



## **Parking And Transportation Advisory Committee Minutes**

**Tuesday July 08, 2025, at 2:00pm**

**CHAIR:** Thomas Hawkins (Not in Attendance)

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 2:02 pm by Walter O'Dell.

**ATTENDEES:**

**MEMBERS:** Patrick Klager, Emily Hind, Walter O'Dell, Matt Williams, Margaret Fields, Gregg Henderschiedt, Sarah Gamble

**NON-MEMBERS:** Adam Hall, Seth Woods, Jamie Lindsey, Kristy Sasser, Mike Simonovich, Frank Javaheri, Thomas Feather, Mairead Baker, Stefan Rogers, James Vignola, Kaylee August, Milo Zapata, Kate Farmer, Katrina Fields (Taking Minutes)

**LIAISONS:**

**MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE:** Brandi Renton, Cydney McGlothlin, Aimee Bourassa, Andrei Kirilenko, Marty Dempsey, Linda Dixon, Thomas Hawkins, Chuck Kammin, Carolyn Kelley, Matthew Terza

**STUDENT MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE:** Aaron Amster, Caroline Botts, Samantha Kinggard, Shelby Schultz

**INTRODUCTIONS:**

Walter O'Dell asked all committee members and participating attendees to introduce themselves and share their locations.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Walter O'Dell asked the committee to review and approve the minutes from the June 10, 2025, meeting. A motion to approve was set by Matt Williams and was seconded by Gregg Henderschiedt, with the condition to review the attendance of Linda Dixon and add her to the minutes if appropriate. After further review Linda Dixon did briefly attend and was added to the minutes by Katrina Fields. The motion passed unanimously.

**TAPS DEPARTMENT UPDATE: Mairead Baker**

Mairead explained that some RTS routes have been taken over by the campus connector, which is run by TAPS and provides similar service with employee benefits. The discussion also touched on the upcoming football season and permit season starting in August.

**VOTING ITEM:****UF-705-STUDENT HOUSING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER (DRC)****PRESENTING: Kate Farmer**

Kate presented the programmatic stage of UF 705, a student housing and disability resource center project. The project will be located at the northwest corner of Gale, Lemerand Drive, and Museum, replacing current buildings with four new buildings totaling 679,000 square feet. The project aims to upgrade student housing, as it was identified as lacking compared to other universities in the state. The development will require some parking lot removal and will include access drives, a central spine for emergency vehicles, and a bridge over a stream. The project is seeking platinum certification for the Florida Green high rise.

**ACTION:**

A motion to approve the project in the programming stage was set by Margaret Fields and seconded by Gregg Henderschiedt. The motion passed unanimously.

**UF-318B-DENTAL SCIENCE BUILDING ENVELOPE REPLACEMENT****PRESENTING: Kate Farmer**

Kate presented the design development stage for the UF 318B Dental Science building envelope replacement project, which involves replacing the entire brick facade with aluminum composite material panels. The project, located at 1395 Center Drive, is a deferred maintenance initiative with a completion deadline of December 2026. Kate explained that the project will temporarily remove two parking spaces and close sidewalks around the building, with scaffolding running the length of the building for access.

**ACTION:**

A motion to approve the project as presented was set by Margaret Fields and seconded by Sarah Gamble. The motion passed unanimously.

**DISCUSSION/OTHER BUSINESS:**

Walter shared his experience using the electric vehicle charging stations in Garage 14, noting that the dedicated Level 2 and fast charging stations were working well, with the 4-hour charging limit being loosely enforced. He observed that the charging stations were being used by multiple drivers throughout the day and suggested implementing notifications to remind drivers when their charging time is about to expire. Kate raised concerns about the consistently non-functional charging stations in the O'Connell parking garage, which have been reported to Mr. Helms but remain unresolved after six months. The meeting focused on the replacement and management of electric vehicle chargers on campus. Matt explained that the current chargers, installed almost 8 years ago, are at the end of their lifespan and need replacing due to the company's poor quality of service. The conversation ended with a reminder that some committee members' terms are ending, and they should email Katrina or Hawkins if they wish to continue serving.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 2:53pm by Walter O'Dell.