



Transportation Advisory Board Regular Meeting Minutes

July 21, 2025 at 4:00 PM

City Hall Commission Chambers
401 S. Park Avenue

Present

Board Members: Jeffrey Sievers, Andrew Irvin, Peter Gottfried, Kenneth Lineberger, Benjamin Robinson and Thomas Lochrane. Ruben Paige was absent.

Staff: Director of Public Works Charles Ramdatt, Assistant Director of Public Works Don Marcotte, Engineer Keith Moore, and Recording Secretary Noemi Schudel.

1. Call to Order

Mr. Ramdatt called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

- a. Introductions of (1) new board member and (1) staff

For the benefit of Board members and staff, Mr. Benjamin Robinson, the new board member, and Sergeant Combas, with Winter Park Police, were introduced.

2. Consent Agenda

- a. Approve the June 16, 2025, regular meeting minutes

Motion made by Thomas Lochrane to approve June 16, 2025, regular meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Andrew Irvin. Motion carried unanimously (6-0)

3. Public Comments (for items not on the agenda)

There were no public comments

4. Action Items

- a. No action items

5. Non-Action Items

- a. No non-action items

6. Staff Updates

a. Knowles Ave Parking Project Update

Keith Moore confirmed the stormwater portion of this project has been completed. Curb work will begin June 17, 2025, and then the paving portion of the work would be performed. It's been estimated this project will be completed by Sept 2025.

b. City of Winter Park ADA Update

Director Ramdatt gave a brief update on current and previous projects related to the sidewalk maintenance program. He will provide a more detailed update towards the end of 2025 and discuss the City's ADA Transition Plan.

Mr. Lochrane raised concerns about some sidewalk repairs. Director Ramdatt

requested the addresses for the areas in question so he and his team can investigate and present a plan to the Board on a later date.

For State roads within the City, City staff coordinate with the FDOT Oviedo office to ensure ADA compliance and to address sidewalk and other pedestrian mobility concerns.

c. Review of Neighborhood Traffic Management Policy

Keith Moore explained that the City of Winter Park works in collaboration with the Winter Park Police Department to monitor and respond to the public's concerns regarding speeding and cut-through traffic. Staff provided an overview of the Traffic Calming Policy that has been in place since 2011. Key highlights of the policy include:

- The City will conduct a 24/7 traffic study when 4 or more residents/business owners submit a petition.
- If 85% of drivers are going less than 10mph over the speed limit, staff will not consider the case significant enough to warrant traffic calming countermeasures. But the police are notified, and coordination is performed with our Streets Division to deploy additional signage to mitigate the speed.
- Also, in the event that a requested study results in the failure to warrant traffic calming device installations, follow-up study and testing will not be performed for a minimum of 2 years.
- If the study/test results show that there is an issue, a number of countermeasures are considered to determine the most appropriate remedy for the specific challenge(s) that have been identified.

d. Review of Design Concepts for SR. 426

In advance of FDOT's planned Resurfacing, Restoration and Rehabilitation (3R) project for State Road (SR) 426 – Aloma and Fairbanks Avenues, an "organic" community interest group, "Fix 426", emerged to advocate for interest of nearby property owners and businesses. Extensive coordination was facilitated between FDOT, the City of Winter Park, and FDOT's planning consultants. Among the issues that were raised during the study process were the need for enhanced pedestrian features, reduction in vehicular speeds, improved left-turn ingress and egress at neighborhood access points, installation of traffic signals, reduction travel lanes and their widths, and the addition of bike lanes. Except for the reduction of the number of lanes and the installation of a new intersection traffic signal, consensus was reached on how to include the various requested elements in the design and construction phases of the 3R project. The issue of an intersection traffic signal may be re-considered after the construction phase has been completed.

In Sept 2023, the Winter Park Commission, following negotiations with DOT, agreed in concept to support up to \$1.8 million to facilitate some of the consensus

improvements. The scope of work has since been revised and should result in a significant reduction to the City's financial commitment.

Director Ramdatt provided a detailed presentation of the design concept for SR.426.

7. Board Comments

Board Member Irvin requested information about the resurfacing project being done in the Winter Park Hills Neighborhood. Director Ramdatt explained that there are some specific streets that needed to be addressed, based on a pavement condition assessment. Completion was estimated to be within the next 2-3 weeks.

Chairman Sievers mentioned that the Senate Bill 462, the E-Bike Law, was passed. He believes this legislation allows the City to develop regulations for assisted mobility vehicles such as e-bikes. He inquired as to whether the City had made any efforts to create and enforce any rules. Director Ramdatt explained that the Police Chief is more familiar with the issue, and he would have a discussion with the Chief regarding the matter, and then follow-up with the Board.

Board member Lochrane suggested that the City consider the possibility of installing a roundabout at the intersection of Morse Boulevard & New York Avenue.

8. Upcoming Agenda Items

No upcoming agenda items were mentioned at this time.

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:38 p.m.

Respectfully,

Noemi Schudel, Board Secretary