

CAC Members

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The in-person meeting will be held once again at 7:00 pm at **310 Court Street, 1st Floor Conference Room, Clearwater.** I will need confirmation from those of you who will be attending in person, so that a quorum can be confirmed. If you confirm and cannot make it, please reach out to her so that a back-up can be found. Without a quorum, we cannot vote to allow participation by the Zoom attendees.

If you will be attending by Zoom, here is the Zoom meeting information:

Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Time: September 23, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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**CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
(CAC) AGENDA**

September 23, 2021 – 7:00pm

**310 Court Street, 1st Floor Conf. Room
Clearwater, FL 33756**

THE PLANNING COUNCIL AND METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR PINELLAS COUNTY

The actions of the CAC are guided by its vision of “*a community-driven, modern transportation system that is safe, provides equitable access, and efficient mobility options in support of a sustainable, healthy, livable, and economically vibrant region.*”

FACE MASKS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED BUT NOT REQUIRED

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS (7:00 - 7:05)**
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES (7:05 - 7:10)**
3. **FORWARD PINELLAS ACTIONS (7:10 - 7:15)**
4. **TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AMENDMENTS (7:15 - 7:30) –
Presenter: Jensen Hackett, FDOT Staff**
5. **FDOT SIS UPDATE (7:30 – 7:45) Presenter: Jensen Hackett, FDOT Staff**
6. **AERIAL TRANSIT PRESENTATION (7:45 – 8:05) – Presenter: TBARTA staff**
7. **PINELLAS TRAIL VISIONING STUDY (8:05 – 8:25) – Presenter: Joan Rice, Pinellas
County Public Works**
8. **SAFE STREETS PINELLAS ACTION PLAN (8:25 – 8:45) – Presenter: Rodney
Chatman, Forward Pinells Staff**
9. **OTHER BUSINESS (8:45 – 9:00)**
 - A. Pinellas SPOTlight Emphasis Areas Update
 - B. TBARTA Update
 - C. Traffic Fatalities Map
 - D. Tentative Future Agenda Items
 - E. Member Interests/Discussion Topic
 - F. Public Comments
 - G. Upcoming Events
10. **ADJOURNMENT**

NEXT MEETING – OCTOBER 28, 2021

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SUMMARY

The meeting summary for the August 26, 2021 meeting is attached for review and approval.

ATTACHMENT(S): CAC Meeting Summary for August 26, 2021

ACTION: Approval of Meeting Summary

**PINELLAS COUNTY MPO
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES – MEETING OF AUGUST 26, 2021**

The Citizens Advisory Committee of the Pinellas County Metropolitan Planning Organization met at 310 Court Street, 1st Floor Conference Room, Clearwater, FL on Thursday, August 26, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Tammy Vrana (<i>Chair</i>)	City of Oldsmar/Safety Harbor/Tarpon Springs
Gary Benjamin by Zoom	At Large Representative
Connie Bruce by Zoom	At Large Representative
Dylan Carlson	City of St. Petersburg
Erik Eifert - by Zoom	At Large Representative
Dyllan Furness by Zoom	City of St. Petersburg
Bob Henion	City of Dunedin
Bill Jonson	City of Clearwater
Duncan Kovar	TRAC Representative
Gloria Lepik-Corrigan by Zoom	At Large Representative
Terri Novitsky	Beaches Representative
Tracey Schofield	At Large Representative
Caron Schwartz by Zoom	City of Gulfport & Inland Communities
Brian Scott	City of Pinellas Park/Mid-County
Luis Serna	City of Clearwater
Kathy Smith	At Large Representative
Loretta Statsick	City of Largo Representative
Anthony Stillo	At Large Representative
Paul Wallace	City of Largo

MEMBERS ABSENT

Johnny Boykins	At Large Representative
Brandon Huskins	City of St. Petersburg Guest
Dimitri Karides	Beaches Representative
Karen Mullins	City of Dunedin
George Thurlow	At Large Representative
Geneva Waters	City of Pinellas Park/Mid-County

OTHERS PRESENT

Jensen Hackett by Zoom	FDOT – District 7
Donna Bowman	Dunedin Citizen
Sgt. Mark Eastty by Zoom	Florida Highway Patrol
Sgt. M. Simmons by Zoom	Florida Highway Patrol
Sgt. Steve Gaskins by Zoom	Florida Highway Patrol
Amy Elmore by Zoom	Forward Pinellas Staff
Alexis Boback by Zoom	Forward Pinellas Staff
Chelsea Favero by Zoom	Forward Pinellas Staff
Angela Ryan by Zoom	Forward Pinellas Staff
Robert Feigel	Forward Pinellas Staff
Maria Kelly	Forward Pinellas Staff

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE TO FLAG/INTRODUCTIONS

Tammy Vrana, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Attendees in the room introduced themselves. At this time, the Chair advised the committee that Florida law requires a quorum of the CAC to be physically present to conduct business, however, the law provides an exception for some members to participate by non-physical means if a quorum is physically present and if the physical quorum present decides that there are extraordinary circumstances. At this time, Chair Vrana read a statement regarding allowing committee members present to make a motion to allow those members participating by Zoom (all names identified above) to participate and vote due to extenuating circumstances existing making it impossible for some committee members to attend in person. A motion was made by Bill Jonson that due to Covid-19; extenuating circumstances exist preventing members to join in person, therefore they will be allowed to participate and vote by phone since a quorum is represented in person. This was seconded by Bob Henion and passed with a unanimous vote.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Brian Scott made a motion to approve the minutes of May 27, 2021. It was seconded by Tracey Schofield. The minutes were approved with no corrections.

3. FORWARD PINELLAS ACTIONS

Rob Feigel, Forward Pinellas staff, reviewed the highlights of the Forward Pinellas Board meeting for June 9, 2021. Due to a power outage at the Magnolia Room, the Forward Pinellas Board gathered chairs and conducted a short meeting to cover those items with deadlines, in the lobby of the Botanical Gardens Building. All presentations were deferred except for the TIP Annual Adoption and a proposed amendment to the Countywide Rules. For July 14, 2021, PSTA announced they resumed full services this summer including charging fares. They also launched their Flamingo Fares mobile payment application. PSTA also launched their new paratransit system called PSTA Access, providing transit for passengers who require wheelchair transportation. TBARTA announced they are looking for funding to continue the TD Tampa Bay transportation for cross county transit due to lost funding with recent legislative changes. The Annual Call for Projects was announced. Duncan Kovar added that PSTA Access is a rebranding of Care-Ride.

4. FY 2019/20 – FY 2023/24 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

Jensen Hackett, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) shared that there are three amendments to be approved. **Amendment #1** is the Annual Roll-Forward amendment is to reconcile year one of the TIP with the FDOT Work Program. This roll forward amendment is a routine annual process to assist Forward Pinellas in identifying projects that were not committed in the previous Fiscal Year (FY) (2020/21) and have automatically rolled into FY 2021/22 of the FDOT Work Program. This amendment ensures that year one of the FY 2021/22 – 2025/26 TIP, adopted by the Board on June 9, 2021, matches year one of the FDOT Work Program. Brian Scott made a motion to recommend approval of the Annual Roll-Forward Amendment by the Forward Pinellas Board. This was seconded by Luis Serna and passed with a unanimous vote. **Amendment #2 – FPN 435914-3** is for the addition of a project that will be to add a southbound left-turn lane on US19 at the intersection of Gandy Boulevard, bike route signage and additional signal timing and operational improvements. No ROW is

needed for this project and will not affect any current projects in the FY 2021/22 – 2025/26 TIP. Tracey Schofield made a motion to recommend approval of FPN 435914-3 by the Forward Pinellas Board. This was seconded by Bob Henion and passed with a unanimous vote. **Amendment #3 – FPN 449137-1** is to receive a federal Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies Deployment (ATCMTD) grant awarded to Pinellas County from the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) in the amount of \$4,622,880. Coupled with the local fund contributions in the amount of \$6,289,000 by Pinellas County, the total cost of the project is \$10,911,880. This grant will be used for the deployment of a “Connected Community” project to expand the County’s Smart City data platform to integrate data from third-party providers and video analytics. This project will not affect any current projects in the FY 2021/22-2025/26 TIP. Brian Scott made a motion to recommend approval of FPN 449137-1 by the Forward Pinellas Board. This was seconded by Tracey Schofield and passed with a unanimous vote.

5. ELECTION OF A NEW VICE CHAIR

Axl David, the CAC Vice Chair, relocated outside of Pinellas County and has therefore resigned. After discussion and a motion, Duncan Kovar was voted in unanimously as the new Vice Chair.

6. POST PANDEMIC LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES

Concerned about DUI-related fatalities, CAC members asked for a presentation from the Florida Highway Patrol (FHP) to discuss enforcement activities, the number of officers on patrol and the degree to which DUI enforcement is being conducted. Mr. Feigel introduced the FHP officers attending, Sgt. Mark Eastty and Sgt. M. Simmons and Sgt. Steve Gaskins. Mr. Feigel shared a summary of the conversation with Sgt. Gaskins relating to the number of law enforcement in place during 2020 vs 2019. Sgt. Gaskins also provided FHP statistics that were shared in the agenda packets on High Rates of Speed for Jan-Jul 2021, DUI Overview for 2021 and a General Crash Data Overview for Jan-Jul 2021. Sgt. Eastty shared that the number of law enforcement has not changed, and they are doing all they can do with the limited resources available to them. FHP is only one of many different law enforcement agencies, with many of the 25 local governments having their own law enforcement groups, all working together. Sgt. Eastty also shared that with fewer vehicles on the roads, drivers tend to travel faster, creating additional hazards. Sgt. Simmons spoke at this time, sharing information on what the FHP is doing to help control bike and pedestrian fatalities by reminding pedestrians of being visible and using the marked and lighted crosswalks. Mr. Bill Jonson inquired what the goal of law enforcement is with respect to Vision Zero and how can the effectiveness of law enforcement toward the goal of Vision Zero being measured. In looking at the statistics, speeding in excess of 30 mph over the speed limit doubled during the pandemic years versus 2019. Sgt. Eastty noted that all resources available to the FHP were out on the roads during the pandemic and this was a direct response to less traffic on the road because the interstates suddenly became clear. The number of troopers on the road versus the population that travels on the interstates is nowhere near equivalent. Mr. Jonson inquired how Vision Zero is accomplished if people are exceeding speeds that are designed around a safety goal. Mr. Feigel responded that safety is centered around “the three E’s”, engineering, enforcement and education. Enforcement is the priority of tonight’s guests. Sgt. Gaskins joined the conversation where additional questions were taken and appropriately answered. At this time Mr. Jonson made a motion to draft a letter to “recommend that the Forward

Pinellas Board commend local police agencies for proactive enforcement actions that support the Vision Zero goals and to encourage future coordinated proactive enforcement across agencies toward that goal.” This was seconded by Paul Wallace and passed with a unanimous vote.

7. MICROMOBILITY KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE SERIES (KES)

Ms. Angela Ryan, Forward Pinellas, shared a presentation on the Micromobility Knowledge Exchange Series (KES). Forward Pinellas works with local government partners to address emerging planning topics through applied research and best practices that guide the development of policy and regulatory practices. Micromobility transportation is the subject of the next KES topic. “Micromobility” generally refers to a range of lightweight transportation devices operating at low speeds, typically up to 15 mph. These include electric bicycles as well as electric skateboards and scooters, although bicycles will not be addressed as part of this effort. The rise of micromobility activity that has taken hold in many communities across the country demonstrates the emerging popularity of these devices. But with popularity comes controversy and confusion, public concern as well as public demand. Local governments have been confronted with significant regulatory challenges. With assistance from the City of St. Petersburg and the City of Tampa, Forward Pinellas as developed “A Guide to Micromobility in Pinellas County”, which is a research-based practical application resource for local governments to consider when developing micromobility policy and regulatory codes in their communities. Next steps include continual collaboration with County, state and federal partners, hosting a micromobility forum, committee presentations, video development and treating the report as a “living document” that can be updated as technology, data and laws evolve. Questions were taken and appropriately answered.

8. SUN COAST TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ALLIANCE – NEW REGIONAL WEBSITE

Ms. Amy Elmore, Forward Pinellas staff, shared a presentation with the committee on the Sun Coast Transportation Planning Alliance (formerly the MPO Chairs Coordinating Committee). The directors from each of the MPO/TPOs in the region have been working to rebrand the entity as the SCTPA, to better reflect the work being done to advance and promote regional transportation in Tampa Bay. The committee will be releasing a new logo and website this month to help speak with one voice for the region on shared goals and project priorities. This new website www.suncoasttpa.org, is the first step to improve communications on regional issues of mutual interest and to demonstrate the purpose and priorities for all six MPOs and TPOs within the SCTPA. Questions were taken and appropriately.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Pinellas SPOTlight Emphasis Areas Update

Regarding US19, the Innovative Intersection Analysis is still ongoing by FDOT. There is no new information to share at this time as they continue to evaluate some alternatives for interchange solutions for north of Nebraska Avenue. For the Gateway Master Plan, there is a dashboard available on the Forward Pinellas website for tracking implementation of the plan moving forward. This information will be continually updated. In terms of Enhancing Beach Access, two additional Waterborne Transportation projects have been added to the

priority list for future funding and Forward Pinellas is working with the FDOT to get those projects advanced in the coming years.

B. TBARTA Update

Bill Jonson shared a TBARTA update. The committee received a presentation on Aerial Transit plans for either Clearwater or Downtown St. Petersburg. They also received a report on the Regional Rapid Transit selected routing that was approved by the TBARTA Board. A request was made by the committee to be able to have a presence at each of the TBARTA meetings versus attending every other meeting.

C. Traffic Fatalities Map

A traffic fatalities map was included in the agenda packet.

D. Tentative Future Agenda Items

E. Future Agenda Item Requests from Committee Members

F. Public Comments

G. Upcoming Events

8. ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m. The next CAC meeting will be September 23, 2021.

SUMMARY

The September 8, 2021 Executive Summaries is attached for your information. Forward Pinellas staff will review highlights of actions taken by the Forward Pinellas Board.

ATTACHMENT: Executive Summary for September 8, 2021

ACTION: None Required, Informational Item

September 8, 2021

Please note that this summary has not been approved as the official minutes of the board.

THE PLANNING COUNCIL AND METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR PINELLAS COUNTY

The Forward Pinellas Board held this public meeting in person on September 8, 2021, at 1 p.m. in the Magnolia Room at Pinellas County Cooperative Extension.

The board unanimously approved amendments to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

The board approved amendments including the reconciliation of projects included in year one (2021/22) of the TIP with projects in year one (2021/22) of the FDOT work program; the addition of a southbound left-turn lane on US 19 at the intersection of Gandy Blvd.; and the acceptance of a \$4.6 million federal grant awarded to Pinellas County from the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) for a “Connected Community” project to expand connected vehicle roadside units along US 19 and SR 60 along with predictive analytics for incident and congestion risk predictions. These new innovative technologies will measure and manage congestion, and help to create a safer roadway.

- Commissioner Merz clarified that these amendments would not affect any current priorities or projects in the TIP.
- Commissioner Eggers clarified with Pinellas County staff that the innovative technologies include software and roadside units located throughout the SR 60 corridor and on US 19 through the Largo and north county area to manage the traffic system more efficiently.

The board approved three amendments to the Countywide Plan Map

- The board recommended approval of three amendments:
 - An amendment from Pinellas County to amend the property at 20th Terrace SW from Residential Low Medium to Residential High to allow for single-family attached residential subdivision. (10-0)
 - An amendment from Pinellas County to amend the property at 8119 46th Avenue North from Residential Low Medium to Retail & Services to allow for the development of a pool contractor office and warehouse. (10-0)
 - An amendment from Pinellas County to amend the property at 1201 Gooden Crossing from Retail & Services to Residential Low Medium to allow for the development of three single-family detached homes. (10-0)

SPOTlight Updates

- The expansion of the entrance to Honeymoon Island State Park is expected to be completed by March 2022. In addition, Forward Pinellas and partners are developing design concepts to

improve safety and manage congestion at Alt. US 19 and Curlew Road, and along Causeway Boulevard.

- Forward Pinellas is working with FDOT and the City of Clearwater to discuss design options and questions about the Drew Street Concept Plan, and will hold public meetings as the design phase begins, with a focus on safety issues brought forward by residents.
- Forward Pinellas is beginning a safety study on Gulf Boulevard with the City of St. Pete Beach to identify speed management solutions, improve safety at roadway crossings and encourage people to travel in a safe manner. The study is scheduled to be completed in late 2022.
- Forward Pinellas will conduct a “before and after” safety study analyzing traffic behavior associated with the rectangular rapid flashing beacon at the crossing of the Duke Energy Trail at Sunset Point Road in Clearwater. The analysis will address the effects of modifications to the crossing.
- Forward Pinellas staff launched the Gateway Master Plan Dashboard to track progress on the implementation of the Gateway Master Plan. View the dashboard here: www.GatewayMasterPlan.org
- The Downtown St. Pete Mobility Study will be holding community outreach events in October to get feedback on recommended strategies and scenarios. Staff will present an action plan and recommendations to the City Council and the Forward Pinellas board in coming months.

Updates

- As a result of the Legislative Committee workshop on August 11, 2021, entitled *Finding Common Ground: A Conversation with State Legislators*, a number of legislators have pledged to work more closely with Pinellas local governments during the 2022 legislative session especially on four key topics: How do we keep our streets safe, fund our transportation system, make housing more affordable, and adapt to a changing climate.
- In January 2021, a team of reviewers from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) conducted a certification review of Forward Pinellas’ plans and programs. They found four noteworthy practices, including outreach flexibility using virtual and hybrid public involvement; complete streets grant funding; Long Range Transportation Plan 2045 Advantage Pinellas; and the 2020 Excellence in Regional Transportation Award for the LRTP. They recommended staff review the Public Participation Plan and conduct an Equity Assessment, which are both currently underway. There was one corrective action identified, and that action was remedied by Forward Pinellas shortly after the site visit and before the final Certification Report was completed.
- FDOT is updating the Strategic Intermodal System (SIS) Policy Plan, Florida’s high priority network of transportation facilities which are vital to moving people and freight, linking Florida’s regions, and investing in strategic transportation facilities. Mr. Blanton, Chair Rice, and Commissioner Eggers expressed their hope for more flexibility in SIS funding especially related to transit operations and parallel, arterial roads that could relieve traffic stress on SIS corridors. FDOT staff will provide specific details and recommended changes in 2022.

View the full video with more details here: <https://youtu.be/AeeD1SeO08E>

- Partially funded through Forward Pinellas' Complete Streets Grant, the City of Clearwater developed a Complete Streets Concept Plan for the Fort Harrison Avenue corridor from Belleair Road to Myrtle Avenue/Alt. 19, connecting three major destinations, Morton Plant Hospital Campus, Downtown, and the North Marina Area. After two walking audits and several public meetings, the visioning team identified improvements that improve multimodal connections, create a gateway, encourage economic vitality, and attract investment and development. The City of Clearwater plans to complete the design of the northern section and construct the demonstration projects by Fall 2022.
 - Mr. Blanton reinforced that complete streets projects focus on adapting a roadway to make it safe and accessible for all users within the context of the roadway, and eliminating travel lanes is only one tool in the toolbox. Staff will be working to provide consistent communication about complete streets as well as analyzing projects before and after a complete streets conversion to ensure we're improving areas strategically.
 - City of Clearwater Planning Director Lauren Matzke supported additional traffic analyses to ensure improved roadway functions in daily and emergency conditions.
 - Commissioner Albritton stated that every street has a different personality and the location of the Fort Harrison Complete Streets Concept Plan was ideal. In addition, demonstration projects allowed the City of Clearwater to test and refine possible solutions before significant investment and construction.
- In response to the many benefits of micromobility devices and share programs, the vastly growing popularity, and the regulatory challenges, Forward Pinellas Principal Planner Angela Ryan has developed a new Knowledge Exchange Series module devoted to micromobility, or small, lightweight transportation devices, such as electric bicycles, electric scooters, and electric skateboards. The goal of this research is to provide a proactive and collaborative approach to providing a regulatory framework for micromobility in Pinellas County. View the full Micromobility Knowledge Exchange Series here: www.ForwardPinellas.org/Micromobility
 - With the increase of micromobility on our trails, Commissioner Eggers requested we manage safety concerns through continued analysis and education.
 - Angela Ryan noted that Forward Pinellas is currently conducting a speed study on the Pinellas Trail confirming people using micromobility on trails are staying under 20mph. However, the increased usage on the trails since March 2020, along with some users not following trail rules, is leading to a negative perception. Mrs. Ryan highlighted Pinellas County's upcoming trail courtesy campaign that will help educate trail users about being respectful and sharing the trails.
 - Mr. Blanton agreed that education and communication can go a long way and suggested trail rangers help spread the message of safety and sharing the trail. Mr. Blanton noted with the unprecedented trail usage due to the pandemic, we must be mindful to manage a spectrum of different users on the trails.

Other Items

- PSTA, in partnership with Forward Pinellas, held virtual outreach for the Transit-Oriented Development pilot project entitled *SunRunner Rising*, studying how people could get to and from the SunRunner transit stations. PSTA is also celebrating their 1M Flamingo Fares passenger this week. Learn more about Flamingo Fares here: <https://flamingofares.com/>
- TBARTA approved a scope of work to advance regional public transportation through a study for regional rapid transit on US 19 between SR 54 in Pasco County and the Gateway area in Pinellas County.
- Mr. Blanton is drafting a letter to the Florida Legislature dissuading the restriction of -mid-block crossings and rapid rectangular flashing beacons due to the damaging impacts this would have on safety and equity throughout Pinellas County.
- PSTA is currently requesting funding from partners and local governments to resume regular operations of the Clearwater Ferry. In the future, PSTA will also request funding for the expansion of ferry services. In addition, the Cross Bay Ferry interlocal agreement is currently moving forward.
- Forward Pinellas is seeking an elected official to chair the Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board. Thank you Commissioner Michael Smith for your service.
- We are delighted to welcome Alex Burns aboard our team as an Intern through our partnership with the Masters of Urban and Regional Planning Program at the University of South Florida.
- Early bird registration for the 2021 Gulf Coast Safe Streets Hybrid Summit is now open. Register today: www.GulfCoastSafeStreetsSummit.org/Register.

Action Sheet

September 8, 2021

At its September meeting, the Forward Pinellas Board took the following official actions:

- **Consent Agenda** (vote: 10-0)
Approved to include the following:
 - A. Approval of Minutes of the July 14, 2021 Meeting
 - B. Approval of Committee Appointments
 - C. Cancellation of the December Forward Pinellas Meeting
- **Approval of Amendments to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**
Following a presentation by Jensen Hackett of FDOT, the board, in its role as the metropolitan planning organization, approved three amendments to the TIP. (roll call vote: 10-0)
- **Countywide Plan Map Amendment(s)**
Three cases were recommended for approval:
 1. CW 21-10 – Pinellas County (vote: 10-0)
 2. CW 21-11 – Pinellas County (vote: 10-0)
 3. CW 21-12 – Pinellas County (vote: 10-0)

4. Proposed Amendment to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

SUMMARY

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is requesting that Forward Pinellas, in its role as the metropolitan planning organization, approve three amendments to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). These projects include lane continuity and express lane improvements along I-275/SR 93 from N of 54th Ave S to N of 4th St, otherwise referred to as Section 2 of the Tampa Bay Next program. These projects were previously included in the TIP, but were removed due to budgetary impacts related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The TIP amendments for 424501-7 and 449109-2 involve federal funds, which require not only a TIP amendment with Forward Pinellas' current TIP, but also with the State TIP (STIP). For project 449109-1 from 54th Ave N to N of 4th St N, state funds are being used for the design work, which does not require a TIP/STIP amendment, however, for federal consistency purposes, Forward Pinellas staff is recommending amending this project into the MPO's TIP during this amendment process. These amendments will not impact any other projects in the TIP.

Amendment # 1 – FPN 424501-7, I-275/SR 93 from N of 54th Ave S to I-375: \$5,601,000 is being added to the TIP to design lane continuity improvements and noise walls along the corridor.

Amendment # 2 – FPN 449109-2, I-275 (SR 93) from N of I-375 to 54th Ave N; \$4,701,000 is being added to the TIP to design lane continuity improvements and 2 express lanes in each direction along the corridor.

Amendment # 3 – FPN 449109-1, from 54th Ave N to N of 4th St N: \$5,601,000 is being added to the TIP to design an additional express lane along the project corridor in each direction. One express lane in each direction is already under construction as a part of the Gateway Expressway project.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- FPN 424501-7 STIP Page
- FPN 424501-7 TIP
- FPN 449109-2 STIP Page
- FPN 449109-2 TIP
- FPN 449109-1 TIP

ACTION: Provide a recommendation to the Board for TIP amendments

The preparation of this report has been financed in part through grant[s] from the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, under the State Planning and Research Program, Section 505 [or Metropolitan Planning Program, Section 104(f)] of Title 23, U.S. Code.

The contents of this report do not necessarily reflect the official views or policy of the U.S. Department of Transportation.

Transportation Improvement Program Amendment
 FY2021/22 - 2025 /26

STIP Amendment Number:

** This STIP is in an MPO Area **

TIP Page Number: Attached

On **Wednesday, October 13, 2021**, the **Pinellas MPO** Metropolitan Planning Organization amended the Transportation Improvement Program that was developed and adopted in compliance with Title 23 and Title 49 in a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process as a condition to the receipt of federal assistance. By signature below, the MPO representative certifies that the TIP amendment was adopted by the MPO Board as documented in the supporting attachments. **This amendment will be subsequently incorporated into the MPOs TIP for public disclosure.**

The amendment does not adversely impact the air quality conformity or financial constraints of the STIP.

The STIP Amendment is consistent with the Adopted Long Range Transportation Plan. (Page Number: **TBD**)

This document has not been approved

Metropolitan Planning Organization Chairman or Designee
[Pinellas MPO](#)

This document has not been approved

FDOT District Representative or Designee District **07**

This document has not been approved

Federal Aid Management Manager or Designee

This document has not been approved

Federal Authorization

STIP amendment criteria:

A - The change adds new individual projects to the current STIP

An air conformity determination must be made by the MPO on amended projects within the non-attainment or maintenance areas

E - The MPO is not in an air quality non-attainment or maintenance area.

This project is not subject to the requirements of 23 CFR 667, where repair and reconstruction was required from two or more permanent emergency events at this location.

Project Name **424501-7, I-275/SR 93 FROM N OF 54TH AVE S TO I-375**

Status	ITEM	Ver	Description	< FY 2022	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	> FY 2026	All Years
Original STIP											
			Not Available	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Proposed Project	424501 7	AM	I-275/SR 93 FROM N OF 54TH AVE S TO I-375 LANE CONTINUITY/OPERATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS/NOISE WALLS MANAGED BY FDOT *SIS*		5,600,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,600,000.00
		ACNP	PE	0.00	5,600,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,600,000.00
		DIH	PE	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
Funding Source After Change	254479 1	AD	INHOUSE CONTINGENCY MANAGED BY FDOT								
		DIH	PE	0.00	1,591,494.00	5,455,671.00	4,051,127.00	3,301,491.00	3,906,935.00	0.00	18,306,718.00
	254569 8	AD	PE CONSULTANT/ MITIGATION/ ENVIRONMENTAL CONTINGENCY MANAGED BY FDOT								
		ACNP	PE	0.00	478,187.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	478,187.00
Funding Source Balance Before Change					7,670,681.00	5,455,671.00	4,051,127.00	3,301,491.00	3,906,935.00		24,385,905.00
Funding Source Balance After Change					2,069,681.00	5,455,671.00	4,051,127.00	3,301,491.00	3,906,935.00		18,784,905.00
Net Change to Funding Source					-5,601,000.00						-5,601,000.00
Proposed Project Before Change											
Proposed Project After Change					5,601,000.00						5,601,000.00
Net Change to Project					5,601,000.00						5,601,000.00
Net Change to Funding Source					-5,601,000.00						-5,601,000.00
Net Change to Proposed Project					5,601,000.00						5,601,000.00
Net Change to STIP											

Notes:

STIP Added on: **8/10/2021**; By: **Jensen Hackett**; Of: **FI DOT**

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FORWARD PINELLAS

TIP - FY 2022-2026

Item Number: 424501 7 Project Description: I-275/SR 93 FROM N OF 54TH AVE S TO I-375 *SIS* District: 07 County: PINELLAS Type of Work: ADD LANES & RECONSTRUCT Project Length: 4.545 Extra Description: Lane Continuity Operational Improvements/Noise Walls TIP AMENDMENT: NEW PROJECT AMENDED: 10/13/2021 L RTP REFERENCE: Table 8.1, Project # 8							
							Fiscal Year
Phase / Responsible Agency	<2022	2022	2023	2024	2025	>2025	All Years
PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING / FDOT							
Fund Code:	DIH-STATE FUNDS	1,000					1,000
	ACNP-ADVANCE CONSTRUCTION	5,600,000					5,600,000
	Item: 424501 7 Totals	5,601,000					5,601,000
	Project Totals	5,601,000					5,601,000
	Grand Total	5,601,000					5,601,000

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Transportation Improvement Program Amendment
 FY2021/22 - 2025 /26

STIP Amendment Number:

** This STIP is in an MPO Area **

TIP Page Number: Attached

On **Wednesday, October 13, 2021**, the **Pinellas MPO** Metropolitan Planning Organization amended the Transportation Improvement Program that was developed and adopted in compliance with Title 23 and Title 49 in a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process as a condition to the receipt of federal assistance. By signature below, the MPO representative certifies that the TIP amendment was adopted by the MPO Board as documented in the supporting attachments. **This amendment will be subsequently incorporated into the MPOs TIP for public disclosure.**

The amendment does not adversely impact the air quality conformity or financial constraints of the STIP.

The STIP Amendment is consistent with the Adopted Long Range Transportation Plan. (Page Number: TBD)

This document has not been approved

Metropolitan Planning Organization Chairman or Designee
[Pinellas MPO](#)

This document has not been approved

Federal Aid Management Manager or Designee

This document has not been approved

FDOT District Representative or Designee District 07

This document has not been approved

Federal Authorization

STIP amendment criteria:

A - The change adds new individual projects to the current STIP

An air conformity determination must be made by the MPO on amended projects within the non-attainment or maintenance areas

E - The MPO is not in an air quality non-attainment or maintenance area.

This project is not subject to the requirements of 23 CFR 667, where repair and reconstruction was required from two or more permanent emergency events at this location.

Project Name **449109-2, I-275 (SR 93) FROM N OF I-375 TO 54TH AVE N**

Status	ITEM	Ver	Description	< FY 2022	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	> FY 2026	All Years
Original STIP				0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
			Not Available								
Proposed Project	449109 2	AM	I-275 (SR 93) FROM N OF I-375 TO 54TH AVE N MANAGED BY FDOT *SIS*	0.00	4,700,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,700,000.00
	ACNP	PE		0.00	4,700,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,700,000.00
	DIH	PE		0.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
Funding Source After Change	254479 1	AD	INHOUSE CONTINGENCY MANAGED BY FDOT								
	DIH	PE		0.00	1,591,494.00	5,455,671.00	4,051,127.00	3,301,491.00	3,906,935.00	0.00	18,306,718.00
	254569 8	AD	PE CONSULTANT/ MITIGATION/ ENVIRONMENTAL CONTINGENCY MANAGED BY FDOT								
	ACNP	PE		0.00	478,187.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	478,187.00
Funding Source Balance Before Change					6,770,681.00	5,455,671.00	4,051,127.00	3,301,491.00	3,906,935.00		23,485,905.00
Funding Source Balance After Change					2,069,681.00	5,455,671.00	4,051,127.00	3,301,491.00	3,906,935.00		18,784,905.00
Net Change to Funding Source					-4,701,000.00						-4,701,000.00
Proposed Project Before Change											
Proposed Project After Change					4,701,000.00						4,701,000.00
Net Change to Project					4,701,000.00						4,701,000.00
Net Change to Funding Source					-4,701,000.00						-4,701,000.00
Net Change to Proposed Project					4,701,000.00						4,701,000.00
Net Change to STIP											

Notes:

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FORWARD PINELLAS

TIP - FY 2022-2026

Item Number: 449109 2 Project Description: I-275 (SR 93) FROM N OF I-375 TO 54TH AVE N *SIS* District: 07 County: PINELLAS Type of Work: ADD LANES & RECONSTRUCT Project Length: 3.130 Extra Description: Lane Continuity and Express Lanes TIP AMENDMENT: NEW PROJECT AMENDED: 10/13/2021 L RTP REFERENCE: Table 8.1, Project #8							
							Fiscal Year
Phase / Responsible Agency	<2022	2022	2023	2024	2025	>2025	All Years
PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING / FDOT							
Fund Code:	DIH-STATE FUNDS	1,000					1,000
	ACNP-ADVANCE CONSTRUCTION	4,700,000					4,700,000
	Item: 449137 1 Totals	4,701,000					4,701,000
	Project Totals	4,701,000					4,701,000
	Grand Total	4,701,000					4,701,000

FORWARD PINELLAS

TIP - FY 2022-2026

Item Number: 449109 1 Project Description: I-275 (SR 93) FROM 54TH AVE N TO N OF 4TH St N *SIS* District: 07 County: PINELLAS Type of Work: ADD LANES & RECONSTRUCT Project Length: 5.949 Extra Description: Lane Continuity and Express Lanes TIP AMENDMENT: NEW PROJECT AMENDED: 10/13/2021 L RTP REFERENCE: Table 8.3, Project #11								
		Fiscal Year						
Phase / Responsible Agency		<2022	2022	2023	2024	2025	>2025	All Years
PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING / FDOT								
Fund Code:	DIH-STATE FUNDS		1,000					1,000
	DI-STATE FUNDS - S/W INTER/INTRASTATE HWY		5,600,000					5,600,000
Item: 449109 1 Totals			5,601,000					5,601,000
Project Totals			5,601,000					5,601,000
Grand Total			5,601,000					5,601,000

SUMMARY

The Strategic Intermodal System (SIS) is Florida’s high priority network of transportation facilities important to moving people and freight, linking Florida’s regions, and investing in strategic transportation facilities. The Florida Department of Transportation is updating the SIS Policy Plan, which sets the policy direction for designating, planning, and implementing the SIS. It is developed in consultation with statewide, regional, and local partners. During this presentation, FDOT will discuss the process for updating the SIS Policy Plan; its various components; emerging trends and focus areas, including safety, resilience, technology & innovation, urban mobility & connectivity, and rural mobility & connectivity; and the initial thoughts for potential changes in this plan.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- SIS Policy Plan Update FAQ
- Public Question Form

ACTION: None, information only



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS REGARDING THE SIS POLICY PLAN UPDATE

What is the Strategic Intermodal System (SIS)?

The SIS is a statewide network of high-priority transportation facilities, including the state's largest and most significant airports, spaceports, public seaports, freight rail terminals, passenger rail and intercity bus terminals, railways, waterways, and highways.

These facilities represent the State's primary means for moving people and freight between Florida's regions, as well as between Florida and other states and countries.

What is the SIS Policy Plan?

The SIS Policy Plan establishes the policy framework for planning and managing the SIS during the next five years. It identifies objectives and approaches to address changing trends and position the SIS for future opportunities. The Plan includes policies related to designating facilities as part of the SIS, identifying and establishing investment priorities, and collaborating with partners to plan for the future of the SIS.

Why is the SIS Policy Plan being updated?

Florida Statute indicates "the plan shall be consistent with the Florida Transportation Plan developed pursuant to s. 339.155 and shall be updated at least once every 5 years, subsequent to updates of the Florida Transportation Plan." The current SIS Policy Plan was adopted in March 2016.

How is the SIS Policy Plan being developed?

Florida Statute requires the Department to update the SIS Policy Plan at least once every 5 years following the update to the Florida Transportation Plan. The plan is developed by:

- reviewing the most recent FTP goals and objectives to ensure the SIS Policy Plan aligns with the FTP,
- considering current trends and conditions, including applicable performance measures, to ensure the plan addresses key issues and opportunities for the SIS, and
- gathering input through various partner and public outreach efforts such as partner briefings, social media outreach, virtual information sharing, and website publications.

What is FDOT's process for reaching out to their partners and the public during the update of the SIS Policy Plan?

Florida Statute requires FDOT to provide metropolitan planning organizations, regional planning councils, local governments, transportation providers, affected public agencies, and citizens with an opportunity to participate in and comment on the development of the update. FDOT is gathering input through various partner and public outreach efforts such as partner briefings, brochures, virtual events, and the department's website. There will also be a public comment period for the draft plan.



When will the SIS Policy Plan update be completed?

Following our targeted outreach efforts, we will draft the plan based on the input received. We will review the information with the FTP/SIS Implementation Committee and FDOT management. The draft plan will be available for public comment toward the end of 2021. The final plan is anticipated to be adopted by early 2022.

What are the focus areas for this SIS Policy Plan update?

The 2022 SIS Policy Plan will focus on these 5 areas:

- **Safety** – how does the SIS, as a key element of the state's transportation system, contribute to our vision of eliminating fatalities and serious injuries on Florida's transportation system?
- **Resilience** – how can we reduce vulnerabilities of SIS infrastructure to risks including extreme weather, sea-level rise, coastal and inland flooding, wildfires, and extreme heat?
- **Technology and innovation** – how do we prepare the SIS for emerging technologies such as automated, connected, electric, and shared vehicles?
- **Urban mobility and connectivity** – how do we address the impact of congestion in both major and developing urban areas while ensuring the efficiency and reliability of the SIS for interregional travel, especially in areas where there are limited options for adding capacity to SIS corridors or limited modal alternatives to SIS highways?
- **Rural mobility and connectivity** – how can the SIS support rural revitalization and economic development and facilitate emergency evacuation and response, while supporting environmental stewardship goals and community visions?

Will there be a public comment period for the draft plan?

A public comment period will accompany the draft final plan. It is anticipated the public comment period will take place at the end of 2021.

How is the SIS Policy Plan update related to the recent update of the FTP?

The Florida Transportation Plan (FTP) is the state's long-range transportation vision and policy plan for all of Florida, created by, and providing direction to, all organizations involved in planning and managing Florida's transportation system. The SIS is the state's highest priority for transportation capacity investments and a primary tool for implementing the FTP.

Will the SIS Policy Plan update change the designation of a facility?

The SIS Policy Plan is the guiding document for policy and investment decisions for the SIS. It is not facility or project specific. The updated plan may identify changes to SIS designation policies; however, designation of a facility happens during the Designation Review process or through a Designation Change Request (DCR).

Why does the SIS not include all transportation facilities?

The SIS was established by the Governor and Legislature in 2003 to enhance Florida's economic competitiveness by focusing state resources on the transportation facilities most critical for statewide and interregional travel. Other FDOT and partner funding programs can assist with facilities not designated as part of the SIS.



Will my SIS facility receive funding as a result of the SIS Policy Plan update?

The SIS Policy Plan is the guiding document for policy and investment decisions for the SIS. It is not facility or project specific. SIS funding is considered through a set of three inter-related sequential documents known as the SIS Funding Strategy which identifies SIS projects in various stages of development.

- The First Five Year Plan illustrates capacity projects on the SIS that are funded by the Legislature in the FDOT Adopted Work Program (Year 1) and projects that are programmed for proposed funding in the next 2 to 5 Years.
- The Second Five Year Plan illustrates projects that are planned to be funded in the five years (Years 6 through 10) beyond the Adopted Work Program. Projects in this plan could move forward into the First Five Year Plan as funds become available.
- The Cost Feasible Plan illustrates projects on the SIS that are considered financially feasible during the last fifteen years (Years 11 to 25) of the SIS Funding Strategy, based on current revenue forecasts. Projects in this plan could move forward into the Second Five as funds become available or backwards into the Unfunded Needs Plan if revenues fall short of projections.

The FDOT Systems Implementation Office also produces a fourth document which is related to, but not part of, the SIS Funding Strategy. The Unfunded Needs Plan identifies transportation projects on the SIS that help meet mobility needs, but where funding is not expected to be available during the 25-year time period of the SIS Funding Strategy. Projects in this plan could move forward into the SIS Funding Strategy as funds become available.

When will implementation of the SIS Policy Plan update begin?

The SIS Policy Plan is being updated over the course of 2021. It is anticipated that the plan will be adopted in early 2022. Following adoption, FDOT Central Office staff will begin the process of implementing the strategies identified in the plan. The timeframe for implementation will be determined following the adoption of the SIS Policy Plan.



PUBLIC QUESTION FORM

The Florida Department of Transportation encourages public inquiries. This form is subject to public records law.

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Contact Information: _____

Date or Meeting Attended: _____

The FDOT is currently answering questions. Please make your questions(s) as specific as possible and offer suggestions to address your concerns. You may continue on the back, if necessary. This form is part of the public record.

QUESTION(S): _____

Please give your completed form to FDOT Staff or email to Lori Marable, D7 SIS Coordinator, lori.marable@dot.state.fl.us. If you wish to mail your question form please send to: Lori Marable, Florida Department of Transportation, MS 7-500, 11201 N. McKinley Dr., Tampa, Florida, 33563.

In addition to the comments received via this form, FDOT will provide a public comment period in late 2021 to receive comments on the draft SIS Policy Plan.

SUMMARY

In July 2020, TBARTA completed an Innovative Transit Technologies (ITT) Feasibility Study as the first step toward evaluating three emerging technologies: aerial gondolas, air taxis and hyperloop. The ITT Study detailed each technology’s current development, their intended operational and service capabilities, and their potential for success in the Tampa Bay region. One recommendation was to explore local interest in pursuing an aerial gondola project in a specific corridor. TBARTA and Forward Pinellas met with leaders from Clearwater and St. Petersburg, and each city expressed interest in examining separate corridors.

The Pinellas Aerial Gondola Feasibility Study will examine two potential corridors/routes in the cities of St. Petersburg and Clearwater, with a target completion date of April 2022. The corridors are not in competition with each other; the study will assess each corridor based on its own merits, needs, and feasibility. The purpose and intent of the study’s report is to provide TBARTA, Forward Pinellas, the City of St. Petersburg, and the City of Clearwater with sufficient information to decide whether to continue consideration of one, both, or neither corridor. Potential recommendations include advancing to a more detailed environmental assessment or a design/build contract.

TBARTA staff will provide a presentation discussing the overall project concept and study plan.

ATTACHMENT(S): None

ACTION: None required, informational item only

7. Pinellas Trail Visioning Study



SUMMARY

The Fred Marquis Pinellas Trail is a linear trail currently extending from St. Petersburg to Tarpon Springs. The multiuse trail, created along a portion of abandoned CSX railroad, provides a unique, protected greenspace for walking, jogging, skating, and biking. With the goal of completing the 75-mile trail loop in the near future, the Trail serves as a linear park and multimodal transportation pathway directly linking eight municipalities and numerous unincorporated communities.

The Trail just celebrated its 30th anniversary in December 2020. While prior years showed Trail user counts averaging above 70,000 each month, 2020 saw an incredible increase due to the Covid-19 pandemic with users at record highs of over 250,000 in May and an average of 180,000 trail users per month in 2020. These numbers highlight the importance of recreation, nature, non-motorized mobility, and group exercise bonding during a stressful time of isolation and unknowns.

The Pinellas Trail has the potential to serve as the backbone of a comprehensive trail system like few others in the state of Florida. As such, Pinellas County is developing a holistic visioning plan which will ensure this regional asset reaches its full potential for a unique, integrated system of trails connecting communities, residents, businesses, recreation/nature opportunities and commuters. In association with the, “Pinellas Trail Visioning Study”, is a trail courtesy education awareness program intended to kick-off in October 2021, which will provide practical suggestions to allow everyone to share and enjoy the Trail.

Pinellas County staff will provide an overview of the Pinellas Trail Visioning Study and respond to any committee member questions.

ATTACHMENT(S): None

ACTION: None required; informational item only

SUMMARY

Safe Streets Pinellas is the Forward Pinellas Vision Zero effort. Over the past year, efforts to develop a Safe Streets Pinellas Action Plan have been underway. The Action Plan includes collision data analysis, the identification of a High Injury Network, engineering, and non-engineering countermeasures, and implementable strategies to move towards zero deaths and serious injuries on the Pinellas roadway network.

A 16-member task force with representatives from Forward Pinellas advisory committees and other partners, such as Emergency Management, the business community, and health planners, assisted in the development of the Action Plan. Forward Pinellas led a public outreach campaign in summer 2020 and invited all Forward Pinellas advisory committee members to participate in a December 2, 2020 workshop, which was also open to the public.

On March 10, 2021, the Forward Pinellas Board adopted Resolution #21-1 supporting Safe Streets Pinellas and the Vision Zero goal of zero deaths on Pinellas roadways by 2045. The resolution provides the foundation for Forward Pinellas staff to work with its partners at the state and local levels to address safety needs through transportation network design, policy, education, and law enforcement. The Action Plan will be updated once all demonstration projects are completed and is intended to be evaluated regularly so adjustments can be made. Partnerships with local governments and other agencies, strong leadership, and commitment to Vision Zero are vital components to ensuring a successful effort. Collective action to implement the plan's recommendations is the responsibility of Forward Pinellas and our agency partners. Corridor studies, complete streets projects, spot safety evaluations, and educational programs that reinforce safe behavior are a few ways to make our roadways safer for all.

Forward Pinellas staff will present the Safe Streets Pinellas Action Plan and discuss the steps we are taking to implement the plan. More information on Safe Streets Pinellas, including the Action Plan, project videos, and other resources, are available at <https://forwardpinellas.org/safestreets>.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- Resolution #21-1
- Draft CAC Letter to FP Board

ACTION: None required; informational item only

Resolution #21-1

A RESOLUTION OF FORWARD PINELLAS SUPPORTING SAFE STREETS PINELLAS, A VISION ZERO EFFORT TO ELIMINATE TRAFFIC FATALITIES AND SERIOUS INJURIES ON THE PINELLAS TRANSPORTATION NETWORK

WHEREAS, two people are killed or seriously injured in traffic crashes every day in Pinellas County;

WHEREAS, more than 60 percent of serious and fatal collisions occur on less than 10 percent of Pinellas County roadways;

WHEREAS, safe and reliable transportation is a priority for Forward Pinellas;

WHEREAS, the tenets of a Vision Zero commitment - that no loss of life is acceptable on our streets - are supported in the *Advantage Pinellas Long Range Transportation Plan*;

WHEREAS, minority and low-income communities face a disproportionate risk of serious traffic injuries and fatalities;

WHEREAS, the number of people dying and suffering serious injuries on our streets is a serious public health problem that necessitates public action;

WHEREAS, Forward Pinellas commits to working with our local, regional and state partners to identify and implement projects and programs that reduce the potential for serious traffic injuries and fatalities by taking a safe systems approach; and

WHEREAS, Forward Pinellas recognizes that traffic fatalities and serious injuries are preventable and not inevitable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Forward Pinellas as follows:

1. Forward Pinellas hereby commits to Vision Zero, with a goal of zero deaths related to transportation-related crashes – by the year 2045;
2. Forward Pinellas hereby adopts the Safe Streets Pinellas Action Plan (the “Action Plan”) in furtherance of Vision Zero;
3. Forward Pinellas staff will implement the Action Plan and provide updates on implementation to the Forward Pinellas Board on an annual basis;
4. Forward Pinellas staff will review and bring forth policy updates to the Action Plan to the Forward Pinellas Board every two years to reflect current conditions, trends and best practices, and may amend administrative aspects of the Action Plan as needed; and
5. A working group representing diverse perspectives in the community will provide feedback and guidance to Forward Pinellas regarding implementation of the Action Plan.

This resolution offered and adopted at the March 10, 2021 meeting of Forward Pinellas as hereinafter set forth:

Vice Mayor Allbritton offered the foregoing resolution which was seconded by

Commissioner Gerard and the vote was:

AYES: Councilmember Darden Rice, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Seel, Vice Mayor Merz, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Gerard, Vice Mayor Allbritton, Commissioner Smith

NAYS: None

Absent and not voting: Councilmember Noble, Councilmember Reed, Mayor Bujalski, Mayor Kennedy, Councilmember Gabbard

ATTEST:



Whit Blanton, Executive Director

Forward Pinellas



Darden Rice, Chair

Forward Pinellas

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September 9, 2021

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RE: Local Law Enforcement Support

Dear Board Members

At their meeting on August 26, 2021, the Forward Pinellas Citizens Advisory Committee received a presentation by law enforcement officers regarding enforcement efforts regarding DUIs and speeding in Pinellas County. Following the presentation, the CAC approved a motion to recommend that the Forward Pinellas Board commend local law enforcement organizations for their pro-active law enforcement activities and multi-jurisdictional coordination efforts in support of the Vision Zero goals and encourages continued, additional enforcement and coordination efforts in the future.

Sincerely,

Tammy Vrana, Chair
Citizen Advisory Committee

A. Pinellas SPOTlight Emphasis Areas Update

Forward Pinellas staff will provide an update on the SPOTLight Emphasis Areas

B. TBARTA Update

A summary of the Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority's Citizen Advisory Committee meeting(s), if any, will be provided at this time.

C. Traffic Fatalities Map

Forward Pinellas staff is providing the updated Traffic Fatalities Map each month.

ATTACHMENT: Traffic Fatalities Map

D. Tentative Future Agenda Items

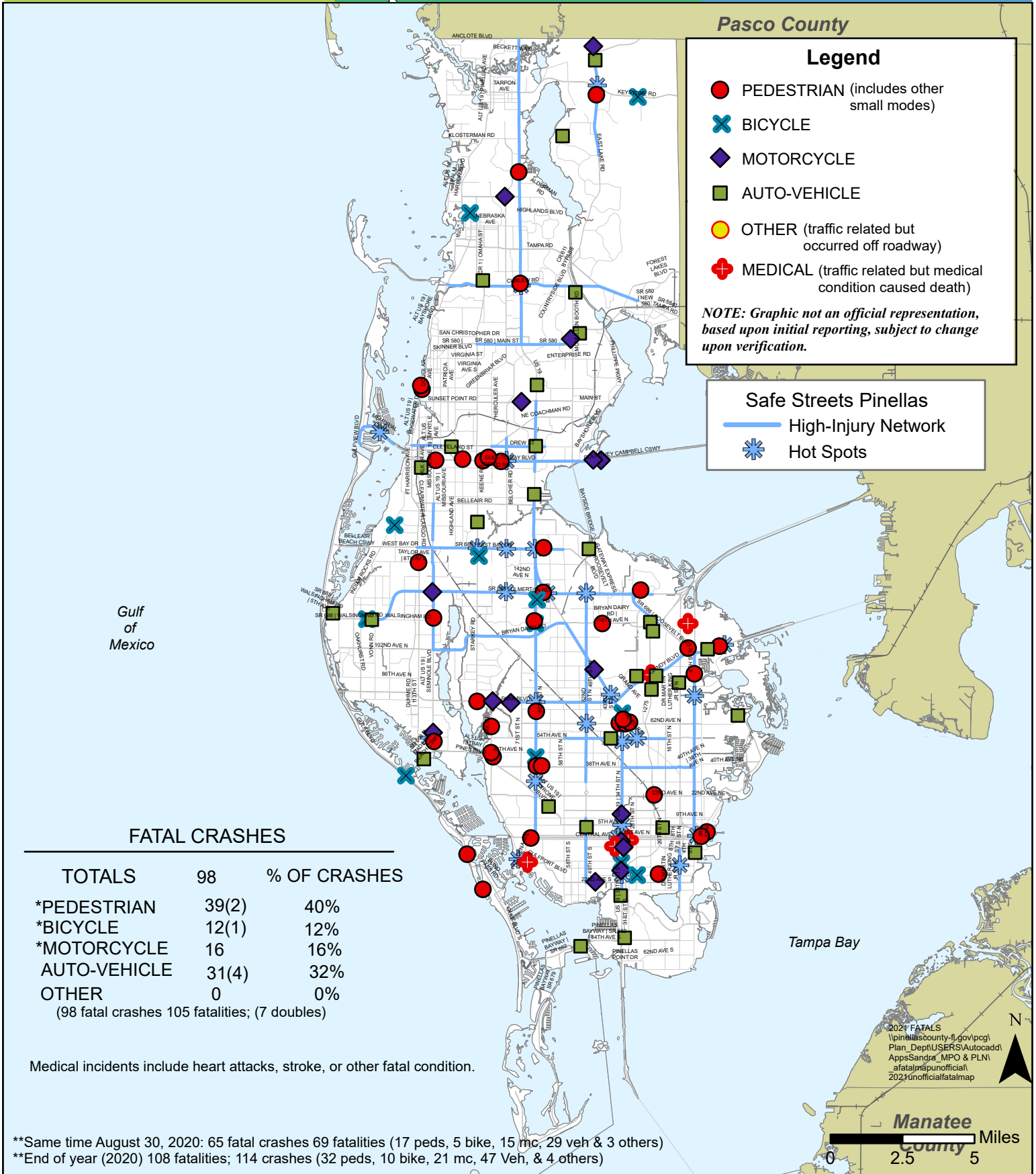
- TIP Amendment(s) if any
- 126th Avenue Project Development & Environment Study (PD&E)
- Transit Oriented Development presentation
- Follow-Up Presentation on the Equity Assessment and Demographic Survey
- Downtown St. Pete Mobility Study Update
- TIP Fall Update
- FDOT Draft Tentative Five-Year Work Program
- Countywide Trends and Conditions Report
- Annual Election of CAC Officers

E. Member Interests/Discussion Topics

No topics noted at this time

F. Public Comments

Comments are limited to three minutes per person and should not require presentations or extensive discussion.



Data Source: Forward Pinellas, 2020. Map Produced: September 1, 2021.

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1	032F21	4TH ST N	90TH AVE N	PED	3/22/2021	1	1:30PM	24235992	SP	M/52
1	036F21	118TH AVE N	44TH ST N	PED	3/31/2021	1	11:29AM	24085205	PP	F/54
1	038F21	GULF TO BAY BLVD/2100 BLK	400 FT W OF BELCHER RD	PED/DELAY	4/6/2021	1	8:24PM	24305254	CLW	M/46
1	039F21	34TH ST N	62ND AVE N	PED	4/8/2021	1	7:20PM	24085309	PP	M/43
1	041F21	CENTRAL AVE	21ST ST S	PEDS/DELAY	4/9/2021	2	8:08PM	24236480	SP	M/61,F/61
1	042F21	STARKEY RD	PARK BLVD	PED/DELAY	4/12/2021	1	8:23PM	88474350	FHP	M/64
1	043F21	GANDY BLVD	SAN MARTIN BLVD NE	PED	4/15/2021	1	5:53AM	88451285	FHP	M/54
1	045F21	PARK ST N	NEAR 62ND ST	PED	4/23/2021	1	10:05PM	89359382	PCSO	F/62
1	050F21	EDGEWATER DR	UNION ST	PED/DELAY	4/30/2021	1	?	?	CLW	M/82
1	056F21	66TH ST N	69TH AVE N	PED/DELAY	5/7/2021	1	12:26AM	24085512	PP	M/33
1	058F21	SB US HIGHWAY 19	62ND AVE N	PED/DELAY	5/11/2021	1	1:46AM	88469089	FHP	M/40
1	062F21	GULF BLVD 4400 BLK SPB	N. OF PUBLIC BEACH PARKING	PED/DELAY	5/13/2021	1	9:00PM	89359589	PCSO/SPB	M/77
1	064F21	PASADENA AVE N	PINELLAS WAY N	PED	5/20/2021	1	10:02PM	24237431	SP	M/55
1	066F21	SB I 275	LANE APPROACHING 22ND AVE N	PED	5/21/2021	1	7:00PM	?	FHP	M/62
1	076F21	US ALT 19	UNION ST	PED	6/8/2021	1	6:13PM	24305972	CLW	M/82
1	077F21	GULF TO BAY BLVD	S ORION AVE	PED/SKATEBOARD	6/10/2021	1	1:57AM	24306258	CLW	M/26
1	079F21	GULF BLVD	AT 10182	PED	6/13/2021	1	9:51PM	89359717	PCSO/TI	M/52
1	080F21	PARK ST N	46TH AVE N	PED/DELAY	6/16/2021	1	5:40AM	88492723	FHP	M/?
1	084F21	GULF TO BAY BLVD	S AURORA AVE	PED	6/23/2021	1	3:30AM	24306247	CLW	M/24
1	089F21	SEMINOLE BLVD	WALSINGHAM RD	PED	7/10/2010	1	5:11AM	88508210	FHP	M/53
1	092F21	US HIGHWAY 19	118TH AVE N	PED	7/13/2021	1	12:19AM	24539699	PP	F/53
1	094F21	18TH AVE S	19TH ST S	PED	7/14/2021	1	10:17PM	24238675	SP	M/54
1	095F21	CLEARWATER LARGO RD	8TH AVE SW	PED	7/18/2021	1	?	?	?	M/34
1	102F21	SEMINOLE BLVD	AT 5316 AREA	PED	8/28/2021	1	11:28PM	?	PCSO	M/44
1	103F21	34TH ST N	62ND AVE N	PED/DELAY	8/29/2021	1	8:10PM	?	PP	M/?
1	003F21	66TH ST N	42ND AVE N	BIKE	1/7/2021	1	8:16PM	88841439	FHP/KC	M/49
1	005F21	GULF BLVD	JUST N OF 150TH AVE	BIKE	1/14/2021	1	3:08PM	89358615	PCSO/MB	F/54
1	027F21	15TH AVE S	34TH ST S	BIKE	3/6/2021	1	8:03PM	24235574	SP	M/73
1	030F21	34TH ST N	74TH AVE N	BIKE/DELAY	3/17/2021	1	12:57PM	24085087	PP	M/77
1	051F21	18TH AVE S	25TH ST S	BIKE/DELAY	5/1/2021	1	4:09PM	24236975	SP	M/25
1	057F21	STARKEY RD	SOUTH OF EAST BAY DR	BIKE/DELAY	5/10/2021	1	5:55AM	24432474	LARGO	M/?
1	060F21	OSCEOLA RD	GOLF VIEW DR	BIKE	5/11/2021	1	1:41PM	87552155	BEL	M/79
1	061F21	KEYSTONE RD	MEADOWS DR	BIKE/DR & PASS	5/11/2021	2	5:48PM	88428117	FHP	M/ 58; F/50
1	072F21	66TH ST N	118TH AVE N	BIKE/DELAY	5/28/2021	1	6:08PM	24539408	PP	M/35
1	082F21	WALSINGHAM RD	OVVAL DR	BIKE/DELAY	6/20/2021	1	12:13PM	24432767	LA	M/60
1	088F21	US ALT 19	DELAWARE AVE	BIKE	7/8/2021	1	4:39PM	88538335	FHP	F/63
1	090F21	66TH ST N	SOUTH OF ULMERTON RD	BIKE	7/10/2021	1	9:02PM	24432898	LA	?
1	009F21	CR 611	GREY OAKS BLVD	MC/DR	1/23/2021	1	5:22PM	88443104	FHP	F/65
1	017F21	44TH ST S	22ND AVE S	MC/DR/DELAY	2/11/2021	1	12:11PM	24234985	SP	F/20
1	034F21	PARK BLVD	75TH ST N	MC/DELAY	3/23/2021	1	5:58PM	24085137	PP	M/41
1	035F21	ALDERMAN RD	WESTLAKE BLVD	MC/DR	3/27/2021	1	6:00PM	88268515	FHP	M/24
1	037F21	18TH AVE S	34TH ST S	MC/DR	4/5/2021	1	4:35PM	24236318	SP	M/28
1	040F21	COURTNEY CAMPBELL CSWY	DAMASCUS RD	MC/DR/DELAY	4/8/2021	1	11:52PM	24305687	CLW	M/46
1	047F21	COURTNEY CAMPBELL CSWY	DAMASCUS RD	MC	4/25/2021	1	11:20PM	24305457	CLW	M/29
1	052F21	PARK BLVD	84TH LANE N	MC	5/4/2021	1	5:59AM	88498508	FHP	M/38
1	059F21	34TH ST N	11TH AVE N	MC/SCOOTER/DELAY	5/11/2021	1	1:32PM	24237196	SP	M/59
1	068F21	SUNSET POINT	WORLD PARKWAY	MC	5/22/2021	1	4:14PM	24306096	CLW	M/33
1	069F21	SEMINOLE BLVD	54TH AVE N	MC	5/22/2021	1	12:29PM	89359681	PCSO	M/56
1	071F21	US HIGHWAY 19	CENTRAL AVE	MC	5/24/2021	1	6:35PM	24432592	LARGO	M/28
1	073F21	US HIGHWAY 19	46TH ST N	MC	5/31/2021	1	8:35PM	24539484	PP	M/67
1	078F21	ULMERTON RD	SEMINOLE BLVD	MC/DELAY	6/12/2021	1	10:29PM	24432726	LA	M/60
1	093F21	SR 580	720FT WEST OF CHARLES	MC	7/13/2021	1	9:38AM	24306409	CLW	M/58
1	099F21	5TH AVE S	34TH ST S	MC/DR	8/14/2021	1	8:49PM	24239437	SP	M/28
1	001F21	EAST LAKE RD	S OF TRINITY BLVD	VEH/DR	1/1/2021	1	6:32AM	85150864	FHP	F/22
1	006F21	US HWY 19	JUST N OF MCCORMICK DR	VEH/DR/DELAY	1/17/2021	1	4:22PM	?	CLW	F/75
1	010F21	118TH AVE N	IN THE 2200 BLK	VEH/DR/DELAY	1/23/2021	1	11:10PM	24234580	SP	M/31
1	011F21	CR 611/BAYSIDE BRIDGE	N OF ROOSEVELT BLVD/SR 686	VEH/PASS, MC/DR	1/24/2021	2	11:12PM	88436669	FHP	F/29, M/50
1	019F21	SR 580	JUST E OF MCMULLEN BOOTH	VEH/DR	2/13/2021	1	7:55AM	24304665	CLW	M/22
1	020F21	SB I 275	EXIT RAMP TO I 375	VEH/DR	2/14/2021	1	4:02PM	88401884	FHP	M/36
1	025F21	GRAND AVE N	28TH ST N	VEH/DR/DELAY	3/3/2021	1	3:00PM	24084989	PP	M/25
1	026F21	ROSER PARK DR S	4TH ST S	VEH/PASS, MC/DR	3/5/2021	2	4:22AM	24235572	SP	F/34, M/33
1	028F21	INDIAN ROCKS CSWY	EAST OF GULF BLVD	VEH/DR	3/8/2021	1	3:30AM	89358966	PCSO	M/44
1	029F21	DREW ST	BTW HIGHLAND AND CREST	VEH/DR	3/17/2021	1	12:41PM	24305013	CLW	M/19
1	044F21	US HIGHWAY 19	DREW ST	VEH/DR	4/20/2021	1	6:57PM	24305417	CLW	M/71
1	046F21	GANDY BLVD	OAK ST NE	VEH/PASS, MC/DR	4/24/2021	1	3:30PM	88487174	FHP	M/47
1	048F21	I275	INTERCHANGE AT 54TH AVE S	VEH/DR	4/28/2021	1	12:48PM	88268517	FHP	M/60
1	049F21	I275	MM28	VEH/DR	4/28/2021	1	3:15PM	88312128	FHP	M/77
1	053F21	4TH AVE N	49TH ST N	VEH/DR/DELAY	5/4/2021	1	5:48PM	24237028	SP	M/58
1	054F21	CAPE RAY AVE NE	16TH ST NE	VEH/DR/DELAY	5/6/2021	1	3:11PM	24237065	SP	M/83
1	063F21	SB I 275	MM 28 NEAR GANDY BLVD	VEH/DR	5/18/2021	1	10:27PM	88492539	FHP	M/26
1	065F21	NB I 275	EXIT30 RAMP/ROOSEVELT BLVD	VEH/DR	5/21/2021	1	12:20AM	88312129	FHP	M/40
1	067F21	HIGHPOINT DR	CURVE NEAR MIRA VISTA DR	VEH/DR	5/22/2021	1	3:52AM	88319008	FHP	M/21
1	070F21	DR MLK ST N	8400 BLK	VEH/DR	5/23/2021	1	3:40PM	24237500	SP	M/66
1	074F21	PINELLAS BAYWAY	LEELAND ST S	VEH/PASS/DELAY	6/2/2021	1	2:43PM	24237703	SP	F/83
1	081F21	US ALT 19	DUMHE RD	VEH/DR	6/18/2021	1	8:31AM	88498549	FHP	M/54
1	083F21	30TH AVE S	34TH ST S	VEH/DR	6/20/2021	1	2:30PM	24238624	SP	F/84
1	086F21	CR 1	MANNING RD	VEH/DR	7/3/2021	1	9:50AM	88493295	FHP	F/39
1	087F21	WALSINGHAM RD/SR 688	137TH AVE N	VEH/DR	7/8/2021	1	5:56PM	24432880	LA	F/57
1	091F21	US HIGHWAY 19	NORTH OF NURSERY RD	VEH	7/12/2021	1	9:38AM	24306386	CLW	M/79
1	096F21	MCMULLEN BOOTH RD	SOUTH OF TAMPA RD	VEH/PASS	7/23/2021	1	7:35AM	?	FHP	M/84
1	097F21	TYRONE SQUARE BLVD N	NORFOLK ST N	VEH/2 PASS	7/30/2021	2	12:52PM	24239480	SP	M16/F1
1	098F21	SR 60	PROSPECT AVE S	VEH/PASS	8/10/2021	1	11:59PM	24306720	CLW	F/28
1	100F21	54TH AVE N	43RD ST N	VEH/DRS UNBORN	8/23/2021	1	5:41AM	?	FHP	?/UNBORN
1	101F21	KEENE RD	SOUTH OF ROSERY RD	VEH/DR;VEH/PASS/DELAY	8/23/2021	2	10:14AM	?	LA	?/?; ?/?
0	008F21	I 275 SB	28TH ST S/MM21	MED/VEH/DR	1/23/2021	0	10:31AM	88410577	FHP	M/51
0	033F21	117TH TERRACE N	AT 785	MED/VEH/DR/DELAY	3/22/2021	0	5:11PM	24235980	SP	M/62
0	055F21	CENTRAL AVE	3350 WALGREENS PHAR	MED/VEH/DR	5/6/2021	0	4:02PM	24237076	SP	M/60
0	075F21	EMERSON AVE S	37TH ST S	MED/VEH/DR/DELAY	6/3/2021	0	6:13PM	24237756	SP	M/57
0	085F21	PASADENA AVE S	AT 1238 PASADENA AVE S	MED/VEH/DR	6/28/2021	0	8:46PM	89359781	PCSO	M/54
98						105				
# CRASHES						# FATALS				

2021(7 doubles, 5 medicals) Reports needing verified

NOTES:

- 2020 108 fatal crashes; (114 fatalities, 1 triple 4 doubles; 32 Peds, 10 bike, 21 motorcycle, 47 vehicle, 4 other)
- 2019 105 fatal crashes; 106 fatalities (1 double; 39 peds, 9 Bikes, 22 mc, 31 veh, 5 others)
- 2018 120 fatalities 115 crashes (5 doubles)/(39 peds, 8 Bikes, 31 mc, 44 veh)
- 2017 116 fatalities 110 crashes (4 doubles and 1 triple) / (37 peds, 6 bikes, 30 mc, and 43 veh)
- 2016 117 fatalities 110 crashes (3 triples and 1 double)
- 2015 104 fatalities 102 crashes