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LYNX Vision 2030 is a comprehensive examination of 22 corridors in Orange, Osceola, and Seminole Counties. The purpose of the study is to determine primary premium modal improvements along these corridors as well as a supporting and circulator network to provide increased access to the premium modal network.

This technical memorandum is the seventh in a series for this study. The first two technical memoranda and an addendum provided information on the current and future conditions of the 22 corridors. The third and fourth technical memoranda focused on the methodology employed and the resulting recommended primary modal improvements for the corridors. The fifth focused on the development of a supporting and circulator network. The sixth provided an implementation schedule for the improvements and the corresponding financial analysis.

This technical memorandum provides a summary of the public involvement undertaken and the comments received throughout the process to develop the *LYNX Vision 2030* plan.

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At the outset of the project, a *Public Involvement Plan* (PIP) was developed to guide the public outreach process during the development of the *LYNX Vision 2030* and beyond. The PIP was developed to ensure that the public as well as local agencies and organizations would have ample opportunities to participate in the development of the vision for transit and set the pathway to achieve the transit vision in the Central Florida region over the next 20 years. The primary goals of the public outreach process include the following:

- Promoting greater awareness and understanding of LYNX and its vision and mission;
- Increasing support for public transportation in Central Florida;
- Developing the *LYNX Vision 2030* to reflect the desires of the community; and
- Enhancing LYNX's credibility and public confidence in the agency.



The public outreach activities completed during the development of the *LYNX Vision 2030* included presentations to existing boards and committees and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), public workshops, surveys, and attendance at community events. The activities are described in the remainder of this section.

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

As part of the transit master planning process, the existing LYNX Regional Working Group (RWG) was asked to participate in the *LYNX Vision 2030* development process as a Technical Committee. The Technical Committee is comprised of representatives from cities and counties located within the tri-county area. Over the course of the project, information was presented to the Technical Committee at three different meetings to get their buy-in on the progression of the corridor study. A brief description of each meeting is described below. Attendance records, when available, can be found in Appendix A.

August 20, 2010

During the August 20, 2010, meeting, information was provided to the steering committee on the original 18 corridors approved for study, the project timeline, planned public outreach, study branding, and the potential of convening a separate small advisory committee of key business and political participants. The project team was introduced to the committee at this meeting and copies of the scope of work were provided. The meeting focused on the description of premium modes of travel, and the three development-based scenarios to be considered for each corridor. The technical committee was also asked to review and approve the criteria to be utilized in the corridor methodology and evaluation process.

January 21, 2011

In January, the RWG was provided a project update, including a report on the public involvement activities completed, the three-step analysis methodology (segment identification, segment potential, and corridor prioritization), schedule, and preliminary corridor findings. At this meeting, the RWG was also provided with information on four additional corridors that were added to the study based on comments received during public outreach activities. The objective of this meeting was to gather feedback on the preliminary corridor recommendations prior to proceeding with the prioritization and financial planning tasks.

June 30, 2011

In June, a presentation was given that included the following: streetcar applicability for each corridor, the proposed prioritization process, variances between the *LYNX Vision 2030* and the 2030 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) completed by Metroplan ORLANDO (Metroplan), the proposed operating and capital assumptions, potential revenue shortfall, and the supporting network.

All feedback provided by the RWG from each of the three meetings was evaluated, discussed, and addressed, as appropriate. Overall, the RWG was supportive of the elements comprising the corridor study. Of particular concern was the modification of the LYNX existing system to support the corridors without disenfranchising the current customer base, development of the underlying network, the even distribution of transit service across the tri-county area, the impact of these corridors on future SunRail service, and the financial feasibility of enhancing the corridors with premium service. Also, the RWG, consistent with the Metroplan committees, wanted to ensure that the outcomes of this study would be adequately coordinated with the Metroplan's 2040 LRTP update and the LYNX Major Transit Development Plan update.

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PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT WORKSHOPS

Public workshops have proven to be an effective technique for obtaining substantive public participation in the planning process. The first public workshop was held on November 18, 2010, at LYNX Central Station and had approximately 38 attendees. Attendance records can be found in Appendix A. Copies of marketing materials, when available, can be found in Appendix B.

As participants arrived at the meeting, they were given a project overview handout and a raffle ticket for a free 7-day bus pass.

Participants were also asked to indicate their home location and work location on a LYNX system map. The origin and destination mapping exercise assisted in obtaining information relating to the attendees' commuting patterns. The majority of participants indicated that they lived in Downtown Orlando, Winter Park, and east of Semoran Boulevard in the Orlando area. The majority of participants worked in the Downtown Orlando and Kissimmee areas.

The public workshop included a presentation of the *LYNX Vision 2030* development process including an overview of the plan, the objectives, the corridors, the methodology, the public involvement process, the strategic scenarios to be analyzed, an explanation of transit modes, and the project schedule. The presentation was followed by a question-and-answer period. Questions asked and comments received during the workshop include:

- Since the corridors do not include specific traditionally underserved areas, what process was used to select the corridors and why are other low-income corridors in west Orange County not included?
- It would be helpful to include the buffer on the maps to easier identify all of the land area that will be reviewed during the study.
- Luggage tags are important for safety and security purposes and should be included on all carry-on items.
- For safety and security purposes, do not stand in the yellow area on transit platforms while waiting for transit rail services.



Following the presentation and question-and-answer period, participants were asked to participate in an interactive dot polling exercise. Each participant was given 6 dots (2 red, 2 orange, and 2 yellow). Participants were asked to review the map series displayed around the





meeting room and place the red dots on the corridors with the highest need, the orange dots on the corridors with the second highest need, and the yellow dots on the corridors with the third highest need for premium services. Prior to the exercise, the meeting facilitator clarified that the yellow dots did not represent low priority corridors, but rather the third highest ranking priority corridors. Based on the results of the exercise, the top five highest ranking corridors were:

- SR 50: West Oaks Mall to University of Central Florida (UCF)
- SR 436: Fern Park to Orlando International Airport (OIA)
- US 192: Disney to Kissimmee
- US 441/17-92: Downtown to Florida Mall
- US 192: Lake County to St. Cloud



The second workshop was held on March 9, 2011 at the Osceola County Library and was attended by 11 people. As workshop participants arrived at the meeting, they placed dots on the project map to indicate the general areas where they live and work. The results indicate that the majority of the attendees work in Kissimmee and live in Osceola County to the east of the City of Kissimmee. The workshop began with a presentation that included a brief project overview, methodology overview, and preliminary project results. At the conclusion of the workshop,

participants were asked to prioritize the corridors. Based on the results of the activity, the highest ranking corridors include:

- US 192: Disney to Kissimmee
- US 192: Lake County to St. Cloud
- US 441/17-92: Florida Mall to Kissimmee
- John Young Parkway: Downtown to I-Drive





Comments received during the workshop include:

- Narcoossee Road should be a corridor.
- The Northeast District does not currently exist, but should be considered similar to the Medical City area corridor.
- Poinciana is a high commuter area. What services are being considered for that area?



The third workshop was held on May 18, 2011, at LYNX Central Station. As participants arrived at the meeting, they were asked to indicate their highest priority corridor by placing a dot on a board that listed the 22 study corridors. The highest ranking corridor was S.R. 50: West Oaks Mall to UCF. Following a brief presentation on the project methodology and preliminary findings, workshop participants were asked to individually prioritize the corridors based on potential revenue sources that could be used to fund new transit services. The most selected funding sources were sales tax and rental car surcharge. The participants were also asked to

form a group and identify five areas in need of fixed-route service and five areas in need of flexroute service to support the premium service along the corridors.

The areas selected for fixed-route service include:

- Narcoossee Road from St. Cloud to Semoran Boulevard
- Apopka-Vineland Road from US 192 to Colonial Drive
- Michigan Avenue from Semoran Boulevard to Orange Blossom Trail
- University Boulevard from Semoran Boulevard to Alafaya Trail
- Boggy Creek Road from Semoran Boulevard to Vine Street

Areas selected for flex-route service include:

- Poinciana Boulevard and South Orange Blossom Trail
- North of Disney
- Apopka-Vineland Road and Clarcona-Ocoee Road
- Lake Mary Boulevard and Country Club Road
- Econlockhatchee Trail and Curry Ford Road

SUPERSTOP WORKSHOPS



On June 23, 2011, project information was distributed at the Osceola Superstop and the Sanford Superstop in conjunction with LYNX public workshops on upcoming service efficiency changes.

Corridor boards were on display and project fact sheets were given to the public. Staff was available to discuss the project and answer any questions relating to the *LYNX Vision 2030* or the proposed service changes.

SURVEYS & COMMENT CARDS

During the plan development process, surveys were disseminated at the first round of *LYNX Vision 2030* public workshops, a LYNX LYMMO Expansion Alternatives Analysis Study public workshop held August 2, 2010, at the Orange County Regional History Center, and several community events, including:

- Winter Garden Village at Fowler Groves Health Fair (October 9, 2010)
- Sanford Farmer's Market (October 16, 2010)
- Bithlo Family Day (November 6, 2010)
- Kissimmee Kowtown Festival (March 19, 2011)

A total of 78 surveys were completed at the various events. Copies of marketing materials, when available, can be found in Appendix B. A copy of the survey can be found in Appendix C. The compiled results of all the completed surveys indicated the following:

- Sixty-six percent of respondents currently use LYNX services, with the top five most frequently used Links (routes) being the 8, 30, 40, 41, and 102.
- The majority of respondents chose faster travel times as the most important improvement for the LYNX system, followed by more conveniently located stops, and "other." The category "other" includes better access to service information, bus stop signs, buses adhering to schedules, smart phone applications for bus information, more consistent announcements at bus stops, and 24-hour bus service.
- Respondents selected the following five most frequently used corridors and the associated mode of choice for each corridor:
 - o Fern Park to Downtown Premium Rapid Bus & Rail/Streetcar
 - West Oaks Mall to UCF Enhanced Express Bus
 - o Downtown to International Drive Enhanced Express Bus & Premium Rapid Bus
 - Fern Park to OIA Enhanced Express Bus
 - Apopka to Downtown Premium Rapid Bus
- Eighty-six percent of respondents are willing to pay additional taxes or fees for an improved or expanded transit system.

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Comment cards were also available at the various public outreach activities. The following written comments were submitted by attendees:

- "I wish the 405 ran later. It stops running at 7 and 6 on Sunday so getting off work in the evening is not an option."
- "More service between Disney and SR 50 would be great."
- "Need a bus from Apopka High School area & Martin to travel down Apopka-Vineland to SR 50 area."
- "I work down in South Chase and I go up to Waterford Lakes once a week. I would love to see a transit directly or maybe a little closer. Thank you for what you do though now, it really helps."
- "A route from South Chase to Waterford Lakes would be more convenient than bikes."
- "Full service LYNX services for "ALL" of Orlando County, Bithlo, Christmas, and etc. All Orange County pays taxes and needs service."
- "Please bring back the buses to Bithlo, Florida! We have a lot of disabled and people without transportation to jobs. If Daytona can provide for their County, why can't a rich county like Orlando?!"
- "Oftentimes, crossing routes for connections are on wide multilane roads and there is a 4-6 (city block equivalent) run to change buses."
- "Link 15, inbound from VCC is often bad about leaving prior to the printed time."
- "Probably have to have a designated gas tax or small increase in property taxes."

FDOT WORKSHOPS

Two meetings were held with FDOT staff members to review the *LYNX Vision 2030*. The purpose of these meetings were twofold: (1) to gather feedback from FDOT staff regarding the study corridors, and (2) to make the District aware of the study and its recommendations so that as roadway projects are completed any appropriate design, engineering, and/or construction can accommodate future transit premium service.

The focus of the first meeting on November 29, 2010, was to introduce the project and review the preliminary corridor findings.

At the second meeting on April 4, 2011, the corridor recommendations were reviewed with FDOT staff. Staff members were asked to participate in an interactive activity and prioritize the study corridors. Based on the results, the top five corridors were:



- 1. S.R. 528: Disney to OIA
- 2. S.R. 50: West Oaks Mall to UCF
- 3. S.R. 436: Fern Park to OIA
- 4. Orange Avenue: Downtown to Sand Lake Road
- 5. Winter Park SunRail Connector

METROPLAN ORLANDO PRESENTATIONS

The project team coordinated presentations with four Metroplan committees and the Metroplan Board. The first round of project presentations to the Metroplan committees and Board occurred during the first and second week of December 2010. The focus of the presentations was to give an overview of the project, ask for preliminary input, and provide the project timeline.

Citizens Advisory Committee

Questions and comments from the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) included:

- What percentage of the LYNX budget is made up by fuel cost?
- What did LYNX learn from the transit agency staff trip to South America that could assist in this study?

In addition, the CAC requested that the project overview and status be presented to the Land Use Subcommittee and the West Orange Chamber, and coordinated with the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council.

Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Questions and comments from the Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) included:

- Should smaller size vehicles be considered by LYNX for these corridors instead of larger ones?
- What about service to Oviedo and Winter Springs, they are not on the corridors being studied?
- South Osceola County has a lot of development, but that area is not specifically addressed by the current corridors. Are the corridors fixed or can others be added?
- Did we learn anything interesting from the public involvement activities?
- Since we did public involvement activities at both the west (Winter Garden) and east (Bithlo) ends of Orange County were the responses/comments similar?

- The land use in the LRTP is not transit oriented development (TOD) it is still auto oriented, to state that it is transit oriented is incorrect.
- Why are we not going into Lake County with the 192 corridor? Why are we stopping at the county line? There is an express route currently serving Lake County. What about the Orange Blossom Express (Rail service from Lake County to Downtown Orlando)?
- Are we concerned that the corridor with SunRail was not the corridor selected by FDOT or the public as one of the highest priorities?
- What exactly is the baseline since there is no model for auto orientation to 2030?

Municipal Advisory Committee

Questions and comments from the Municipal Advisory Committee (MAC) included:

- Recommended that the study include 4 additional corridors to be consistent with the Metroplan's prioritized project list, Aloma Avenue, Seminole Way, and the Maitland Boulevard corridors.
- Mass transit in Minneapolis works well together including plane, train, and bus modes and that needs to be accomplished in this region with the addition of SunRail to the LYNX system.

Transportation Technical Committee

Questions and comments from the Transportation Technical Committee (TTC) included:

- How does transit infrastructure play a role in this study, specifically Superstops?
- How were the corridors selected?
- What is being used for the evaluation in terms of land uses?
- What additional public involvement will be completed for this project to educate people?

Based on the discussion at the initial Metroplan committee meetings four additional corridors were added to the study bringing the total to 22 corridors to be evaluated for premium service.

Metroplan Second Round Presentations

A second presentation on the *LYNX Vision 2030* study was completed for the Metroplan's CAC and BPAC on March 23, 2011, the TTC on April 22, 2011, and the MAC on May 5, 2011, to provide an update on the status of the study. Comments from these meetings included:

- Concern regarding creating multiple efforts that produce different results. The *LYNX Vision 2030* differs from the 2030 LRTP. The Metroplan is about to embark on the 2040 LRTP and a land use Request for Proposals, while LYNX will update its TDP next year. Is there appropriate coordination to ensure that all of these efforts do not produce inconsistent results?
- Why is the previous North-South light rail corridor not included in this study? While it was not funded as a project for implementation it is still important to the City of Orlando and should not be lost from plans that look to the future.
- The *LYNX Vision 2030* should include information on if High Speed Rail existed and if it did not. There is anticipation that after the next four years the project may be revived.
- How can they be assured that the financial plan for these corridors will fit into the cost feasible plan? It was suggested that LYNX, Metroplan, and the Land Use subcommittee meet on coordination of this effort and upcoming plans. They also wanted to ensure that the data from this study would be available for use in the 2040 LRTP. The Land Use subcommittee meeting should be the avenue to provide handouts and receive comments prior to moving forward with additional Metroplan committees and Board presentations.

Based on this second round of input from the Metroplan committees, a presentation was completed for the Metroplan's Land Use subcommittee on May 13, 2011, to ensure that future land uses utilized in the LRTP update are supportive of the transit emphasis corridors and the premium modal recommendations. In addition, LYNX, Metroplan, and the project team met to discuss how future corridors would be addressed in the overall document, confirm assumptions utilized in the financial plan, and discuss differences between the 2030 LRTP and the *LYNX Vision 2030*. Presentations to the Metroplan committees and Board were postponed until the study recommendations were reviewed by the LYNX Board. Another round of presentations will be given to the Metroplan committees and Board to provide the final study outcomes in late summer/early fall.

Appendix A: Attendance Records

Appendix A contains copies of sign-in sheets collected from public workshops and other public involvement events, where available.

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Appendix B: Marketing Materials

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Appendix B contains copies of marketing materials used to promote public workshops and other events where the project team sought public input. These materials represent the types of materials used and the manner of promotions employed but do not include all of the marketing materials used.

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WE NEED TO KNOW WHERE LYMMO NEEDS TO GO

Join us to learn about the LYMMO Expansion Study. We need your ideas regarding future routes and services.

WHEN: August 2, 2010

5:00 PM to 8:00 PM (Open House) 6:30 PM (Presentation & Discussion)

WHERE: Orange County Regional History Center (65 E. Central Boulevard, Orlando, FL 32801)

LYNX and the City of Orlando are partnering to evaluate the expansion of the LYMMO circulator system. This LYMMO Expansion Study will provide a fresh look at transit modes, alignment alternatives, ridership demand, costs and impacts, and potential funding strategies associated with an expanded LYMMO service. The study is being conducted following Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Alternative Analysis procedures to keep open the prospect of future federal funding for an expanded LYMMO system.

During the meeting, we will present information on existing conditions within the study area (see map), as well as goals and objectives for LYMMO improvements, and a preliminary framework of alignment and mode alternatives to be evaluated.

We seek your initial ideas regarding future LYMMO routes, services, stations and other features.

CONTACT INFORMATION

For additional information, please contact *Ginger Corless* at *407-616-5500* or *gcorless@hhidesign.com*.

www.golynx.com www.cityoforlando.net/lymmostudy



We look forward to seeing you at the upcoming meeting!



Necesitamos saber donde LYMMO tiene que ir

Únase a nosotros para informarse acerca del Estudio de la Expansión de LYMMO. Necesitamos sus ideas para nuevas rutas y servicios futuros.

Cuando: 2 de Agosto 2010

5:00 PM hasta las 8:00 PM *(Casa Abierta)*

6:30 PM (Presentación y Discusión)

Donde: Centro Regional Histórico Condado de Orange (65 E. Central Boulevard, Orlando,

FL 32801)

La ciudad de Orlando y LYNX se asociaron para evaluar la expansión del sistema de circulación conocido como LYMMO. Este estudio proveerá un estilo renovado para el modo de transporte público, alternativas de ruta, demanda de pasajeros, costos y estrategias de financiamiento asociadas. La Administración Federal de Tránsito (FTA) recomendó iniciar este estudio con el objetivo de mantener abiertas futuras oportunidades de financiamiento federal para expandir el servicio.

Durante la reunión estaremos presentando información de las condiciones existentes del estudio (ver mapa), como también los objetivos y metas para mejoras del servicio LYMMO, la estructura preliminar de ruta y tecnologías de transporte.

Buscamos sus ideas iniciales con respecto al futuro de la ruta de LYMMO, frecuencia, estaciones y otras características del servicio.

Información de Contacto

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By definition public transportation is environmentally friendly. Just one full LYNX bus operating on our new Biodiesel fuel is 43 less cars on the roadway. Click here to view LYNX' Environmental Management Policy. Click here to view the full manual.

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- When: Thursday, November 18, 2010 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- Where: LYNX Central Station, 2nd Floor 455 N. Garland Avenue Orlando, FL 32801
- Why: To share your vision for transit in Central Florida over the next 20 years!

Come out and share your thoughts! Workshop participants will be entered into a drawing for a free 7-day bus pass. Do not miss this opportunity to win a pass and help plan for future transit services.

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LYNX 2030 PAW PRINT TRANSIT MASTER PLAN PUBLIC MEETING

ORLANDO, Fla. (Nov. 10, 2010) – The Central Florida Regional Transportation Authority (LYNX) will hold a public meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Nov. 18, 2010, to discuss and collect public input regarding the future of bus service in Central Florida during the next 20 years.

The LYNX 2030 Paw Print master plan meeting will be held at:

LYNX Central Station Administrative Building 2nd Floor Board Room 455 N. Garland Ave. Orlando, Fla. 32801

Participants will see map displays and a formal presentation featuring proposed plans. A question and answer session will follow. Transit service on the following corridors will be discussed:

- State Road 50: West Oaks Mall University of Central Florida (UCF)
- State Road 436: Fernwood Boulevard Orlando International Airport (OIA)
- State Road 436: Apopka Fernwood Boulevard
- U.S. 441: Florida Mall Kissimmee Central Business District
- U.S. 441: Downtown Orlando Florida Mall
- U.S. 441: Apopka Downtown Orlando
- 17-92: Seminole Town Center Fernwood Boulevard
- 17-92: Fernwood Boulevard Downtown Orlando
- Downtown Orlando Rio Grande Avenue Oak Ridge Road International Drive
- Park Promenade Kirkman Road International Drive
- Walt Disney World Resort (WDW) International Drive
- Orange Avenue
- Silver Star Road Paramore Community (Arenas)
- U.S. 192: Kissimmee St. Cloud
- OIA UCF
- Sanford
- Kissimmee Vine Street
- Winter Park Village Winter Park Amtrak Station

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WLYNX 2030 Paw Print: TRANSIT MASTER PLAN PUBLIC MEETING

ORLANDO, Fla. (Nov. 2, 2010) – The Central Florida Regional Transportation Authority (LYNX) will hold a public meeting to discuss the future of bus service in Central Florida over the next 20 years.

The meeting will be held in the 2nd Floor LYNX Central Station Administrative Building Open Space on Nov. 18, 2010, at 5:30 p.m. There will be map displays, followed by a formal presentation, and conclude with a question and answer session. Transit service on the following corridors will be discussed:

- 1. SR 50: West Oaks Mall UCF
- 2. SR 436: Fernwood Airport (OIA)
- 3. SR 436: Apopka Fernwood
- 4. US 441: FL Mall Kissimmee CBD
- 5. US 441: Downtown Orlando FL Mall
- 6. US 441: Apopka Downtown Orlando
- 7. 17-92: Seminole Town Center Fernwood
- 8. 17-92: Fernwood Downtown Orlando
- 9. Downtown Orlando Rio Grande Oak Ridge International Dr.
- 10. Park Promenade Kirkman International Dr.
- 11. Walt Disney World (WDW) International Dr.
- 12. Orange Avenue
- 13. Silver Star Parramore (Arenas)
- 14. US 192: Kissimmee St. Cloud
- 15. Airport (OIA) UCF
- 16. Sanford
- 17. Kissimmee Vine St.
- 18. Winter Park (WP) Village WP Amtrak

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LYNX 2030 Paw Print Public Workshop

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You are invited to the LYNX 2030 Paw Print Public Workshop! The workshop is scheduled for March 9, 2011 and Hart Memorial Central Library and it's intended to help develop the transit vision in Central Florida over the next 20 years.

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- When:
 Wednesday, March 9, 2011

 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- Where: Hart Memorial Central Library Roseada Room, 2nd Floor 211 E. Dakin Avenue Kissimmee, Florida 34741
- Why: To share your vision for transit in Central Florida over the next 20 years!

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WLYNX 2030 Paw Print: TRANSIT MASTER PLAN PUBLIC MEETING

ORLANDO, Fla. (May 11, 2011) – The Central Florida Regional Transportation Authority (LYNX) will hold a public meeting to discuss the future of public transportation service in Central Florida over the next 20 years.

The meeting will be held in the 2nd Floor LYNX Central Station Administrative Building Open Space on May 18, 2011, at 5:30 p.m. There will be map displays, followed by a formal presentation, and conclude with a question and answer session. Transit service on the following corridors will be discussed:

- 1. SR 50: West Oaks Mall UCF
- 2. SR 436: Fernwood Airport (OIA)
- 3. SR 436: Apopka Fernwood
- 4. US 441: FL Mall Kissimmee CBD
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- 15. Airport (OIA) UCF
- 16. Sanford Downtown
- 17. Kissimmee Downtown
- 18. Winter Park (WP) Village WP Amtrak
- 19. SR 434: Maitland Blvd to UCF
- 20. Aloma Ave: Winter Park to Oviedo
- 21. Maitland Blvd: SR 434 to US 17-92
- 22. Seminole Way: Sanford to UCF

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING





LYNX and METROPLAN ORLANDO announce the following public workshops to which all persons are invited.

DATE/TIME/LOCATION May 18, 2011 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. LYNX Central Station, 2nd Floor 455 N. Garland Avenue Orlando, Florida 32801

LYNX, in coordination with METROPLAN ORLANDO, is working to develop the 2030 Paw Print a 20-year Transit Master Plan. The 2030 Paw Print will identify corridors for premium services (express bus, rail, and streetcar) throughout Orange, Osceola, and Seminole County. Once this plan is developed LYNX will begin working toward achieving the identified services. If you have an opinion on the types and frequency of public transit service in Central Florida join us at this workshop. Please join us at one of the scheduled workshops to find out more information on the transportation plan's progression and provide your input on how to make public transportation work better for our community. Come out and share your thoughts so we can better serve you.

People who would like to offer comments, but are unable to attend the workshop, may do so by submitting written comments to the attention of Patricia Whitton at Tindale-Oliver & Associates, Inc., 1595 South Semoran Blvd., Suite 1540, Winter Park, Florida 32792.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, persons needing a special accommodation at this workshop because of a disability or physical impairment should contact Sarah Tirado at LYNX, 455 N. Garland Avenue, Orlando Florida 32801 or (407) 254-6012, not later than 48 hours before the workshop.

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Appendix C contains a copy of the survey instrument used throughout the study process. The survey changed slightly over time due the addition of corridors.

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2030 Paw Print: The LYNX Transit Master Plan





Please take the time to complete this short survey. Responses will be used to develop the 2030 Paw Print: The LYNX Transit Master Plan. The Master Plan will serve as a guide for implementation of the region's public transit services. Please circle or write in your answers.

Do you currently use any LYNX services? _____ Yes _____No
 If the LYNX service you use is the fixed-route bus, please list the three links (i.e., routes) that you most frequently use?

1. _____ 2. ____ 3. ____

2. If you are not a current LYNX user, which improvements would attract you to use the LYNX system?If you are a current LYNX user, which improvements would you most like to see to enhance your use of the LYNX system?(Rank your top three choices: label your first choice as #1, your second choice as #2, and your third choice as #3.)

- a. ____Faster travel times
- b. ____More conveniently located transit stops
- c. _____Availability of shelters at transit stops
- d. ____Availability of shared door-to-door service
- e. ____Bicycle storage at transit stop
- f. _____Availability of affordable housing within walking distance of transit stops
- g. ____Commercial uses near transit stops (i.e., offices, shopping, restaurants)
- h. ____Access to commuter rail stations
- i. ____Other___

3. Below are the corridors being evaluated in this study. A map of these corridors is provided on the back for reference. Please choose the three corridors that you use most and indicate which mode (e.g., express bus, premium rapid bus, or rail/streetcar) that you would like to see on this corridor in the future.

a. Express bus b. Premium rapid bus c. Rail/Streetcar 1. Winter Park SunRail Connector 12. US 441/17-92: Downtown to Florida Mall 13. US 441/17-92: Florida Mall to Kissimmee US 192: Disney to Kissimmee 3. US 192: Lake County to St. Cloud 14. _____ SR 50: West Oaks Mall to UCF 4. Silver Star – Parramore 15. _____ John Young Pkwy: Downtown to International Dr. 5. Sanford SunRail Connector 16. Orange Avenue: Downtown to Sand Lake Rd. 6. ____Innovation Way: OIA to UCF 17. ____ Kirkman Road: Park Promenade to International Dr. 7. US 17-92: Fern Park to Downtown 18. _____ SR 528: Disney to OIA 8. US 17-92: Sanford to Fern Park 19. ____ SR 434: Maitland Blvd to UCF 9. SR 436: Apopka to Fern Park Aloma Ave: Winter Park to Oviedo 21. _____ Maitland Blvd: SR 434 to US 17-92 10. _____ SR 436: Fern Park to OIA 11. _____ US 441: Apopka to Downtown 22. ____ Seminole Way: Sanford to UCF

4. Are you willing to pay additional taxes or fees for an improved or expanded transit system? _____ Yes _____No

Thank you for completing this survey. Please return your completed survey to LYNX workshop staff or mail your written comments to Tindale-Oliver & Associates, Inc., 1595 South Semoran Boulevard, Suite 1540, Winter Park, FL 32792 or <u>cbarone@tindaleoliver.com</u>.

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