

CENTRAL FLORIDA EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY

MINUTES ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING August 19, 2021

Location: Central Florida Expressway Authority
4974 ORL Tower Road, Orlando, FL 32807
Boardroom

Committee Members Present:

Timothee Sallin, Lake County Representative, Committee Chairman
Beth Jackson, Orange County Representative
Charles Lee, Citizen Representative
Robert Mindick, Osceola County Representative
Brittany Sellers, City of Orlando Representative

Committee Members Not Present:

Jim Barfield, Brevard County Representative
Richard Durr, Seminole County Representative

Others Present:

Laura Kelley, Executive Director
Michelle Maikisch, Chief of Staff/Public Affairs Officer
Mimi Lamaute, Board Services Coordinator/ CFX Financial Disclosure Coordinator
Rita Moore, Recording Secretary/Executive Administrative Coordinator
Woody Rodriguez, General Counsel
Glenn Pressimone, Chief of Infrastructure
Ralph Bove, Volkert, Inc.
Dan Kristoff, RS&H, Inc.
Sunserea Dalton, Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc.
Carnot Evans, Dewberry Engineers, Inc.
Keith Jackson, Dewberry Engineers, Inc.
Nicole Gough, Dewberry Engineers, Inc.

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at approximately 10:00 am by Chairman Sallin.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Rita Moore, Recording Secretary announced there was one public comment.

Ms. Janet Bowman of the Nature Conservancy gave her comment on the Southport Connector alignments and conservation.

There were no written public comments received by the deadline.

C. APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 17, 2021 MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Mindick and seconded by Mr. Lee to approve the June 17, 2021 minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously with five (5) members present voting AYE by voice vote. Mr. Barfield and Mr. Durr were not present.

D. AGENDA ITEMS

1. SOUTHPORT CONNECTOR EXPRESSWAY PROJECT DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT (PD&E) STUDY

Mr. Pressimone, Chief of Infrastructure introduced the project and explained the CFX PD&E study workflow. Mr. Ralph Bove of Volkert, Inc. presented the Southport Connector Expressway Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study. He described the goals and objectives of the PD&E study. Mr. Bove detailed the study area, the social and environmental constraints, and the refined alternatives identified based on the input provided by the Environmental Stewardship Committee. Mr. Bove then outlined the process for the comparative evaluation of alternatives and the study schedule.

Mr. Bove elaborated on the alternatives evaluated referring to the handouts titled Preliminary Alternative Evaluation Matrix, provided to the Committee and attached as **Exhibit "A"**; Preliminary Purpose and Need Matrix attached as **Exhibit "B"**, and Preliminary Southport Connector Expressway Alternative Corridor Impact Evaluation Matrix attached as **Exhibit "C"**.

Committee members asked questions which were answered by Mr. Bove.

Discussion ensued regarding the alternatives presented.

(This item was presented for information only. No committee action was taken.)

2. PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE FOR THE NORTHEAST CONNECTOR EXPRESSWAY PHASE 1 PROJECT DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT (PD&E) STUDY

Mr. Dan Kristoff of RS&H, Inc. presented the Northeast Connector Expressway Phase 1 Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study. He reiterated the study area, project goals, and the CFX 2040 Master Plan. Mr. Kristoff described the input received from the Environmental Stewardship Committee, Environmental Advisory Group, Project Advisory Group, and Public Meeting input and identified

what has been implemented. He presented the preferred alternatives and explained the PD&E study evaluation criteria.

Mr. Kristoff elaborated on the alternatives evaluated referring to the handouts titled Northeast Connector Expressway – Phase 1 PD&E Study Evaluation Matrix and Environmental Evaluation Matrix Northeast Connector Phase 1 PD&E Study, provided to the Committee and attached as **Exhibit "D"** and **Exhibit "E"**.

Mr. Glenn Pressimone, Chief of Infrastructure asked that the committee accept the preferred alternative as presented.

The Committee Members asked questions which were answered by Mr. Kristoff and Mr. Pressimone.

A motion was made by Mr. Lee and seconded by Mr. Mindick to recommend to the Board approval to move forward with a Public Hearing for the Northeast Connector Expressway – Phase 1 PD&E Study Preferred Alternative as presented. The motion carried unanimously with five (5) members present voting AYE by voice vote. Mr. Barfield and Mr. Durr were not present.

3. PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE FOR THE STATE ROAD 414 EXPRESSWAY EXTENSION PROJECT DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT (PD&E) STUDY

Ms. Sunsera Dalton of Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. presented the Preferred Alternative for the State Road 414 Expressway Extension Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study. She described the study area, purpose and need, and the study objectives. Ms. Dalton described the input received from the Environmental Stewardship Committee, Environmental Advisory Group, Project Advisory Group, and Public meeting input and identified what has been implemented from the input. She presented the preferred alternatives concept plans and explained the PD&E evaluation criteria.

Mr. Glenn Pressimone, Chief of Infrastructure asked that the committee accept the preferred alternative as presented.

Ms. Dalton elaborated on the alternatives evaluated referring to the handout titled SR 414 Expressway Extension PD&E Study: Environmental Evaluation Matrix, provided to the Committee and attached as **Exhibit "F"**.

The Committee Members asked questions which were answered by Ms. Dalton and Mr. Pressimone.

A motion was made by Mr. Mindick and seconded by Mr. Lee to recommend to the Board approval to move forward with a Public Hearing for the SR 414 Expressway Extension PD&E Study Preferred Alternative as presented. The motion carried unanimously with five (5) members present voting AYE by voice vote. Mr. Barfield and Mr. Durr were not present.

4. STATE ROAD 516 LAKE/ORANGE EXPRESSWAY PERMITTING REVIEW

Ms. Nicole Gough of Dewberry Engineers, Inc. and Mr. Keith Jackson of Dewberry Engineers, Inc. presented the State Road 516 Lake/Orange Expressway Permitting Review. They outlined the preliminary segmental corridors and the design phase.

Chairman Sallin left the meeting at 12:05 p.m. and turned the meeting over to Mr. Lee as the acting Chairman.

The Committee Members asked questions which were answered by Mr. Jackson.

Discussion ensued on jurisdiction, mitigation, and additional facilities.

(This item was presented for information only. No committee action was taken.)

E. OTHER BUSINESS

Discussion ensued regarding future agenda items, projects, property acquisition and mitigation.

Acting Chairman Lee announced that the next Environmental Stewardship Committee meeting is scheduled for October 21st, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

F. ADJOURNMENT

Acting Chairman Lee adjourned the meeting at 12:25 p.m.

Minutes approved on February 17, 2022.

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