

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
October 2, 2024
River to Sea TPO Conference Room
1 Deuce Court, Suite 100
Daytona Beach, FL 32124

Members Physically Present:

Mayor Chris Cloudman
Vice Mayor Alex Tiamson
Mayor Bill Partington, Chairperson
Vice Mayor Eric Sander, 2nd Vice Chairperson

Representing:

DeLand
Orange City
Ormond Beach
South Daytona

Others Physically Present:

Donna Ralston, Recording Secretary
Colleen Nicoulin
Stephan Harris
Pamela Blankenship
Jonathan Scarfe
Amy Beckmann
Melissa McKinney

Representing:

TPO Staff
TPO Staff
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Members Absent:

Mayor David Alfin, 1st Vice Chairperson (excused)
Council Member Reed Foley (excused)
Council Member Danny Robins

Representing:

Palm Coast
Port Orange
Volusia County

I. Call to Order / Roll Call / Determination of Quorum

The River to Sea Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Executive Committee meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairperson Bill Partington. It was determined that a quorum was physically present. The meeting was held in a hybrid format with remote participation provided; four voting members were physically present.

II. Public Comment/Participation

There were no public comments.

III. Business Items

A. Review and Approval of September 16, 2024 Executive Committee Minutes

MOTION: *A motion was made by Mayor Cloudman to approve the September 16, 2024 Executive Committee Minutes. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Sander and carried unanimously.*

B. Discussion of the 2025 Draft TPO Policy Positions

Ms. Nicoulin highlighted that the River to Sea TPO used to develop "legislative positions" annually but has since shifted its focus to "policy positions" to better align with their funding sources and usage of local funds. The TPO is restricted from lobbying with federal funds but can use local funds for this purpose, while still educating others on relevant issues. Last year, the TPO updated its policy positions, continuing to prioritize three key areas: funding, safety, and technology. Though some modifications were made between the 2023 and 2024 positions, they have remained largely consistent with the priorities of other MPOs (metropolitan planning organizations) and TPOs in the state, such as MetroPlan Orlando and Space Coast TPO, who also focus on similar themes like innovation and investment.

Ms. Nicoulin asked for feedback on whether to maintain or adjust the current focus areas. She also suggested streamlining the TPO's policy positions document, which is currently text-heavy, into a more concise, user-

friendly format, like a one-page summary, to enhance communication and make key points more accessible during discussions with stakeholders.

The committee members engaged in a discussion and provided feedback, recommending that the document be condensed into a one-page format with a QR code linking to a webpage containing the expanded document. They also requested that the new logo and name be included on the document, along with the top five priority projects for the TPO. Additionally, a presentation of the positions will be given to the Florida League of Cities at their next meeting.

C. Review and Approval of Draft October 23, 2024 TPO Board Agenda

Ms. Nicoulin reviewed the draft October 23, 2024 TPO Board agenda.

MOTION: *A motion was made by Mayor Cloudman to approve the draft October 23, 2024 TPO Board agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Sander and carried unanimously.*

IV. Staff Comments

Ms. Nicoulin provided updates on the status of the TPO's new office, the status and implementation of its new name and logo, and the steps of the approval process for the interlocal agreement.

V. Executive Committee Member Comments

There were no Executive Committee member comments.

VI. Adjournment

The Executive Committee meeting adjourned at 9:36 a.m.

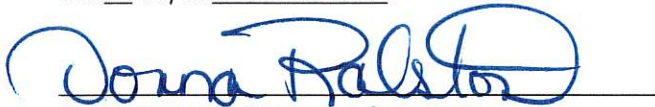
RIVER TO SEA TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION



CITY OF SOUTH DAYTONA VICE MAYOR ERIC SANDER
CHAIRPERSON, RIVER TO SEA TPO

CERTIFICATE:

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Recording Secretary of the River to Sea TPO certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the October 2, 2024 regular meeting of the Executive Committee approved and duly signed this 6th day of November 2024.



DONNA RALSTON, RECORDING SECRETARY
RIVER TO SEA TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION

**** A recording of the October 2, 2024 Executive Committee meeting is available upon request.**