



Agenda Item Summary

File #: 25-00246

Agenda Date: 4/8/2025

Agenda Item Name:

Non-Gainesville Municipal Representative – MTPO

Presenter:

Alison Moss, Transportation Planning Manager

Description:

On February 28, 2025, County Staff, on behalf of the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners, requested nominations for a Non-Gainesville Municipal Representative to serve on the Board of the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area (MTPO).

The solicitation was sent to City Managers and Administrators of all eight non-Gainesville municipalities in Alachua County, including a request that it be shared with all Elected Officials in their municipalities, with responses to due to County Transportation Planning Manager, Alison Moss, on March 11, 2025.

County Staff received nominations from the City of Hawthorne, City of Waldo, and Town of Micanopy. Though not required, Elected Officials from all three cities also submitted Statements of Interest (attached).

Recommended Action:

Appoint a Non-Gainesville Municipal Representative to the MTPO for a term of one (1) year, commencing with the execution of the Interlocal Agreement (ILA) Reestablishing the MTPO and subject to the terms of said ILA.

Prior Board Motions:

N/A; MTPO, not County Board, moved that the County solicit its Rural Municipalities to fill the position of Non-Gainesville Municipal Representative to the MTPO.

Fiscal Note:

N/A

Strategic Guide:

Infrastructure

Background:

The MTPO is responsible for the continuing, comprehensive, and cooperative transportation planning program for the Gainesville Metropolitan Area. This planning program is required in order to receive federal and state funds for highway, transit, bicycle and pedestrian transportation projects.

The 2023 Membership Apportionment Plan for the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area has been revised based on the 2020 Census and approved by the Governor of the State of Florida. The 2023 Reapportionment Plan recommends an Alachua Countywide metropolitan planning area map and the addition of a Rural Elected Official Representative.

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