

# **Pinellas County**

*333 Chestnut Street  
Clearwater, FL 33756*



## **Minutes - Final**

**Thursday, May 1, 2025**

**9:30 A.M.**

**Work Session/Agenda Briefing**

**Palm Room**

## **Board of County Commissioners**

*Brian Scott, Chair  
Dave Eggers, Vice-Chair  
René Flowers  
Chris Latvala  
Vince Nowicki  
Kathleen Peters  
Chris Scherer*

**ROLL CALL - 9:31 A.M.**

**Present:** Chair Brian Scott, Vice-Chair Dave Eggers, Commissioner René Flowers, Commissioner Chris Latvala, Commissioner Vince Nowicki, Commissioner Kathleen Peters, and Commissioner Chris Scherer

**Others Present:** Barry A. Burton, County Administrator; Don Crowell, Chief Assistant County Attorney; and Jessica Oakes, Board Reporter

Acting Chair Eggers indicated that a motion is needed to allow Chair Scott to participate virtually; whereupon, Commissioner Flowers made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Latvala and carried unanimously.

**1. Forward Pinellas Regional MPO Update**

Report and discussion regarding the function and purpose of metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs), historical context related to a potential merger of the MPOs of Hillsborough, Pasco, and Pinellas Counties, benefits and concerns regarding the formation of a regional MPO, actions taken to assess the feasibility of a regional MPO, and next steps.

Staff presenter: Whit Blanton, Forward Pinellas

Document displayed: *Tampa Bay Regional MPO - Progress and Next Steps*

Deviating from the order of the agenda, acting Chair Eggers indicated that the Feather Sound Community Services District Budget Update will be presented next.

**5. Feather Sound Community Services District Budget Update**

Report and discussion regarding the District's background, scope of work, community improvement projects, and Fiscal Year 2026 budget request.

Staff presenter: Kevin Chambers, Feather Sound Community Services District

Document displayed: *Feather Sound Community Services District FY2026*

**2. East Lake Library and Recreation Services District Budget Update**

Report and discussion regarding library services, Fiscal Year 2025 accomplishments, budget efficiencies, planned expansion of the East Lake Community Library, and the East Lake Recreation Services District's history, programs, infrastructure improvements, and operational needs.

Staff presenters: Lois Eannel, East Lake Community Library; and Mark Sanders, East Lake Recreation Services District

Documents displayed: *Spreading Our Wings FY 2026* and *East Lake Recreation Service District Budget Presentation FY 2026*

3. Palm Harbor Community Services District Budget Update

Report and discussion regarding Palm Harbor Parks and Recreation and the Palm Harbor Library, including history, missions, services, partnerships, revenues, expenses, and future plans.

Staff presenters: Matthew David and Erica Lynford, Palm Harbor Community Services Agency

Documents displayed: *Palm Harbor Parks & Recreation* and *Palm Harbor Library*

4. Pinellas Public Library Cooperative Budget Update

Report and discussion regarding library attendance, resources for the deaf and blind, museum pass partnerships, programs and activities, the purpose of the Pinellas Public Library Cooperative, and the budget request.

Staff presenter: Cheryl Morales, Pinellas Public Library Cooperative

Document displayed: *PPLC Connects Communities*

6. Greater Seminole Sports District Budget Update

Report and discussion regarding youth sports participation, anticipated revenue and expenses, accomplishments, future plans, the Fiscal Year 2026 budget, and capital improvement projects.

Partner presenters: Amanda Felten and Michael Powers, Unincorporated Seminole Sports Association

Document displayed: *2026 Fiscal Year Budget Presentation*

7. Advanced Traffic Management System Program Update

Report and discussion regarding program strategy, accomplishments, priorities, performance metrics, and various project updates.

Staff presenters: Kelli Hammer Levy and Tom Washburn, Public Works

Document displayed: *Advanced Traffic Management System (ATMS) Program Update*

8. Agenda Briefing

Referring to the agenda of the May 6 BCC meeting, Mr. Burton and staff, along with Attorney Crowell, provided information regarding the agenda items and responded to comments and queries by the members.

**ADJOURNMENT - 1:02 P.M.**