

**Meeting Notes**  
**Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization**  
**Transportation Advisory Committee**  
**Date: May 27, 2009**

**Members Present:**

Lanny Wilson, Chairman, NCBOT  
Tommy Wallace, Town of Leland  
Jonathan Barfield, Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority  
Jim Dugan, Town of Kure Beach  
Alan Gilbert, Town of Carolina Beach  
Mike Ballard, Town of Navassa

**Staff Present:**

Mike Kozlosky, Executive Director  
Anthony Prinz, Transportation Planner  
Joshuah Mello, Transportation Planner  
Bill McDow, Transportation Engineer

**1. Call to Order**

Mr. Wilson called the meeting to order at 4:01 PM. There was not a quorum present so no official committee business could be conducted.

**2. Approval of Minutes**

No action taken.

**3. Public Comment Period**

Mr. Andy Koeppel told members he would like to request that member consider supporting a resolution to extend I-20 into Wilmington. He said this could be done by just changing a number of signs along I-95 between Florence and Wilmington with the cooperation of South Carolina. Doing this would create an interstate link between Wilmington, NC and Atlanta, GA. He distributed a sample resolution and requested that it be brought before the MPO for endorsement at the next meeting.

**4. Presentation – Transit Needs Analysis for the Wilmington Multi-modal Transportation Center**

Mr. George Alexiou and Mr. Graham James with Martin Alexiou Bryson and Mr. Wayne Hyatt with Moffitt Nichols Engineering gave a presentation on the Transit Needs Analysis for the Wilmington Multi-modal Transportation Center. Mr. James told members the Transit Needs Study evaluated the current and future service needs for the Multi-modal Transportation Center site location. The study included a review of previous programming efforts, interviews with stakeholders, development of a range of possible site layouts and a final recommended option. The recommended option for the facility includes a transit portion, which is expected to be constructed first, and a passenger rail service that will be constructed in the future. The recommended option will require the purchase of properties at 508 and 516 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and 513 N. 4<sup>th</sup> Street. Mr. James said the next step in this process will be consideration for adoption of the Transit Needs Analysis study and support for the property acquisition by the TAC.

Mr. Wilson told members this will be a good opportunity for a public/private partnership. Mr. Kozlosky said he has had discussions with the development community and they have expressed interest in the project.

**5. Old Business**

None

**6. New Business**

**a. Resolution supporting adoption of the Transit Needs Analysis for the Wilmington Multi-modal Transportation Center**

No action taken

**b. 2009-2010 Unified Planning Work Program Amendment**

No action taken

**c. Opening of the 45-day public comment period for the Wilmington MPO's Public Involvement Policy**

No action taken

**7. Updates**

**a. Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC)**

Mr. Howard Loving, Chairman of the CAC, updated members on Cape Fear Commutes and the CAC activities.

**b. NCDOT Project Update**

attached

**8. Announcements**

- a. Bike/Pedestrian meeting- June 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:15pm
- b. Citizen Advisory Committee meeting- June 17<sup>th</sup> at 4pm

**9. Adjournment**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:32 pm

Respectfully submitted

Mike Kozlosky  
Executive Director  
Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization