

# **Pinellas County**

*315 Court Street  
Clearwater, FL 33756*



## **Minutes - Final**

**Tuesday, October 25, 2022**

**2:00 P.M.**

**Hybrid In-Person and Virtual Regular Meeting  
Public Hearings at 6:00 P.M.  
5th Floor Assembly Room**

### **Board of County Commissioners**

*Charlie Justice, Chairman*

*Janet C. Long, Vice-Chair*

*Dave Eggers*

*Rene Flowers*

*Pat Gerard*

*Kathleen Peters*

*Karen Williams Seel*

**ROLL CALL - 2:03 P.M.**

**Present:** 7 - Chairman Charlie Justice, Vice-Chair Janet C. Long, Dave Eggers, Rene Flowers, Pat Gerard, Kathleen Peters, and Karen Williams Seel

**Others Present:** Barry A. Burton, County Administrator; Jewel White, County Attorney; Derelynn Revie, Board Records Manager; and Teresa Ribble, Board Reporter, Deputy Clerk

**INVOCATION by Reverend Andy Oliver, Allendale United Methodist Church, St. Petersburg.**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE****PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS****1. Veterans Day Proclamation:**

American Legion Safety Harbor Post

- David Clinger, Post Adjutant

- Everette Smedley, Post Financial Officer, and his Service Dog Hercules

Chairman Justice invited the American Legion members to the podium, read a proclamation recognizing November 11 as Veterans Day, and acknowledged the importance of the American Legion to veterans and their families; whereupon, Messrs. Clinger and Smedley thanked the Board for its support, and Chairman Justice thanked them for their efforts on behalf of the 100,000 veterans who reside in Pinellas County.

**2. National Community Planning Month Proclamation:**

- Rebecca Stonefield, Strategic Initiative Manager, Housing and Community Development

- Smita Ambadi, Principal Planner, Housing and Community Development

Chairman Justice read a proclamation recognizing October 2022 as National Community Planning Month, discussed how planning helps manage changes affecting community development, and recognized the dedication of the BCC and other County boards and citizen planners contributing to the improvement of Pinellas County. Mses. Stonefield and Ambadi thanked the Board for the recognition.

**3. Employee Recognition Award:**

Housing and Community Development

- Rebecca Wayne

- Sheri Harris

- Joe Riddle

- Natasha Suarez

## Public Works

- Don Robinson
- Josie Benwell
- Alissa Berro
- Drew McLean
- Tyler Cothron

Chairman Justice recognized Housing and Community Development staff and invited them to the podium. A video was played, which provided an overview of the Department's part in the design and implementation of the County's Emergency Rental Assistance Program and highlighted the accomplishments of the recipients; whereupon, Mr. Burton acknowledged their efforts to assist residents, and staff provided brief comments and thanked the Board for the recognition.

Chairman Justice recognized Public Works staff and invited them to the podium. A video was played, which discussed the Department's re-accreditation from the American Public Works Association and highlighted the efforts of the recipients. Mr. Burton thanked them for their professionalism, dedication, and commitment to implementing best practices throughout the County, and staff thanked the Board for its support.

**4. Partner Presentation:**

- Kevin Hendrick, Superintendent, Pinellas County Schools

Mr. Hendrick discussed his professional background and provided an update regarding successes at Pinellas County Schools during the first academic quarter, elaborating on the following initiatives and other matters:

- The implementation of new progress monitoring assessments
- New collaborative programs with local businesses and foundations
- The expansion of voluntary pre-kindergarten programs
- New and expanded college and career centers and programs at high schools
- Ensuring federal stimulus funds are spent responsibly
- Collaborative efforts with County staff to effectively prepare and respond to crises

Chairman Justice and Commissioner Eggers expressed their appreciation to Mr. Hendrick for his advocacy for teachers, students, and parents and his efforts to keep the public informed. In response to queries by Commissioner Long, Mr. Hendrick indicated that the school system's greatest need is to acquire more mentor matches for students; and that finding high quality employees is the biggest challenge; whereupon, he spoke about the partnership between the schools and the County.

**CITIZENS TO BE HEARD****5. Citizens To Be Heard - Public Comment.**

Anthony Stillo, Clearwater  
Mary Mallon, Seminole

Greg Pound, Largo  
David Ballard Geddis, Jr., Palm Harbor (submitted document)  
Andy Oliver, St. Petersburg

**CONSENT AGENDA - Items 6 through 18**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Eggers, seconded by Commissioner Seel, that the Consent Agenda items be approved . The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Peters, and Commissioner Seel

**CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND COMPTROLLER**

- 6. Minutes of the regular meeting held August 2, 2022.  
Approved as part of the Consent Agenda**

Reports received for filing:

- 7. Dock Fee Report for the month of September 2022.  
Approved as part of the Consent Agenda**
- 8. Quarterly Report of Routine Dock & Dredge/Fill Permits issued from July 1 through September 30.  
Approved as part of the Consent Agenda**
- 9. Division of Inspector General, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller, Report No. 2022-16 dated August 3, 2022 - Audit of the Business Technology Services Administrative Petty Cash Fund.  
Approved as part of the Consent Agenda**
- 10. Division of Inspector General, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller, Report No. 2022-17 dated September 26, 2022 - Inspector General's Observation of the Parks and Conservation Resources Fort De Soto Park Annual Physical Inventory of Fixed Assets.  
Approved as part of the Consent Agenda**

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR DEPARTMENTS**

County Administrator

- 11. Receipt and file report of non-procurement items delegated to the County Administrator for the period ending September 30, 2022.  
Approved as part of the Consent Agenda**
- 12. Receipt and file report of purchasing items delegated to the County Administrator for the quarter ending September 30, 2022.  
Approved as part of the Consent Agenda**

Human Services

13. Award of bid to Erickson & Lindstrom Construction Co. for the Bayside Health Clinic expansion.

Contract No. 22-0607-CP (PID Nos. 001475E and 001475G) awarded in an amount not to exceed \$1,641,011.41. All work to be completed within 430 consecutive calendar days from notice to proceed date.

**Approved as part of the Consent Agenda**

14. Ranking of firms and agreement with Curaparr, Inc. d/b/a Center for Rational Living and WestCare Gulfcoast Florida, Inc. for Adult Drug Court Treatment.

(Contract No. 22-0371-P) Ranking of firms and agreement approved in an amount not to exceed \$6,125,000.00 (Center for Rational Living, \$1,173,350.00; WestCare, \$4,951,650.00). Agreement is effective from October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2027.

**Approved as part of the Consent Agenda**

Public Works

15. Award of bid to MTM Contractors, Inc. for Starkey Road corridor sidewalk from SR688/Ulmerton Road to East Bay Drive.

Contract No. 22-0539-CP (PID No. 004229A) awarded in the amount of \$2,499,255.46 on the basis of being the lowest responsive, responsible bid received meeting specifications. All work is expected to be completed within 365 consecutive calendar days.

**Approved as part of the Consent Agenda**

## COUNTY ATTORNEY

16. Receipt and file report of civil lawsuits filed against Pinellas County as delegated to the County Attorney.

**Approved as part of the Consent Agenda**

## AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS AND COUNCILS

Sheriff's Office

17. Receipt and file report of Sheriff's Office grants received and service contracts for the quarter ending September 30, 2022.

**Approved as part of the Consent Agenda**

18. Receipt and file report of the Law Enforcement Trust Fund for the quarter ending September 30, 2022.

**Approved as part of the Consent Agenda**

**REGULAR AGENDA**

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA - None.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR DEPARTMENTS

Convention and Visitors Bureau

19. Third Amendment to the contract for requirements of Planning Support Services.

Amendment to Contract No. 178-0356-P approved increasing the amount by \$149,004.00 for a revised total expenditure in the amount of \$5,979,904.00 through February 4, 2024 (revised annual expenditure, \$1,195,980.80).

**A motion was made by Commissioner Eggers, seconded by Vice-Chair Long, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Peters, and Commissioner Seel

Housing & Community Development

20. First Amendment to the Community Development Block Grant Program Subaward Specific Performance and Land Use Restriction Agreement with Directions for Mental Health, Inc. d/b/a Directions for Living for Community Development Block Grant funded facility renovations.

Amendment approved increasing the funding amount by \$170,777.00, for a revised total of \$443,812.00. Term of the agreement extended to September 30, 2023, and term of the land use Restricted Period extended to October 1, 2043.

In response to queries by Commissioner Eggers, Planning Section Manager Joe Riddle clarified that the additional funding will be utilized for a roof replacement; that staff has asked the contractors working on the project to provide further quotes for the replacement in an effort to reduce the cost; and that because the funding will be awarded on a reimbursement basis, any leftover monies will be returned.

**A motion was made by Vice-Chair Long, seconded by Commissioner Flowers, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Peters, and Commissioner Seel

Human Services

21. Grant agreement with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement for the Statewide Criminal Analysis Laboratory System Grant.

Agreement approved providing supplemental funding in an amount not to exceed \$265,000.00 for Fiscal Year 2023 for the Pinellas County Forensic Laboratory. No County match is required.

**A motion was made by Vice-Chair Long, seconded by Commissioner Eggers, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Peters, and Commissioner Seel

22. Interlocal Agreement with the Public Defender's Office of the Sixth Judicial Circuit to support jail diversion, juvenile crossover case management and therapy, information technology staff, and the Pinellas County Mental Health Court.

Agreement approved in the total amount of \$1,628,710.00 for Fiscal Year 2023.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Gerard, seconded by Commissioner Flowers, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Peters, and Commissioner Seel

Public Works

23. Grant agreement with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for the Vulnerability Assessment Phase II.

Agreement No. 22PLN94 approved in the amount of \$700,000.00 to be reimbursed over a two-year period; agreement term is through December 31, 2024. No County match is required.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Gerard, seconded by Vice-Chair Long, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Peters, and Commissioner Seel

Safety and Emergency Services

24. Amendment No. 1 to the Fire Station 19 Funding Agreement between the County and the Lealman Special Fire Control District.

Amendment approved to provide additional funding in the amount of \$787,000.00 on a reimbursement basis due to increasing costs (total project cost, \$4,387,000.00, including previously distributed funds).

**A motion was made by Vice-Chair Long, seconded by Commissioner Gerard, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Peters, and Commissioner Seel

**25. Award acceptance of the Fiscal Year 2022 Office of Community Oriented Policing Services Technology and Equipment Program funding.**

Approval granted to grant administrator to electronically accept the grant award in the amount of \$1,750,000.00. No match is required.

**A motion was made by Vice-Chair Long, seconded by Commissioner Flowers, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Peters, and Commissioner Seel

**26. Extension of the Hazardous Materials Response Team Agreement with the Cities of Pinellas Park, Seminole, St. Petersburg, and the Palm Harbor Special Fire Control & Rescue District.**

Extension for a period of five years approved through September 30, 2027, retroactive to October 1, 2022, for a total cost of \$2,232,434.00.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Eggers, seconded by Commissioner Gerard, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Peters, and Commissioner Seel

**27. Resolution and application to receive Emergency Medical Services Trust Fund monies for pre-hospital emergency medical services.**

Application and Resolution No. 22-94 approved certifying that monies received from the State will be used to improve and expand pre-hospital emergency medical services. Grant revenue in the amount of \$146,385.00 will be awarded upon application, with no matching funds required.

**A motion was made by Vice-Chair Long, seconded by Commissioner Gerard, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Peters, and Commissioner Seel



## AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS AND COUNCILS

Emergency Medical Services Authority

28. Advanced Life Support First Responder Agreements with 16 municipalities and independent fire districts.

Agreements approved in a total not-to-exceed amount of \$44,530,810.00. The agreements continue the initial five-year term beginning on October 1, 2019 and ending on September 30, 2024, with the option for one additional five-year extension; they are a consolidated and restated agreement, incorporating previous and current amendments, as outlined in the Staff Report.

In response to a query by Commissioner Eggers, Deputy Director of Safety and Emergency Services David Hare indicated that agreements with the cities of St. Petersburg and St. Pete Beach are forthcoming.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Gerard, seconded by Commissioner Flowers, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Peters, and Commissioner Seel

## COUNTY ATTORNEY

29. County Attorney Office Policy - Legal Representation of Multiple Clients.

Revised policy approved. Attorney White indicated that, as previously discussed, the purpose of the revisions is to ensure consistency with the current law and improve readability.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Gerard, seconded by Vice-Chair Long, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Peters, and Commissioner Seel

30. County Attorney Reports.

Attorney White referred to a request for a waiver of conflict between the County and the Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller that was presented at a previous work session meeting. She indicated that the County and the Clerk's office have a common interest in defending a lawsuit that was filed against both; and that the Clerk has already approved the waiver.

**A motion was made by Vice-Chair Long, seconded by Commissioner Seel, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Peters, and Commissioner Seel

## COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

**31.** County Administrator Reports.

Mr. Burton related that his Office is continuing work pertaining to staff evaluations.

## COUNTY COMMISSION

**32.** Appointments to the Greater Seminole Area Special Recreation District (Board of County Commissioners as a whole).

The following individuals were appointed to the Greater Seminole Area Special Recreation District for a term of four years, beginning November 1, 2022:

- Katelyn Bunday
- Mark Strickland

**A motion was made by Commissioner Seel, seconded by Commissioner Flowers, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Peters, and Commissioner Seel

**33.** Approve two reappointments to the Local Planning Agency (Individual reappointments by Commissioners Gerard and Eggers).

The following individuals were reappointed to the Local Planning Agency for a term of four years, beginning November 9, 2022:

- Stanley Cataldo (Commissioner Gerard)
- Rodney Collman (Commissioner Eggers)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Eggers, seconded by Commissioner Gerard, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Peters, and Commissioner Seel

**34.** Appointments to the Tourist Development Council (Board of County Commissioners as a whole).

The following individuals were reappointed, by ballot vote, to the Tourist Development Council for a term of four years, beginning November 1, 2022:

- Julie Ward-Bujalski
- Doreen Moore
- Phil Henderson
- Russ Kimball

**35. County Commission New Business: Pertinent and Timely Committee/Board Updates, Policy Considerations, Administrative/Procedural Considerations, and other New Business:**

Chairman Justice referred to the Board's work session held on October 20 and indicated that the members need to re-vote and select a new Commission appointee to the Pinellas Educational Facilities Authority. Following a ballot vote, Noreen Hodges was reappointed.

The members provided updates regarding their assigned boards and committees and commented on various topics, as follows:

Commissioner Eggers

- Forward Pinellas
- Changes to state laws impacting residential development
- Downtown Palm Harbor advisory board meeting
- East Lake Fire Prevention Extravaganza

Commissioner Flowers

- Pinellas County Urban League's Annual Equal Opportunity Day Gala Dinner
- Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast
- Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority (TBARTA) report
- County job fair at St. Petersburg campus of Pinellas Technical College
- Education initiatives
- CSX Transportation presentation

Commissioner Long

- TBARTA report
- Skyway Lighting Resolution procedure

Commissioner Gerard

- Sun Runner grand-opening

Chairman Justice

- November General Election early voting

**Meeting Recessed: 3:35 P.M.**

**Meeting Reconvened: 6:02 P.M.**

6:00PM

## PUBLIC HEARINGS

### AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS AND COUNCILS

#### Countywide Planning Authority

- 36.** Case No. CW 22-15 - City of Clearwater  
Countywide Plan Map amendment from Office to Retail and Services, regarding 0.74 acres more or less, located at 1640 Gulf to Bay Boulevard.

Ordinance No. 22-30 adopted approving Case No. CW 22-15. Forward Pinellas, in its role as the Pinellas Planning Council, and the Planners Advisory Committee recommended approval of the proposal; staff concurred. No correspondence has been received. No citizens appeared to be heard.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Gerard, seconded by Vice-Chair Long, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, and Commissioner Peters

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Seel

- 37.** Case No. CW 22-16 - Pinellas County  
Countywide Plan Map amendment from Residential Very Low, Residential Low Medium and Recreation/Open Space to Residential Low Medium and Recreation/Open Space, regarding 64.1 acres more or less, located at 36750 U.S. Highway 19 North.

Ordinance No. 22-31 adopted approving Case No. CW 22-16. Forward Pinellas, in its role as the Pinellas Planning Council, and the Planners Advisory Committee recommended approval of the proposal; staff concurred. No correspondence has been received. The BCC approved a companion local amendment to the Pinellas County Future Land Use Map (FLU-21-06) at its May 24, 2022 meeting.

Forward Pinellas Planning Division Manager Rodney Chatman related that the purpose of the amendment is to facilitate the creation of a short golf course and residential development; that the proposed amendment consists of 14 separate parcels within the Innisbrook Resort, creating Parcel L with a maximum of 180 units and extinguishing 92 units allocated towards parcels B, D, E, G, and H, and changing those to Recreation/Open Space (R/OS) designation. He related that overall, there is a decrease of R/OS from 73% to 71.5% as a result from the proposed amendment; whereupon, he noted that staff evaluated the amendment for any impact on Coastal High Hazard Area; that it is consistent with the Countywide Plan; and that staff recommends approval.

Responding to a query by Commissioner Flowers, Ed Armstrong, Hill Ward Henderson, representative for the applicant, indicated that communication with the neighbors has resulted in a letter of support; that residents' concerns regarding view obstruction have been addressed; and that additional information will be provided under the related Item No. 42.

No one appeared in response to the Chair's call for public comment.

**A motion was made by Vice-Chair Long, seconded by Commissioner Flowers, that the item be approved.**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, and Commissioner Peters

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Seel

- 38.** Case No. CW 22-18 - Pinellas County  
Countywide Plan Amendment from Residential Medium to Residential High, regarding 4.3 acres more or less, located at 6464 54th Avenue North.

Ordinance No. 22-32 adopted approving Case No. CW 22-18. Forward Pinellas, in its role as the Pinellas Planning Council, and the Planners Advisory Committee recommended approval of the proposal; staff concurred. No correspondence has been received. No citizens appeared to be heard.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Flowers, seconded by Vice-Chair Long, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, and Commissioner Peters

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Seel

- 39.** Case No. CW 22-19 - Pinellas County  
Countywide Plan Map amendment from Residential Low Medium to Office, regarding 0.13 acres more or less, located at 3205 Alternate U.S. 19 North.

Ordinance No. 22-33 adopted approving Case No. CW 22-19. Forward Pinellas, in its role as the Pinellas Planning Council, and the Planners Advisory Committee recommended approval of the proposal; staff concurred. No correspondence has been received. No citizens appeared to be heard.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Eggers, seconded by Vice-Chair Long, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, and Commissioner Peters

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Seel

40. Case No. CW 22-20 - City of Clearwater  
Countywide Plan Map amendment from Office to Public/Semi-Public, regarding 1.86 acres more or less, located at 905 South Highland Avenue.

Ordinance No. 22-34 adopted approving Case No. CW 22-20. Forward Pinellas, in its role as the Pinellas Planning Council, and the Planners Advisory Committee recommended approval of the proposal; staff concurred. No correspondence has been received. No citizens appeared to be heard.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Gerard, seconded by Vice-Chair Long, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, and Commissioner Peters

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Seel

41. Case No. CW 22-17 - City of Tarpon Springs  
Countywide Plan Map amendment from Residential Low Medium to Activity Center, regarding 0.32 acres more or less, located at 100 and 108 North Ring Avenue.

Ordinance No. 22-35 adopted approving Case No. CW 22-17. Forward Pinellas, in its role as the Pinellas Planning Council, and the Planners Advisory Committee recommended approval of the proposal; staff concurred. No correspondence has been received. No citizens appeared to be heard.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Gerard, seconded by Commissioner Flowers, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, and Commissioner Peters

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Seel

## BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

42. Case No. FLU-21-06 (Salamander Innisbrook, LLC) (second public hearing)  
An Ordinance amending the Future Land Use Map of Pinellas County, Florida, by changing the land use designation of approximately 64.1 acres located at 36750 U.S. Highway 19 North in Palm Harbor; from Recreation/Open Space, Residential Suburban and Residential Low Medium to Residential Low; and from Residential Estate Residential Suburban and Residential Low Medium to Recreation/Open Space. (Companion to Item No. 43)

Ordinance No. 22-36 adopted approving Case No. FLU-21-06. The Local Planning Agency recommended approval of the amendments, and staff concurred. Two letters and seven emails in opposition have been received.

Attorney White indicated that since Items Nos. 42 and 43 are companion, there will be one staff presentation and one opportunity for public comment for both.

Referring to a PowerPoint presentation containing maps and photographs, Long Range Planning Manager Scott Swarengen pointed out the location of the subject property, described the surrounding land uses, and provided background information regarding the application and the property. He related that 2,305 residential units were approved to be developed in the late 1960s as part of the Innisbrook master plan; that 1,876 units have been built to date; and that the applicant is proposing to modify one of four golf courses on the property by converting a portion of it into a short golf course and redeveloping the remaining portion to build 180 of the 429 units available through the master plan; whereupon, he explained how the proposed amendment would support the request.

Mr. Swarengen highlighted that no new residential units are being proposed; that Residential Low designation would bring the density down to 5 units per acre; that the applicant is committed to mitigating impacts that a small portion of residential units may have on a Coastal High Hazard Area; that the proposal would decrease the current amount of non-dedicated recreation/open space land on the property from 73% to 72% for a net reduction total of 11.35 acres; and that a traffic impact study showed minimal impact on surrounding public roadways.

Mr. Swarengen elaborated on various mitigation efforts, relating that there will be removal of invasive plant species and native replanting throughout various areas of the resort; that the roads will meet current base flood elevation; and that all habitable buildings will be constructed to exceed the current finished floor elevation by two feet.

Mr. Swarengen stated that staff finds the proposed amendment to be compatible with the surrounding uses and consistent with the Pinellas County Comprehensive Plan; that impacts are minimal; and that both the Development Review Committee and Local Planning Agency recommended approval.

Cyndi Tarapani, Tarpon Springs, appeared and indicated that she is the planner for the project. She reviewed the revised buffer plans to include specific trees, fencing, and retaining wall; whereupon, she read and presented the Clerk with an email from an affected neighborhood to the north of the subject property expressing their satisfaction with the buffer solution.

Upon the Chairman's call for public comment, James Onembo, Palm Harbor, appeared virtually and requested that a traffic light be installed at the intersection of Belcher Road and Innisbrook Drive to address safety concerns.

In response to the above concern, Ed Armstrong, Hill Ward Henderson, the applicant's representative, pointed out that the applicant has partnered with the County to examine the traffic impacts; and that the request has not been heard during the several community outreach meetings; whereupon, Traffic Engineer Christopher Hatton, Kimley Horn, appeared and related that the County has been reviewing the traffic at that intersection, noting that the most traffic related to the development is anticipated to occur at Klosterman Road intersection, with minimal impact to the Belcher Road intersection, and Mr. Burton provided input.

**A motion was made by Vice-Chair Long, seconded by Commissioner Seel, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Peters, and Commissioner Seel

**43. Case No. DMP-21-02 (Salamander Innisbrook, LLC)**

A request for a Development Master Plan modification on a Residential Planned Development zoned property to transfer existing unused residential entitlements from various areas of the 844.55-acre Development Master Plan to newly designated 53.71-acre Parcel L to allow for the development of 180 residential units consisting of single family detached homes and townhouses, for the property located at 36750 U.S. Highway 19 North in Palm Harbor. (Quasi-Judicial Hearing) (Companion to Item No. 42)

Resolution No. 22-95 adopted approving Case No. DMP-21-02. The Local Planning Agency recommended approval of the modification to the Development Master Plan, and staff concurred. Two letters and seven emails in opposition have been received. The item is addressed under Item No. 42.

**A motion was made by Vice-Chair Long, seconded by Commissioner Seel, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Peters, and Commissioner Seel

**44. Case No. ZON-22-06 (Pinellas County) (second public hearing)**

A request for a change of Zoning from Residential Planned Development (4.14 acres) and Preservation/Conservation (7.86 acres) to Facility-Based Recreation (12 acres) on approximately 12 acres located on the south side of Duval Park Boulevard approximately 400 feet east of 44th Way North in Lealman. (Quasi-Judicial)

Resolution No. 22-96 adopted approving the zoning change. The Local Planning Agency recommended approval of the request, and staff concurred. Two letters in support and three letters in opposition have been received. No citizens appeared to be heard.

**A motion was made by Vice-Chair Long, seconded by Commissioner Peters, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Peters, and Commissioner Seel

**45. Ordinance adopting a new Pinellas County Comprehensive Plan to be known as PLANPinellas; providing for a new Vision Element, the update and replacement of each Element and the associated Future Land Use Category Descriptions and Rules, as per State Statute requirements. (second public hearing)**



Ordinance No. 22-37 adopted approving Case No. CP-21-03; PLANPinellas will be effective January 1, 2023, replacing the 2008 Comprehensive Plan. The Local Planning Agency recommended approval of the plan. One email stating concerns has been received. No citizens appeared to be heard.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Gerard, seconded by Vice-Chair Long, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Peters, and Commissioner Seel

46. Petition of Robert D. Saner, Jennifer L. Saner, Ben Warren Gillen, Molly Glaser, 2013-1 IH Borrower LP, and Jeffrey L. Gray to vacate the west ten feet and east five feet, of the south 260 feet of 18th Street lying north of and adjacent to the north right-of-way of Georgia Avenue and ease of Block 79 and west of Block 78, Map of Sutherland, Plat Book H1, Page 1, Public Records of Pinellas County, Florida, lying in Section 1-28-15, Pinellas County, Florida. (Legislative Hearing)

Resolution No. 22-97 adopted granting the petition. Letters of no objection have been received from the appropriate parties, with Spectrum advising that the petitioner will bear the expense of any required relocation of its facilities. Interested property owners have been notified as to the date of the public hearing. One email in opposition has been received. No citizens appeared to be heard.

Responding to a query by Commissioner Eggers, Public Works Director Kelli Hammer Levy related that Transportation Division Section Manager Brent Hall was able to establish an amicable resolution regarding a utility easement with the property owners.

**A motion was made by Vice-Chair Long, seconded by Commissioner Peters, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Peters, and Commissioner Seel

47. Petition of Antonia M. Raudszus and Justin P. Adams to vacate that portion of the 15-foot public utilities easement located in Lot 4, Block 7 (12077 92nd Way North), Oak Park Subdivision Unit Three, Plat Book 76, Page 81, Lying in Section 11-30-15, Pinellas County, Florida. (Quasi-Judicial Hearing)

Resolution No. 22-98 adopted granting the petition. Letters of no objection have been received from the appropriate parties. Interested property owners have been notified as to the date of the public hearing. No correspondence has been received.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Flowers, seconded by Commissioner Gerard, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Chairman Justice, Vice-Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Gerard, Commissioner Peters, and Commissioner Seel

ADJOURNMENT - 6:55 P.M.

*Janet C. Long*  
Chair

ATTEST: KEN BURKE, CLERK

By *Deilyn Lewis*  
Deputy Clerk

