Assistant Director position would fill one of those vacancies. Chief Bevan confirmed this position would fill one of those positions.

Chief Bevan reiterated the addition of this position would have no impact on this fiscal year's budget.

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 22-35 was made by Councilwoman Kocher and seconded by Councilwoman Barnebey. Motion passed 4-1. Councilman Sanders voted no.

In regards to Consent Agenda Item d, Councilman Sanders voiced his concerns with the following statement located on page 7 of the January 26, 2022 City Council meeting minutes. He said in his opinion, he does not believe the statement is true.

"Mr. Rudacille explained that according to Florida Statutes, the project does not meet the threshold for bidding requirements. However, he continued, the City has an ordinance in place that requires bidding for Public Works projects, which includes construction on City buildings, that exceed $25,000. Mr. Rudacille said because Mr. Perry already received one estimate, and attempted to contact other construction companies, Council could use that reasoning to satisfy the requirement."

MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEM D was made by Councilman Sanders and seconded by Councilman Roff.

Councilwoman Barnebey inquired if Councilman Sanders had any changes to the minutes, or if he shared his opinion that the legal advice from Mr. Rudacille was inaccurate. Councilman Sanders confirmed he did not have changes to the minutes presented. Councilwoman Barnebey read the paragraph in question for the record.

MOTION TO CALL THE QUESTION was made by Councilman Sanders and subsequently, he rescinded the motion.

The original motion, **MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEM D**, passed 5-0.

In regards to Consent Agenda Item e, Councilman Sanders said in the minutes for the February 9, 2022 City Council meeting, the policy for the length of time citizens are allowed to speak was referenced. He disagreed with the policy that refers to Councilmembers engaging with citizens during the Citizen Comment portion of City Council meetings. He recommended changing the policy so Councilmembers may interact with the public after their three-minute time limit is complete, not at the end of Citizen Comment.

Mayor Brown reminded Council they approved Resolution 22-2 that refers to Code of Conduct and procedures during Council meetings. He said if the majority of Council would like to change the procedures, the policy would be revisited at that time.

MOTION TO APPROVE ITEM E was made by Councilwoman Kocher and seconded by Councilwoman Barnebey. Motion passed 5-0.

In regards to Consent Agenda Item f, Councilman Sanders asked for more information regarding the expenditure. Thomas Kelley, Finance Director, explained Budget Adjustment BA22-13 refers to funds that were collected from Code Enforcement foreclosures. He said Attorney Matt Weidner receives 40% of revenue collected plus expenses. Mr. Kelley added this would continue as Attorney Weidner collects more revenue.

MOTION TO APPROVE ITEM F was made by Councilman Sanders and seconded by Councilman Roff. Motion passed 5-0.

In regards to Consent Agenda Item h, Mr. Rudacille reminded Council the subject is still under litigation and Council received a confidential attorney-client memorandum providing background on the subject.

Councilman Sanders said in his opinion, the public should know how much the City agreed to spend in the settlement of Suncoast Waterkeeper et al v. City of Bradenton.

Mr. Perry explained the press made the public aware following the announcement of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) fund expenditures by the City.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE STIPULATION ON ATTORNEYS' FEES AND LITIGATION COSTS WITH SUNCOAST WATERKEEPER ET AL. AND AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE was made by Councilwoman Kocher and seconded by Councilwoman Barnebey. Motion passed 5-0.

In regards to Consent Agenda Item m, Councilman Sanders referenced the recent survey by the Police Benevolent Association and said he does not believe the City should fund Resource Officers in schools.

Councilman Roff provided the history of the City funding school Resource Officers and said Council at the time, felt providing these officers was very important. He said Council is not mandated to provide these officers and stepped up to the plate to provide the service voluntarily.

Chief Bevan explained when the program first began, Council understood the need for trained officers in schools and thanked Councilwoman Kocher for making the motion to approve.

In relation to her tenure working in the school system, Vice Mayor Coachman relayed instances when school Resource Officers intervened and deescalated potentially alarming situations.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS PROGRAM AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MANATEE COUNTY AND THE CITY OF BRADENTON was made by Councilwoman Kocher and seconded by Vice Mayor Coachman. Motion passed 4-1. Councilman Sanders voted no.

In regards to Consent Agenda Item s, Councilman Roff requested Council approve the agenda for the event.

Councilwoman Barnebey clarified Realize Bradenton staff would be utilizing grant funding to host the event.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATION FOR RIVERWALK EAST GRAND OPENING was made by Councilman Roff and seconded by Councilwoman Kocher. Motion passed 5-0.

In regards to Consent Agenda Item t, Councilman Sanders inquired how much funding was left from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds after the sewer manhole linings and pipes were completed. Mr. Kelley explained there would be approximately $859,000 left in the account.

Mr. McLellan explained that attached to the agenda packet was Resolution 22-15, which was originally approved by Council at the March 23, 2022 City Council meeting. Resolution 22-15, he continued, contained a distribution matrix for ARPA funds.

Discussion: Sewer upgrades and timeframes for completion.

MOTION TO APPROVE BUDGET ADJUSTMENT 22-28 was made by Councilwoman Kocher and seconded by Councilman Roff. Motion passed 5-0.

BUSINESS/ADVERTISING, PETITIONS, HEARINGS & COMMUNICATIONS:

ORDINANCE 3098 – SECOND READING & PUBLIC HEARING

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BRADENTON, FLORIDA, AMENDING PART 1, CHARTER AND RELATED LAWS, SUBPART B, RELATED LAWS, ARTICLE III, FIREFIGHTERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BRADENTON, FLORIDA; AMENDING SECTION 7, PRE-RETIREMENT DEATH; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY OF PROVISIONS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

MOTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 3098 was made by Councilwoman Barnebey and seconded by Councilman Sanders. Motion passed 5-0.

ORDINANCE 4001 – FIRST READING

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BRADENTON, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 22, ARTICLE III, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, ENTITLED "VACATION RENTALS;" AMENDING SECTION 22-52(a) – MANDATORY REGISTRATION; AMENDING SECTION 22-54 (3) – CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION; AMENDING SECTION 22-58(a) AND (c) REGARDING INSPECTIONS; DELETING SECTION 22-60(d) REGARDING EMERGENCY LIGHTING; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The second reading and public hearing was scheduled for July 20, 2022.

NEW BUSINESS BY DEPARTMENT HEADS, CITY ATTORNEY AND COUNCIL

Manatee County School Board – Shooting Range Location Request

Chief Bevan explained to Council that the Manatee County School Board officials voiced concerns with the placement of the shooting range because a neighbor to the property expressed concerns about his crops and the viability of his land. Chief Bevan said those officials worked with the neighbor to find an

alternative site for the range. She said the relocation would not cost the City any funding and would significantly cut down travel time to access the site.

Mr. Rudacille announced he would work with the School Board attorney to amend the Ground Lease to reflect the new location and bring the documentation to Council at the July 20, 2022 City Council meeting.

Amendment to a Development Agreement with 920 Manatee Associates, LLC

Councilman Sanders raised caution against discussing the Development Agreement with 920 Manatee Associates, LLC because Mr. Rudacille recused himself because of a conflict of interest and Conflict Counsel is not present.

Mr. Perry said following the resignation of Conflict Counsel, Rebecca Vose, finding another Conflict Counsel had been difficult. He said the matter brought before you today, could be handled administratively. To err on the side of caution, Mr. Perry requested staff to bring the matter before Council for approval.

Mr. Rudacille said as it relates to Conflict Counsel, he will continue to reach out to attorneys in the area to gauge interest in representing the City.

Councilman Roff suggested Mr. Perry revisit the idea of bringing in a staff attorney for situations such as these.

Councilman Sanders reiterated his concern with discussing the Development Agreement. Mr. Perry suggested staff proceed with the presentation and if Council feels uncomfortable with anything discussed, the matter could be brought before them at a later date.

Robin Singer, Planning & Community Development Director, explained in January of 2021, Council approved a Development Agreement with 920 Manatee Associates, LLC. The City's Comprehensive Plan, she continued, allows 149 residential dwelling units. Ms. Singer explained the Development Agreement that was approved originally calls for approximately 130 residential units and the developer is requesting to build 137 units. Because the request is well within the density allowance, she said staff recommended approval of the request.

Ms. Singer explained the other request from the developer is to change the site plans located within the Development Agreement as Exhibit A. She presented updated renderings and explained the building would still have the articulation on the 11th floor, however, the developer is requesting the balconies protrude over the right-of-way on 10th Street West. Ms. Singer said staff feels the updated renderings still achieve the intent of the original elevations of the workforce housing project. Even though this request could have been handled administratively, she said, the change is significant enough she wanted to make Council aware of the changes.

Mayor Brown stressed the need for workforce housing within the community.

Councilman Roff spoke highly of the changes to the renderings.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE AMENDMENTS TO THE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT REGARDING TOTAL DWELLING UNITS AND BUILDING ELEVATIONS was made by

Councilwoman Kocher and seconded by Vice Mayor Coachman. Motion passed 4-1. Councilman Sanders voted no.

Discussion of City Initiated Petition

Ms. Singer requested direction on whether the City would be interested in initiating a petition for rezoning and land use for a property owner. She explained staff was approached by an associate of General Propeller located at 1415 9th Avenue East. She said they wished to expand their business and in order for such expansion to occur, the property would need to be rezoned.

Ms. Singer said several attempts were made to contact the owner of the parcel adjacent to the subject property prior to rezoning. She added the vacant property is owned by a large utility company and no one has been able to receive input regarding the rezoning. Because the petitioner cannot rezone a neighboring property, the owners of General Propeller have requested the City initiate the petition.

Councilwoman Kocher voiced concerns with the City rezoning property without the ability to communicate with the owner.

Mr. Rudacille said after speaking with staff regarding the rezoning, this would likely be beneficial for the property owner. He added if this process is initiated by the City and the property owner were to reject the rezoning, the process would stop.

Discussion: Difficulties with communications with large utility companies.

MOTION TO ALLOW CITY STAFF TO PROCEED WITH AN APPLICATION FOR REZONING AND FUTURE LAND USE AMENDMENT was made by Councilwoman Barnebey and seconded by Councilwoman Kocher.

Councilman Roff said he would prefer to know more information before moving forward in the process.

Following a brief discussion, motion failed 2-3. Councilwoman Kocher, Councilman Roff, and Councilman Sanders voted no.

Budget Amendment BA22-32

Ms. Singer explained that due to an increasing workload and after speaking to Mr. Perry, she requested the addition of an Assistant Director for the Planning & Community Development department. She said a candidate for the position was identified and the salary requested is $98,500. To cover the salary for the position this fiscal year, she continued, Budget Adjustment BA22-32 would move approximately $30,350 from the General Fund.

Ms. Singer added there is a need for new cubicles in the department Budget Adjustment 22-32 would give approval to move approximately $18,138 for the cost of replacing the cubicles.

Councilman Sanders inquired if the advertisement of executive-level positions should be approved by Council. Mr. Perry said he is not aware of any requirement that Council must approve new hired employees.

Discussion: The permitting process and how to improve business practices in Planning & Community Development Department.

MOTION TO APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT RESOLUTION BA22-32 was made by Councilwoman Barnebey and seconded by Councilwoman Kocher.

Following discussion on permitting processes and management, **MOTION TO CALL THE QUESTION** was made by Councilwoman Kocher and seconded by Councilwoman Barnebey. Motion passed 5-0.

The original motion, **MOTION TO APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT RESOLUTION BA22-32** passed 5-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mr. Perry said at the request of Vice Mayor Coachman, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is scheduled to conduct an information sharing session with the City of Bradenton on June 30, 2022 via Zoom. He invited all to attend the session.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Vice Mayor/Councilwoman Ward V Pam Coachman: Vice Mayor Coachman thanked representatives with the Florida Department of Transportation for their presentation.

Vice Mayor Coachman thanked Dr. Jefferson for planning the Juneteenth Community Celebration. She spoke highly of the celebration and reflected on the meaning of Juneteenth.

Vice Mayor Coachman spoke highly of the community meetings organized by the Community Redevelopment Agency.

Vice Mayor Coachman recommended assisting with recycling collection for those that may have physical limitations.

Mayor Brown also spoke highly of the community meetings.

Councilwoman Ward I Jayne Kocher: Councilwoman Kocher said public education is key in moving towards the new recycling program and thanked staff for their assistance during the transition.

Councilwoman Kocher gave kudos to Chief Bevan for all her hard work and dedication to the City.

Councilwoman Ward II Marianne Barnebey: Councilwoman Barnebey announced Mr. McLellan is scheduled to conduct educational meetings about recycling with various groups in the community.

Councilwoman Barnebey thanked Blalock Walters for agreeing to be a sponsor for the Juneteenth Community Celebration. She said they are working with Take Stock in Children and will have a booth located at the celebration.

Councilwoman Barnebey announced the Women's Resource Center is hosting the "Raffle for a Reason" and the grand prize is an electric bicycle. She said tickets are available at the Unique Boutique downtown and also at the Women's Resource Center's website.

Councilman Ward III Patrick Roff: Councilman Roff thanked Ms. Hawkinberry for speaking on Consent Agenda Item j. Councilman Roff provided a history of the City and added in his opinion, the City is now primarily residential and commercial with very little industrial. He said his reasoning for denying the Special Use Permit was he believes the business was industrial, and that should not be operating next to a residential area.

Councilman Roff was in favor of the new recycling system because of all the contamination that happened during curbside collection. He requested Public Works staff enlarge the door at the 17th Avenue West collection bin. Mr. McLellan explained staff is planning to retrofit the doors and the bins should be replaced within the next week.

Councilman Ward IV Bill Sanders: Councilman Sanders was pleased to announce the 2nd Avenue East extension is moving forward and thanked Mr. McLellan for all of his work on the project.

Councilman Sanders announced he and Ms. Gerakios-Siren visited the City of Venice and reported on their visit. He said the City of Venice is making a profit using a contracted recycling service and requested Mr. McLellan find out more information.

Mayor Gene Brown: Mayor Brown spoke highly of Police Department staff as well as City staff.

Mayor Brown announced a new business opened at 531 13th Street West and is called Sweet Deli Café. He added located across the street from Sweet Deli Café, another new business opened called 941 Nutrition.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Melanie Bevan, Police Chief: Chief Bevan announced Detective William Mulligan was on his way to work this morning and came upon an overturned vehicle that had caught on fire. She said with help from the community, they were able to extinguish the fire and pull the woman in the car to safety.

Katerina Gerakios-Siren, Community Redevelopment Agency Executive Director: In reference to the community meetings, Ms. Gerakios-Siren gave kudos to the Police and Public Works Department staff for their assistance.

Jim McLellan, Public Works & Utilities Director: Mr. McLellan said the new recycle program is a work in progress and will be evaluated on an ongoing basis. He announced last week, approximately 3.7 tons of material was recycled.

Mayor Brown inquired if the City charged residents for recycling in the past. Mr. McLellan said the City did not charge for recycling or yard-waste collection.

Mayor Brown adjourned the City Council meeting at 1:01 p.m.

NOTE: This is not a verbatim record. An audio CD or DVD recording of the meeting is available upon request.

Appendix E:

Palmetto City Commission – Presentation on US 41 CMASS & Meeting Minutes

Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS)

From University Parkway to 17th Street W

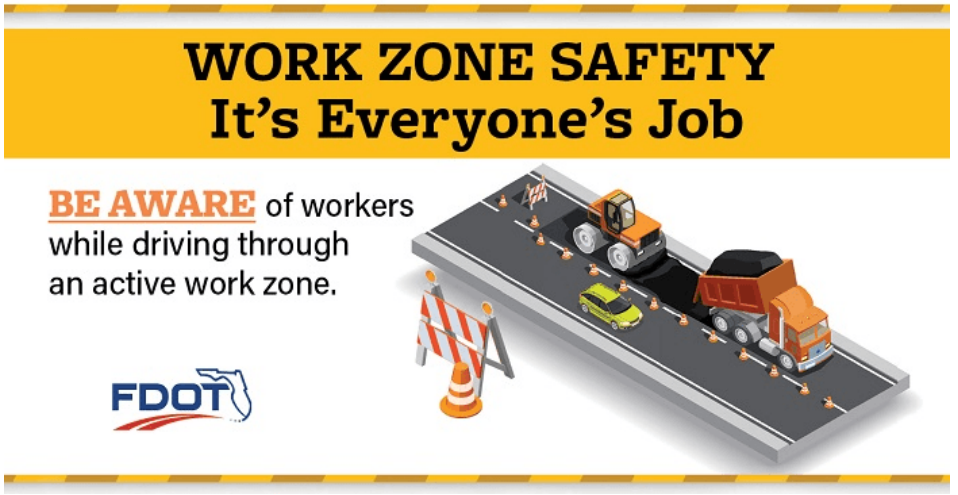
Florida Department of Transportation – District One
FPID: 440154-1-21-01

Palmetto City Commission Workshop
June 27, 2022

Distracted Driving and Work Zone Awareness

WHAT IS DISTRACTED DRIVING?

ANY activity that can take a person's attention from the primary task of driving



Meeting Agenda

- Current Area Projects
- Previous Studies Overview
- US 41 CMASS Overview
- Goals and Objectives
- Measures of Effectiveness
- Open Discussion

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Current Area Projects

- Sarasota/Manatee US 41 CMASS [440154-1 - This project]
- US 41 Transit Choices Concept of Operations (ConOps) [MPO Study]
- 10th Avenue Complete Street Design [FPID: 433142-2]
- Desoto Bridge PD&E Study [FPID: 442630-1]
- Palmetto Trails Network Project Development & Environment (PD&E) [FPID: 444857-1]
- Bradenton-Palmetto Connector Alternative Corridor Evaluation (ACE) Study [FPID: 444843-1]
- Cortez Corridor Visioning Plan [FPID Pending]
- Manatee Trail Alignment Study [MPO Study]
- Sarasota Trail Alignment Study [MPO Study]
- SR 55 (US 19) Resurfacing [FPID: 447379-1]
- US 41 Resurfacing [FPID: 444612-1]
- SR 683 (US 301) Resurfacing [FPID: 449113-1]
- SR 45 (US 41) Resurfacing [FPID: 449114-1]
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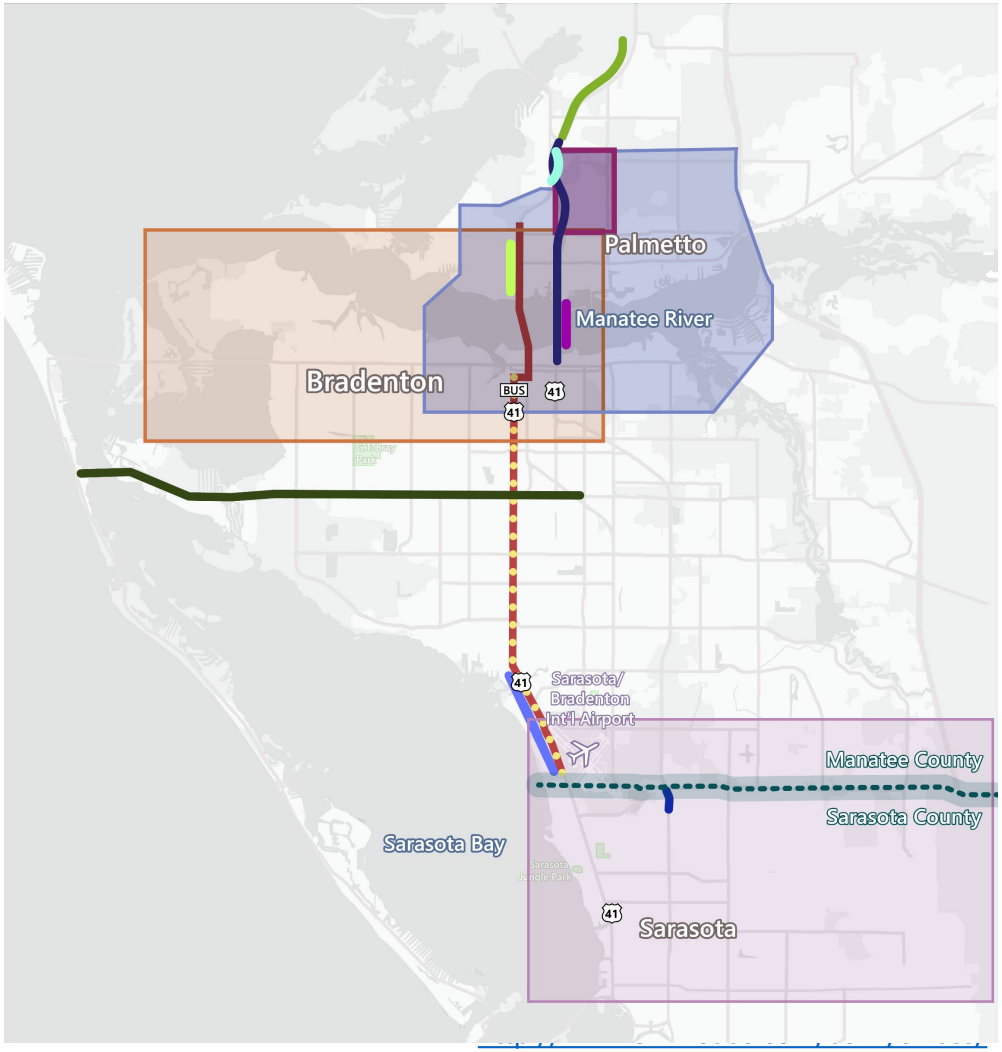

Previous Studies Overview

- US 41 Complete Streets Corridor Planning Study
- Arterial Safety Study
- Access Management Study
- Intersection Safety Studies
  - US 41 at Florida Boulevard
  - US 41 at SR 70 (53rd Ave)
- US 41 Multi Modal Emphasis Corridor (MMEC) Gap and Safety Analysis
- US 41 Transit Choices Study

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Previous Studies Findings

US 41 Multi Modal Emphasis Corridor (MMEC)

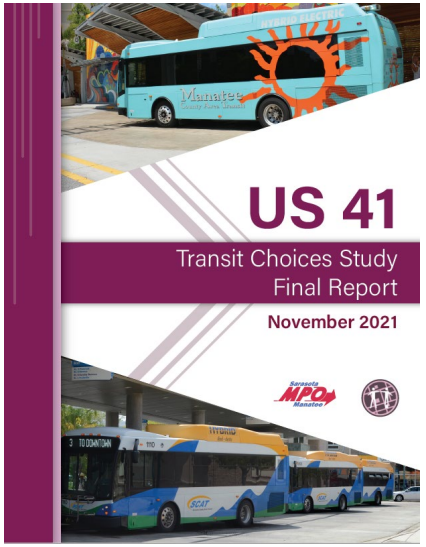
- Crosswalk markings
- Roadway and intersection crosswalk lighting
- Signage
- Flashing yellow arrow
- Bus stop locations
- Right turn on red restrictions
- Driveway consolidation
- Innovative intersection designs
- Bikeway selection
- Speed management
- Signal timing and spacing
- Safe Transportation for Every Pedestrian (STEP)

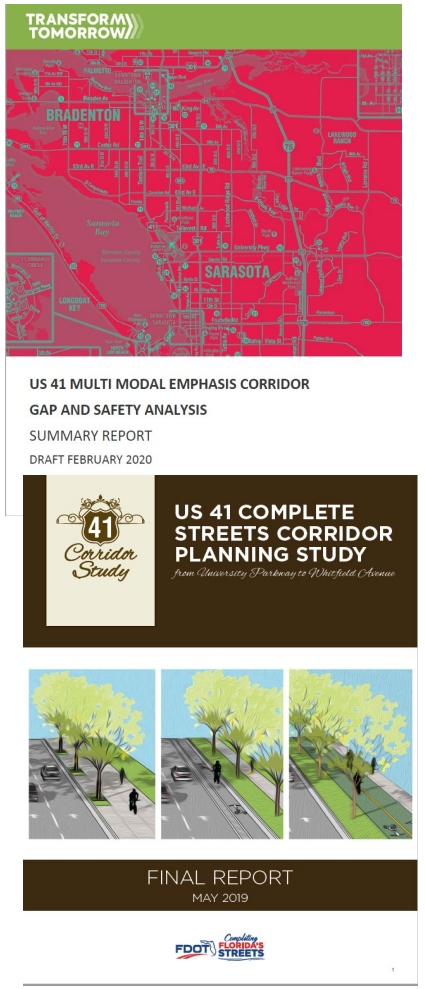
US 41 Transit Choices Study

- Transit signal priority, dedicated lanes, stop modifications, bus operation (low, medium, and high) investment projects
- Development of a concept of operations
- Implementation of a demonstration project
- Agency coordination

US 41 Complete Streets Corridor Planning Study

- Support for implementation of bicycle and pedestrian facilities, intersection improvements, landscaping, and access management
- Evaluated 4 lane facility with various bicycle and pedestrian improvements
- Intersection improvements at University Parkway and at Tallevast Road





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Previous Study Findings

Arterial Safety Study

- Provide designated / high visibility crosswalks
- Install lighting
- Provide advanced street name signs
- Evaluate Signal Timing / Phasing, including Pedestrian Phasing
- Add supplemental nearside signal heads at Cortez Road
- Include dilemma zone detection
- Provide ADA improvements for all curb ramps and pedestrian push button assemblies
- Increase signage
- Conduct speed zone study to reduce speed limit
- Convert continuous two-way left-turn lane to a raised median
- Add bike lanes

Access Management Study

- Convert continuous two-way left-turn lane to a raised median

Intersection Safety Studies

- US 41 at SR 70 (53rd Ave)
  - Convert northbound and southbound protected/permissive left turn phasing to protected only
- US 41 at Florida Blvd
  - Perform access management study within influence area
  - Install lighting at intersections and approaches
  - Restriping crosswalks
  - Change signal phasing
  - Advanced street names
  - Enhance signal visibility

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US 41 CMASS Overview

Project Purpose

- Enhance multimodal mobility and safety along the US 41/US 41 Business corridor from University Parkway in Sarasota to 17th Street W in Palmetto
- Advance transit service/operation strategies along the US 41/US 41 Business corridor
- Improve access and interconnectivity within neighborhoods/areas adjacent to US 41/US 41 Business from the transit center at the Sarasota Bradenton International Airport to the Bradenton transit hub, including the Desoto Mall transit hub
- Develop corridor concepts
- Develop implementation strategies

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US 41 CMASS Overview

Project Status: Feasibility Study – Phase I

Key Milestones:

- Public Outreach - Ongoing
  - MPO Board and Committee Meetings
  - Project Working Group Meetings
  - Stakeholder Meetings
  - Conduct Questionnaire
- Develop Goals & Objectives and Measures of Effectiveness
- Existing Conditions Data Collection and Assessment
- Develop Corridor/Neighborhood Strategies
- Phase I Completion: Late Spring 2023
- Phase 2: Develop Concepts for Implementation

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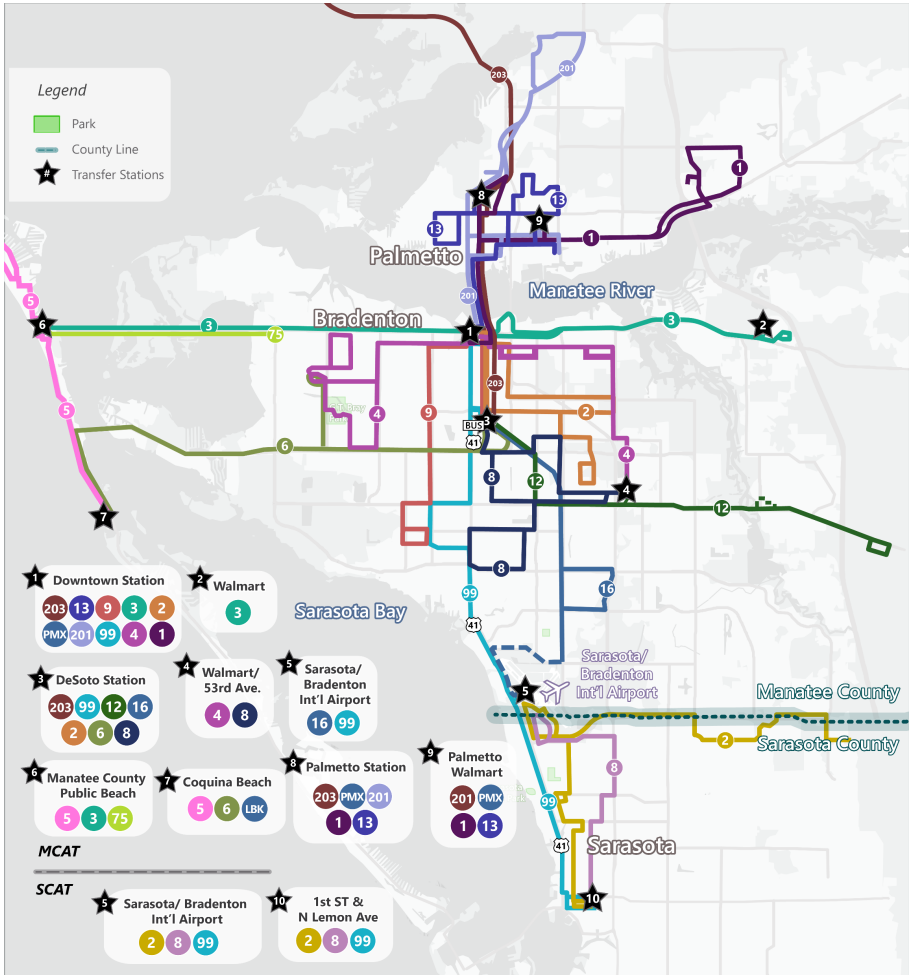
Area Transit Routes

- Route 99 Bradenton-Sarasota
  - Runs length of study area
  - 20-minute AM and PM Peak Period service started Dec 2021
  - New Sunday service proposed starting in 2026
- Stations Near Project
  - Downtown Station – northern limit of US 41 CMASS
  - DeSoto Station
  - Sarasota-Bradenton International Airport Station



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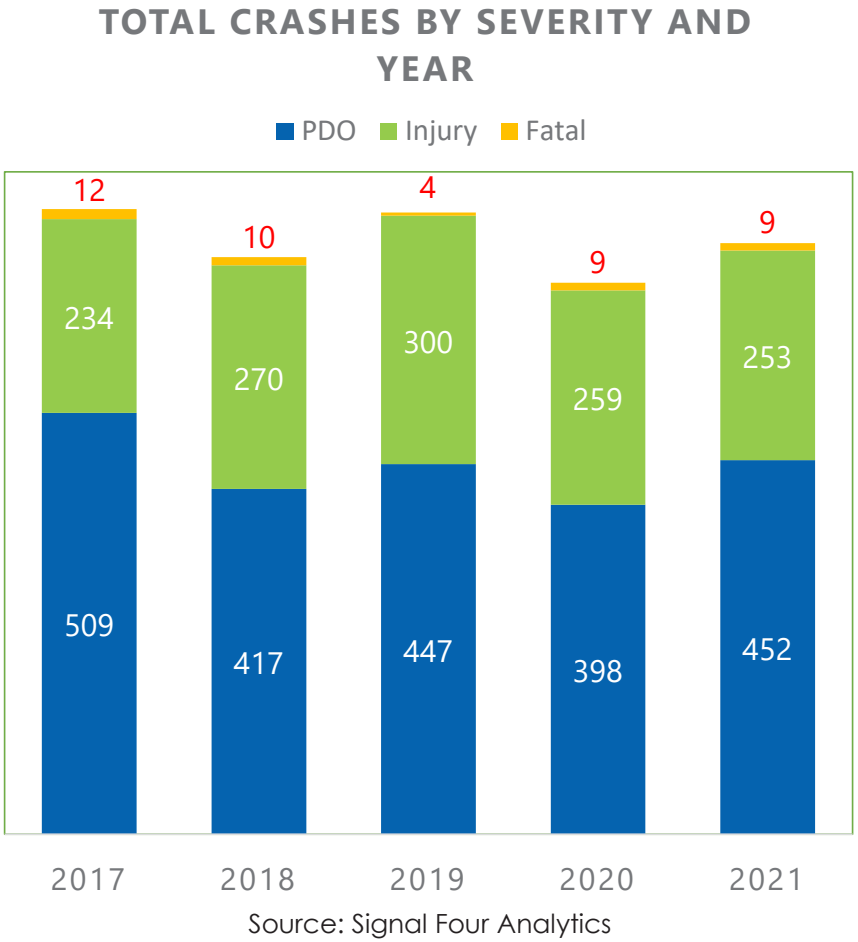
Historical Crash Analysis

- Total of 3,583 crashes in 5 years (2017-2021)
  - Major types – Rear-end, Left turn, Sideswipe, Angles and Off-road
  - 44 fatalities (15 DUI related); 1,316 injuries (37%)
  - 135 ped/bike related
  - 2,223 property damage
  - 2,279 Intersection crashes (63.6% of total)

Six segments are listed as
FDOT District One Fatal Top 20 Segments

- 63rd Ave W to 55th Ave W; Ranked #1
- 55th Ave W to Orlando Ave; Ranked #2
- Magellan Dr to 63rd Ave W; Ranked #8
- County line to Scott Ave; Ranked #9
- Orlando Ave to 30th Ave W; Ranked #11
- 10th St W to N of 23rd St W; Ranked #14



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Local Comprehensive Plans

Agency	Policies/Objectives Stated in Agency Comprehensive Plans	Goals/Policies Directly Related to CMASS
Manatee County	Transportation Element Objective 5.6.6 Transit as an Attractive, Convenient Alternative to Single Occupancy Vehicles	Reduce traffic congestion along constrained transportation corridors, intersections and downtown areas, promote economic development through provision of convenient and accessible transit linking employees with employment centers, and reduce pollution through the integration of the walking, bicycling, and transit systems.
City of Bradenton	Transportation Element Policy 1.6.8 Transit Operations and Service Area Policy 2.1.2 System Interconnectivity	The City will promote an interconnected, multimodal transportation system that transitions from a system focused on quickly moving motor vehicles toward a system that emphasizes the movement of people of all ages and abilities, whether those people choose to walk, bicycle, ride transit, drive a motor vehicle or use a new transportation mobility technology.
City of Palmetto	Transportation Element Objective 2.6 Multi-Modal, Policy 2.6.1 Objective 2.7 Mass Transit	The City shall continue to support the implementation of the overall transportation system an adequate multimodal plan that connects schools, residential areas, recreational facilities, and commercial areas and specifies adequate right-of-way and pedestrian crossing signals and/or markings.

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Local Comprehensive Plans

Agency	Policies/Objectives Stated in Agency Comprehensive Plans	Goals/Policies Directly Related to CMASS
Sarasota County	Mobility Element Objective 1.3 Interconnected Transportation System Objective 1.4 Complete Streets	The County shall provide for a safe, convenient, energy-efficient, interconnected, multi-modal transportation system that will enable County residents the opportunity to live and travel utilizing an integrated, intermodal transportation system based on complete streets design principles and the latest technological innovations and trends including sharing of vehicles and bicycles.
City of Sarasota	Transportation Element Objective 3.0 Multimodal Transportation	The City shall continue to support and promote multiple modes of transportation, in coordination with other units of local government and the private sector, including handicapped-accessible mass transit, bicycle lanes, and pedestrian pathways to all existing and proposed major trip generators.

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Goals and Objectives

Previous Studies and Local Planning Agency:

Goals/Objectives	Source
• Identify a system of improvements that will support regional mobility and safe and comfortable travel by all modes • Improve bicycle and pedestrian facilities • Improve access to transit stops • Improve access to destinations along the corridor including connections to USF Sarasota-Manatee • Maintain mobility along the corridor	US 41 Complete Streets Corridor Planning Study
• Increase access to bus stops and transfer stations • Increase availability of park-n-rides • Expand transportation options to reduce auto use • Promote projects that reduce travel time	Sarasota/Manatee County MPO LRTP, US 41 Transit Choices Study, US 41 Multi-modal Emphasis Corridor (MMEC) Gap and Safety Analysis
• Increase safety across all modes of travel • Increase travel reliability, reduce congestion, and establish clear performance metrics	Transportation System Management and Operations (TSM&O) Master Plan
• Continue to expand and enhance existing sidewalk and bicycle facility networks • Establish target speeds on key corridors	Destination Zero Action Plan
• Identify technology and capital projects that will improve the speed, efficiency, and reliability of fixed-route public transportation services operating within the corridor • Ensure equity in all transportation decisions • Expand access to essential services and affordable housing • Improve access for persons with disabilities	US 41 Transit Choices Study

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Goals and Objectives

Potential Goals and Objectives for US 41 CMASS:

- Enhance multimodal mobility and safety for all users
- Advance transit service/operation strategies along the study corridor
- Improve transportation network access and interconnectivity within neighborhoods, adjacent areas, and transit centers

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Measures of Effectiveness

Potential Measures of Effectiveness for US 41 CMASS:

- Improve multimodal Level of Service (LOS)
- Reduce rate of fatalities and serious injuries
- Enhance ADA accessibility and provide sidewalk connections to transit
- Improve sidewalk conditions in accordance with FDOT Design Manual (FDM), Florida Greenbook, and local standards
- Increase overall corridor travel time reliability
- Increase transit reliability during peak hours

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Thank you!

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MINUTES
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
JUNE 27, 2022
7:00 P.M.

This Commission Meeting was conducted utilizing Communications Media Technology. Some Staff members were present in the Commission Chambers while others were present via the Zoom application.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT IN CHAMBERS:
Shirley Groover Bryant, Mayor
Tambra Varnadore, Vice Mayor, Commissioner, Ward 2
Sheldon Jones, Commissioner-at-Large 1
Harold Smith, Commissioner, Ward 1
Brian Williams, Commissioner, Ward 3

STAFF PRESENT IN CHAMBERS:
Scott Rudacille, City Attorney
Xavier Colon, Interim CRA Director
Kera Hill, Development Services Supervisor
Mohammed Rayan, Public Works Director
Scott Tyler, Chief of Police
Cassi Bailey, Assistant City Clerk - absent
Penny Johnston, Executive Assistant

STAFF PRESENT ELECTRONICALLY:
Tamara Cornwell, Commissioner-at-Large 2 (via Zoom)
Todd Williams, Information Technology (IT) Consultant
Jim Freeman, City Clerk (via Zoom)

Mayor Bryant called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Pastor Shelly Riker from Church on the Rock opened in prayer, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

All persons intending to address the City Commission were duly sworn.

2. CITY COMMISSION AGENDA APPROVAL-
Mayor Bryant suggested moving the public comments to Item 5.a. in consideration of guest speakers Ms. Chloe Conboy from Representative Vern Buchanan's office and the FDOT affiliates that were in Chambers to give an update of local FDOT projects.

MOTION: **Commissioner Williams moved, Commissioner Varnadore seconded, and the motion passed 5-0 to approve of the City Commission Agenda with modifications as mentioned.**

Commissioner Cornwell added that she wanted to add reconsideration of Sutton Park basketball and tennis courts to the CRA Agenda.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT- moved to 5.a

4. MS. CHLOE CONBOY- REPRESENTATIVE VERN BUCHANAN'S OFFICE
   Ms. Chloe Conboy wanted to introduce herself and let the Commissioners and audience know that Congressman Buchanan's office was available to offer assistance with federal agencies, Veteran benefits, Social Security, passport issues, Medicare issues and more. She added that Office Field Representative Ms. Paige Morrison would be at City Hall on Friday July 1, 2022 from 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. to meet with constituents.

5. FDOT PROJECT UPDATE
   Ms. Gayle Woods, with Trans Systems and Consultant with FDOT and Ms. Abra Horne, District Administrator with FDOT wanted to present slides showing an update of the Palmetto Trails, the Bradenton-Palmetto Connector, and the US41 CMASS projects. FDOT has created a website with an overview of all local FDOT projects. Three speakers were in the audience to talk about the FDOT projects and the slide presentation was made a part of these minutes.

   Bruce Landis spoke of the highlights of the Palmetto Trails Network study as they work on building a network, system linkage, bicycle and pedestrian safety, mobility, and social demands. The project began in 2020 and they discussed alternative alignment on the middle and northern side of the City, especially the Lincoln Tunnel. Unfortunately, the northwest corridor was not able to use the existing CSX right of way, so they had to find alternative pathways to connect to Washington Park. FDOT hosted four focus groups in 2021 and were also a part of other community events. They staged a large workshop in early Spring 2022. Currently, the team is preparing to do engineering and environmental analysis.

   Commissioner Jones asked if they had finalized the future placement of the trail to Washington Park. Mr. Landis said the route was still undetermined. He said pedestrian crossing tools are also still being discussed. Cameras and lighting will be installed throughout the trail system.

   Ms. Gayle Woods spoke about the Bradenton Palmetto Connector Spring update. The purpose of this project is to improve connectivity, road capacity and safety. The Alternative Corridor Evaluation (ACE) study is the first phase to find corridors to cross the Manatee River and verify the need for the new corridor. The second phase is the Planning, Development and Engineering (PDE) process. Studies confirm that 31% of the traffic is just passing through Palmetto. Ten (10) corridor choices are outlined in the study. FDOT is striving to be transparent about what is happening with this corridor project. The kick-off meeting is coming in the fall of 2022.

   Commissioner Varnadore asked about timing. Ms. Abra Horne said the DeSoto Bridge is a completely separate project and replacement construction is anticipated in 2027. Possible widening of the bridge will be considered during the PDE stage. The predictive traffic will determine the number of lanes in the bridge. The study will consider, that assuming the DeSoto Bridge is in place, what will still be needed. Multiple alternatives will be presented.

   Commissioner Williams asked about traffic detours during construction. Ms. Horne replied that there would be a maintenance of traffic plan during the bridge construction. Ms. Woods mentioned a website www.uglybridges.com that lists all the bridges in the country and their

recent inspection dates. Ms. Woods assured the Commission that the DeSoto Bridge has been maintained over the years so although the bridge has "aged out" it will still be safe and standing during the reconstruction.

Commissioner Williams stated he would be happy to be the contact for FDOT updates.

Mr. Xavier Colon questioned the timeline of 10th Avenue Complete Streets- phase II.
Richard Gullett asked who had the final say on where the bridge is built. Ms. Horne replied that everyone's voice is equal.

Amy Sirmans, Consultant for FDOT. Safety is FDOT's #1 priority. Eating, texting and taking photos are the top three distractions for drivers. Ms. Sirmans discussed the US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS) from University Parkway in Sarasota to 17th Street West transit station in Palmetto. The purpose is to enhance multimodal mobility and safety. They are currently in Phase l coordinating study results, focus groups, questionnaires, goals and objectives, and then will develop corridor strategies consistent with local comprehensive plans.

5a.) Public Comment
There were no public comments regarding non-agenda items.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

a. Minutes- 06/01/2022 & 06/06/2022 (Workshop & Meeting)
b. Special Function Permit- Twin Angels Charities Back to School Event
c. Special Function Permit- 4th of July Fireworks
d. Resolution 2022-15 - Budget Amendment
e. Public Works- Emergency Purchases
f. Purchase Contract-Portion of Parcel 2414520059
g. Surplus Police Vehicles

MOTION: **Commissioner Jones moved, Commissioner Cornwell seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the consent agenda items a,b,c,e, and g as presented by staff. Items d and f were pulled for discussion.**

6 d) Commissioner Jones asked for clarification on Connor Park and Woman's Club budget.
6 f) Commissioner Jones asked for clarification about the requested 1.8 acres north of the waste water treatment plant to expand the waste water treatment "pond." Tropic Isles has a lease agreement until 2023.

MOTION: **Commissioner Jones moved, Commissioner Williams seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve consent agenda items d and f.**

7. FIRST READING ORDINANCE 2022-08 Amending City of Palmetto General Employee Retirement System

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PALMETTO AMENDING CHAPTER 22, PERSONNEL, ARTICLE IV, GENERAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PALMETTO; AMENDING SECTION 22-86, BENEFIT AMOUNTS AND ELIGIBILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY OF PROVISIONS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Allen Tusing stated the Pension Board actively works to provide the best pension plan and to keep the costs down. It is very costly to change plans. Commissioner Smith questioned if we needed to do a more current study since it has been 20 years or so since the last comparison.

MOTION: **Commissioner Varnadore moved, Commissioner Williams seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2022-08 and authorize staff to advertise the appropriate public hearings.**

Commissioner Jones suggested the Board review every 3 years rather than waiting 5 years. Commissioner Williams opined that 5 years might be adequate. We need to know more.

8. FIRST READING ORDINANCE 2022-09 Annexation of 1615 21st St W

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PALMETTO, FLORIDA, ANNEXING A PARCEL CONTAINING 5.00 ACRES OF UNINCORPORATED MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA INTO THE CITY OF PALMETTO SPECIFICALLY LOCATED AT 1615 21ST STREET WEST, PALMETTO, FL 34221, WHICH THE PARCEL IS REASONABLY COMPACT AND IS CONTIGUOUS TO THE CITY OF PALMETTO; REDEFINING THE BOUNDARY LINES OF THE CITY OF PALMETTO, FLORIDA TO INCLUDE SAID PARCEL; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

MOTION: **Commissioner Jones moved, Commissioner Williams seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2022-09 and authorize staff to advertise the appropriate public hearings.**

9. FIRST READING ORDINANCE 2022-10 Future Land Use Amendment- 1615 21st St W

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PALMETTO, FLORIDA APPROVING A SMALL SCALE FUTURE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT TO THE CITY'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; CHANGING THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP DESIGNATION FOR THE TERRITORY HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED FROM COUNTY FUTURE LAND USE MAP DESIGNATION RES-3 (RESIDENTIAL-3.0), TO CITY FUTURE LAND USE MAP DESIGNATION RES-4 (RESIDENTIAL-4), ON APPROXIMATLEY 5.00 ACRES MORE SPECIFICALLY LOCATED AT 1615 21ST STREET WEST, CONSISTENT WITH THE GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND POLICIES OF THE ADOPTED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 163.3187, FLORIDA STATUTES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT, SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

MOTION: **Commissioner Varnadore moved, Commissioner Jones seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2022-10 and authorize staff to advertise the appropriate public hearings.**

Commissioner Williams questioned why the annexation fee was waived. Mrs. Kera Hill responded that according to an existing resolution when an annexation, comprehensive plan amendment and rezoning is all done at the same time, the fees will be waived.

10. FIRST READING ORDINANCE 2022-11 Rezoning- 1615 21st St W

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PALMETTO, FLORIDA REZONING APPROXIMATELY 5.00 ACRES OF PROPERTY SPECIFICALLY LOCATED AT 1615 21ST STREET WEST, PALMETTO, FLORIDA, FROM COUNTY ZONING A-1 (AGRICULTURAL SUBURBAN), TO CITY ZONING E-R (ESTATE RESIDENTIAL), AND AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

MOTION: **Commissioner Jones moved, Commissioner Varnadore seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2022-11 and authorize staff to advertise the appropriate public hearings.**

11. ORDER OF DENIAL ORDINANCE 2022-07

Ed Vogler represented the applicant. The applicant opined they could certainly do this project without deviations. They want to do business with the City of Palmetto.

Shay Hawkinberry reminded the audience that during the June 6th meeting Commissioner Jones, Cornwell, Smith and Varnadore said they supported the housing project, just not the deviations. She requested that the Commission revise the final order to approve the general development plan without the deviations, as it follows the City comprehensive plan and zoning code. The applicant listened to each of you and agreed to remove the deviations. She opined the housing project would benefit the entire community and bring jobs and revenue dollars into the City.

Dan Lobeck opined that the applicant had every opportunity to resubmit the plan without the deviations. He stated that now they have to start over with a new plan.

Commissioner Varnadore asked Mr. Rudacille for legal clarification and then moved to reconsider the plan. The motion died due to lack of a second.

MOTION: **Commission Williams moved, Commissioner Jones seconded, and the motion carried 4-1 to approve the Final Order Denying Ordinance 2022-07 General Development Plan/Riviera Dunes Apartments. Commissioner Varnadore voted no.**

12. ORDER OF DENIAL ORDINANCE 2022-05

MOTION: Commissioner Williams moved, Commissioner Smith seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the Final Order Denying in Part Ordinance 2022-05 Amending Section 6, Subsection G Transportation and Adding New Conditions for Transportation Mitigation and Traffic Monitoring Consistent with Section 380.06, Florida Statutes; Adding a New Table A(1) Related to the Proposed Riviera Dunes Apartments General Development Plan

RECESSED THE CITY COMMISSION MEETING TO OPEN THE JUNE 27, 2022 SPECIAL CRA BOARD MEETING at 8:28 p.m.

RECONVENED THE CITY COMMISSION MEETING at 10:18 p.m.

STANDING AGENDA ITEMS:

13. TRAFFIC UPDATE COMMENTS: none

14. DEPARTMENT HEADS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Smith commented that there was a light out on 4th Avenue.

Mr. Rayan went over updates in Public Works and the construction project of the Police Headquarters building. Mr. Rayan stated City staff always focuses on being environmentally safe and sound.

Mr. Freeman reserved additional workshops Wed. July 27, 2022 from 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. and Tues. Aug 9, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. to discuss the upcoming budget, in addition to regularly scheduled meetings.

15. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Bryant talked about the 125th Anniversary at the Palmetto Historical Park from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. She gave a brief overview of the 4th of July plans at Sutton Park. Music beginning at 5:00 p.m. with Lazy Bonez, 7:00 p.m. Neal McCoy and 9:15 p.m. fireworks over the Manatee River.

16. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Jones asked for an update from Mr. Barnebey about the block voting and for specification on where candidates can put campaign signs. He asked the Mayor for the most current Housing Board information.

Commissioner Williams thanked Public Works for modifying the traffic island on 17th Street across from Lincoln Memorial Academy. He also requested we compile a City Development Advisory Board of about 10-15 citizens and business owners to help rebrand the City.

Commissioner Cornwell thank Mr. Rayan and the Chief for all they did during the rain event over the weekend.

Mayor Bryant adjourned the meeting at 10:35 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVED: JULY 25, 2022

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CITY CLERK

Appendix F:
One-on-one Stakeholder Meetings Presentation, Mural, & Notes

District One Environmental Management Office

Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS)

From University Parkway to 17th Street W

FDOT

Agenda

- Introductions
- Project Description and Background
- US 41 Today: Existing Conditions
- Public Outreach
- Open Discussion: We Want Your Input

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Project Description and Background

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Transportation Project Development Process

Phase 1 Planning

- Existing Conditions
- Needs and Assessment
- LRTP, CFP, TIP
- Work Program

Phase 2 PD&E Study

- Purpose and Need
- Alternatives Analysis
- Environmental Studies
- Environmental Document Approval

Phase 3 Design

- Detailed Design
- Construction Plans
- Cost Estimates
- Permits

Phase 4 Right-of-Way

- Appraisal
- Negotiations
- Acquisition

Phase 5 Construction

- Build and Deliver

Public Outreach and Interagency Coordination

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Connecting Communities

Purpose: Holistically enhance the multimodal transportation network within Sarasota and Manatee Counties.

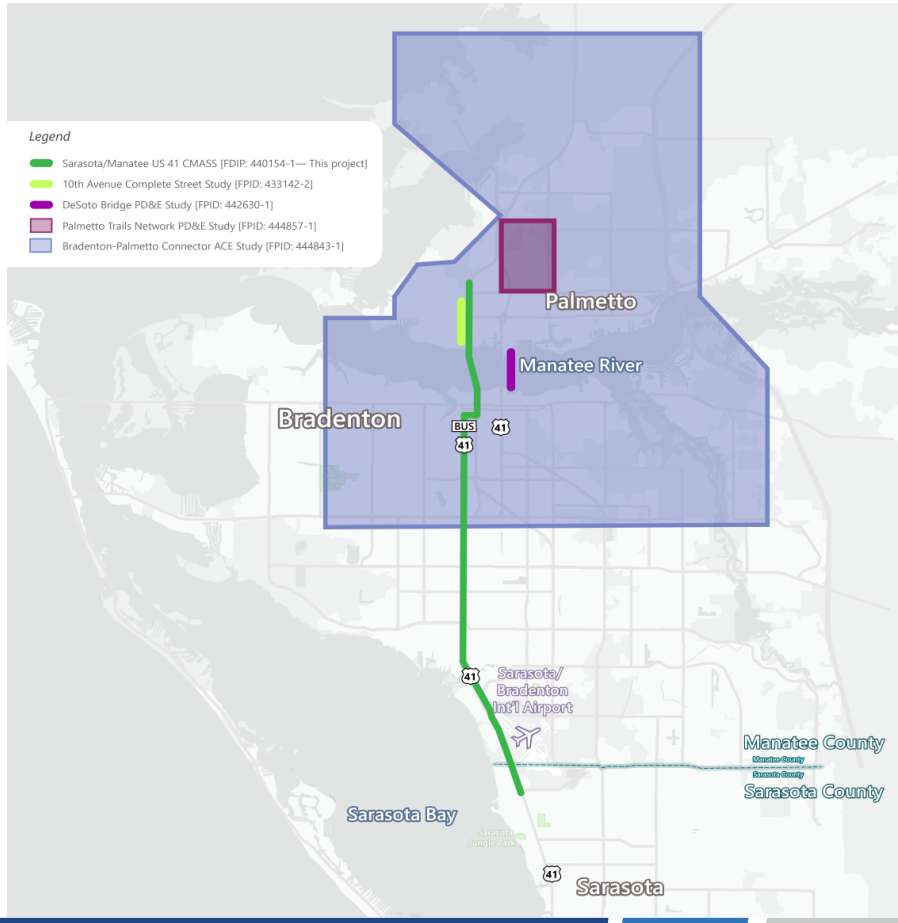
Bradenton-Palmetto CONNECTOR
CONNECTING COMMUNITIES
ACE / PD&E STUDY

DeSoto Bridge PD&E Study

Palmetto Trails
NETWORK | PD&E STUDY

CMASS 41

Complete Street Study
10th avenue
Palmetto, FL



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Project Description

Project Limits: US 41/US 41 Business corridor from University Parkway (Sarasota) to 17th Street W (Palmetto)

Financial Project ID: 440154-1-21-01

Project Manager: Matt Dockins

Status: Feasibility Study – Phase 1

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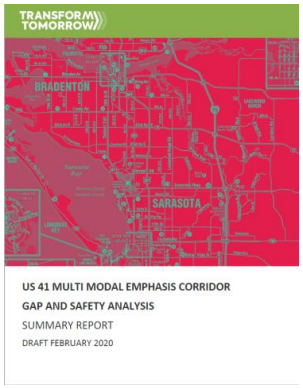
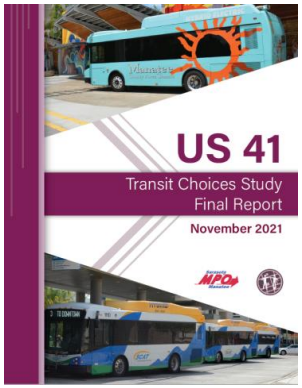
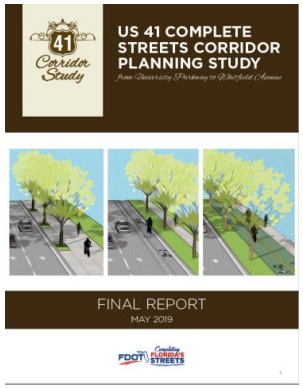
We are not starting from scratch…

- US 41 Multi-Modal Emphasis Corridor (MMEC)
- US 41 Transit Choices Study
- US 41 Complete Streets Corridor Planning Study
- Arterial Safety Study
- Access Management Study
- Intersection Safety Studies







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Goals & Objectives

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  - Neighborhoods
  - Adjacent areas
  - Transit centers

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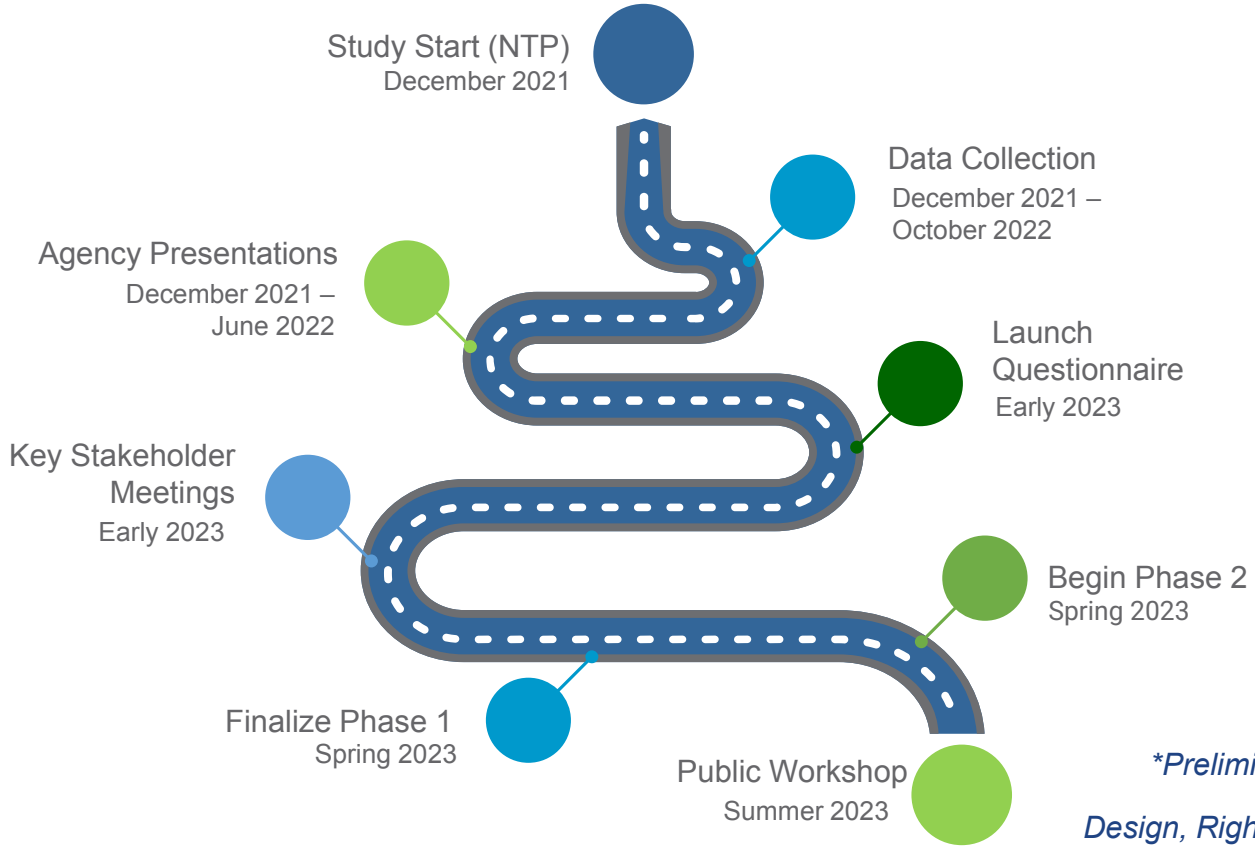
Project Schedule



Preliminary Schedule – subject to change

Design, Right-of-Way, & Construction are not funded.

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US 41 Corridor Today

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FDOT

US 41 Corridor Today

What are the characteristics of the corridor?

- FDOT priority multimodal corridor
- **2-3 travel lanes in each direction**
- Separated by median, traffic separator, or center left turn lane
- Continuous sidewalks on both sides
- **Right of way varies with more constraints at northern end**
- **Posted speed limits vary from 25 to 45 mph**
- Longest travel time is northbound in evening peak
- Average travel speeds are lower than posted speed limit south of the Green Bridge
- Highest congestion occurs between 63rd Avenue and Manatee Avenue

Who is using the corridor?

- Residents
- Visitors
- Students
- Businesses

How are they travelling?

- Single Occupancy Vehicles (cars/trucks, etc.)
- Pedestrians
- Bicyclists
- Several transit (bus) routes

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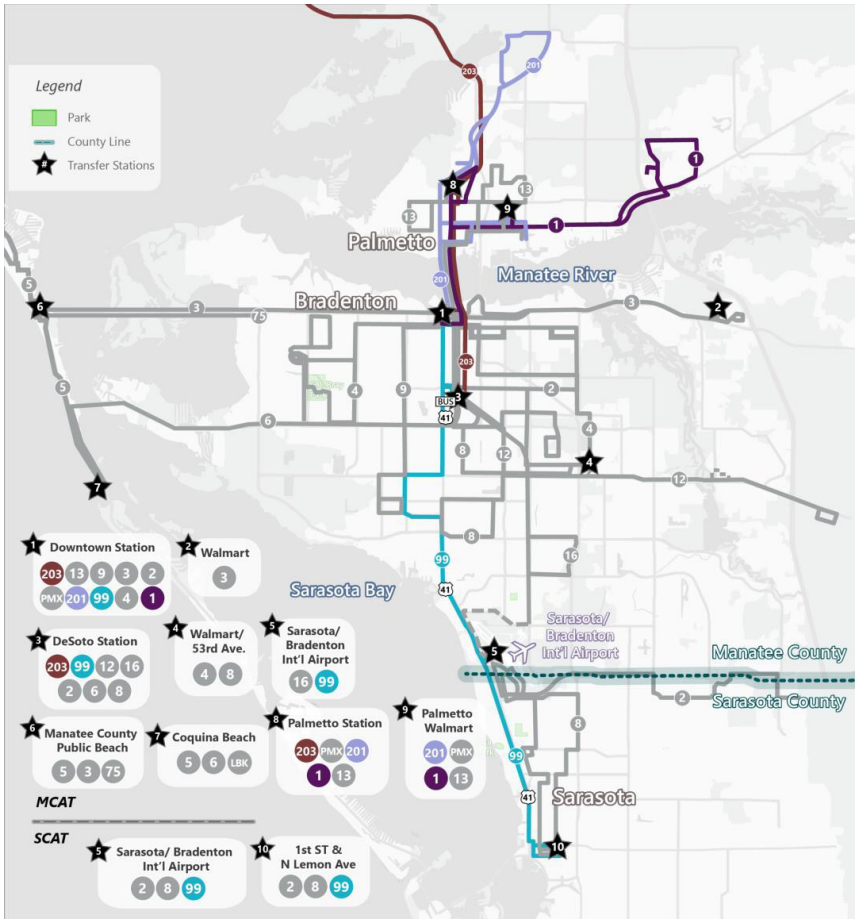
Area Transit Routes

- Route 99 Bradenton-Sarasota
  - Runs length of study area
  - 20-minute AM and PM Peak Period service started Dec 2021
  - New Sunday service proposed starting in 2026

- Stations Near Project
  - Palmetto Station
  - Bradenton Downtown Station
  - DeSoto Station
  - Sarasota-Bradenton International Airport Station



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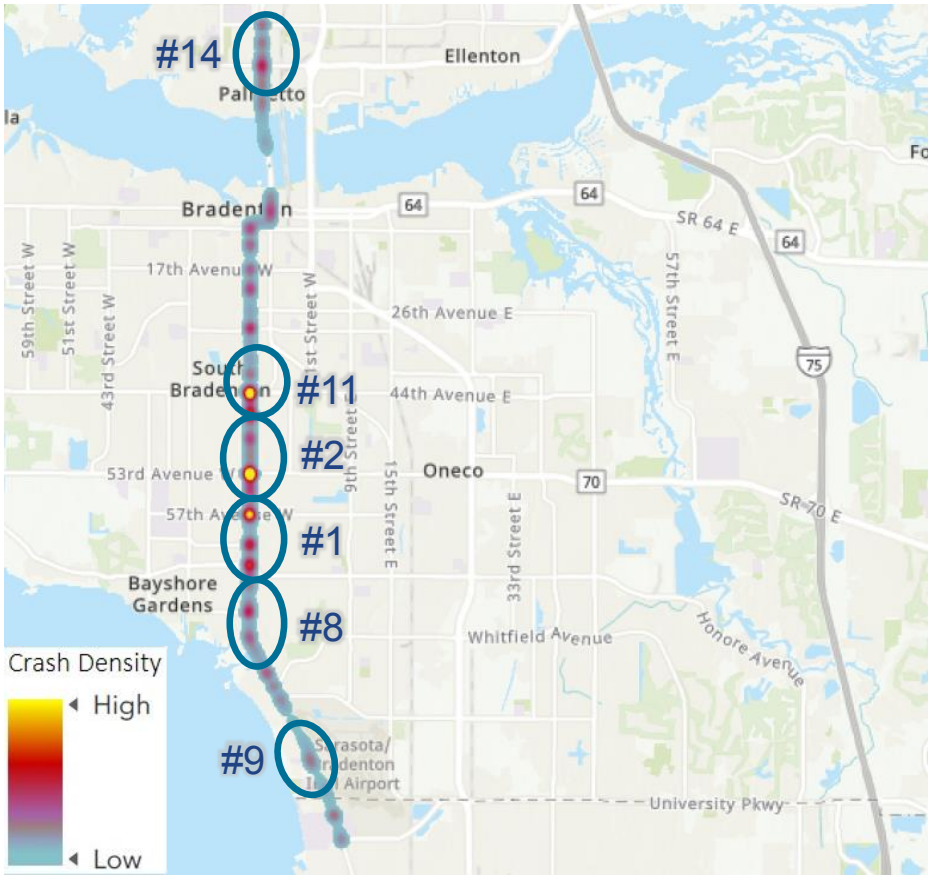
Safety and Crash Analysis

Six segments are listed as
SW Florida Fatal Top 20 Segments

- 63rd Ave W to 55th Ave W; Ranked #1
- 55th Ave W to Orlando Ave; Ranked #2
- Magellan Dr to 63rd Ave W; Ranked #8
- County line to Scott Ave; Ranked #9
- Orlando Ave to 30th Ave W; Ranked #11
- 10th St W to N of 23rd St W; Ranked #14



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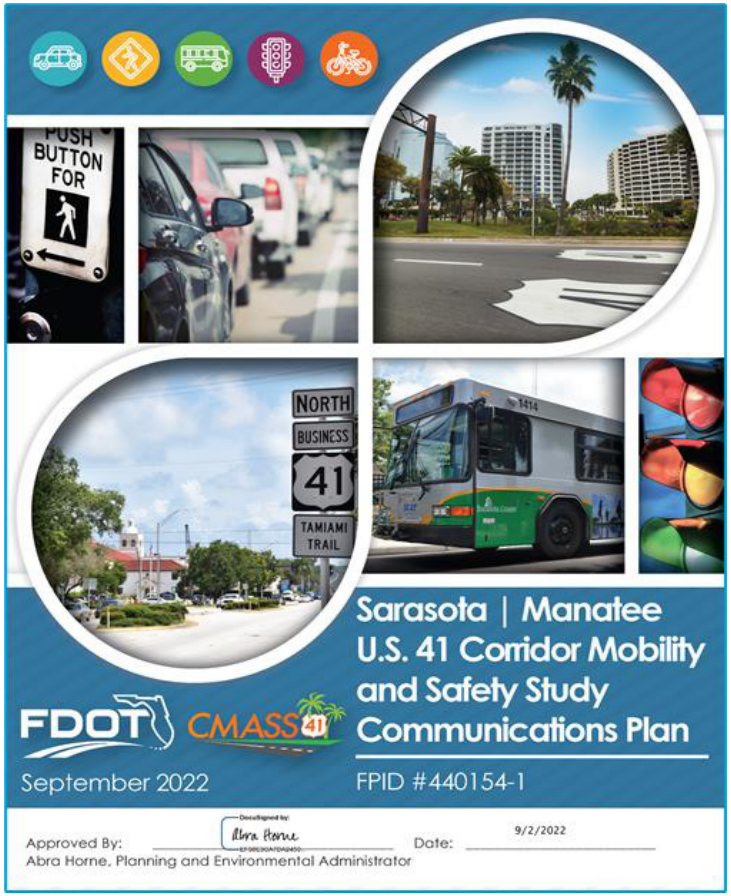
Public Outreach



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Public Outreach

Outreach to Date:

September 2021
- Sarasota/Manatee MPO Staff Meetings

December 2021
- Sarasota/Manatee MPO Staff Meeting
- Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority Meeting
- SunRunner BRT Meeting

February 2022
- Sarasota/Manatee MPO Staff Meeting
- Sarasota/Manatee MPO Board Meeting
- Sarasota/Manatee MPO TAC Meeting

April 2022
- Sarasota/Manatee MPO BPTAC Meeting

May 2022
- Sarasota/Manatee MPO CAN Meeting
- Sarasota/Manatee MPO TAC Meeting
- Sarasota/Manatee MPO Board Meeting

June 2022
- City of Bradenton City Council Meeting
- City of Palmetto City Council Meeting
- Manatee County Commission Meeting

Upcoming Outreach:

Early 2023
- Key Stakeholder Meetings
- Launch and Summarize Questionnaire

Summer 2023
- Hold Public Workshop - Summer 2023

Throughout 2023
- Continued coordination with all agencies and stakeholders

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We Want to Hear From YOU!

Complete the questionnaire:

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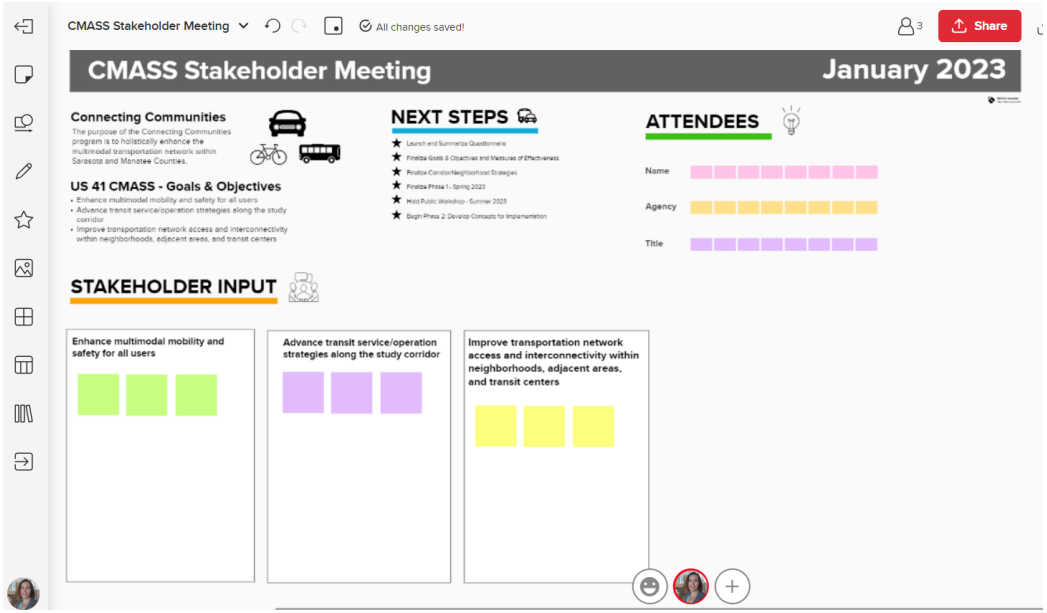

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Next Steps

- Key Stakeholder Meetings
- Launch and Summarize Questionnaire
- Finalize Goals & Objectives and Measures of Effectiveness
- Finalize Corridor/Neighborhood Strategies
- Finalize Phase 1 – Spring 2023
- Hold Public Workshop - Summer 2023
- Begin Phase 2: Develop Concepts for Implementation

Complete the questionnaire:

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CMASS 41

CONNECTING COMMUNITIES
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STAKEHOLDER INPUT

Enhance multimodal mobility and safety for all users

- Multimodal Mobility & Safety is #1 concern. Increased number of accidents occuring at US41 and General Spaatz Blvd in front of New College, including accidents involving students.
- This project will help improve multimodal mobility. Crosswalk improvements/safety for school students would be beneficial
- Suggestion to implement pedestrian crossings and enhance accessibility to nearby restaurants/facilities. There are currently no crosswalks on US41 at USF
- Existing conditions include a basic sidewalk. Suggestion for greenway improvements
- Concern for students crossing areas near Ringling College and the Airport
- Have been discussions about providing safer pedestrian access near the airport
- Suggestion to enhance pedestrian safety along DeSoto Bridge
- Lack of crosswalks along corridor. Does not allow for recreation or exercise

Advance transit service/operation strategies along the study corridor

- Enhance transit along US 41 - Route 99 is best performing route along corridor
- Many students use the pedestrian overpass rather than crossing US41 at the intersection. Bike traffic is more common than pedestrian traffic
- Keep transit stops away from Runway 4 to enhance safety for pedestrians
- Keeping the median opening at Dolphin would be beneficial for future development
- Adding bus stops along corridor to benefit local community
- Chamber focusing on cost effective methods for transportation including buses, on demand transit, and transit accessibility
- Pedestrian/Scooter/Bike traffic around colleges. May not be necessary for a dedicated SCAT lane due to low ridership/trip
- USF provides free transit (MCAT and SCAT) for students on campus. Bus stops are not on campus, but adjacent.
- Having a stop at USF campus would provide enhanced accessibility for students
- Congestion near universities does not allow for safe or efficient traffic flow
- Transportation is barrier for employment. Enhanced transportation will benefit the community and employers
- Transit timing is inefficient and poorly designed for workforce

Improve transportation network access and interconnectivity within neighborhoods, adjacent areas, and transit centers

- Suggestion to enhance access to activity center located at US41 and 44th Ave W to benefit local community
- Suggestion to make transit more easily accessible by adjacent neighborhoods
- Area near Seagate Drive (Property 6) to be developed. Would benefit from enhanced pedestrian facilities. Will be developed as as parking lot for interim use
- Not many businesses/ restaurants surrounding New College. Students/ Faculty rely on cars as main form of transportation. (~700 students residing on campus.)
- Chamber considering best way to provide accessible transit for all
- Future developments to increase campus activity, enhancing the opportunity for transit use.
- Some students will use transit to get to other areas in Sarasota and Bradenton, however most use their own vehicle.
- Consideration for businesses would be appreciated as they have been recently affected
- Route to nearby businesses is not safe for pedestrians
- Inefficient access to transit. Workforce living in southern Sarasota County travel to employment centers in northern Manatee County.

MEETINGS TO DATE

- Bradenton Area Convention and Visitors Bureau
- Manasota Black Chamber of Commerce
- Manatee County Public Works
- New College of Florida
- Sarasota Manatee Airport Authority
- The Greater Sarasota Chamber of Commerce
- University of South Florida Sarasota-Manatee
- Manatee NAACP
- Bradenton Area Economic Development Corporation

What improvements would you like to see for the US 41 corridor?

- Enhanced lighting near Crosley Estate and USF Campus
- Pedestrian facilities (Continous bike/ped) throughout the corridor
- Consistency in roadway and surrounding facilities (aesthetics). The roadway and surrounding facilities are very different.
- Opportunity for more bicycle lanes along US41 in both directions (N/S)
- Enhanced safety at the intersection of US41 and General Spaatz Blvd
- Lighting near runway zones is something to be considered. May need approval from FAA
- Good wayfinding signs on US41 for Airport - beneficial to incorporate style/colors into signage
- Bike/Ped connections between Sarasota and Manatee County
- Coordination of red lights along the corridor
- Aesthetic improvements along corridor
- Continous sidewalks/ pedestrian lighting throughout corridor to enhance safety
- Adding bike lanes throughout the corridor.
- Crosswalks along corridor and safety improvements when traveling to nearby businesses
- Aesthetic improvements along corridor. Current aesthetics do not reflect the area well

Are there any specific area of concern you would like to discuss?

- Pedestrian activity walking to New College.
- Difficulty for pedestrians to access transit stations
- Insufficient lighting near New College
- Ability to cross the road.
- Traffic congestion between University and New College intersection in AM peak time
- Varying speeds/high speed travelers at US 41 and New College entrance (especially northbound)
- Lack of pedestrian access between New College and USF.
- Pedestrians crossing the road in busier areas. Suggestion for a median that would enforce students/ pedestrians to use designated crosswalks.
- Captain Brian's Seafood has expressed concern for losing driveway access (involving resurfacing project) - could be beneficial to include shared access with Airport
- High speeds along the corridor
- High speeds in the area. Speed control
- Concern for homeless population in the area. Would like to see an intentional plan in place to accomodate the homeless population along the corridor
- Concern for future stacking issues at Seagate Drive (highest entrance and exit counts here). Potential for increased congestion with coming development. Includes buses as well.
- Future increased traffic volume to cause issues along corridor
- Upholding integrity for African American-owned churches and businesses along the corridor
- Congestion and sustainability of the corridor.
- Inconsistent aesthetics when traveling across the Sarasota/Manatee County line. Varying differences between the two counties, crossing University Parkway
- Aesthetics and traffic flow along corridor.

What issues do you notice when traveling the US 41 corridor?

- Safety hazards (crashes, frequent stopping, roadway conditions, etc.)
- Excessive vehicular speeding
- Insufficient lighting
- Difficulty entering/exiting properties along the corridor
- Quality of sidewalks
- Quality of bicycle facilities
- Quality of transit stops
- Lack of transit reliability
- Traffic congestion
- Inconsistency throughout the corridor including the examples above and number of lanes.
- Turning into or out of USF onto US41 (Safety)
- Lack of safety / rate of speed / congestion
- Travelers unfamiliar with the area are unaware of surrounding conditions
- Increased traffic flow
- Lack of access management near Airport
- Confusion with traffic flow patterns and turning lanes, especially considering ongoing projects

What is your biggest complaint about traveling along the US 41 Corridor?

- Poor lighting along the corridor for motorized traffic and pedestrians
- High speeds near Crosley Estate
- High pedestrian fatalities due to dangerous conditions
- Lack of lighting and high traffic speeds
- Bike/Ped safety along the corridor.
- Complaints about the left turn signal at General Spaatz Blvd. Long wait times, congestion, queuing issues
- Unsafe conditions along the corridor for pedestrians, especially near colleges
- Lack of safety and aesthetics along corridor.
- Lack of aesthetics along corridor.
- Lack of pedestrian safety, especially near colleges

Does your agency/organization have any planned improvements / projects / events that the project team should know about?
Frequent Trolley Services from Crosley Estate to nearby for approximately 200 events per year.
Similar transportation methods at Ringling and New College.
Use of Trolley Service encouraged
Frequent events on campus, but most impacts are within the campus
Manatee County is working on Mobility Plan. The County will increase focus on capital project needs and prioritizations
Manatee County working on Trails Master Plan
Few events a year that may impact traffic. Winter events keep University traffic steady
Ground Transportation Center project to begin construction in coming months. Intended to improve MCAT and SCAT drop-off and pick-up. Larger area will accomodate 4 buses rather than 2.
Working with Manatee County to remove Ponce De Leon St once the land becomes the Airport's property
On-campus housing plans in development
Future commercial development anticipated in Property 5 and 6 near airport
Several developers interested in converting motels along the corridor into affordable housing, etc., which would provide a need for enhanced transit services
Future plan to construct nursing program will increase attendance
Annual Golf Tournament & Fall event partnered with Manatee Convention Center with 200+ in attendance
Juneteenth Event with local library
Planned improvements near airport and colleges are anticipated to bring growth in the next 10 years.
How would you like to continue to be involved in the project?
Meet with me again
Join Mailing List
Become a project champion
Additional meeting with New College.
Update meeting with Airport Authority
Join mailing list. Hold update meeting with governmental issues council (when appropriate). Can participate as a project champion
Continued meetings to keep up to date on the planning process. Mailing list updates.
Continued meetings to be updated on project process
Continued meetings and engagement with the African American Community
Project updates and meetings when appropriate
Are there others from your organization that should be included?
Add names and contact info
Joe Hembree - Commercial Realtor on Governmental Issues Board
James Golden - Legal Rep (NAACP)/ Manatee County Resident & Economic Development Chair.
Sororities and Fraternaties - ASHAL Group and local churches
Potential to share with Bradenton Area EDC Board
Can you help us distribute the questionnaire / project information? What methods?
Newsletters
Mailing List
In-person flyers posted throughout New College campus
Post flyers throughout airport. Can ask IT to post to website.
Include in weekly and monthly newsletter
Town Hall Meetings, pass out flyers, email/ billboards
Will distribute to contact list.
Email blast and in-person depending on scheduled events
Electronic distribution
Suggestion for project team to look to local churches and childcare centers for distribution in addition to creating a spanish and creole version of the questionnaire.

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Sarasota and Manatee Counties
Stakeholder/Agency Meeting (Virtual)
Bradenton Area Convention and Visitors Bureau

Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

January 17, 2023, 1:00 p.m.

Meeting Summary

A virtual stakeholder's meeting with the Bradenton Area Convention and Visitors Bureau was conducted via Microsoft Teams on Tuesday, January 17, 2023. The purpose of the meeting was to present information for FDOT's Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS) and conduct an open discussion between the study team and the Bradenton Area Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Attendees

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VHB: Heather Garcia – Project Team Member
VHB: Kennedy Sumner-Snell – Project Team Member
The Valerin Group: Catherine Winter, PE – Public Involvement Coordinator
AECOM: Lauren Brooks, AICP – Connecting Communities Program Manager on behalf of FDOT

Stakeholders

Bradenton Area Convention and Visitors Bureau: Anna Pohl – General Manager
Bradenton Area Convention and Visitors Bureau: Sandra Guerra – Operations and Events Manager
Manatee County: Clarke Davis – Traffic Management Deputy Director, Public Works

Mitch Conner, Client Services Manager for the Bradenton Area Convention and Visitors Bureau, and Chad Butzow, Manatee County Public Works Director, were invited but unable to attend the meeting.

Anna Pohl stated that she managed several facilities, including the Bradenton Area Convention Center and the Powel Crosley Estate which is located behind the University of South Florida (USF) Sarasota-Manatee campus.

Project Overview

The project team shared a presentation with meeting attendees providing information on the US 41 CMASS project including project description and background, goals and objectives, schedule, and public outreach. A copy of the presentation is included with these notes.

The "Connecting Communities" concept discussed is inclusive of various Sarasota and Manatee County projects with the purpose of holistically enhancing the multi-modal transportation network within those

counties. The Connecting Communities program addresses project overlap and helps ensure important and effective connections and coordination to avoid the need to "reinvent the wheel", leveraging work that had already been completed. Five major projects of that initiative as being the Bradenton-Palmetto Connector ACE/PD&E Study, the DeSoto Bridge PD&E Study, the Palmetto Trails Network/PD&E Study, US 41 CMASS, and 10th Avenue Complete Streets. The project team clarified that not all area projects were listed in the presentation and encouraged stakeholders to advise the study team of any projects of which he felt they should be aware.

The project team used a digital whiteboard application (Mural) to capture and document stakeholder ideas and feedback. A copy of the Mural whiteboard with all feedback received to date from the individual stakeholder meetings is included with these meeting notes.

Open Discussion

- Stakeholder concerns
  - Safety at 44th Avenue, in the areas of 26th Avenue and 63rd Avenue.
  - Safety along the southern portion of the corridor.
  - Absence of pedestrian accommodations along the DeSoto Bridge.
  - Lack of lighting for vehicles, pedestrians, and bicyclists area along the corridor and near the Crosley Estate and USF.
  - Difficulty for pedestrians to cross the street and access bus stops.
  - Speed of vehicle traffic in the evening.
- Stakeholder suggestions and additional input
  - Explore speed management and establish better connections between US 41 and the neighborhoods behind it. Safety and accessibility would aid in better performance of the transit system.
  - Continuous bicycle and pedestrian features throughout the corridor.
  - Approximately 75 to 150 people use trolley/buses to the Crosley Estate. Trolleys can run any day of the week, any day of the year, and typically operate anywhere from 1 p.m. to 3 a.m. Approximately 200 events per year at the Estate, half of which utilize the trolley service in addition to being used by those from New College and the Ringling Museum.
  - Manatee County is working on their Mobility Plan, focusing on Capital Improvement Project needs and prioritizations, and the Trails Master Plan, which could be useful to the US 41 CMASS team once available.
- Connecting Communities Questionnaire distribution
  - Flyer attached to newsletter, post on the convention center marquee and social media platforms.
- Continued stakeholder involvement
  - No need for follow-up meetings at this time.

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Stakeholder/Agency Meeting (Virtual)
New College of Florida

Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

January 18, 2023, 1:00 p.m.

Meeting Summary

A virtual stakeholder's meeting with New College of Florida was conducted via Microsoft Teams on Wednesday, January 18, 2023. The purpose of the meeting was to present information for FDOT's Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS) and conduct an open discussion between the study team and New College of Florida.

Attendees

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Stakeholders

New College of Florida: Itza Frisco – Interim Assistant Vice President, Facilities Management

Project Overview

The project team shared a presentation with meeting attendees that provided information on the US 41 CMASS project including project description and background, goals and objectives, schedule, and public outreach. A copy of the presentation is included with these notes.

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Open Discussion

- Stakeholder comments and concerns
  - Enhancement of multimodal mobility and safety for all users is the number one issue
  - Suggested the addition of more bicycle and pedestrian accommodations
  - Biggest complaints concerning traveling the corridor are safety for pedestrian and bicycle traffic, lighting, and traffic speeds.

- Increase in crashes over the past few years at the New College entrance on US 41 and General Spaatz Boulevard/College Drive
- Students use the overpass to avoid crossing the street at the intersection; however, those on bicycles sometimes cross at the intersection as opposed to those traveling on foot
- Some students use buses to get to other locations in Sarasota and Bradenton but stated most use their personal vehicles
- Less than 700 students on campus, all of whom are required to reside on campus and that faculty live in Bradenton or Sarasota with everyone using their cars
- Need for an increased number of bike lanes along US 41 in both directions, both north and south of the campus
- Need for safety considerations at the US 41/General Spaatz intersection
- Congestion between University Parkway and the New College entrance
- Varying speeds of southbound traffic at the New College entrance, who encounter their first traffic signal as they approach General Spaatz Boulevard and College Drive.
- Lighting issues from the New College entrance intersection moving northward
- USF Sarasota-Manatee
  - No accommodation for bicyclists going from New College to USF Sarasota-Manatee campus
  - Difficult to go north and get across the street at USF Sarasota-Manatee
  - Not a high number of students traveling between the campuses however, since both New College and USF are state universities, students should be able to take classes on both campuses
- Heavy congestion on northbound US 41 during peak hours accommodations.
- Most of the currently planned New College improvements/projects were on campus
- Events
  - Upcoming Board of Trustees meeting that will create a lot of traffic on campus but that would not attract a lot of people from outside
  - Occasional weddings on campus that do not typically generate a great deal of traffic
  - Upcoming challenge event focused on climate change that was expected to bring 50-60 people.

- Connecting Communities Questionnaire distribution
  - Offered to utilize their newsletter to help in distributing information to students and staff
  - Posters might also be helpful
  - FDOT will provide New College with posters and flyers, as well as FDOT social media posts
- Continued stakeholder involvement
  - Would like to be added to the mailing list
  - New College will identify others who should be involved in future meetings.

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Stakeholder/Agency Meeting (Virtual)
Sarasota Manatee Airport Authority (SMAA)

Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

January 19, 2023, 10:00 a.m.

Meeting Summary

A virtual stakeholder's meeting with the Sarasota Manatee Airport Authority (SMAA) was conducted via Microsoft Teams on Thursday, January 19, 2023. The purpose of the meeting was to present information for FDOT's Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS) and conduct an open discussion between the study team and SMAA.

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Stakeholders

SMAA: Kent Bontrager, Senior Vice President, Engineering, Planning and Facilities
SMAA: Lionel Guilbert, Senior Vice President, Operations and Public Safety
SMAA: Joe Filippelli, Senior Vice President, Real Estate Development and Properties

Project Overview

The project team shared a presentation with meeting attendees that provided information on the US 41 CMASS project including project description and background, goals and objectives, schedule, and public outreach. A copy of the presentation is included with these notes.

The FDOT US 41 Complete Streets Corridor Planning Study was discussed as it relates to the US 41 CMASS study. The US 41 CMASS project team will take into consideration the potential improvements analyzed and identified in the Complete Streets Study. It was noted that the Complete Streets Study did not cover the entire length of US 41 CMASS, it only covered the portion along US 41 from the Sarasota/Manatee County line to north of the airport. The CMASS study is looking more holistically at the rest of the US 41 corridor. Recommendations from the Complete Streets Study will be a part of the US 41 CMASS baseline, but the CMASS team will need to see how those recommendations impact the rest of the network and the rest of the corridor.

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Open Discussion

- Stakeholder comments and concerns
    - Better/safer pedestrian movement across US 41 near the airport was needed, especially with USF nearby.
    - The pedestrian overpass was sufficient for New College tract of land.
    - Property 6 (near Captain Brian's) would eventually be commercially developed and feature possible points of interest for students, necessitating crosswalks/access to the other side of the street.
    - The Dolphin hangar/FBO, being more aviation-related, would likely need vehicle access as opposed to that for pedestrians.
    - Vertical planes and a potential vertiport in that area which could result in an increase in traffic.
    - Need improved wayfinding signs along US 41.
    - Traffic speeding needs to be addressed.
    - Runway Protection Zone (RPZ) related
        - Need to minimize roadway (i.e., reducing lane width, etc.) near Runway 4, if possible, to avoid the airport's RPZ. Features such as bus stops and bike lanes should be avoided in that area due to proximity to the runway.
        - The situation is the same at Runway 14, but it's not as bad. The airport owns most of the property west of US 41 near Runway 14, including the vacant land. It would be ideal to push the roadway further to the west but recognized that it's probably cost-prohibitive for FDOT to do so. Improvements need to be coordinated through the FAA during the design process.
        - Indicated that FAR 77 surfaces (airspace/imaginary surfaces) would be more impacted in the RPZ areas than anywhere else, which would require exploration of sloping/elevations and the potential need for lower light poles, etc., to ensure proper clearance.
    - Property Access related
        - Property 5, a 6-acre tract of land, showing the southern entrance leading to the Dolphin FBO and the northern entrance at Braden Avenue, would be best served using the Braden Avenue traffic signal as opposed to going north or turning into Dolphin FBO.
        - Captain Brian's had expressed concern about the loss of their driveway.
        - A current FDOT resurfacing project underway is proposing the addition of medians along US 41 near the airport. The CMASS team will reach out to resurfacing team to obtain the most current plans showing median and driveway cuts.

  - Construction was expected to begin on their Ground Transportation Center Project within the next month or two, during which they would be relocating the bus drop-off for MCAT and SCAT. The drop-off would be in the same area but would be slightly shifted and enlarged to accommodate four buses as opposed to two, with buses still able to access US 41.
  - Traffic signal timing at General Spaatz Boulevard.
  - Working with Manatee County to vacate Ponce de Leon Avenue, which would become airport property and involve removal of the road.
- Connecting Communities Questionnaire distribution
  - Posting flyers/posters within airport, getting their IT department to include questionnaire on their website attached to newsletter.
- Continued stakeholder involvement
  - Airport would like to continue with meeting as the project progresses.

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Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

January 20, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

Meeting Summary

A virtual stakeholder's meeting with the Greater Sarasota Chamber of Commerce was conducted via Microsoft Teams on Friday, January 20, 2023. The purpose of the meeting was to present information for FDOT's Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS) and conduct an open discussion between the study team and the Greater Sarasota Chamber of Commerce.

Attendees

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Stakeholders

Greater Sarasota Chamber of Commerce: Heather Kasten, President

Project Overview

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Open Discussion

- Stakeholder comments and concerns
  - Supports this important project
  - Agreement with many of the comments reflected on the Mural application from those who had participated in previous stakeholder meetings - enhanced multimodal mobility as well as safety for students crossing US 41 near the Ringling, the colleges, and the airport
  - Large concentration of pedestrian, scooter, and bike traffic near the colleges

  - Transit
    - Many people utilize SCAT's OnDemand ride service
    - Questioned whether dedicating an entire lane for a bus was warranted
    - The Chamber's and Governmental Issues Council have been focused on determining the most cost-effective way to transport people – whether smaller minivans providing on-demand services or million-dollar buses that might be transporting only a few passengers
    - Distance to bus stops, which, could be several miles is an issue
    - Hubs should also be considered - could be beneficial in workplace and cost-efficient living areas
  - Need for aesthetic consistency - the corridor features ranges of tight streets with very narrow sidewalks, to a multiple lane "speedway" near the airport and colleges, and then transitions back down to two lanes
  - Need for aesthetic improvements near US 41 at University Parkway - an "entryway" into the Sarasota/Manatee region
  - Concern relating to traffic speeds
  - Pedestrian safety is an issue - add medians near the colleges to may prevent students from crossing the street (something similar has been implemented near Florida State University in Tallahassee)
  - Several developers were looking at the older motels along the corridor and exploring the possible conversion of those hotels to affordable/attainable housing. If the redevelopment occurs, there would be a need for enhanced transit services and connectivity
  - Support this important project
- Connecting Communities Questionnaire distribution
  - Will push information about the questionnaire out to their constituents – comprised of about 6,000 business professionals - in their monthly newsletters
  - FDOT will provide a copy of the flyer
- Continued stakeholder involvement
  - Would like to be added to the mailing list
  - Requested that someone from the US 41 CMASS team provide updates to the Chamber's Governmental Issues Council and/or to the Chamber board.
  - Offered the Chamber's support within the community, serving as a project champion.
  - Joe C. Hembree (a commercial realtor and the head of the Governmental Issues Council) recommended as another point of contact. Heather can make an email introduction to connect him with the project team.

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Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

January 20, 2023, 1:00 p.m.

Meeting Summary

A virtual stakeholder's meeting with the University of South Florida (USF) Sarasota-Manatee was conducted via Microsoft Teams on Friday, January 20, 2023. The purpose of the meeting was to present information for FDOT's Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS) and conduct an open discussion between the study team and USF Sarasota-Manatee.

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Stakeholders

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USF Sarasota-Manatee: Brent Kemker: Regional Vice Chancellor and Vice Provost, Academic Affairs and Student Success
Core Construction: Jason Wilson, Project Director

Project Overview

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Open Discussion

- Other projects discussed
  - The US 41 CMASS project is a separate project than the US 41 median project which is currently underway.
- USF Growth
  - USF will break ground on the campus's first housing project in February, which will change the campus from a commuter to a residential campus; that more students are returning to campus post-Covid; and that 24/7 campus operations will be implemented. The project will add 200 beds to the campus.
  - Currently serving 7,000 to 9,000 Sarasota/Manatee students per semester.
- Transit related
  - USF now provides free access to transit in Manatee/Sarasota counties, adding that the program is expected to continue and expand as the campus grows. Data related to student transit use could be provided later.
  - The transit stop is on property adjacent to campus, creating possible accessibility concerns; the buses are currently unable to turn in and out of the campus.
  - The new residence hall and dorm will be further away from US 41 and current USF facilities, which may not be convenient for students with accessibility concerns.
  - USF has expressed to Manatee/Sarasota counties the importance of having a transit stop on campus, even more so with the addition of the new residence hall, to ensure the accessibility of multi-modal transportation for students.
- Stakeholder concerns and suggestions
  - Suggested a crosswalk on US 41 would provide for safe crossing by students traveling to restaurants across the street from campus, noting that most currently drive rather than attempting to cross the road on foot.
  - USF is in partnership with other educational institutions on the development of an aeronautical engineering program which anticipates a bigger need to move between USF and New College.
  - Currently there is not a safe option at USF's Sarasota-Manatee location to cross the road. This is a great concern especially in the winter, when populations are nearly doubled, and when it's dark.
  - Expressed the need for a pedestrian overpass crossing US 41, like at New College.
  - Suggested how a bike path connecting Sarasota/Manatee would be nice to have but recognize the high speeds in the area.
  - Need speed controlling measures.
  - Concern for likelihood of a traffic bottleneck developing at the campus's main entry/exit at Seagate Drive with the opening of the new residence hall in the fall of 2024.
  - Concerned about how the new medians being added would affect their campus entrances.
  - Concerned about how growth of USF and the airport will impact their properties and others in the area.

  - Concern for personal safety when entering and leaving campus, especially for multi-modal users.
  - Better coordination of traffic signals along the corridor.
- Continued stakeholder involvement
  - USF would like to continue meeting as the project progresses.
  - Add them to the project contact list so they can receive any project update emails
- Connecting Communities Questionnaire Distribution
  - Campus town hall meeting where the questionnaire and project information could be mentioned.
  - Flyers, poster and emails can be circulated by USF

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Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

January 24, 2023, 1:00 p.m.

Meeting Summary

A virtual stakeholder's meeting with the Manatee NAACP was conducted via Microsoft Teams on Tuesday, January 24, 2023. The purpose of the meeting was to present information for FDOT's Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS) and conduct an open discussion between the study team and the Manatee NAACP.

Attendees

Project Team

FDOT Abra Horne – District Administrator
FDOT: Jeff James – Environmental Manager
RK&K: Matt Dockins, PE – Project Manager on behalf of FDOT
VHB: Amy Sirmans, PE – Consultant Project Manager
VHB: Heather Garcia – Project Team Member
VHB: Kennedy Sumner-Snell – Project Team Member
The Valerin Group: Catherine Winter, PE – Public Involvement Coordinator
AECOM: Lauren Brooks, AICP – Connecting Communities Program Manager on behalf of FDOT

Stakeholders

Manatee NAACP: Luther Wilkins – President, attended by phone and was unable to view the presentation

Project Overview

Because Mr. Wilkins was attending by phone only, the team described the graphics in the presentation as the meeting progressed and shared that the presentation would be included with the meeting notes.

The project presentation provided information on the US 41 CMASS project including project description and background, goals and objectives, schedule, and public outreach. A copy of the presentation is included with these notes.

The "Connecting Communities" concept discussed is inclusive of various Sarasota and Manatee County projects with the purpose of holistically enhancing the multi-modal transportation network within those counties. Five major projects of that initiative as being the Bradenton-Palmetto Connector ACE/PD&E Study, the DeSoto Bridge PD&E Study, the Palmetto Trails Network/PD&E Study, CMASS, and 10th Avenue Complete Streets. The project team clarified that not all area projects were listed in the presentation and encouraged stakeholders to advise the study team of any projects of which he felt they should be aware.

The project team used a digital whiteboard application (Mural) to capture and document stakeholder ideas and feedback. A copy of the Mural whiteboard with all feedback received to date from the individual stakeholder meetings is included with these meeting notes.

Open Discussion

- Transportation Project Development Process
  - Explained "Concept to Concrete", how FDOT goes through Phase 1 -Planning where the project needs are developed then through the five steps to Phase 5 – Construction.
- Other projects discussed
  - Typical resurfacing improvements include short-term solutions like sidewalk enhancements and lighting improvements and long-term improvements such as safety and bike-ped travel lanes and crossings, repurposing of outer lanes, lowering of speed limits, etc.
- Stakeholder concerns
  - Lighting needed to illuminate all sidewalk areas along the corridor.
  - Impacts to bus stops.
- Stakeholder suggestions and additional input
  - Expressed interest in the bike lanes element of the project and asked to be informed of the location once determined.
  - No project cost estimates have been developed at this time because no specific recommendations have been determined yet.
  - Expressed interest in learning about anticipated drawbacks of the project as recommendations are developed.
- Additional Outreach
  - The team asked if there were suggestions on other stakeholders to include in the FDOT outreach effort. Once the presentation is sent to Mr. Wilkins, he said could better identify those he feels should be included in future outreach initiatives.
- Connecting Communities Questionnaire Distribution
  - Stakeholder agreed to post on website.
  - Responses to questionnaire anticipated to be complete early next year.

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US 41 CMASS
University Parkway to 17th Street West
FPID: 440154-1
Sarasota and Manatee Counties
Stakeholder/Agency Meeting (Virtual)
Manasota Black Chamber of Commerce

Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

February 1, 2023, 11:00 a.m.

Meeting Summary

A virtual stakeholder's meeting with the Manasota Black Chamber of Commerce was conducted via Microsoft Teams on Wednesday, February 1, 2023. The purpose of the meeting was to present information for FDOT's Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS) and conduct an open discussion between the study team and the Manasota Black Chamber of Commerce.

Attendees

Project Team

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VHB: Heather Garcia – Project Team Member
VHB: Kennedy Sumner-Snell – Project Team Member
The Valerin Group: Catherine Winter, PE – Public Involvement Coordinator
AECOM: Lauren Brooks, AICP – Connecting Communities Program Manager on behalf of FDOT

Stakeholders

Manasota Back Chamber of Commerce: Tarnisha Cliatt – President, Founder, CEO

Project Overview

The project team shared a presentation with meeting attendees providing information on the US 41 CMASS project including project description and background, goals and objectives, schedule, and public outreach. No capacity would be added to this project. The focus would be on how to more efficiently move vehicles, buses, bikes, and pedestrians through the corridor and may involve elements such as signal operations, the need for right-of-way for the addition of sidewalks or trails, and possible roadway resurfacing. A copy of the presentation is included with these notes.

The "Connecting Communities" concept discussed is inclusive of various Sarasota and Manatee County projects with the purpose of holistically enhancing the multi-modal transportation network within those counties. Five major projects of that initiative as being the Bradenton-Palmetto Connector ACE/PD&E Study, the DeSoto Bridge PD&E Study, the Palmetto Trails Network/PD&E Study, CMASS, and 10th Avenue Complete Streets. The project team clarified that not all area projects were listed in the presentation and encouraged stakeholders to advise the study team of any projects of which he felt they should be aware.

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Open Discussion

- Stakeholder Concerns
  - Congestion experience along the corridor.
  - Effects the project elements would have on businesses with specific mention of businesses on the south end of Bradenton heading into Sarasota, which have been struggling for years due to the traffic congestion.
  - Impacts that may be felt by what was described as some of the oldest African American churches in the community.
  - Current lack of grocers/food retailers along the route and whether project elements would further inhibit the establishment of those in the future.
  - Lack of pedestrian crossings.
  - Difficult to use turn lanes. Example shared was drivers attempting to maneuver to/from the USF campus, as well as the airport.
  - Expressed desire for aesthetic improvements/consistency along the route.
  - Implementation of safety improvement.
  - Important to consider planning improvements to address the homeless population.
- Connecting Communities Questionnaire distribution and further outreach efforts
  - Upcoming golf tournament as well as an event in October, to be conducted in partnership with the Manatee Convention Center.
  - Commemoration of Juneteenth, recognized throughout the month of June, would provide opportunities for the dissemination of project information.
  - Recommended the team utilize churches and other entities that would help with spreading information on the project.
  - Recommended that the team meet with area African American sororities.

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US 41 CMASS
University Parkway to 17th Street West
FPID: 440154-1
Sarasota and Manatee Counties
Stakeholder/Agency Meeting (Virtual)
Bradenton Area Economic Development Corporation

Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

February 3, 2023, 10:00 a.m.

Meeting Summary

A virtual stakeholder's meeting with the Bradenton Area Economic Development Corporation was conducted via Microsoft Teams on Friday, February 3, 2023. The purpose of the meeting was to present information for FDOT's Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS) and conduct an open discussion between the study team and the Bradenton Area Economic Development Corporation.

Attendees

Project Team

FDOT: Jeff James – Environmental Manager
RK&K: Matt Dockins, PE – Project Manager on behalf of FDOT
VHB: Amy Sirmans, PE – Consultant Project Manager
VHB: Heather Garcia – Project Team Member
VHB: Kennedy Sumner-Snell – Project Team Member
The Valerin Group: Catherine Winter, PE – Public Involvement Coordinator
AECOM: Lauren Brooks, AICP – Connecting Communities Program Manager on behalf of FDOT

Stakeholders

Bradenton Area Economic Development Corporation – Sharon Hillstrom, President & CEO
Bradenton Area Economic Development Corporation – Max Stewart, Vice President Economic Development

Project Overview

The project team shared a presentation with meeting attendees providing information on the US 41 CMASS project including project description and background, goals and objectives, schedule, and public outreach. A copy of the presentation is included with these notes.

The "Connecting Communities" concept discussed is inclusive of various Sarasota and Manatee County projects with the purpose of holistically enhancing the multi-modal transportation network within those counties. Five major projects of that initiative as being the Bradenton-Palmetto Connector ACE/PD&E Study, the DeSoto Bridge PD&E Study, the Palmetto Trails Network/PD&E Study, US 41 CMASS, and 10th Avenue Complete Streets. The project team clarified that not all area projects were listed in the presentation and encouraged stakeholders to advise the study team of any projects of which he felt they should be aware.

The project team used a digital whiteboard application (Mural) to capture and document stakeholder ideas and feedback. A copy of the Mural whiteboard with all feedback received to date from the individual stakeholder meetings is included with these meeting notes.

Open Discussion

- Stakeholder comments and suggestions
  - In strong agreement with the expressed need to advance transit service and operation strategies along the route, noting inefficiencies and the time it takes commuters to arrive to work given the existing transit schedules and access challenges.
  - Suggest reaching out to area childcare centers, churches, and educational institutions.
  - Need for aesthetic improvements along the corridor to reflect the vibrancy of Manatee County.
  - Anticipate future improvements of the area near the airport as well as at higher educational institutions will add to the need for safety considerations.
  - Need for improvements moving north into Manatee County as there is a significant difference in the area along the corridor beyond University Parkway.
  - Need to manage the turn lanes along the corridor.
  - Need for improvements in pedestrian safety, noting modes of travel of students along with the high rates of speed at which commuters travel along the route.
- Continued stakeholder involvement
  - Request to receive updates on project activities and are interested in more one-on-one meetings once the project moves forward into future phases.
  - Would like to bring project information to their board in the future.
- Connecting Communities Questionnaire distribution
  - Will distribute electronically.
  - Suggest materials being available in other languages, such as Spanish and Creole.

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Appendix G:
Additional Outreach to Stakeholders

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SECRETARY

May 11, 2023

Ms. Rebeca Forero, President
Gulf Coast Latin Chamber of Commerce
1905 Intermodal Circle
Palmetto, FL 34221

SUBJECT: Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS)
University Parkway to 17th Street West
FDOT Financial Project Identification Number: 440154-1
Sarasota and Manatee Counties

Dear Ms. Forero:

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is conducting the Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS) along US 41/US 41 Business from University Parkway in Sarasota to 17th Street West in Palmetto. The project team has identified the Gulf Coast Latin Chamber of Commerce as an important stakeholder within the study area and would like to meet with you to provide a brief introduction of the project and obtain your feedback on the current condition of the corridor and what kind of improvements you think would benefit the community.

You spoke with our Public Involvement Coordinator on September 22, 2022, and indicated you were interested in meeting with the project team and asked to be contacted via email when meetings were going to be scheduled. Following this conversation, our team attempted to reach you on the following dates to schedule a meeting:

- Tuesday, December 13, 2022 – Email
- Wednesday, December 21, 2022 – Voicemail message
- Wednesday, December 21, 2022 – Email

We are currently scheduling in-person one-on-one stakeholder meetings on the following dates:

- Thursday, May 18, 2023
- Friday, May 19, 2023
- Monday, May 22, 2023

If you are interested in scheduling a meeting with the project team, please call or email the project representative below:

Catherine Winter - Public Involvement Coordinator
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Sincerely,

Craig Fox, PE
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May 11, 2023

Mr. Jay Boda, Associate Director of Academic Affairs and Collections
The John and Mable Ringling Museum of Art
5401 Bay Shore Road
Sarasota, FL 34243

SUBJECT: Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS)
University Parkway to 17th Street West
FDOT Financial Project Identification Number: 440154-1
Sarasota and Manatee Counties

Dear Mr. Boda:

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is conducting the Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS) along US 41/US 41 Business from University Parkway in Sarasota to 17th Street West in Palmetto. The project team has identified The John and Mable Ringling Museum as an important stakeholder within the study area and would like to meet with you to provide a brief introduction of the project and obtain your feedback on the current condition of the corridor and what kind of improvements you think would benefit the community.

You spoke with our Public Involvement Coordinator on December 14, 2022, and on January 12, 2023, regarding scheduling a meeting with members of The Ringling staff.

We are currently scheduling in-person one-on-one stakeholder meetings on the following dates:

- Thursday, May 18, 2023
- Friday, May 19, 2023
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May 11, 2023

Ms. Jacki Dezelski, President
Manatee Chamber of Commerce
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SUBJECT: Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS)
University Parkway to 17th Street West
FDOT Financial Project Identification Number: 440154-1
Sarasota and Manatee Counties

Dear Ms. Dezelski:

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is conducting the Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS) along US 41/US 41 Business from University Parkway in Sarasota to 17th Street West in Palmetto. The project team has identified the Manatee Chamber of Commerce as an important stakeholder within the study area and would like to meet with you to provide a brief introduction of the project and obtain your feedback on the current condition of the corridor and what kind of improvements you think would benefit the community.

We previously reached out to you on the following dates to schedule a meeting:

- Thursday, September 22, 2022 – Voicemail message
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- Wednesday, December 21, 2022 – Email

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May 11, 2023

Mr. Trevor D. Harvey, President
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SUBJECT: Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS)
University Parkway to 17th Street West
FDOT Financial Project Identification Number: 440154-1
Sarasota and Manatee Counties

Dear Mr. Harvey:

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is conducting the Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS) along US 41/US 41 Business from University Parkway in Sarasota to 17th Street West in Palmetto. The project team has identified the Sarasota County NAACP as an important stakeholder within the study area and would like to meet with you to provide a brief introduction of the project and obtain your feedback on the current condition of the corridor and what kind of improvements you think would benefit the community.

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Appendix H:
Project Update Email, Flyer, & Mailing Lists

Subject: Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS) Project Update; FPID: 440154-1
Attachments: CMASS Flyer Final.pdf

From: Horne, Abra <Abra.Horne@dot.state.fl.us>
Sent: Wednesday, February 14, 2024 3:20 PM
Cc: Dockins, Matthew <Matthew.Dockins@dot.state.fl.us>
Subject: Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS) Project Update; FPID: 440154-1

Good afternoon,

As an important stakeholder for the Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS), we want to update you on the status of the project.

Since our last stakeholder meetings, the US 41 CMASS team has been diligently working on completing the existing conditions analysis, which is documented in both an Existing Conditions Report and an interactive StoryMap that can be viewed at US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS) (arcgis.com). The attached flyer gives an overview of the project and includes website QR codes and hotlinks for more project information, including access to the US 41 CMASS StoryMap.

In early 2024, we anticipate starting the alternative analysis phase which will include community outreach. We anticipate hosting several stakeholder engagement meetings throughout 2024 and a public meeting in late 2024.

Input from community members is very important in developing strategies to enhance mobility, access, and safety for all roadway users and we look forward more stakeholder input as we develop alternatives to improve this important corridor.
If you have any comments or questions regarding US 41 CMASS and the information available on the US 41 CMASS StoryMap, please feel free to contact the project manager at matthew.dockins@dot.state.fl.us. You may also visit the project website at www.swflroads.com/project/440154-1 for updates.

Thank you,

Abra Horne
Environmental Administrator
District 1, Environmental Management Office
863-519-2239

Subject: Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS) Project Update; FPID: 440154-1
Attachments: CMASS Flyer Final.pdf

From: Rose, Adam <Adam.Rose@dot.state.fl.us>
Sent: Thursday, February 15, 2024 7:04 AM
Subject: Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS) Project Update; FPID: 440154-1

Good afternoon,
As an important stakeholder for the Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS), we want to update you on the status of the project.

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Thank you,

Best regards,

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Subject: Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS) Project Update; FPID: 440154-1
Attachments: CMASS Flyer Final.pdf

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Thank you,
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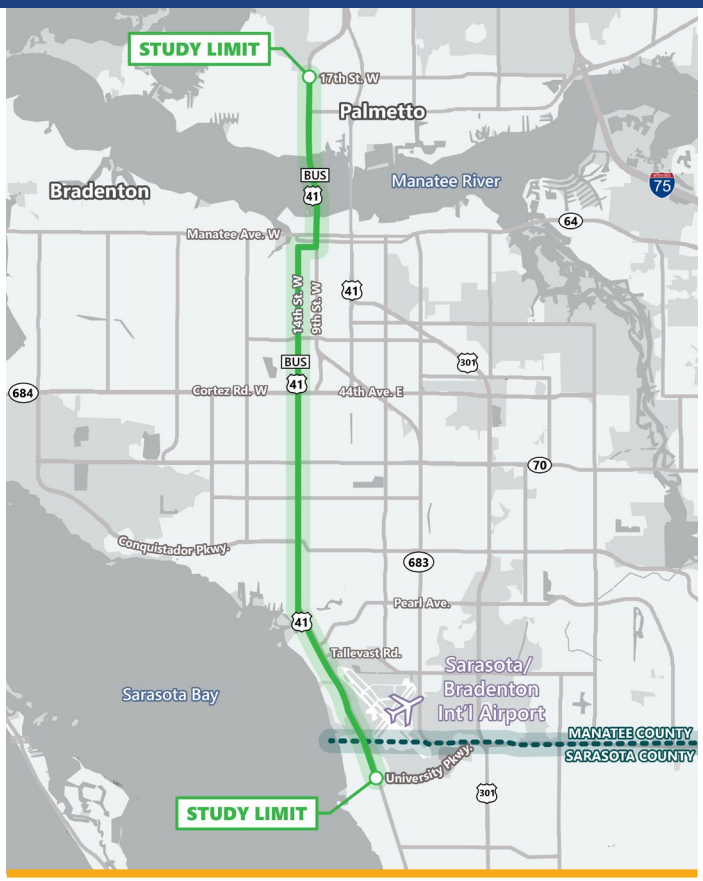
Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS)

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District One is conducting the Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS) along US 41 and US 41 Business from University Parkway in Sarasota County to 17th Street W in Manatee County. The study limits are approximately 11 miles long. Sarasota/Manatee US 41 CMASS is being conducted in two phases.

Phase I of the study, now complete, included community and agency outreach, data collection, and evaluation of existing conditions. Study goals and objectives along with measures of effectiveness to assess achievement of the study goals were identified.

Phase II includes development of an existing conditions report, additional community and agency outreach, and analysis and recommendation of potential improvement concepts and strategies with an implementation plan. The Existing Conditions Report and results of the Connecting Communities Program Questionnaire are available on the study website (**SWFLRoads.com/project/440154-1**). The analysis of potential improvement concepts is anticipated to begin in early 2024 with a public meeting anticipated in late 2024.



CONNECTING COMMUNITIES
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GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

- **Enhance multimodal mobility and safety for all users**
- **Advance transit service/operation strategies along the study corridor**
- **Improve transportation network access and interconnectivity within neighborhoods, adjacent areas and transit centers**

Sarasota/Manatee US 41 CMASS is part of the Connecting Communities Program, an initiative established to holistically enhance the multimodal transportation network within Sarasota and Manatee Counties.

For a map and full list of current area projects included as part of the Connecting Communities Program, visit www.swflroads.com/connectingcommunities.

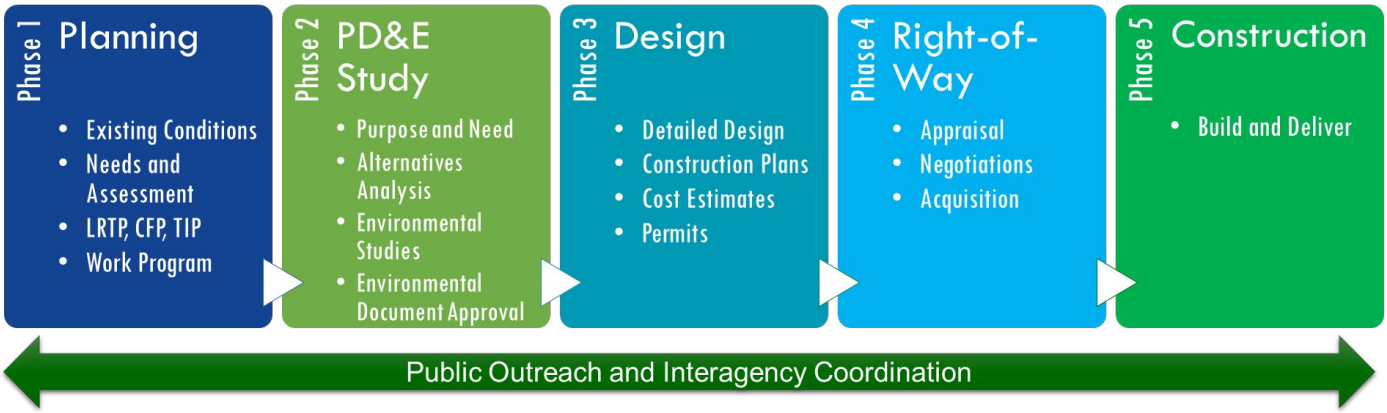
MEASURES OF EFFECTIVENESS

- Improve multimodal Level of Service (LOS)
- Reduce rate of fatalities and serious injuries
- Enhance Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility and provide sidewalk connections to transit
- Improve sidewalk conditions in accordance with FDOT Design Manual (FDM), Florida Greenbook, and local standards
- Increase overall corridor travel time reliability
- Increase transit reliability during peak hours

NEXT STEPS

There are typically five steps that occur between the time that a transportation need is identified to implementation or project delivery. The five steps include Planning, Project Development and Environment (PD&E), Design, Right-of-Way, and Construction.

Sarasota/Manatee US 41 CMASS is currently in the Planning phase. At the end of this phase, the study team will recommend potential improvement concepts and strategies that may advance to the Project Development and Environment phase for more in-depth evaluation and additional public input. Some improvement concepts and strategies may advance directly to the Design phase.



A **StoryMap** was created for Sarasota/Manatee US 41 CMASS. It provides an introduction and background information on the study, results of the existing conditions analysis (including typical sections, demographic data/ maps of study area, safety data, etc.), next steps of the study, and contact information.

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I don't own a car. I either walk, take bus or ride my bike. I'm 60. I help an elderly friend confined to a wheelchair travel on 41 in Bradenton. The Trail is horrible in every aspect of non auto travel. It's pathetic to see a senior citizens trying to navigate when there are such disconnected pathways, few sidewalks, poor lighting, inconsiderate motor vehicle drivers. It's miserable from June to September. Few bus stops have shelter etc. Please do this , get a wheelchair and put a human in it in July at noon. Walk from Florida ave up to Cortez on the trail. Now try to navigate the wheelchair while trying to hold an umbrella over wheelchair person with one hand and pushing non motorized wheelchair through standing water and no sidewalks. It's almost impossible. It's a sad state of affairs in Bradenton for poor people. Now walk back on the other side of the street with the faint hope that it might be better. Ha ha. It won't be. Please look at the city of Phoenix and how they implemented light rail down Central avenue. Sales tax from hopefully soon to be recreational cannabis sales could be allocated to get the ball rolling. Brightline train in Miami to Orlando are you aware of it? Expanded roads are not the answer and are so terrible for the wildlife and humans and displaced because of unchecked urban sprawl. I have no expectations of improvement but wanted to Put my two cents in. Radio station WGCU out of FGCU has people on shows who talk about the effects of black heat absorbing pavement We're doomed. Well thanks for reading.

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Date: Friday, July 7, 2023 1:49:14 PM

Thank you for your interest in the Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS). Pedestrian safety and access are a top priority for the Florida Department of Transportation and one of the main goals of this study is to develop strategies to improve safety along the corridor for all users. Input from community members is very important in developing these strategies and we appreciate you taking the time to submit your comments and concerns.
The US 41 CMASS study limits extend from University Parkway in Sarasota to 17th Street W. in Palmetto. Therefore, the segment of US 41 between Orange Avenue and Ringling Boulevard is outside of the study limits. Currently there are no ongoing FDOT projects at this location, however, we will pass your comment along to the FDOT Safety Department for additional consideration. For updates on current and future FDOT transportation projects being performed within Sarasota and Manatee Counties, please visit the Connecting Communities Program website at www.swflroads.com/connectingcommunities.
If you have any additional comments or questions regarding US 41 CMASS, please feel free to contact me directly at matthew.dockins@dot.state.fl.us. You may also visit the project website at www.swflroads.com/project/440154-1 for updates.
Thank you,
Matt
Matt Dockins, PE
Project Manager
HNTB on behalf of
The District One Environmental Management Office
Florida Department of Transportation
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I am writing to express my concern regarding the lack of safe pedestrian crossings on the half mile stretch of US41 between Orange Ave and Ringling Blvd. This area is one of the most scenic places in Sarasota with beautiful views of the Ringling Bridge, moored boats, Bird Key, and the bay itself. However, the lack of pedestrian crossings severely restricts access to the area and poses a safety hazard to both people and vehicles when unsafe crossings are attempted. Additionally, the curbed median makes crossing with a stroller or wheelchair anywhere within this half mile nearly impossible.

There are over 400 condo units in the 9 buildings south of Ringling St on South Gulfstream Ave that would greatly benefit from safe pedestrian crossings in this area. Additionally, there are 700 residences in Burns Court and Laurel Park could also make use of safe crossings. Even apart from residents, this is a tourist destination with Selby Gardens nearby and extensive investments in the continuing to be made in the area. The lack of safe crossings threatens to hinder the growth of the area into a walker's paradise.
Please consider this proposal and take action to improve pedestrian safety and bay front accessibility for downtown Sarasota.

Sincerely,
Devin

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Devin O'Malley
M 845-649-1251

From: Dockins, Matthew <Matthew.Dockins@dot.state.fl.us>
Sent: Monday, October 2, 2023 2:46 PM
To: May, Damon
Cc: mdockins@hntb.com
Subject: RE: US 301

Mr. May,

Thank you for your interest in the Sarasota/Manatee US 41 Corridor Mobility and Safety Study (CMASS). Input from community members is very important in developing strategies to enhance mobility, access, and safety for all roadway users and we appreciate you taking the time to submit your comments.

The US 41 CMASS study limits extend along the US 41 /US 41 Business corridor from University Parkway in Sarasota to 17th Street W. in Palmetto. Therefore, US 301 is outside of the study limits. Currently there are no ongoing FDOT projects at US 301 and University Parkway, however, we will pass your comment along to the appropriate FDOT staff for consideration in future projects. For updates on current and future FDOT transportation projects being performed within Sarasota and Manatee Counties, please visit the Connecting Communities Program website at www.swflroads.com/connectingcommunities.

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From: May, Damon
Sent: Friday, August 18, 2023 6:55 AM
To: info@us41cmass.com
Subject: US 301

Hi,
Couple of ideas:

- Adding palm trees to the median.
- And figure 8 overpasses - where key streets would not have stoplights - but would allow 301 to flow from University Parkway to the overpass in Bradenton. The image below is this pattern where 301 would flow under the interchange - 301 being like Keystone Ave in the link below.

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Thanks,

DAMON MAY

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