

The following is the *DRAFT* minutes for the September 24th Truck
Route Plan Technical Committee meeting.

These minutes are unofficial until approved by the Committee on
October 22.

Thank you.



Truck Route Plan Technical Committee - Meeting #12 September 24, 2004

Meeting Minutes

I. Introductions

Members in attendance:

Voting Members

John Marsicano, HCSO
Bill McCall, PGM
Reggie Sanford, EPC
Rick Cvarak, Real Estate
Scott Cottrell, Public Works
Bruce Register, Economic Development
Calvin Thornton, City of Tampa
Ram Kancharla, Port Authority

Advisory Members

Stacy Williams, Communications
Adam Gormly, Asst. County Attorney
Ned Baier, PGM

II. Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes from the September 10th meeting were approved.

III. Keystone Public Meeting

Ned Baier, Planning & Growth Management, gave a brief summary of the Public Meeting held on September 20 in the Keystone/Lutz/Carrollwood area. He also stated in addition to the Town 'N Country/Westchase public meeting scheduled for September 27th, there have been meetings scheduled for Ruskin (October 4th), Brandon (October 5th), and Sun City Center (October 26th).

Mr. Baier informed the Committee that he (along with Mr. McCall) has met with a few of the County Commissioners to give a brief overview of the results so far. Other meetings have been scheduled with the remaining Commissioners.

IV. Truck Traffic Counts and Lithia / FishHawk / SR 674 Issues (Items IV and V combined)

Steve Armstrong, P.E., Bayside Engineering, gave a presentation indicating the results of traffic count data accumulated in various locations throughout the county. He indicated these numbers reflect the truck volumes which would be impacted by the addition or deletion of designated trucks routes in various areas. Bill McCall, PGM, estimated that if Lithia Pinecrest Road is taken off of the Truck Route Plan and based on the turning movements, approximately 40% of the trucks (or 400 trucks) would take another route. The other 600 would still use the road. He also stated these trucks are under 50,000 pounds due to weight limits on Lithia Pinecrest Road. He also stated 7% of the traffic on that road is truck traffic.

After a lengthy discussion, a motion was made and the Committee approved the following recommendations:

1. Add Balm Riverview Road from CR 672 to Rhodine Road as a designated truck route.
2. Add Rhodine Road from Balm Riverview to US 301 as a designated truck route.
3. Add Jim Johnson Road from Park Road to Alexander Street Extension as a designated truck route.
4. Add Forbes Road from SR 574 (Dr. MLK) to US 92 as a designated truck route.
5. Remove Lithia Pinecrest Road from Bloomingdale Avenue to SR 60 as a designated truck route.
6. When the first phase of Boyette Road (widening to 6 lanes) from US 301 to Balm Riverview Road is complete, add Boyette Road from US 301 to Balm Riverview Road, and Balm Riverview Road from Boyette to Rhodine Road.
7. When Boyette Road from Balm Riverview to Bell Shoals is widened to 4 lanes, add Boyette Road from Balm Riverview Road to Bell Shoals Road, **and** FishHawk Boulevard from Bell Shoals Road to Lithia Pinecrest Road as unrestricted (no weight limits). At the same time, remove weight limits on Lithia Pinecrest Road from FishHawk Boulevard to CR 39.

VI. Members' Matters of Interest

Stacy Williams, Communications, explained the Sun City Center Public Meeting is scheduled for October 26th so the Committee should plan to have another meeting after that date, suggesting October 29th. After some discussion, the Committee decided to cancel the Committee meeting scheduled for October 1st and tentatively schedule a meeting for October 29th.

VII. Public Input

Bob Argus, Upper Tampa Bay, presented his concerns regarding the route rating process in the Countryway / Linebaugh area. He stated a day care center is located on Countryway and requested clarification on the rating for this area. He also presented further build-out information on the two roadways. In response to his concerns, Mr. McCall agreed to perform additional research and will report back to the Committee.

Robert Williams, Fowler White Boggs Banker, stated he wanted to express his gratitude for the Committee's hard work.

Scott Taylor, Comcor Industries, stated he (trucking industry) didn't get everything they wanted, but the Lithia Pinecrest Road 50,000 pound limit is a good compromise. He also stated as far as truck traffic to and from the Port, opening FishHawk Boulevard to Boyette Road would allow the trucks to continue straight through onto Gibsonton Drive to US 41, and better direct access to the Port. He stated that would better distribute the truck traffic and possibly solve the Progress Village issues.

VIII. Old Business

None.

IX. New Business

None.

X. Adjournment