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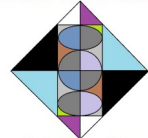
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The Florida Utilities Coordinating Committee (FUCC) is a confederation of public and private utilities, public works departments, design consultants, contractors, and state, county, and city governmental agencies working together to promote coordination and cooperation for co-habitation of utility facilities and travel ways within public right-of-ways, for the mutual benefit of all users.

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Chair	Vice Chair	Secretary	Treasurer
Chris Stermer (WGI)	Tara Miller (Duke Energy)	Stephen Waidley (Frontier)	Jodi Rano (Stantec)

Spring Meeting Location: Hilton Ocala, FL

Wednesday, April 12, 2023

8:30am - 9:30am – Officers Meeting

Chris Stermer (WGI), FUCC Chair

Attendees:

Chris Stermer, WGI
Tara Miller, Duke Energy
Jodi Rano, Stantec
Stephen Waidley, Frontier
Art Gilmore, Duke Energy

Chris Stermer (WGI) – Melbourne in August

Jodi Rano (Stantec) – If we have more than 180 people, we’re screwed.

Chris Stermer (WGI) – Do we go back to the guy and have him look for a new venue?
If the Helms Briscoe gentleman can do the same thing he did with St. Augustine in
Melbourne, we’re good.
If you go south from there Vero’s not a bad idea.

Jodi Rano (Stantec) – I don’t think we want to go past West Palm, because it would be
expensive.

Chris Stermer (WGI) – I was thinking of the Sarasota area.

Jodi Rano (Stantec) – We started there before; do you want to reach out to them?

Chris Stermer (WGI) – We can ask the Steering Committee.

Jodi Rano (Stantec) – Just make a statement at the Steering Committee meeting.

Chris Stermer (WGI) – If we keep growing like this, this place (Ocala) may not be big enough.
Because of the increase in numbers of attendees, we are contemplating an increase of
\$25 in the registration fees.

Tara Miller (Duke Energy) – To be discussed in the Steering Committee meeting, and to be voted
on in August.

The Officers revisited the minutes from last Fucc meeting.
Discussed Planning/Programs Committee responsibilities.

Stephen Waidley (Frontier) brought up that the Bylaws were also discussed last year.

Tara Miller (Duke) – The Bylaws will be discussed in the Steering Committee meeting.

Chris Stermer (WGI) adjourned

9:30am - 10:30am – Steering Committee Meeting

Tara Miller (Duke), Fucc Vice Chair

Chris Stermer (WGI) did roll call.

The following members were in attendance:

Tara Miller, Duke Energy, Chair
Fred Valdes, Frontier, Telephone
Art Gilmore, Duke Energy, Power
Warren Gilbreath, Hillsborough County Utilities, Water
Kris Hayes, Lakeland Electric, Governmental Utility
Trisha Miller, Echo UES, Coordinator Consultant
Shayne McGlocklin, Badger Daylighting, Contractor
Bill Case, Ayres Associates, Design Consultant
Brian Dean, Sunshine 811, Utility Notification Center

The following members were absent:

Joe Sanchez, Florida Gas Transmission, Gas
Demar Machuca, Sarasota County Utilities, Sewer
Lee-Ann Snipes, City of Orlando, Governmental Non-Utility
Chris McLaughlin, MacDriller, Geospatial Consultant

Tara Miller (Duke) welcomed everyone.

Introduced herself, Chris Stermer, and Stephen Waidley.

Announced the need for a new Secretary.

To be sent to Demar by June 1st.

They need management approval for a 4 year commitment.

Need awards nominations for Malcolm Yancy and John Farkas awards.

Send to Demar.

Melonie Schwartz (Inwood Consulting Engineers) discussed LinkedIn.

We'd like to setup a Fucc LinkedIn account

Can assign multiple admins\

No cost, no need for premium account

Content = reminders for upcoming Fucc's, any subcommittee meetings between, any pictures, any public announcements

Asking Steering Meeting for blessing for creating an account

Chris Stermer (WGI) asked about the attached email account, will it be left up to Lori?

Just want to be careful we don't overload Lori, she does a lot already.

Jodi Rano (Stantec) – We let a few of our email addresses expire, so we'll have to figure it out.

Shayne McGlocklin (Badger Daylighting) made a motion to approve the group distribution of admins.

Fred Valdes (Frontier) 2nd.

Vote on the Floor: The Aye's have it.

Shayne McGlocklin (Badger) – I think it's a great idea to get the message out.

Chris Stermer (WGI) – I posed an invite to the Fucc and within a few days, 30 utilities registered.

Tara Miller (Duke) – Venue change for Melbourne.

Because our growth

August 2023 is our last contractual stay

Chris Stermer (WGI) – Going through Helms Briscoe, we may pay more. If we go straight to the hotel, we'll prob get a better price.

We already have a central/north place here in Ocala, and then north in St Augustine, so we're looking for something more southern like Melbourne area.

Tara Miller (Duke) – Looking forward financially, we are looking at the possibility to increase the registration fee by \$25, to be brought up for a vote in August.

Jodi Rano (Stantec) – We are now accepting sponsorships throughout the year, we're not breaking even on this event.

Jeanna Dean (Harbor Coordination Solutions) – Do you think we should increase the sponsorship?

Maybe add \$500?

Chris Stermer (WGI) – We don't want to have to raise the registration fees, but we want to make the meetings worth something, so you're getting return, but still pay the bills. We can't continue to work in the red, and I like the idea of tapping into the sponsorships a little. We can discuss further in the August meeting.

Jodi Rano (Stantec) – We may need to change the features of the sponsorship levels.

Trisha Miller (Echo UES)– It's been so long since we increased the registration fee.

Tara Miller (Duke) – Bylaws

Asked for Brian Dean's assistance (against his will).

Brian Dean (Sunshine 811) pointed out that Chris McLaughlin (MacDriller) made all the changes on the screen. The only change here at the beginning, is that "no one should speak on behalf of FUCC without the consent of the Chair". There were a lot of grammar fixes as well.

Jodi Rano (Stantec) helped read the screen.

Brian Dean (Sunshine 811) also had some concerns about indemnity of the committee.

We addressed a Code of Conduct in the Bylaws.

Tara Miller (Duke) – We want a discussion and a vote at this meeting.

Shayne McGlocklin (Badger) – Change "drunkenness" to "intoxication".

Fred Valdes (Frontier) motioned to accept the bylaws as modified.

Trisha Miller (Echo) – 2nd.

Vote on the Floor: The Aye's have it.

Tara Miller (Duke) – NexGen Plans

Chris Stermer (WGI) gave props to Melonie Schwartz and Shaun Purvis (AT&T Florida)

Steering Committee received the notes from the meetings and a summary. We need to come out of this meeting with a decision of what the Steering Committee wants to do as far as a response. FDOT is awaiting our response.

Robb Brown (Duke) – Talking with Patrick Overton, he's looking for feedback from us (our stance), he's expressed concerns.

Trisha Miller (Echo) – They want a response from the industry?

Jeanna Dean (Harbor Coordination) – Maybe offer up a resolution as well, not just concerns: "it's great for the cross sections, but they need to be in the final version".

Shaun Purvis (AT&T) – They had 6 years to plan it and we've had 6 months to adapt to it.

Chris Stermer (WGI) – Do we want to respond with an opposition, or an acceptance as long as our concerns are met?

Shaun Purvis (AT&T) – It's the expense that's the issue, it takes time and money.

Robb Brown (Duke) – I don't think they're going back, in accordance to UAM, there is a specific section that says "FDOT should make arrangements so that all the following are done...in an agreeable format", they changed the format without bringing it to our attention, we're not only giving Patrick our stance, but ammo to help fight for us, the response from higher

up is “we haven’t heard any issues from the industry”.

Shaun Purvis (AT&T) – We’ve officially submitted to our legal dept to compose a response.

Jeanna Dean (Harbor Coordination) – We need to put something in writing from the Fucc: “based on the input from our membership...(here is our response)”.

Josh Kelly (Oz-Matic) – Be careful giving them an alternative option, they make take the easy way out for them.

Tara Miller (Duke) – So we’re going back to just oppose it.

Bill Case (Ayres) – I think we’re doing our due-diligence asking all these questions.

Kris Hayes (Lakeland Electric) – Since we were not involved in the planning process, **we should be given a chance to review it to arrive at a mutually agreeable format.**

Shaun Purvis (AT&T) – I don’t think we should oppose it outright, we should offer to work with them.

Kris Hayes (Lakeland Electric) – Can that format work with some tweaks?

Shaun Purvis (AT&T) – I’ve heard stories from other states, like Utah, that there were some success stories on the Construction side, but we have not heard anything on the Engineering/planning side. There are other states that use this 3D model, but how do we get it to work?

Jeanna Dean (Harbor Coordination) – But remember that some other states don’t have utility coordination.

Chris McLaughlin (Badger) entered the room, with great fanfare.

Chris Stermer (WGI) summarized.

We want to provide a letter to the Dept. “in its current format, the Fucc takes the stand that it is not an agreeable format, but the Fucc would like to be a platform that dept can use to vet any changes to make it a more amicable format, and attached is a list of our subcommittee has developed so far, please see attached a list of comments and concerns”.

Jeanna Dean (Harbor Coordination) – Until we can final common ground, how do we proceed? Maybe invite them to our meeting until it’s resolved.

Warren Gilbreth (Hillsborough County Public Utilities) – were all the comments in the email that was sent out.

Chris Stermer (WGI) said “Yes”, and explained the email.

In order to protect our individual companies, we will compose the letter as the Fucc Steering Committee.

Jeanna Dean (Harbor Coordination) – “on behalf of our membership”.

Robb Brown (Duke) – I actually signed a letter when I was Chair.

Jeanna Dean (Harbor Coordination) – Should be a utility.

Shaun Purvis (AT&T) – I’ll sign it.

Chris Stermer (WGI) – But you’re not on the Steering Committee.

Tara Miller (Duke) – We need to make a decision today, then we’ll draft a letter, send it to the Steering Committee, get it approved and then send it out.

Kris Hayes (Lakeland Electric) – They want this tool to work, we want it to work, we want to help you, they should appreciate our notes, because these are your users’ thoughts.

Art Gilmore (Duke) – We need to do something, we’re going to have more NOI’s, we need to work together with them, so everyone wins.

Fred Valdes (Frontier) – I’m with Art, we need to express our concerns, because they are just going to keep moving forward without us.

Art Gilmore (Duke) – to Kris’s point, we’re not fighting, we want to make this work.

Warren Gilbreth (Hillsborough Co. Pub Util.) – This is a lot of stuff.

Chris Stermer (WGI) – That’s why we sent it to you last week.

Everyone laughed.

Chris Stermer (WGI) – I would ask that if a motion is made, we make it very clear.

Josh Kelly (Oz-Matic) – I would recommend that we make the decision today, while Patrick is still in the position he is.

Chris Stermer (WGI) – Do we have a motion?

Fred Valdes (Frontier) made a motion to draft a letter highlighting the concerns of the group and to use the group as a platform to come to a resolution of an agreeable format and attach

the meeting minutes as an exhibit.
Art Gilmore (Duke) – 2nd.
Vote on the Floor: Unanimously passed.
Melonie Schwartz (Inwood), Shaun Purvis (AT&T), Tara Miller (Duke), and Chris Stermer (WGI) to draft letter.
Chris Stermer (WGI) asked that the first draft to be submitted to Steering Committee by 5/1.

Melonie Schwartz (Inwood) updated brochure with new photos, logos, QR code, and with comments and language.
It's ready to go to the Steering Committee for review.
Once we get LinkedIn setup, we'll add that to the brochure.
Chris Stermer (WGI) – We'll have to update the website with the LinkedIn info as well.

Chris Stermer (WGI) motioned to adjourn the meeting.
Shayne McGlocklin (Badger) – 2nd.
Tara Miller (Duke) adjourned the meeting.

10:30am - 11:30am – Planning, Membership & Promotions, and Banquet Planning Committees

Programs Committee – Chaired by Mariah Mader (KCI)

- See attached minutes.

Membership Committee – Chaired by Melonie Schwartz (Inwood)

- See attached minutes.

Banquet Committee – Chaired by Rebecca Green (Colliers Engineering)

- See attached minutes.

1:00pm - 1:15pm – Opening Comments from the FUCC Chair

Chris Stermer (WGI), FUCC Vice Chair

Chris Stermer (WGI) welcomed everyone.
Mentioned we have record registration numbers.
Always been passionate about this industry and this group.
We make connections here.
Creating relationships that helps us to do our jobs.
Self-Introductions.
Asked for everyone to state the area they cover.
Thanked sponsors, if it wasn't for the sponsors, we would not be able to do this.
Mentioned door prize box – put your cards in.
Mentioned FLUD table and their questionnaire.
Doing and teaching CAD production for NexGen plans.
Mentioned Badger Daylighting – put your card in, no duplicates.
Breakfast – normally it's in the restaurant, but since we have 180 registrations, we had to have it setup in here. No need for a ticket.
Social this afternoon unless it's raining.
Open bar from 5:30-6:30, then cash bar, in the tent out back, bring your lanyard.
Looking for a Permitting co-chair.
Looking for a Secretary.
Looking for nominations for Farkas and Yancy awards.

Stephen Waidley (Frontier) mentioned that because he is moving up the ranks of the officers, he

will gladly relinquish the Chair position of the Telecom Interest Group.

Chris Stermer (WGI) announced the Subcommittee Group meetings.
Then he excused everyone for a break.

Because the self-introductions took a while, we did not have time to do the Sunshine 811 update.
It will be provided at a later time.

1:15pm - 1:30pm – Sunshine 811 Updates

Brian Dean (Sunshine 811)

- Ran out of time – rescheduled for later.

1:30pm - 2:30pm – FUCC Subcommittee Meetings

Joint Use – *Chaired by Bill Deal (T2 Utility Engineers)*

- See attached minutes.

Construction – *Chaired by Josh Kelly (Oz-Matic)*

- See attached minutes.

UAM Committee – *Chaired by Brian Lantz (FPL)*

- See attached minutes.

2:30pm - 2:45pm – Break/Network/Visit Sponsor Tables

Chris Stermer (WGI) raffled off 3 door prizes.

2:45pm - 4:00pm – FUCC Interest Group Meetings

Power Interest Group – *Chaired by Martin Mikhail (Power Engineers); Co-Chaired by Chris Buonanni (FPL)*

- See attached minutes.

Telecom/Underground Interest Group – *Chaired by Stephen Waidley (Frontier); Co-Chaired by Heather Dean (Harbor Coordination Solutions)*

- See attached minutes.

TTC/MOT Committee – *Chaired by Robb Brown (Duke Energy); Co-Chaired by Laurie Jackson (TRC)*

- See attached minutes.

Chris Stermer (WGI) raffled off a door prize.

4:00pm - 4:15pm – Sunshine 811 Updates

Brian Dean (Sunshine 811)

- See attached minutes.

4:15am - 5:00am – FUCC Subcommittee Meetings (continued)

NexGen Plans

Co-Chaired by Melonie Schwartz (Inwood) and Shaun Purvis (AT&T)

Melonie Schwartz (Inwood) introduced herself, Shaun Purvis (AT&T) introduced himself.

Melonie Schwartz (Inwood) discussed the process of hosting 3 meetings to discuss the comments and concerns that anyone had.
They printed out a set of the NexGen plans for people to see in person how big the plans are. They also showed what a tiled version looks like – 20 11x17 sheets.
They shared FDOT links.
They went over the Industrywide Concerns & Needs.

Shaun Purvis (AT&T) stated that they didn't give us enough time to adequately review these sheets.
Martin Mikhail (Power Engineers) - Is the goal to oppose this or work with them?
Melonie Schwartz (Inwood) stated that we want to work with them to find an agreeable solution.

There was a concern about the large paper format.
There was a concern about being able to use the plots in the field.

Shaun Purvis (AT&T) said we haven't been able to find a way to scale it down to use it in the field.

Fred Valdes (Frontier) asked if the tile-printed one was to scale.
Melonie Schwartz (Inwood) said as long as you print it with no scale, they'll match.
Shaun Purvis (AT&T) said there is no match line though, so you can easily get lost piecing them together.

Chris Stermer (WGI) – I know the Dept has given instructions on how to print out the 11x17 size but is it going to have the callouts.
Melonie Schwartz (Inwood) talked about the Work Sheets' labelling.

Mark Atkininstall (Element Engineering Group) – The callouts are batched, so they may not be at every location you need them.

Melonie Schwartz (Inwood) mentioned that there was a concern about the level of detail on the existing Utility Adjustment Sheets, being lost when moving to the large format.
Shaun Purvis (AT&T) said the more adjusting of the format that happens during the design process opens the door for more things to be missed.

Melonie Schwartz (AT&T) said that the first main concern was that people were not given a chance to see these plans in person, so make sure you come up and take a look.

There is some concern about the Drainage Structure sheets, with the profiles, tales, and FDOT Standard Plans.
Shaun Purvis (AT&T) said there is an increase in the margin for error.

Shaun Purvis (AT&T) said he did some research and saw that there are some other states that are using, but he's not sure of how it would work for us. He didn't get a response explaining the benefits for us back when asking. We're not against it, but we need to find some common ground.

Melonie Schwartz (Inwood) said another concern was the Cross Section sheets, roadway cross-sections are being left out of the final set. Our request would be to include them with the proposed utilities and VVH data in the final set.

Melonie Schwartz (Inwood) said there is some concern because some local and county agencies are keeping their plan size format.

Shaun Purvis (AT&T) mentioned that the large file size is a burden. One set took him 25 mins to download one set. 600 pages.

Shaun Purvis (AT&T) brought up the upload size limits for OSP and PSEE.

Melonie Schwartz (Inwood) brought up the electronic format – Microstation or AutoCAD vs. pdf.

Melonie Schwartz (Inwood) brought up a big issue for a lot of people is the costs associated with accommodating the large format plans.

More powerful computers, printers/plotters, training, tech-savvy personnel.
UAO's and Coordinators are burdened with these costs.

Possible Solutions.

Utilize a tablet in the field – but then the question of cost comes up.

Shaun Pervis (AT&T) read the recommendation.

Greg Coker (FPL) – At the state level, has anyone heard from the contractors on their thoughts and concerns before we submit the response to FDOT?

Patrick Overton (FDOT) – We did have a meeting with a contractor, and he did have some concerns with the drainage plans, not the NexGen plans per se.

Paul Heirs (FDOT/NexGen) – Everything you said was very fair. I appreciate the efforts and meetings, everyone has issues they're working through, this change was made because we had to, we were forced.

I'm hearing 3 things, 1) it's hard to print, 2) I don't know what to do with the drainage – we can't do what we used to do, cross sections have been removed, but every job is required to have them just not in the job, 3) the file size should be much smaller – files were removed.

Working with construction, when we asked them 4 years ago, it was 50-50 have were not OK with it, half didn't care. If we asked them today, 70% would be OK.

Nobody's trying to make it harder, we want to make it work.

FDOT will take on consultants to help create these plans.

Melonie Schwartz (Inwood) and Shaun Purvis (AT&T) thanked everyone for their participation.

5:00pm - 5:30pm – Break

5:30pm - 7:30pm – Networking Social

Chris Stermer (WGI) raffled off 3 door prizes.

Thursday, November 3, 2022

7:00am – 8:30am – Registration and Member Networking

8:30am – 8:45am – FUCG Meeting Opening Comments

Chris Stermer (WGI)

Chris welcomed everyone.

Record attendance

The connections and the contacts that you make here are more valuable than anything else.

Thanked sponsors.

Can't do it without you.

Please visit the tables out in the hall.

Announced Door prizes.

Suggested checking out the FLUD table.

Announced Badger Daylighting Yeti cooler giveaway.

We are looking for a Permitting Co-Chair.

See Chris Stermer (WGI) or Laurie Jackson (TRC).

At the end of the August meeting, the officers all move up, so we will be looking for a new Secretary. It's a 4-year commitment.

Looking for nominations for the John Farkas and Malcom Yancy awards.

Go to the FUCC.org site to see what the awards represent.

Sent nominations to Demar by June 1.

Bruce Herrington is retiring in June, so if you see him, congratulate him.

Passed the mic around for self-introductions.

8:45am - 9:45am – Telecom Interest Group Educational Session:

FDOT: Local Agency Program (LAP) Understanding the Utility Coordination Process

Presented by Nick Zembillas (George F Young)

Started with a quiz of when was Utility Coordination started in Florida?

In 1985, in the private sector

Godfather of SUE is really Walt Childs, because he's a lot older than me

Laughter ensued

Nick Zembillas (GFY) asked who is familiar with LAP.

He said he will play the facilitator to help get questions answered regarding the LAP project processes.

He went over the LAP brochure on the FDOT website.

He listed the different types of projects that can fall under LAP which was very informative.

The districts have their own LAP coordinators.

They are a network that you can deal with in addition to the DUAs and Central Office

If an agency receives federal funds, they have to follow the FDOT's procedure throughout the entire process, from design all the way through completion.

There has been some concern that there are some municipalities that are not following the FDOT's procedures through the coordination process.

They should all be following FDOT's process.

Nick Zembillas (GFY) opened the LAP Forms site and scrolled down to Utilities.

Clicking on the link, it only opens the Certification Letter.

Because of the lack of resources, he encouraged coordination with the DUA's.

Next, we went to the FAQs.

Unfortunately, there is nothing on Utilities.

Stephen Waidley (Frontier) explained an issue his coworker had with the lack of utility coordination from municipalities on LAP projects.

Shawn Lewis (FDOT) said that FDOT does not allow other municipalities to do the coordination, it would be FDOT doing the coordination.

District 3 does not.

Mark Atkininstall (Element) said he does the coordination on behalf of FDOT.
District 2 does not.

District 5 does not get involved.

Joe Bitar (FDOT, Turnpike) – maybe some municipalities don't have the manpower to do the coordination. Turnpike doesn't have LAP.

Eugene Khashper (Keith) – as a consultant if it's managed by FDOT (design) than we as a consultant do the coordination.

Nick Zembillas (GFY) clarified that it is in the procedures that the FDOT does do it.

Pia Cormier (FDOT, District 7) – LAP projects come through with limited review by FDOT, we hope that municipalities are hiring coordinators with FDOT project experience. We take a certification from the EOR's firm that they are following procedures and then FDOT gives their blessing.

Shawn Lewis (FDOT) – I agree with Eugene, however what we may need to add to UAM, we may need to change the way we're doing things, because it has to be certified, because we may put ourselves in a situation where we lose federal funding.

Nick Zembillas (GFY, wearing his D7 hat) – when we had design companies, we would guide them on the procedures, told them to contact us with any questions, when it came time for the review of their plans and certification, they would do their own review, then we would sign off on it
I really think we ought to add questions that deal with utilities, and then have who they should go to with further questions.

Brian Lantz (FPL) – the utilities have often been asked to provide schedules when working on someone else's property, we enter into an agreement that may present conflicts of interest. We enter "with the authority" on the UWS's.

Shawn Lewis (FDOT) – 126.9 gives the other agencies the authority to act on behalf of the dept. Allows one agency to act on another's behalf. The federal gov't holds us accountable for those funds.

Robb Brown (Duke) – the statute allows you go to into that agreement but does not define what that authority is.

Shawn Lewis (FDOT) – the authority becomes what our rules are. The agreement gives the authority, not the statute.

Nick Zembillas (GFY) then put up the LAP manual – planning and design.
UAM is listed as a source to help guide you on planning and design.
He then pulled up the UAM section 5.2 UAO Coordination.
1) "...FDOT [all] project..."

Shawn Lewis (FDOT) – with all the revisions of the UAM over the years, we couldn't include every word.

Nick Zembillas (GFY) – we need the UAM to be very clear.

Robb Brown (Duke) – if you're looking for clarity, you have the wrong document.

Chris Stermer (WGI) – what other issues are we having with LAP projects?

Nick Zembillas (GFY) – the biggest issue is that not all agencies are following the FDOT's procedures.

Albert Taylor (TBD Engineering) – sometimes utilities won't sign the UWS because the City won't, and that leads to all kinds of issues during construction.

Nick Zembillas (GFY) – if that's really happening, I recommend follow filling out the work schedule as descriptive and detailed as possible, go to the LAP coordinators and get them involved.

9:45am - 10:00am – Break

Chris Stermer (WGI) raffled off a few door prizes.

Chris Stermer (WGI) then introduced Laurie Jackson (TRC).

10:00am - 11:15am – Presentation:

Permitting

Presented by Laurie Jackson (TRC)

- See attached presentation.

11:15 - 1:00pm – FUCC Lunch with Members

1:00pm - 1:15pm – FUCC Announcements & Proposed By-Laws Revisions Summary (Vote for approval on Friday)

Chris Stermer (WGI)

Chris Stermer (WGI) raffled off a few door prizes and introduced Patrick Overton (FDOT).

1:15pm - 2:45pm – FDOT Forum - DUE/DUA & FDOT Personnel

Lead by Patrick Overton (FDOT, State Utilities Engineer)

Patrick Overton (FDOT) was appointed State Construction Engineer
Still State Utilities Engineer

All the DUA's or at least a rep from each District is here.

BABA – don't really have an update yet, still a lot up in the air on that.

Build American By American

For a while, we considered manufactured products exempt from BABA.

At least 51% of it has to be made in America.

FHWA is just tasked with administering it to the states.

The biggest hangup is the definitions.

Going up north to a conference to moderate a discussion with an FHWA expert.

A notice was sent out with chief engineering info.

The Dept is stepping in and sharing risk.

For Design Build, we are committing to 60% plans.

Going forward the District Utilities office will help with the coordination.

Chris Stermer (WGI) – one of the things that was stated was that draft schedules or utility work estimates need to be provided, but nowhere does it say that it has to be executed.

Brian Lantz (FPL) – how does that play off for utilities if the Dept is committed up to 60% plans?

Patrick Overton (FDOT) – it will be a handoff to the utilities, effectively what we are doing on that project is solidified, so there is less risk for changing.

District 1 – Wayne Shelton

Clear and Concise

Utility Liaison meeting = Oct 11th

Thank you to everyone that works with us.

We attack the problems, not people.

Appreciate everyone that answers their phones and is on time.

District 2 – Todd Hunt

Thank you everyone for all the work you do in helping us.

This meeting is about sharing info and helping one another.

Remember when we're in a bad situation, we're in it together.

Utility Liaison meeting = end of May/early June

To be held in Jacksonville at the District office.

Looking for concerns to talk about.

District 3 – Johnathan Harris

Not many folks get to work with us because we're way up north in FL.

Utility Liaison meeting = May 11th in Crestview

Glad to be here and see folks again.

Most things in our area are ahead of schedule and under budget.

District 4 – Arleen Dano

So happy to be here and put faces to names.

Thank you for being very responsive and for helping to meet our schedule.

Utility Liaison meeting = nothing scheduled as of now.

District 5 – Staci Nester

Utility Liaison meeting = Wednesday, May 17th

Sent out the Moving Florida Forward project list out.

Thank you for your help, we know projects come fast and furious.

District 6 – Xenia Rodriguez

Thank you everyone that works with us.

Our District is heavily crowded, so thank you for working together.

Looking forward to FY 2024 which is already saturated with a lot of construction projects.

Utility Liaison meeting = no meetings.

District 7 – Pia Cornea

Thank you all for the warm welcome, stepped into big shoes when Dan Hunter left.

Dan's retirement was great, so thank you for showing up.

Utility Liaison meeting = May 5th, taco bar will be back.

Had spring training for new employees at D7 with NexGen plans.

Any new employees are recommended to attend.

UWS and plans reading trainings to come.

Turnpike/Enterprise – Joe Bitar

Would love to continue the great working relationship with everyone.

The Turnpike program has expanded almost 35%, so warm up your engines.

When your work is done, please start your work on billing.

Central Office – Shawn Lewis

We're working on updating PSEE as far as the address book is concerned.

You'll be able to click on PSEE, go into the address book, and get all the UAO's contacts and contact info.

Cynthia Snelling-Perry (FDOT) – Shawn said it all.

Permits - Tim Allen

We're still in limbo on whether we are going to do a rewrite or have another company come in and redo OSP.

Brian Herman (Comprehensive Engineering Services) – some UAOs have special requests/exceptions on filling out the UWS's.

For example, placing 30-day advanced notice to contact the UAO before construction in various parts of the UWS.

Patrick Overton (FDOT) – let's go through the Districts.

D1 – Wayne Shelton – our goal is to stay consistent, not hold up the project, it should be in section B.

D2 & D3 are the same.

Shawn Lewis (FDOT) – are they putting the 30-day notice as a notification or for permitting and purchasing materials?

The first one.

Shawn Lewis (FDOT) – then I'm going to agree with what the other Districts are saying.

Stacy Nester (FDOT) – if it has a dependent activity, it needs to be in section C.

Jeanna Dean (Harbor Coordination) – a general overall request should be in section B.

Heather Dean (Harbor Coordination) – what if a utility doesn't want to move a request for notice from section C to B.

Patrick Overton (FDOT) – escalate it to a DUA if it comes to that.

Robb Brown (Duke) – that's what the utility coordination is for.

Cynthia Snelling-Perry – we have a few District Permit Engineers if anyone has any updates.

Rebecca Simms – we have a few new coordinators, so thank you everyone for working with us. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Douglas Dycus (FDOT) – D2 Permits – no updates, if you have any issues in D2 please reach out.

Deanna Campbell (FDOT) – anything you can share about the GIS initiative.

Patrick Overton (FDOT) – we created the framework to get utilities into GIS, a data-sharing agreement.

Have not sent it out to many people, that's coming in a couple weeks

The Utility Viewer, if you use OSP and try to utilize the GIS link, it doesn't fully function

We fixed that link
What's tied to it is our Work Program (5-year)
Introduced Paul (NexGen guy)

Paul Heirs (FDOT/NexGen) – I didn't come prepared to say anything, just listen.
Yesterday's session was very informative.
Significant transition even within our own agency.
Then we found out there were other areas that we needed help with.
When I came last fall, I explained how we got to where we are with model-centric plans.
We use Bentley products – MicroStation select series.
All of that changed when they went to Open Road Designer.
Most agencies use AutoCAD.
Our state plans are 99% MicroStation.
We were forced to go through this change.
1st chapter came out in 2020 – large format plans were introduced.
This last January, we activated all the chapters.
FDM 900-series – model-centric based on ORD.
When you look at the plan views, the only change is the drainage.
We couldn't use a Geopack tool.
We went to Suda to help us do that.
It's all done in 3D now.
In the old 300-series, drainage info can show up in 3 locations.
We changed that to 1 location so you can cross-reference everything together.
With the large format sheets, we were just looking to get all of the picture on 1 sheet,
removing the match lines.
We couldn't wait for Bentley to complete the drainage structures, so the dept created
their own structure sheets.

Bill Deal (T2UE) – is there any hope to get back to the drainage structure cross-sections?

Paul Heirs (FDOT/NexGen) – the drainage structures are shown, just perpendicular to the
running line.
We have Sectional Views.
The old version was not a true picture of what was being placed.
Now you're looking along the pipe, following it from structure to structure.
You can see the bottom of the structure.
It's a different way of looking at the sheet, but once you do, you'll get a better picture of
what's happening.

Fred Valdes (Frontier) – you said you were forced to make the change, what forced you to make
the change?

Paul Heirs (FDOT/NexGen) – Bentley made an announcement that in 2020 they were going to
stop supporting the SS series, it got pushed out to 2021, but we took their word for it that
it was going to be 2020, so we made the jump.

Paul Heirs (FDOT/NexGen) talked about his hopes that the non-standing committee that held the
focus groups would become a standing committee and work together with the dept.

Chris Stermer (WGI) – speaking on behalf of the FUCC, we want to work with the dept to help
deliver an agreeable format we can all use.

Garth Thompson (GPI) – I would like to request that since the 900-series states that 11x17 is an
acceptable format, that we stick with that format at least for the Utility Adjustment Sheets
until we can figure out the greater impact of this.

Paul Heirs (FDOT/NexGen) stated that that is a fair request.

Melonie Schwartz (Inwood) further requested that they keep all the same info that they currently have.

Jeanna Dean (Harbor Coordination) – you keep saying “working plans” but what about Final plans, what format will they be? Because some utilities may not have the means to print them.

Paul Heirs (FDOT/NexGen) – it is up to the designer, but it most likely be the large format.

Chris Stermer (WGI) raffled off a door prize.

2:45pm - 3:00pm – Break

3:00pm - 4:00pm – Design Build Presentation:

Bridge Plans and How to Identify Utility Conflicts

Presented by Clayton Wolfe, PE (WGI)

- See attached presentation.

Chris Stermer (WGI) raffled off a few door prizes, the Tonka truck from Ayres, the Yeti from Badger Daylighting, and 4 prizes from FLUG.

4:00pm - 5:00pm – Combined Interest Group, Subcommittee & Standing Committee Updates

Awards/Nominations – *Chaired by Demar Machuca (Sarasota County Utilities), Fucc Past-Chair*

Covered by Chris Stermer (WGI), Fucc Chair

Planning/Programs Committee – *Chaired by Mariah Mader (KCI)*

Power Interest Group – *Chaired by Martin Mikhail (Power Engineers), Co-Chaired by Chris Buonanni (FPL)*

Telecom/Underground Interest Group – *Chaired by Stephen Waidley (Frontier), Co-Chaired by Heather Dean (Harbor Coordination)*

Joint-Use Subcommittee – *Chaired by Bill Deal (T2UE)*

Design Build Subcommittee – *Co-Chaired by Jeanna Dean (Harbor Coordination) and Chris Stermer (WGI)*

TTC/MOT Subcommittee – *Chaired by Robb Brown (Duke Energy), and Co-Chaired by Laurie Jackson (TRC)*

Permitting Subcommittee – *Chaired by Laurie Jackson (TRC)*

Construction Subcommittee – *Chaired by Josh Kelly (Oz-Matic)*

NexGen Plans – *Co-Chaired by Melonie Schwartz (Inwood) and Shaun Purvis (AT&T)*

Bylaws – *Chaired by Chris McLaughlin (MacDriller) and Co-Chaired by Brian Dean (Sunshine 811)*

Banquet Planning Subcommittee – *Chaired by Rebecca Green (Colliers)*

UAM – *Chaired by Brian Lantz (FPL)*

Chris Stermer (WGI) dismissed the masses for the day.

Friday, November 4, 2022

8:30am - 9:00am – FUCC Networking

9:00am - 11:30am – FUCC Business Meeting

- Opening Invocation – Robb Brown (Duke Energy)
- Tribute to Flag – Chris Stermer (WGI), FUCC Chair
- Reading of the Minutes – Stephen Waidley (Frontier), FUCC Secretary
 - Motion to skip the reading – Robb Brown (Duke Energy)
 - 2nd – Jay Helms (George F. Young)
 - Approval – All were in favor, none opposed.
- Historian's Report – Chris McLaughlin (MacDriller), FUCC Historian
 - Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report – Garth Thompson (GPI)
 - 2nd – Robb Brown (Duke Energy)
 - Approval – All were in favor, none opposed.
- Treasurer's Report – Jodi Rano (Stantec), FUCC Treasurer
 - See attached presentation.
 - Discussion ensued regarding the raising costs of everything, and what we should do to help compensate for raising costs. Debates on whether we should raise the registration cost or reduce the amount of food provided. Revisiting the sponsorship costs and different tiers was mentioned.
 - Motion to accept Treasurer's report – Garth Thompson (GPI)
 - 2nd – Kris Hayes (Lakeland Electric)

Business Session

- Sunshine 811 – Brian Dean (Sunshine 811)
 - Our 30th anniversary of Chapter 556.
 - Today is Kathy Thrash's last day.
 - We are update Exactix.
 - Should help with design tickets.
 - April is Safe Digging Month.
 - Trying to form a committee on Damage Prevention.
 - Call before you dig!
- FDOT Central Office Report – Patrick Overton (FDOT)
 - Nothing really new to report.
 - NexGen – sitting a little better than last time.
 - He did allude to some training.
 - Shaun brought up some add-ons for the software.
 - A patch for the drainage sheets.
 - Pia Cormier (FDOT) made it through our first meeting.
 - As soon as I have an update on BABA, I'll send it out.
 - As well as the Chief Engineering memo.

Steering Committee Approved Motions for Membership Vote

Bylaws

- Chris Stermer (WGI) – there is a motion from the Steering Committee to amend the Bylaws, now we need an at-large approval from the membership.
- Fred Valdes (Frontier) made a motion to accept the changes to the By-Laws as revised.
- Matt Atkininstall (Element) – 2nd it.
- Vote on the Floor: The Aye's have it.

New FUCC Brochure

Chris Stermer (WGI) – Melonie did a great job with the group to create it.
She will put it on the LinkedIn account when the LinkedIn is created.
No need for a motion to accept the brochure.

Facebook Page

Robb Brown (Duke Energy) – if there's anything anyone wants to put on the page, reach out to me.

Business Reports

Awards/Nominations – *Demar Machuca (Sarasota County Utilities), Past-FUCC Chair (absent, covered by Chris Stermer, WGI)*
Referenced mentioning them earlier in the meeting.

Program Committee – *Mariah Mader (KCI) (absent, covered by Chris Stermer, WGI)*
If you have anything, let Mariah or me know.

Facebook Page – *Robb Brown (Duke Energy)*
If there's anything you want on the page, reach out to me.

E-Business/Web Page – *Lori McLaughlin (George F Young)*
Nothing new to report.
Forgot to ask FPL, we moved over to the new secure site, the old site was not secure, so FPL had issues before.
They got a warning.
Do still have some things to work out.
Can't load multiple pdf's easily.

Membership/Promotions – *Melonie Schwartz (Inwood)*

LinkedIn.
We're going to update the brochure bi-annually.
To create standardized template for FUCC presentations, media, flyers, etc.
To provide a consistent look across all platforms and media.
No opposition from Steering Committee.
Looking for opportunities to partner with other organizations/events to have a table to promote the FUCC to spread awareness of the group and to attract more members.
We appreciate the previous chairs, award winners, etc. to provide testimonials for the website, and to help us come up with more ideas for attracting more members, and to help us promote the FUCC in other various organizations.

Banquet Planning – *Rebecca Green (Colliers) (absent, covered by Chris Stermer, WGI)*
Theme is bikers. Rebecca to ask the hotel if Chris can bring his motorcycle into the conference room.

Bylaws – Chris McLaughlin (MacDriller) requested to suspend the By-Laws non-standing Subcommittee.
Chris Stermer agreed.

UAM – Chris Stermer (WGI) announced that the UAM non-standing Subcommittee would be suspended for now as well.

New Business/Old Business

New Business

Melbourne
Chris Stermer (WGI) – as soon as the room block is available in Melbourne, make sure you jump on it, because it will fill up.
Melbourne gave us, directly, a good deal for 1 more year.
I have a contact in Cocoa, that FLUG utilizes, that I'm going to reach out to.
Helms Brisco has to charge a little more to pay their rep we use.
If we keep growing, we can't stay at the Hilton Melbourne anymore.

Lori and I will look for a new place and try to have something by August.

UAM is going to fall off the agenda for now.

Old Business – nothing to report.

11:30am Adjournment

Motion to adjourn – Jay Helms (GFY)
2nd – Garth Thompson (GPI)

Telecom/Underground Interest Group Meeting

2023 Spring FUCC

Chair: Stephen Waidley, Frontier

Co-Chair: Heather Dean, Harbor Coordination Solutions

33 Attendees

Called to meeting at 2:53pm

Introduction of the Chairs

Stephen Waidley (Frontier) went over last meetings' notes.

Telecoms left in the ground.

Chuck Ferguson (Crown Castle) - Using flowable fill, don't have a vendor to remove conduits 9-10' in the ground

Michel Chapuseaux (GPI) – some vendors may shoot a bore and miss and then not tell you

Shawn Lewis (FDOT) – flowable fill is acceptable in the FDOT ROW, just have it on your permit

Chuck Ferguson (Crown Castle) – it's a high cost to remove them

Shawn Lewis (FDOT) – we'll address it, flowable fill is acceptable but you're still responsible for it. I'll talk to the DUA.

Jeanna Dean (Harbor Coordination Solutions) – sometimes the construction reviewer pushes back and says they can't accept the OOS note

Shawn Lewis (FDOT) – UAM doesn't tell them that they have to remove it.

Jeanna Dean (Harbor Coordination) – UAM is a minimum requirement, permit dept says they're going to require more

Shawn Lewis (FDOT) – Patrick said the new lady (Cynthia Snell) does not play the game of requiring more than the UAM. Dept is trying to be good partners.

Jeanna Dean (Harbor Coordination) – it's been questioned as to why it's been removed from the UAM

Shawn Lewis (FDOT) – contact our office

Joe (Turnpike) – we don't have any better options

Jeanna Dean (Harbor Coordination) – it makes sense on a case by case basis

Shawn Lewis (FDOT) – if you have problems, bubble it up to us, we may not agree with you, but we'll review it on a case by case basis.

Joe Bitar (FDOT, Turnpike) - Casing of gas main

Chuck Ferguson (Crown Castle) – this was brought up to Joe (USIC), he said it's an issue because of all the utilities left in the ground

Shawn Lewis (FDOT) – "I don't want" is not gonna work, we can correct those, that's not a problem

Stephen Waidley (Frontier) – to all you Utility Coordinators, when us Utilities send you markups, how many times do we include OOS conduits?

Jeanna Dean (Harbor Coordination) – you don't

Shawn Lewis (FDOT) – and that's what drives the utility coordinators crazy. It's not on your markups, and then they come across it in the field. Making it look like the utility coordinators are not doing their jobs. We ask that all utilities keep those records and include them on the markups. There's a way to do it, it'll add a little more work now, but will be much better in the future.

John MacDonald (Atkins) – Throw a tracer wire from box to box.

Warren Gilbreth (Hillsborough County Utilities) – whenever water pipes want to be left OOS, Hillsborough County has to run it by the ROW people, if it doesn't meet requirements to stay, it must be removed

John McDonald (Atkins) – if it's a metallic pipe, it's easier to find whose it is, plastic is a challenge to find the owner

811 wants it called out as OOS

Brian Dean (Sunshine 811) – we don't document anything, we'll just tell you who was on the Dig Ticket

Shawn Lewis (FDOT) – this meeting is great because you have people that have been around for a while and they know what it means to put conduits OOS and what happens after time goes by

Jeanna Dean (Harbor Coordination) – the reason we don't allow "Abandoned" is because you are still responsible

3rd Party Attachments – How to better coordinate them moving to new poles

Michel Chapuseaux (GPI) – sometimes the people at your company that receive the NJUNS notification may not be the person that can fix the situation

Stephen Waidley (Frontier) – Sometimes they cut off the pole below the bottom 3rd party and leave a floating pole.

Jeanna Dean (Harbor Coordination) – mentioned Hairy Poles, and talked about seeing a bunch of poles still left with only 3rd party attachment left

Shawn Lewis (FDOT) – there are approx. 20,000 double poles

Brian Dean (Sunshine 811) – Joint Use mentioned there will be an NJUNS presentation at the August meeting

Shawn Lewis (FDOT) – NJUNS is a very good tool, but until there is some legal enforcement behind removal of the pole, there are still going to be issues

Brian Mainella (HDR/FDOT) – asked Shawn about removing power cables from conduits and leaving power conduits in the ground

Shawn Lewis (FDOT) – one way to do it is say, “we’ll dig down to your conduit and then you cut it” and include that on the UWS

Brian Mainella (HDR/FDOT) – read UAM 3.16.10 – as long as it doesn’t interfere other utilities

Shawn Lewis (FDOT) – that’s right, we’ll let you place it OOS, as long as it doesn’t interfere with other utilities

Shawn Lewis (FDOT) – Joint-use in underground systems are going to grow, because utilities are growing and ROW is not. Any metropolis, there are soo many utilities.

Undergrounding – Coastal areas, drops, and joint-use

Jeanna Dean (Harbor Coordination) – joint-users coordinated to use a single bore instead of 10 individual bores

Brian Dean (Sunshine 811)– Bill Deal is looking to use a Joint-bore in the Orlando area, 6 telecoms

Super expensive

Jacksonville Jaguars stadium there were 7 joint-users

[PRESENTATION IDEA: joint-user trench/bores]

Deanna Campbell (HNTB/FDOT) – I haven’t seen one work unless 1 utility wants to take the lead, and for 1 contractor to do the work

Every utility wants to get their attorneys involved, if the casing gets damaged, who is responsible for fixing it?

Deanna Campbell (HNTB/FDOT) – on design build, the state paid for the conduits

Jeanna Dean (Harbor Coordination) – on Courtney Campbell, we received a quote and then 6 different entities sat around and discussed how much of it they’d each be responsible for, Lumen footed the bill

Shawn Lewis (FDOT) – someone is going to have to own the manhole, but divide the cost of the manhole up among all the parties involved.

Jeanna Dean (Harbor Coordination) – we had each one have their own manhole

Michel Chapuseaux (GPI) – most utilities don’t keep 6” conduits on hand all the time

Deanna Campbell (HNTB/FDOT) – Bill Deal had brought up the idea of all utilities using an agreement to all use the same duct bank owned by 1 utility, but the utilities were not down to share ownership of the manholes

Chuck Ferguson (Crown Castle) – we’re doing one with 7 different joint-users, 1 bore then pulling 7 conduits back, no sleeve

Mark Mathis (Zayo) – that’s what we did on Courtney Campbell, a common contractor that everyone was good with using pulled all the conduits and then they were just stubbed up for each individual utility to place their own handholes

Migrating poles from rear to front ROW

Brian Dean (Sunshine 811) – there are a lot of tickets coming in for it

Michel Chapuseaux (GPI) – they’re having issues with finding UG transformers, 5 year waiting period; in new neighborhoods they are placing UG systems with OH transformers

Jeanna Dean (Harbor Coordination) – 9 months for Duke

Monitor Facilities, not “Protect”

Jeanna Dean (Harbor Coordination) - If you use “Protect” you have to define what you mean

Michel Chapuseaux (GPI) – a utility put “Hold and Protect” does not cover ANY adjustments, so you can get hit with a delay, make sure you add “...Adjust as needed”

Jeanna Dean (Harbor Coordination) – some areas don’t like to use “...as needed”, but if you run into issues, bubble it up

Shawn Lewis (FDOT) – stuff that is on the UWS should be definite

Jeanna Dean (Harbor Coordination) – you have to explain the “as needed” part

Shawn Lewis (FDOT) – those are the kinds of words that you don’t put on your UWS. That’s where we get into trouble as a dept when we allow those non-definite things to be on the UWS. There are people out there that will greatly fluff their days, so it’s hard to decide what is reality and what is not.

Jeanna Dean (Harbor Coordination) – and that is why us coordinators question the number of days

Heather Dean (Harbor Coordination) – we definitely ask why there are so many days

Michel Chapuseaux (GPI) – don’t base your UWS off your locates

Shawn Lewis (FDOT) – we understand. Someone put 25 days to remove 1 pole. Make sure you utilize the dependent activities.

Stephen Waidley (Frontier), Chair, stated that we are looking for an incoming Chair for Telecom

Motion to adjourn – Michel Chapuseaux (GPI)

2nd – Aaron Moon (KCI)

Meeting adjourned at 4:01pm.

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TTC/MOT Interest Group Meeting

2023 Spring FUCC

- We had 14 in attendance
- Identified that comments and review is typically open in August and would like to have FUCC comments from the committee.
- Discussion over index 102-615
- The group shared challenges with TTC indexes when working on or near roundabouts
- The electric industry shared the desire to use law enforcement at each end of a work zone in lieu of rumble strips for work more than 2 hours but less than 8 hours. It's safer for the utility workers as well as the traveling public and has proven to be more effective than rumble strips.

Florida Utilities Coordinating Committee, Inc

Profit & Loss

03/02/23

January through December 2022

Accrual Basis

	Jan - Dec 22
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Meeting Registrations	52,380.00
Program Income	
Booth Rental	1,750.00
Total Program Income	1,750.00
Sponsorships	29,500.00
Total Income	83,630.00
Gross Profit	83,630.00
Expense	
Bank Service Charges	
Bank of America	-0.02
Constant Contact Partner Fee	396.44
PayPal Fees	2,571.13
Square Fee	22.74
Total Bank Service Charges	2,990.29
Business Expenses	
Business Registration Fees	61.25
Total Business Expenses	61.25
Contract Services	
Accounting Fees	625.00
Total Contract Services	625.00
Operations	
Books, Subscriptions, Reference	543.98
Postage, Mailing Service	182.00
Supplies	353.51
Website	28.68
Total Operations	1,108.17
Other Types of Expenses	
Insurance - Liability, D and O	477.88
Other Costs	-0.88
Total Other Types of Expenses	477.00
Travel and Meetings	
Annual Dinner	1,542.69
Awards	143.14
Door Prizes	450.00
Hospitality	7.42
Hotel Fees	67,016.24
Meeting Brochures / Booklets	1,105.66
Planning Services	11,415.80
Sponsorship Gifts	1,185.38
Total Travel and Meetings	82,866.33
Total Expense	88,128.04
Net Ordinary Income	-4,498.04
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