

**Moving Broward Collaborative**  
**June 21, 2002**  
**9:00 am to 11:00 am**  
**Girls Scout Building Room A**  
**4701 NW 33<sup>rd</sup> Ave. Ft. Lauderdale FL 33309**

**Meeting Minutes**

- ❖ The meeting was called to order at 9:05 by Jeff Weidner
- ❖ Self introductions were made by the participants
- ❖ Jeff Weidner highlighted changes to the mission statement, the objectives and policies since the March meeting
- ❖ Moving Broward Library- members were encouraged to submit their documents to Corine Williams in order to make them available at the FAU library at the Askwer Towers.
- ❖ Moving Broward Website - A presentation of the new Moving Broward website was made by Votran Pourghan from Kittelson and Associates. A suggestion was made to modify the main logo that currently looks like a Sports Utility Vehicle. The color scheme and logo are subject to revision. It was estimated that it would take approximately 6 weeks to have the website up and running. The web link designated for projects will take the viewer directly to the corresponding projects displayed by map or legend. A tabulated list of all Collaborative projects will be developed in the near future with a schedule of each project milestone. Electronic copies of reports and Moving Broward meeting minutes will also be available on the website. The website has the capability to link to member's email addresses and link to different sites that relate to the Collaborative. It was suggested to keep the current color scheme and add the phone number that's associated with each project. The idea of having the website connected through myflorida.com was not feasible due to the length of time it would take to be approved through Tallahassee.

**PROJECT STATUS AND SCHEDULES:**

**1. HOV Systems Plan**

Greg Kyle gave a summary of the project. They have completed an existing conditions study looking at accessibility into and out of the HOV lanes on I-95. An HOV workshop was held. They are also working on a Downtown Fort Lauderdale Connection study between the Broward Boulevard park and ride lot to the BCt Central Terminal. The project needs study has been completed. They are developing vehicle alternatives everything from using a shuttle bus to building a monorail. The goal is to find a preferred alternative.

## **2. Countywide Parking Study**

Completed

## **3. Andrews Ave./3rd Ave.**

Pre-PD&E- completed, the City is deciding how best to fund this project.

## **4. Sistrunk Corridor Plan**

Presentation was scheduled for July 1<sup>st</sup>. They will negotiate the contract and develop alternatives in September.

## **5. NW 7<sup>th</sup> Ave/9<sup>th</sup> Ave. Connector**

No one present

## **6. Bicycle Advisory Committee**

No one present

## **7. Transit Greenways**

Cathy Sweetapple gave summary – This is a joint effort to introduce pedestrian oriented design combined with transit corridors for the Regional Activity Center. Tom Gustafson elaborated on the Greenway study. The Study Advisory Committee is made up of the DDA, City of Ft. Lauderdale, City Commissioners, County Commissioner and other agencies. This study is looking into using small rubber tired transit circulators to operate in a series of transit and pedestrian corridors. They are preparing a document to Clay Shaw so that this mobility program is part of the reauthorization of TEA-21. The mission of this project is to connect the beach, downtown and Tri-Rail.

## **8. BCt Terminal Improvements**

District 4 Traffic Operations is moving forward with BCt in implementing real time information boards along Broward Blvd. The location of the signs are the Broward Blvd. Tri-Rail station, the BCt Central Terminal and at the intersection of Federal Highway. Real time information boards will also be used for Routes 1,10 and 22 within the next nine months.

## **9. Waterbus**

(Jared represented Bob Bekoff) **Ticketing:** Waterbus trying to incorporate the Smart Card. They are testing them on the boats and trying to implement this technology soon. This would allow the cards to be compatible between BCt and Waterbus. **Landing:** permit is being obtained. Funds are being sought to make all landings ADA accessible. The new landing will be placed beneath the 17<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge. This is the closest they can get to the Port due to the new security measures. This is a good landing location because it is near the hotels. There are plans to increase current fleet while extending current routes and enhancing headway.

## **10. Ft. Lauderdale Community Shuttle**

Paul Carpenter gave a general summary of the shuttles increasing their ridership. The vehicles will be painted yellow. The contract for the hybrid electric vehicles was amended and vehicles should be operational in July. Effective June 28, 2002 the evening shuttle routes for Friday, Saturday and Sunday will begin operating at a 15-minute frequency. Information concerning these changes will be made known to the general public. Visioning meeting will be held on Saturday, June 22, topics to be discussed are marketing, charging station, park and ride lots, bio-diesel fuel station which will be needed for the buses.

## **11. SR 84 Enhancement Area**

No one present

## **12. Clean Air Cooperative**

Peter Haliburton made a presentation to the CAC regarding four possible route alternatives with the intent to prioritize them from lowest to highest priority. The route from the Downtown area to the Airport ranked lowest in priority. This was seen as a duplication of similar service operated by BCt. The seaport to airport route was ranked next because there is already a private vendor operating this service and the City won't have enough alternative fuel vehicles to provide this service at the current frequency. The second ranked route provided service that linked Tri-Rail to Downtown, East Las Olas, and the beach. The highest ranked route was for the Convention Center Campus shuttle. This will connect 17<sup>th</sup> St. to the beach and Las Olas. Operating funds could come from the Convention Center and the hotels. The new Waterbus landing could be utilized if this route goes into operation. The Consultant is working on a cost estimate for the next CAC meeting on July 26.

## **13. Port Everglades Master Plan**

Eller Drive will be elevated over future rail line. This will also enhance access from I-595 to the Port. The project has been impacted due to the accelerated security projects. New traffic analysis and queuing analysis being done due to the new road closures (14<sup>th</sup> Avenue) and security gates (south side of FPL). Hope to have Eller Drive ramp done in a year. The Eller Drive Loop is still in the design stages; there are not enough funds to go into the construction phase.

## **14. FLL**

**Vision 2020:** The increase in service to different countries made federal inspection services difficult as they can only handle one plane at one time. They are planning on moving the customs and baggage claim area. The planned Airport hotel is moving off the rental car site to the east end of the facility. New exit roadways will need to be built for the new International terminal. They are issuing an RLI for a design build package. The Vision 2020 Plan needs to coordinate with the I-595 plan. **People mover:** New pedestrian bridges being constructed. They are assessing the joint use of columns for people movers and other walkways. **Intermodal Center:** Customs and Immigration will be in this building. The Port and Airport will jointly use this building. Passengers will

claim their bags at the Intermodal Center instead of the terminal and there will be a guideway to the Port. This is a costly endeavor but it will address the security concerns. **Runway extension:** The Airport Task Advisory Group for the South runway extension will delay the extension implementation because they will review plans again and this may also delay the Vision 2020 plans. **SW 4<sup>th</sup> Ave.:** This is a north/south road from SR 84 to Perimeter Road that will be widened from 2 to 4 lanes for freight traffic. Construction began April 15 and will be done by end of the year.

#### **15. I-595 Master Plan LPA Transit Alternatives Analysis**

Consultant received notice to proceed to begin study of area bound by Commercial Blvd., Sheridan Street, Intracoastal Waterway and the Sawgrass Expressway. There is an extensive public involvement phase. The study will identify four potential corridors. The project should be completed in 18 months.

#### **16. Tri-Rail Master Plan**

There are East-West corridors that will be impacted by the Tri-Rail Master Plan. Tri-Rail wants to extend west to MIA and north to Jupiter (contingent on building maintenance facility). Tri-Rail also wants to provide service on the Dolphin Expressway (SR 836).

#### **17. Broward County LRTP**

Adopted and available on CD Rom. A brief two-page data summary is available for download along with a map of the future 2025 traffic study. Eventually the entire document will be posted on the County website.

#### **18. Fort Lauderdale Beach Transit and Parking PD& E Study**

The City of Fort Lauderdale City Commission has given approval to move forward with the study for a transit system for Fort Lauderdale beach and a parking study.

#### **19. FEC/Tri-Rail**

Discussed providing Tri-Rail service on FEC track.

#### **20. Transit Bridge**

Went before the MPO board and gave presentation on the 2 bus lanes that will be retrofitted for Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) on SR 7. These bus lanes will extend from the Golden Glades to Hollywood

#### **21. City of Plantation**

The project area is from I-595 to Cleary Boulevard and University Avenue to Pine Island Road. This plan is working on reorganizing the Central Plantation area to enhance pedestrian design and transit access. Over 2,000 new dwelling units are to be introduced in the future. The plan is working on organizing the roadway network and there are plans for transit-oriented development by I-595 to feed local traffic into the Interstate. City will reorient transit-oriented development when the I-595 Master Plan chooses its high premium transit.

**22. I-75 Master Plan**

Presented multimodal alternative to the MPO Board. This includes reversible lanes with limited access points in and out of the Interstate. Transit could operate in the median or on an elevated rail outside the right of way. The MPO tabled the item.

**Next meeting**-will be scheduled and announced at a later time.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.