GUEST SPEAKERS

Executive Director Joe Waggoner
Tampa Hillsborough Expressway Authority

Prior to joining the THEA, Joe was the Chief of Planning and Development for the Maryland Transportation Authority. In that role he was responsible for the Authority’s Division of Strategic Development and Capital Planning. These divisions oversee capital programs for preservation and expansion of Maryland’s toll facilities, project planning and assessment of potential new toll facilities, and development of strategic/business plans for the Authority. Joe holds an undergraduate degree in geography and environmental planning from Towson University and a master’s degree in public policy from the University of Maryland. His education and more than 28 years of experience in the development of a variety of transportation modes have given him a broad perspective on key issues in transportation.

Secretary Paul Steinman - FDOT District 7

Paul Steinman has more than 25 years of DOT transportation experience in Florida, Idaho and Michigan. Named the District 7 Secretary in 2013, Paul provides administrative oversight for the planning, development and operations for all transportation modes within Citrus, Hillsborough, Hernando, Pasco and Pinellas counties. He serves as a member of the FDOT Executive Team, the Tampa Hillsborough Expressway Authority Board and the Tampa Bay Area Regional Transportation Authority Board. He is an active participant in the department’s effort for incorporating and implementing autonomous vehicle technologies within the transportation network.

Program Director Greg Krueger - HNTB

Greg Krueger, PE, of HNTB Corporation is an associate vice president and program director for emerging technologies in transportation, with an emphasis on automated and connected vehicles. Greg is responsible for program initiatives associated with emerging mobility solutions across the country. With more than 20 years of experience, Greg is working with both public and private sector clients to facilitate the deployment of connected and automated vehicles on the nation’s roadways. Previously, Greg was manager of the U.S. Department of Transportation’s Southeast Michigan Connected Vehicle Test Bed where he oversaw the day-to-day operations and technology enhancements for the original Proof of Concept facility.

Senior Staff Engineer Kaushik Raghu
Volkswagen Group of America

Kaushik Raghu is a senior staff engineer at the Electronics Research Laboratory in the San Francisco Bay Area. He manages the development and testing of various Audi advanced driver assistance systems and piloted driving functions in the U.S. He is actively involved in the development of Traffic Jam Pilot, a Level 3 automated driving function that will appear in the next-generation Audi A8. Raghu has tested these functions all over the US, is the recipient of the first Autonomous Vehicle Test permit from the state of California, and the first to test on a Florida autonomous vehicle test bed.

Directions to Media event and Next Generation Vehicle Technology display on Franklin Street adjacent to Gaslight Square Park:
- Head North on N. Tampa Street towards E. Jackson Street
- Turn right onto E. Kennedy Boulevard
- Turn left onto N. Franklin Street

How Tampa is Driving the Future of Transportation
May 17, 2016 | 9:30 am – 11:00 am

9:00 am Registration and Networking
9:30 am Welcome Remarks by Mayor Bob Buckhorn
9:35 am Keynote Remarks by The Honorable Ray LaHood, former U.S. Secretary of Transportation and Co-Chair of Building America’s Future
9:50 am Panel Discussion
  Moderated by Commissioner Beth Kigel - Florida Transportation Commission
  Fmr. Secretary Ray LaHood
  USDOT
  Senator Jeff Brandes
  Florida State Senate
  Chairman Mike Suarez
  Tampa City Council and HART
  Executive Director Joe Waggoner
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10:40 am Audience Q&A
10:58 am Closing Remarks
11:30 am Media event and Next Generation Vehicle Technology display on Franklin Street adjacent to Gaslight Square Park.

Press availability and demonstration of automated and connected vehicle technology following adjournment on Franklin Street adjacent to Gaslight Square Park.