

PAC AGENDA – SUMMARY AGENDA ACTION SHEET
DATE: JULY 3, 2023

ITEM	ACTION TAKEN	VOTE
1. <u>CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL</u>	<p>The PAC held its July 3, 2023, meeting in the Palm Room at 333 Chestnut Street, Clearwater.</p> <p>The Chair, Brandon Berry, called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. and the members introduced themselves.</p> <p>Committee members in attendance included: Andrew Morris, Kimberly Mejia, Frances Leong Sharp, Jayme Lopko, Brandon Berry, Ryan Brinson, Britton Wilson, Derek Reeves, Pat McNeese (late arrival), Kathryn Younkin, Marcie Stenmark (late arrival) and Matt Jackson.</p> <p>Others in attendance: Dimitri Blanco, City of Oldsmar Intern; Tiffany Menard, City of Pinellas Park; Tom Scofield, Pinellas County; Matthew Kelly, Hill Ward Henderson; Alissa Hevesh, Pinellas County; Tatiana Childress, City of Oldsmar.</p>	
2. <u>INTRODUCTION OF EMMA WENNICK – NEW PROGRAM PLANNER</u>	Rodney Chatman introduced Emma Wennick, the new Program Planner with Forward Pinellas.	
3. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MAY 1, 2023 PAC MEETING</u>	Motion: Frances Leong Sharp Second: Kimberly Mejia	10-0
4. <u>REVIEW OF FORWARD PINELLAS AGENDA FOR JULY 12, 2023 MEETING</u> <u>PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS</u> A. <u>Countywide Plan Map Amendments</u> 1. Case CW 23-05 – Pinellas Park	Motion: Frances Leong Sharp Second: Kimberly Mejia	11-0
2. Case CW 23-06 – Tarpon Springs	Motion: Brandon Berry Second: Kimberly Mejia	11-0
3. Case CW 23-07 – Pinellas County	Motion: Kimberly Mejia Second: Derek Reeves	11-0

<p>B. <u>Proposed Amendments to the Countywide Plan</u></p>	<p>Reminding the members that these items had been previously presented in April and May, Jared Austin reviewed with the PAC members the proposed changes to the Countywide Plan that resulted from the latest update to the Target Employment and Industrial Land Study. He also outlined the proposed changes that would create a new index to evaluate transportation impacts to proposed Countywide Plan Map amendments across various modes rather than just automobile level of service, known as the Multimodal Accessibility (MAX) Index.</p> <p>Linda Fisher reviewed other proposed changes to the Countywide Rules regarding Transfers of Density/Intensity, Multijurisdictional Activity Centers, the Coastal High Hazard Area (CHHA), Density/Intensity Bonuses and a few housekeeping amendments. She noted that most of the proposed changes are not substantive and merely seek to clarify and codify existing language.</p> <p>Following the presentations by Forward Pinellas staff, the PAC recommended approval of the proposed amendments to the Countywide Plan.</p> <p>Motion: Britton Wilson Second: Kimberly Mejia</p>	<p>12-0</p>
<p><u>REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS</u> C. <u>CPA Actions and Forward Pinellas Administrative Review Items</u></p>	<p>Rodney Chatman advised the committee members that the Countywide Planning Authority approved one amendment to the Countywide Plan Map as submitted by Pinellas County. He further stated that Forward Pinellas staff administratively approved four Tier I amendments to the Countywide Plan Map and one map adjustment.</p>	
<p>5. <u>PLANNING TOPICS OF INTEREST</u> A. <u>Live Local Act (SB 102)</u></p>	<p>Linda Fisher outlined the new law which took effect on July 1, 2023, and pointed out potential local impacts resulting from state preemption over some local zoning regulations for residential and mixed-use developments on industrial or commercial land if at least 40% of the units are affordable for at least 30 years. Some questions were asked and answered. Subsequently, Ms. Fisher polled the PAC members to assess the local governments' familiarity with the law and local responses. Both Rodney Chatman and Linda Fisher advised that each municipality consult with its legal team sooner, rather than later, to get ahead of potential upcoming developments that will be sought because of this law.</p>	

<p>B. <u>Natural Emergencies Act (SB 250)</u></p>	<p>Linda Fisher alerted the PAC members about the new law that was signed, and immediately became effective, on June 29, 2023. She reviewed the language of the law, which establishes that “A county or municipality located entirely or partially within 100 miles of where either Hurricane Ian or Hurricane Nicole made landfall shall not...propose or adopt more restrictive or burdensome amendments to its comprehensive plan or land development regulations; or propose or adopt more restrictive or burdensome procedures, concerning review, approval, or issuance of a stie plan, development permit, or development order” before October 1, 2024. Additionally, it was noted that the bill also applies retroactively to September 28, 2022. Ms. Fisher highlighted some technical difficulties that exist in calculating the 100-mile radius. She advised that an official map or list of impacted local governments was needed from the state and that Forward Pinellas staff would be looking into it further. This was followed by some discussion and questions and answers. Ms. Fisher polled the PAC members to assess the familiarity with and responses to the new law by the municipalities.</p>	
<p>6. <u>OTHER PAC BUSINESS/PAC DISCUSSION AND UPCOMING AGENDA</u> A. <u>Pinellas SPOTlight Emphasis Areas Update (Information)</u></p>	<p>Rodney Chatman updated the committee on the recent activities related to the SPOTlight Emphasis Areas. He reminded the members that Forward Pinellas staff and its Waterborne Transportation Committee has been working for the last several years to advance waterborne transportation in Pinellas County. Although there have been some successes and failures over the years, recent developments are noteworthy. In collaboration with PSTA, the City of Clearwater, and the City of Dunedin, a restart plan for the Clearwater Ferry has been developed. If funding can be secured, this plan would provide service in downtown Clearwater and downtown Dunedin. On June 29th a Service Development Program grant application was submitted to FDOT to partially fund the capital and operating costs associated with the Clearwater Ferry restart plan. Notification should be received in the fall concerning the grant funds.</p>	
<p>B. <u>Cancellation of the July 31, 2023 PAC Meeting</u></p>	<p>Motion: Britton Wilson Second: Kimberly Mejia</p>	<p>12-0</p>
<p>C. <u>Upcoming Land Use Cases & Pre-App Meetings</u></p>	<p>Upon call by the chair for any land use cases or pre-app meetings to make Forward Pinellas staff aware of, none were heard.</p>	

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

PAC Chair

Date

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