

**MEETING MINUTES
BROWARD METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**Thursday, October 30, 2025, 8:30 a.m.
100 West Cypress Creek Road
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309**

Chair: Board Member Yvette Colbourne
Vice Chair: Board Member Joy Cooper (arr. 8:36)
Deputy Vice Chair: Board Member Byron Jaffe (arr. 8:58)
Committee Members: Board Member Beam Furr (via Zoom)
Board Member Tim Fadgen
Board Member Thomas Good, Jr.
Board Member Rich Walker

MPO Staff

Alan Gabriel, MPO General Counsel

Chris Bross, Bryan Caletka, Paul Calvaresi, Norma Corredor, William Cross, Renee Cross, Carl Ema, Paul Flavien, Peter Gies, Vilma Hurtado, Kerrie MacNeil, Miguel Perez, Paula Prusinski, Christopher Restrepo, Rebecca Schultz, Jennipher Tucz, Jose Vera

Also Present

Perry Adair, Becker Poliakoff
Lauren Jackson, TSE Consulting
Adam Talbot
Zach Talbot

REGULAR ITEMS

(All Items Open for Public Comment)

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Colbourne called the meeting to order at 8:33 a.m. Roll was called and it was noted a quorum was present.

2. Approval of Minutes – September 4, 2025

Motion made by Board Member Good, seconded by Board Member Fadgen, to approve. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Board Member Good, seconded by Board Member Walker, to approve. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

4. Public Comments

None.

ACTION ITEMS

1. MOTION TO APPROVE the 2026 Executive Committee Meeting Dates

Bryan Caletka of Broward MPO Staff advised that no meetings are scheduled in January or August 2026.

Motion made by Board Member Fadgen, seconded by Board Member Walker, to approve. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

Vice Chair Cooper arrived at 8:36 a.m.

2. MOTION TO APPROVE a First Amendment to Agreement No. 21-01 Between the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization and Goodman Public Relations, Inc for Website Services in a Total Amount Not to Exceed \$248,527

Paul Calvaresi of MPO Staff advised that this Amendment would allow the use of additional funds to modernize the MPO's website. Upgrades will allow for search optimization, as well as restructuring of the website to align with the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).

Motion made by Vice Chair Cooper, seconded by Board Member Walker, to approve. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

3. MOTION TO AUTHORIZE the Purchase of Office Furniture and Related Items for an Amount Not to Exceed \$75,000

Mr. Caletka stated that the MPO has purchased and phased in new furniture over time as funding was available. This has resulted in different types of office furniture. The proposed purchase would implement matching furniture.

Motion made by Vice Chair Cooper, seconded by Board Member Walker, to approve. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

4. MOTION TO AUTHORIZE the Broward MPO Executive Director to Execute a Purchase Order Between the Broward MPO and Broward County Convention Center for Food & Beverage Services for the 2026 Safe Roads Summit in an Amount Not to Exceed \$201,386.60

Kerrie MacNeil of MPO Staff explained that the Safe Roads Summit, formerly known as the Safe Streets Summit, is a collaborative effort between the Miami-Dade TPO, Palm Beach TPA, and the Broward MPO. The event rotates between each County.

The upcoming Summit is scheduled for February 25-26, 2026 at the Broward County Convention Center in Fort Lauderdale. The requested purchase order would secure food and beverage service, with the estimate based on service for 550 people over both days of the event. The quote may be adjusted as the event date grows closer. No federal funds will be used to pay for food or drink.

Vice Chair Cooper asked if the MPO and other agencies raise money through events such as the Safe Roads Summit. Mr. Caletka replied that events of this nature do not raise funds. He further clarified that the vendor in this case is a sole source provider, as the Convention Center requires the event to use its exclusive caterer. The Convention Center has waived its usual fee for use of the facility.

Motion made by Board Member Good, seconded by Board Member Fadgen, to approve. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Legislative Update

Lauren Jackson, representing state advocacy team TSE Consulting, reported that the Florida Legislature is currently holding Committee Weeks in advance of the January 2026 session. Bills are being filed, including property tax proposals from both the State House and State Senate. The Governor has indicated that the Florida Legislature should focus on one ballot proposal rather than multiple proposals.

An electric scooter/bicycle safety bill has been filed which would allow for local regulation of these devices. Other transportation bills are anticipated but have not yet been filed. There is some indication from both houses of the Legislature, as well as the Governor's Office, that there is interest in revisiting decisions made during the previous legislative session which impacted both Tri-Rail and FEC commuter rail funding. Ms. Jackson concluded that 2026 is expected to be a challenging budget year.

Chair Colbourne requested additional information on the electric scooter/bicycle safety bill. Ms. Jackson explained that the bill defines different types of motors and speeds, as well as licensure and minimum age requirements. It also allows more local regulation of the devices.

Perry Adair, representing federal advocacy team Becker Poliakoff, advised that the federal government shutdown continues, approaching 30 days. No continuing resolution (CR) has been passed to extend the availability of funds. Members of the House of

Representatives are considering a return to Washington, D.C. to pass a new CR which would extend the deadline to early January or March 2026, or possibly through the end of next year.

November 1, 2025 is the beginning of open enrollment for the Affordable Care Act (ACA), and also marks the end of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) funds. There is ongoing discussion of whether or not the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) may extend contingency funds for SNAP.

The shutdown has resulted in stoppages at some major U.S. airports, with more expected as the shutdown continues. Both air traffic controllers and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) workers are currently going unpaid. While the House of Representatives remains technically in session, Speaker of the House Mike Johnson has not convened the House. Members of the Senate are expected to return to Washington the first week in November.

2. Discussion of October 30, 2025 MPO Agenda Items

None.

3. Non-Agenda

Mr. Caletka introduced the MPO's real estate brokers, Adam and Zach Talbot, who have completed a search for a new office location. Five prospective locations were originally identified, including the current facility. Mr. Caletka and MPO Executive Director Greg Stuart plan to recommend to the MPO Board that the MPO remain in its current location, which represents the lowest cost of the five options. The team was able to secure a number of enhancements to accompany the signing of a new 10-year lease. With the Executive Committee's approval, the MPO can place the renewal of the lease on the February 12, 2026 MPO Board Agenda.

Deputy Vice Chair Jaffe joined the meeting at 8:58 a.m.

The process of seeking alternative office opportunities throughout Broward County was briefly reviewed, including negotiations with the MPO's current landlord, who ultimately made the best offer. Some of the concessions secured by the real estate team included:

- Lowering the annual base rent escalation
- Over \$400,000 in free rent over a five-year period
- \$600,000 in space improvements, received as a turnkey build-out, which means all risk and responsibility are borne by the landlord
- Nominal increase in rental rate in acknowledgement of market status; however, this will result in a net increase of only \$3,300/month over the current rate

Board Member Good requested additional information on the costs associated with improving the current space, recalling that technological improvements were implemented when the MPO first moved into its current location. Mr. Caletka confirmed that these costs, as well as the potential costs of moving, were part of the deliberations.

Board Member Good asked if the current building will need to undergo inspection in the near term. It was clarified that there was no knowledge of pending 40- or other year recertification, although this could be looked into as part of the process going forward. The current building is in the same age range as the other options considered, and the cost of recertification would be borne by the landlord. Additional information could be provided in the future.

The Committee indicated unanimous consensus to proceed with placing lease approval on the February 12, 2026 Agenda.

There being no further business to come before the Committee at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 a.m.

NEXT MEETING: February 12, 2026