

MACON-BIBB COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
 200 CHERRY ST., SUITE 300, MACON, GEORGIA 31201

MATS CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING - MINUTES SUMMARY (APPROVED)

Meeting Description: MATS Citizens Advisory Committee – Regular Meeting **Date:** 10.09.19

Time: 6:00PM **Location:** Macon-Bibb County P & Z Commission, 3rd Floor Conference Room

		Absent / Present
NAME	REPRESENTING	
James P. Thomas	Macon-Bibb Planning & Zoning Commission	Present
Mike Greenwald	Macon-Bibb Planning & Zoning Commission	Present
Gregory L. Brown	Macon-Bibb Planning & Zoning Commission	Present
Ken North	Macon-Bibb Planning & Zoning Commission	Absent
Elizabeth Hardin	CAC/Commission District 1	Present
Vacant	CAC/Commission District 2	-----
Arthur Hubbard	CAC/Commission District 3	Absent
Bob Komlo	CAC/Commission District 4	Present
John Swint	CAC/Commission District 5	Present
Donald L. Druitt	CAC/Commission District 6	Present
Shelvy Neal	CAC/Commission District 7	Present
Antonio Lewis-Ross	CAC/Commission District 8	Absent
Lee Martin	CAC/Commission District 9	Present
Timothy D. Ingram	CAC/Jones County Representative (<i>Dist. 4</i>)	Absent
John Ricketson	CAC/Monroe County Representative (<i>Dist. 3</i>)	Present
Norman Brown	CAC/AARP Volunteer	Absent
Michael Brown	CAC/Bike-Pedestrian Representative	Absent
Anthony Jackson	CAC/Board of Education Transportation Division	Absent
Tina Hopper	CAC/Disabled Population Representative	Absent
Ella Mumphery	CAC/Disabled Transportation User	Present
Rachel Umana	CAC/Environmental Representative	Present
Mary Lou Ezell	CAC/League of Women Voters	Absent
Michael Colbert	CAC/Macon Housing Authority	Absent
Jada Robinson	CAC/Transit User	Present
VISITORS		
Susan Cable	Vista Circle	
Russ Caizmongo (sp)	Corbin Avenue	
Connie Carey	Vista Circle / Ingleside	
Richard Edwards	Corbin Avenue	
Alisso Hubert (sp)		
Melissa Kvipers (sp)	Vineville	
Alex Mims	Hines Terrace / Vineville	
Cassidy Mims	Hines Terrace / Vineville	
Ken Neely	Corbin Avenue	
Cam Oetter	Bike / Ped	
Billy Oliver	Hines Terrace	
Gordon Prather (sp)	Pinecrest Road	
Ashley Roy		
Michael Sharpe	Vineville	

Barb Williams (sp)	Vineville	
Steve Williams	Vineville	
AGENDA		
1	Call to Order	
2	Adoption of Agenda – Action Item	
3	Public Comment Period (5 Minutes)	
4	Approval of previous MATS CAC meeting minutes (<i>April 10, 2019</i>) – Action Item	
5	Adoption of draft Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) FY 21 – Action Item	
6	Review of GDOT Project Status Report – Agenda Item	
7	Old/Unfinished Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Jeffersonville Road Update ▪ Ingleside Avenue/Vista Circle Traffic Calming 	
8	New Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) ▪ GDOT Survey – Lee Martin ▪ Bridge Replacement on I-475 @ Tucker Road ▪ MPO Re-Certification 	
9	Next meeting dates	
10	Adjourn	

MINUTES

1. **Called to Order:** 6:06PM by Dr. John Swint, CAC Chairman
2. **Adoption of Agenda – Action Item:** A motion was made and properly seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Approved
3. **Public Comment Period (5 Minutes):** During public comment period, concerns were raised regarding the following:
 - *Vineville Avenue @ Calloway Drive: Speed of traffic; visual clearance of traffic traveling from the west*
 - *Hines Terrace: Speed of traffic from Ingleside Avenue to Vineville Avenue*
 - *Hines Terrace @ Elizabeth Place: Recommends traffic calming devices and a traffic study*
 - *Corbin Avenue @ McDonald Avenue: Breaking Stop Sign Laws; Recommends flashing stop signs and flashing solar signs that shows speed; Reduce speed limit to 15mph*
 - *Clisby Place: Speed of traffic; Traffic congestion as a result of re-routed traffic by Vineville Academy; Recommends a stop sign at Clisby Place and Ransome Street; Recommend speed enforcement*
 - *Ingleside Avenue: Speed of outbound traffic*
 - *Pinecrest Road: Speed of traffic and the lack of law enforcement*
 - *Vista Place @ Vista Circle: The need for traffic calming around Vista Circle and Ingleside Avenue; a 3-way stop sign at Vista Circle and Vista Place, re-routing heavy through traffic from the neighborhood, and lowering speed from 35mph to 25mph*

James Thomas reported that Macon-Bibb Engineering Department is developing a concept to reduce the road width near the intersection of Vista Circle and Ingleside Avenue. A roundabout concept was developed a few years ago, but the project did not move forward. Lee Martin suggested that a pop-up temporary roundabout be installed.

A motion was made that the Policy Committee appoint a sub-committee of three or four members to meet with a like number of neighbors to find a solution to the speeding problem. The CAC particularly wan to explore the use of roundabouts, speed humps and other traffic calming devices which will reduce crashes and lighten the work load of the Sheriff's Department, fire department's first responders, and ambulances, etc. The CAC would also like the Chair to express our thanks and support to the Policy Committee for working to solve this problem. Motion Passed.

A motion was made that improvements to Gray Highway include a raised landscaped median with well- designed turnaround access from Second Street to Walnut Creek Plaza (Walmart). This will improve safety for motorists & pedestrians, move traffic efficiently and be visually appealing. Motion Passed.

4. **Approval of previous MATS CAC meeting minutes (April 10, 2019) – Action Item:** A motion was made and properly seconded to approve the minutes as presented. Approved

5. **Adoption of draft Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) FY 21 – Action Item:** Mike Greenwald provided an overview of the UPWP funding. The federal government only funds projects and activities at 80% level, and the State and local governments funds the remaining 20%.

New Information: Different Budget than FY 2020

- New FY 2021 Budget: \$348,448 (+/- \$0.00 Highways, +\$1,843.00 Transit compared to FY 2020)
- Reasons for change: Increase in formula allocation in FTA 5303 funding levels

The changes in categorical budgets from UPWP 2020 reflect:

- Review of budget vs. actual time spent on tasks
- Continued emphasis on staff training and community outreach
- Continued assistance to MTA with system planning/review tasks

A motion was made and properly seconded to approve the draft FY 2021 UPWP and direct staff to submit draft FY 2021 UPWP to MATS Policy Committee for adoption. Motion Passed.

6. **Review of GDOT Project Status Report – Agenda Item:** Gregory L. Brown presented the GDOT project status report submitted by the *GDOT District 3 office* for informational purposes. *No action was taken regarding the report.*

7. **Old/Unfinished Business**

- Jeffersonville Road Update:** No action was taken on this item.
- Ingleside Avenue/Vista Circle Traffic Calming:** This item was discussed under public comment.

8. **New Business:**

- Transportation Alternative Program (TAP):** GDOT TAP program is a partnership program between GDOT and FHWA. Funding is eligible to areas of the state with population <=200,000 and the minimum funding amount is \$1,000,000 and requires a match. Additional informational can be found at <http://www.dot.ga.gov/IS/Funding/TAP>. No action was taken on this item.
- GDOT Survey – Lee Martin:** Information about the GDOT Survey was mentioned. No action was taken on this item.
- Bridge Replacement on I-475 @ Tucker Road:** PI #0013921 (Replace Bridge on I-475 @ Tucker Road, 2 miles west of Macon). There's an increase in the right-of-way acquisition

phase in FY 2020 from \$3,865,302 to \$3,878,460. There is no net change to the total project and the revised LRTP surplus is \$233,583,513.96. No action was taken on this item.

- **MPO Re-Certification:** The MPO Re-certification is required every 4 years (23 CFR 450.336). The last certification review was completed in mid-2014. The next certification review will occur at the end of October 2019. The process involves consultation and on-site visit between MATS staff, GDOT, FHWA, FTA; and the review of archived documents. No action was taken on this item.

9. **Next meeting dates:** Proposed MATS Meeting Dates for CY 2020

MATS CAC	MATS TCC	MATS Policy Committee
01/08/2020	01/15/2020	02/05/2020
04/08/2020	04/15/2020	05/06/2020
07/08/2020	07/15/2020	08/05/2020
10/14/2020	10/21/2020	11/04/2020

10. **Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:03PM