



SW 10TH STREET PUBLIC MEETING SUMMARY

Saturday, June 18, 2016, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Attendees:

COAT Members

John Biggie Dan Glickman
Lotus Boss Joan Maurice
Jennifer Bramley Rita Pickar
Todd Drosky Brian Rosen

Elected Officials

Name	Office
Mark Bogen	Broward County Commissioner
Jean M Robb	Mayor of Deerfield Beach
Michael Udine	Mayor of Parkland
Gwendolyn Clarke-Reed*	State Representative
Jim Waldman	Former State Representative
Larry Vignola	Coral Springs Commissioner
*represented by staff	

Staff and Presenters

Name	Organization	Name	Organization
Paul Calvaresi	Broward MPO	Veronica Di Lorio	South Florida Commuter Services
Mike Ronskavitz	Broward MPO	Janelle Paterson	South Florida Commuter Services
Charlene Burke	Broward MPO	Anson Sonnet	Florida Dept. of Transportation
Anthea Thomas	Broward MPO	Scott Peterson	Florida Dept. of Transportation
Jennifer Fierman	Marlin Engineering	Mira Skoroden	Florida Dept. of Transportation
Eric Katz	Marlin Engineering	Ryan Drendel	Florida Dept. of Transportation
Nicole Giordano	Deerfield Beach	Joyce Marks	Court Reporter for Deerfield Beach

Members of the Public

Joe Cutroni Lou Trapani Eric Jacobsen Joel Holderman Joyce Listro **Bett Willett** Jeanne Polimen Estelle Holderman **Bob DeRosa** J. A Johnson P Zambito Elizabeth Roberts **Rosalind Levine** P Carey Michael Smith Johnnie Stubbs Joan Baker Jerry Schwartz Nancy Foreman Pat O'Neil Charles Thompson Steve Williams Lu Vencl **Bonne Metviner** Cindy Brief Fran Stricoff Sylvia Smaldowe Marie Ettlinger Don Rice Warren Stricoff Marian Northrop **Pete Lopias** Kim Kadel Ann Marie Rosser Beezie Northrop Minas Halkias Marj Reynolds Joanna Ciraolo Ken Schlesinger Shirley Klein **Drane Emcett** Kristine Schede-Don Hans Brueggen L.S. Sally Potter Carol Landry Ray Capobianco Eileen Schechtman Stan Pechmak Navon Wallace Algenora Harris Matthew Horn Dan O'Keefe **Carole Morris** Paul Dufresne Donna Capobianco Celso Dias Pam Militello Roy Gold Maria Gross Luzia Dias Syl Melone Robert Deluise **Betty Ferguson B** Defratas Daphne A. Tyler Ann Geritano Vermell H. White **Enock Mtoi** Claive Berkowitz Dawn Grove **Barry Warhoftig** LC Ferriss Gina Johnson Faye Kaplan Julius Kesselman Corey Schaedel D Wagner John Brakant Joyce Kauffman Carlos Amaiz Gary Senn Barbara Conrey Barry Spiegel Cheyenne Stubb Peggy Senn Fred Foreman Julia Mulwaney Celia Coulombe **Dahiel Ross** Penny Frantello Bernie Parness Patrick Sciortino Susan Brock **Denise Bogner** Judy Wilson Joel Greg Kathy Richards Dan Bogner Frances Deluise Julie Sasvaro Mary Pittman

MEETING SUMMARY

Meeting Commenced at 10:08 a.m.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Paul Calvaresi opened the meeting and began introductions. He introduced Todd Drosky, the Community Oversight Advisory Team (COAT) spokesperson to make opening remarks.

Todd introduced and acknowledged the COAT members present and discussed the process to date.

Following Todd's opening remarks, Jennifer Fierman and Paul Calvaresi presented information about the purpose of this effort, the SW 10th Street Consensus Building process to date, the COAT's progress towards reaching consensus on a recommendation to begin a PD&E study for SW 10th Street, and the future of the COAT.

Scott Peterson presented information on the regional expressway network, active projects in the area of SW 10th Street, projected traffic volumes, and the FDOT project life cycle. Anson Sonnet then went on to discuss the

Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study process. He reviewed the PD&E study components and objectives. Anson described what the study area limits could be in relation to the ongoing PD&E studies at the Turnpike and I-95 interchanges with SW 10th Street. Anson discussed the potential concept developed with the COAT for making SW 10th Street a "depressed" or underground roadway section where possible.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- 1. Commissioner Mark Bogen: Discussed the need for traffic signal synchronization and the concepts that the COAT reviewed in January. The COAT should be all Deerfield Beach residents.
- 2. Mayor of Parkland Michael Udine: This project is long overdue. As a county, we will need to look at traffic or there will be permanent gridlock. This is something that needs to be done for the benefit of the county.
- 3. Coral Springs Commissioner Larry Vignola: This is not just affecting Deerfield, it regionally affects south Florida. I appointed a Deerfield resident as one of my appointments to the COAT. The point of this process is to see if something happens and how you would want it to be. We need to look regionally at what is affecting all of south Florida.
- 4. Brandon James on behalf of State Rep Gwen Clarke: Read a written statement.
- 5. John Biggie, COAT Member: I have an interest in Coral Springs and in Deerfield and an engineering background. Look at where we are now and where we will be in 10 or 20 years if we don't do anything. Independence Bay and Waterways have long waits to get out of their neighborhoods.
- 6. Bernie Parness: FDOT says the roads are adequate. There is mixed messaging on whether the roads are adequate. The Sawgrass was supposed to go to Boca, not Deerfield.
- 7. Daniel Ross, Century Village: How much is this going to cost for engineering?
- 8. Arlene Johnson, Independence Bay: Checks her watch when traffic is stopped in front of her house. The longest that people are stopped is 50 seconds. Don't know if traffic lights will make a difference.
- 9. Barry Speigel: We are talking about improving the road. There are people in Century Village and this will be an improvement for them. When they use the road it will be improved.
- 10. Jerry Schwartz, Heron Bay: Has seen the increase in traffic. I've never met anyone that would build an extension and not care about the people of Deerfield. Status quo is unacceptable. There will be inconvenience. There will be some sacrifice.
- 11. Denise Bogner, Waterford homes: It takes a little bit of time in the morning and a little time in the afternoon. All east west and north south streets are busy at certain times of the day. It takes a long time to turn left onto SW 10th Street on a Saturday. There's a problem with the traffic lights. We need to improve other types of transportation. Please remember that there are homes and businesses.
- 12. Roy Gold, former mayor of Coral Springs and Former MPO Board member: All of Broward County is affected by this. It's time for a compromise. Federal and State money that goes towards this will benefit the greater community. This project is a top priority for Coral Springs. Thanks to the MPO for moving this forward. The project needs to move forward with the needs of the local community in mind. If you don't do anything about the traffic, it will only get worse.
- 13. Michael Smith: Disappointed with the graphic showing the Sawgrass, SW 10th and then I-95. What's happening between I-95 and the Turnpike will flow east of I-95. I've reviewed traffic safety data.
- 14. Cindy Brief, Coral Springs Chamber of Commerce: Representing businesses of Coral Springs, Coconut Creek, etc. We are sitting in traffic. How do you get out of your neighborhoods? Please be open minded, I understand it has impacts but maybe look at it as a possible improvement from where you are now.

- 15. Bonnie Metviner, Coral Springs Chamber of Commerce: We are looking for something that will be better for everyone. I feel bad for the people who live there. You must want some kind of improvement. People moving into Century Village are getting younger. There will be more traffic. This extension needs to happen.
- 16. Donald Rice, Century Village: If anything is done there, I want a sound wall before the construction starts.

Scott Peterson responded to some of the previous comments. He reiterated that there is no design. If the Metropolitan Planning Organization votes "no" on July 14th, there will be no project. If they vote "yes," then there will still need to be design work done. FDOT has spoken with Broward County Traffic Engineering about signals. The county has recently optimized signals. The best you can get from signal optimization is a ten percent improvement. SW 10th Street is failing by more than ten percent. Noise analysis is done as part of every PD&E. If a wall is warranted and approved by the residents, the wall is built as early as possible in construction.

- 17. Joanna Cuaolo: Who is going to pay for this? I think it's all set up already. Leave your house earlier and have patience. The area is too small for a project. It's up to us to say what we want.
- 18. Carol Landry, Waterways: There is one way in and out of the neighborhood. If I need to be somewhere in the morning, I leave a little earlier. Maybe the problem isn't with SW 10th Street, maybe its with the Sawgrass. There are alternate routes. During construction people will find alternate routes. Find your alternate route now.
- 19. Neal Stanton, Waterways: We have one way in and out. When school is out, traffic is less so you need to collect data when school is in.

There was a brief discussion about the FDOT schematics.

- 20. Minas Halkias: Let's exercise every option we can before we commit to hundreds of millions of dollars. Would you rather be stuck in traffic or have people speeding? Sound barriers are ugly.
- 21. Maria Gross: There was no notice in Century Village that the meeting had been moved.
- 22. Erick Jacobson, Waterford Homes: I don't have issues getting out of the neighborhood. Politicians coming from the west are trying to make a name for themselves. Where is the money coming from? This is a revenue generating opportunity for FDOT.

Commissioner Bogen spoke about the January public meeting. He said that the MPO is using the COAT to get what they want. There was discussion between Mr. Bogen and COAT member John Biggie about which COAT members asked for drawings and renderings at the March meeting.

- 23. Eileen Schechtman, Waterways: This will destroy my property values. That loss is not the same as having to spend a few more minutes on the road.
- 24. Bett Willett: Deerfield Beach-What happens when you get to the I-95 interchange? I-95 is packed. Let's fix Sample and Copans and other roads.
- 25. Joan Maurice, COAT Member: We understand that things need to change. Deerfield Beach is not looking to make trouble. They want to avoid trouble and major changes. Unless they fix both ends of SW 10th Street nothing will get better. We don't object to doing something.
- 26. Joan Baker, Century Village: When I look out my window, traffic is moving. Leave earlier.

- 27. Penny Frantella, Waterford: We don't see any accidents. There isn't that much traffic when I travel. We aren't saying we don't want anything. We understand that there needs to be change. We can't do this at the expense of our families.
- 28. Celso Jose Dias, Waterways: How long will it take to build from when the first shovel hits the ground? You will not take the Sawgrass, you will find an alternate route. This will take years to build.
- 29. Jennifer Bramley, COAT Member: This has been a cooperative process with interesting conversations and debates. The COAT agrees that whatever we do needs to improve the quality of life in the area. Consider tabletop parks with trees, local collector roadways, and depressed roadways to keep noise away from residents. Through the PD&E process, we can arrive at a conclusion that improves quality of life for everyone who uses the roadway.
- 30. Gina Johnson, Waterford: All roads have traffic at rush hour. If you want to live out west then that's the choice you made and you need to sacrifice because you chose where to live. I don't see the smog and congestion that people are talking about. There isn't that much traffic. I-95 is a problem.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.