

Community Opportunities and Public Involvement Committee

October 14, 2025, at 2:00pm
Meeting Minutes

October 14, 2025 CORE MPO COPIC

Voting Members	Representing	Present
Tia Baker	Chatham Area Transit	
Asia Hernton	CORE MPO	X
Bernadette Ball Oliver	Economic Opportunity Authority	X
Brenda Pollen	Housing Authority of Savannah	X
Shannon Ginn	Living Independence for Everyone (LIFE), Inc.	X
Tyrone Palmer	National Federation of the Blind, Local Chapter	
Representative	Savannah – Chatham Council on Disability Issues	
Paula Valdez	Savannah Center for the Blind and Low Vision	
Patti Lyons	Senior Citizens Inc.	
Ben Lewis	Chatham County	X
Tony Abbott	Interested Citizen	
Robert Pirie	Interested Citizen	
A'riel Johnson	Interested Citizen	
Armand Turner	Interested Citizen	
Daniel Brantley	Interested Citizen	
Kevin Glover	Interested Citizen	
Non-Voting	Representing	
Representative	Savannah Council of the Blind	
Representative	Coastal Center for Development Services	
Katie Proctor	GDOT District Five	
Representative	Georgia Infirmary Day Center	
Bill Kelso	Goodwill Industries of the Coastal Empire	X
Representative	NAACP - Savannah Branch	
Representative	Savannah - Chatham County Fair Housing Council	
Representative	Deaf Community	
L Shuman	Effingham County	X
Representative	Bryan County	
Representative	Harambee House	
Others	Representing	
Kieron Coffield	CORE MPO	X
Wykoda Wang	CORE MPO	X

Sadie Esch-Laurent	CORE MPO/MPC	X
Subhashi Karunaratne	CORE MPO/MPC	X
Kaniz Sathi	GDOT Planning	X
Elizabeth Yarnall	Public	X

I. Approval of Agenda

The Community Opportunities and Public Involvement Committee (COPIC) was unable to obtain a quorum. All action items will be moved to the December 9, 2025, meeting.

II. Action Items

- [1. Approval of the August 19, 2025, CORE MPO COPIC meeting minutes](#)
- [2. Calendar for 2026 COPIC Meetings](#)

III. Status Reports

- [3. Bicycle and Pedestrian Facility Study](#)
- [4. Non-Motorized Transportation Plan \(NMTP\)](#)
- [5. Call for Projects for the FY 2027 - 2030 TIP Development](#)
- [6. US 80 Corridor Study Phase II](#)
- [7. Urban Flood Model Phase II](#)
- [8. FY 2027 UPWP](#)
- [9. E-TIP Updates](#)
- [10. AMPO and GAMPO Conference Highlights](#)
- [11. 2050 MTP Amendments](#)
- [12. FY 2024 - 2027 TIP Amendments](#)

IV. Agency Reports (verbal)

- [13. Chatham County](#)
- [14. Chatham Area Transit \(CAT\)](#)
- [15. Economic Opportunity Authority \(EOA\)](#)
- [16. Housing Authority of Savannah](#)
- [17. Living Independence For Everyone \(LIFE\)](#)
- [18. National Federation of the Blind](#)

[19. Savannah Center for the Blind and Low Vision](#)

[20. Seniors Inc.](#)

v. Other Business

vi. Public Participation Opportunities

VII. Notices

[21. GDOT Project Status](#)

[22. City of Savannah](#)

[23. Savannah Hilton Head International Airport](#)

[24. City of Port Wentworth](#)

[25. Effingham County](#)

[26. LATS - SCDOT Project Status](#)

[27. SE GA Commuter Feasibility Study Survey](#)

[28. Next CORE MPO COPIC meeting December 9, 2025, at 2:00pm](#)

VIII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the October 14, 2025, COPIC meeting adjourned.

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