

February 18, 2026

6:00 PM

County Administration Building - Grace Knight Conference Room

12 SE 1 Street, 2nd Floor, Gainesville, FL 32601

1.

[CALL TO ORDER](#)

2.

[CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS](#)

3.

[APPROVAL OF AGENDA](#)

Moved: Potts

Seconded: Dondanville

Vote: Unanimous

4.

[ROLL CALL & CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM](#)

Present:

Ruth Steiner

Gill Levy

George Dondanville

Chris Potts

Cathy Norman

Absent:

Landon Harrar

Robert Hickernell

Quorum Met

5.

[APPROVAL OF MINUTES](#)

No action items from January CAC agenda other than approval of agenda and minutes. January's minutes will be provided with next month's agenda.

6.

[PUBLIC COMMENT](#)

7.

[ACTION ITEMS](#)

7.1

[UPWP Amendment \(2024-2026\)](#)

FY24/25 – FY25/26 UPWP Amendment # 6:

The Gainesville & Alachua County TPO (DBA and serving in its role as the MTPO for the Gainesville Urbanized Area) intends to de-obligate \$1,000,000 from Gainesville MTPO PL Agreement No. G2889, leaving a balance of \$1,400,000 for the period July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026. Therefore, the TPO is proposing an amendment to the UPWP to update the Task Tables and Summary Tables to reflect the de-obligation amount. In accordance with the FDOT MPO Handbook, the following items are included as supporting documentation:

1. Revision Log
2. UPWP Revision Form #6
3. Current Pages (Task & Summary Tables)
4. Proposed Pages (Task & Summary tables)
5. Final UPWP (Whole document – with updated tables 2024 - 2026)
6. TIP (to be provide by the Department)
7. Cost Certification (to be provided by the Department following District review)

Director Whitfield provided overview, specifically focusing on changes from current version

- *Moved: Levy*
- *Seconded: Dondanville*
- *Vote: Unanimous*

7.2

[New UPWP 2026-2028](#)

DRAFT FY26/27 – FY27/28 UPWP:

The Gainesville & Alachua County TPO (DBA and serving in its role as the MTPO for the Gainesville Urbanized Area) is preparing the DRAFT FY26/27 – FY27/28 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for the next two-year periods. The UPWP is a federally required statement of work that outlines transportation planning priorities and activities within the metropolitan planning area. It identifies planned tasks and products, responsible parties, timelines, costs, and funding sources over a two-year period. The program is required by the Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, and the Florida Department of Transportation. Adoption and continued implementation of the UPWP is necessary for GACTPO to remain eligible for state and federal transportation funding for local programs, projects, and system improvements. The pr preparation of this DRAFT follows procedures and schedules established by FDOT's Metropolitan Planning Organization Handbook.

Anoch provided overview, specifically simplifying the document, removing redundancy, linking TOC, added page numbers, new 35K contracts, new staff, new office space, and discussion of all tasks: 1-7, based on current and anticipated future efforts.

- *Moved: Levy*
- *Seconded: Dondanville*
- *Vote: Unanimous*

7.3

Adopt List of Priority Projects

LOPP Update:

The List of Priority Projects (LOPP) is required annually to ensure that transportation planning efforts align with changing funding availability, shifting community needs, and project progress. The LOPP is a mechanism for ensuring that limited resources (time, money, personnel) are directed toward the most urgent, high-impact, and viable projects. These updates serve as a critical bridge between long-term planning and immediate, five-year, or annual implementation, allowing new projects to be added, completed ones to be removed, and projects to be re-ranked based on current criteria. The TPO and Florida Department of Transportation have evaluated the current FY 26/27 – 30/31 LOPP and did not identify a need to make any changes to list of projects and their ranks. It should be noted that re-approving the List of Priority Projects as it currently stands will now allow the University Blvd. Lighting Project (Programmed Project 207658-3) to be able to be expedited to construction. Therefore, no changes are proposed other than updating the fiscal years to reflect the next fiscal cycle of FY27/28 – FY31/32.

- *Moved: Levy*
- *Seconded: Dondanville*
- *Vote: Unanimous*

8.

DISCUSSION

8.1

Bike/Ped Master Plan Update

Alison Moss, Transportation Planning Manager, Alachua County, presented an update on the plan and facilitated discussion.

9.

INFORMATION ITEMS

9.1

[RTS Ridership Report \(Jan\) and Discussion of Future Trends Report](#)

10.

UPCOMING MEETINGS OF INTEREST

- GACTPO Board Meeting - March 2, 2026
- Countywide Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan Community Meeting #3 - Late March:
<https://growth-management.alachuacounty.us/Planning/BikePedMasterPlan>

11.

AGENCY REPORTS / PARTNER UPDATES

12.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (GENERAL)

13.

MEMBER COMMENTS

14.

ADJOURNMENT