

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT: Dunagan, Hamrick, Wangemann, Couvillon  
STAFF PRESENT: Dockery, Jordan

Representatives from Hall County, Clermont and Oakwood were in attendance.

Shrikanth Yamala welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced Pond and Company. A powerpoint presentation was used to discuss the following topics:

- Results from community input regarding transportation needs
  - Common problem areas were identified
  - Driving distance to work
  - Driving time to work
  - Improvements that would increase use of public transit
  - Funding sources for improvements
  
- Top 10 Transportation Needs (Draft)
  1. Bicycle network to serve all users
  2. Address areas of congestion
  3. Maintenance of existing system
  4. Effective capacity on I-985/SR 365 corridor
  5. Efficient connections to I-85 and SR 400 corridors
  6. Efficient principal arterials for movement within/through Hall and Jackson counties
  7. Enhanced connections of freeways to industrial and commercial areas
  8. Enhanced movement of vehicles through/around Gainesville
  9. Commuter transit connection to Gwinnett County and metro Atlanta (bus/rail)
  10. Enhanced local transit including pedestrian access

Attendees were divided into groups to review current transportation projects and determine the top 5 priorities as well as the lowest 3 priorities. One group specifically addressed Gainesville and all other groups addressed the entire county. City of Gainesville officials and staff reviewed the Gainesville map with citizens in attendance. The following suggestions were noted:

- Extend Industrial Boulevard to Limestone to offer an east/west connection around Gainesville
- Change traffic signal timing
- Use Lee Gilmer Memorial Airport as a hub to bring people into the city

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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C. Danny Dunagan, Jr., Mayor

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Denise O. Jordan, City Clerk