

Pinellas County

*315 Court Street
Clearwater, FL 33756*



Minutes - Final

Tuesday, August 1, 2023

9:30 A.M.

Hybrid In-Person and Virtual Regular Meeting

5th Floor Assembly Room

Board of County Commissioners

Janet C. Long, Chair

Kathleen Peters, Vice-Chair

Dave Eggers

René Flowers

Charlie Justice

Chris Latvala

Brian Scott

ROLL CALL - 9:33 A.M.

Present: 7 - Chair Janet C. Long, Vice-Chair Kathleen Peters, Dave Eggers, René Flowers, Charlie Justice, Chris Latvala, and Brian Scott

Others Present: Barry A. Burton, County Administrator; Jewel White, County Attorney; Derelynn Revie, Board Records Manager; and Jenny Masinovsky, Senior Board Reporter, Deputy Clerk

INVOCATION by Father Omar Reyes, St. Albans Episcopal Church, St. Pete Beach.**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE****PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS**

1. Purple Heart Day Proclamation:
 - Marc McCabe, Bureau Chief / Chief Service Officer, Vietnam Veterans of America
 - Reggie Fujimoto, Director, Pinellas County Veterans Services

Chair Long read a proclamation recognizing August 7, 2023 as Purple Heart Day; whereupon, Messrs. McCabe and Fujimoto provided brief remarks.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

2. Citizens To Be Heard - Public Comment.

David Ballard Geddis, Jr., Palm Harbor
Mack Johnson, Largo
Fred Vanore, Seminole (submitted document)
Greg Pound, Largo

In response to concerns expressed by Mr. Vanore, Deputy County Administrator/Chief of Staff Jill Silverboard, with input from Mr. Burton, provided comments regarding the Baypointe stormwater project, relating that a Brownfield grant was applied for and denied; that staff is working with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) regarding chemical contamination on the site; that the permitting process and design are in the early stages; that the site was acquired for stormwater purposes; and that staff will continue to work with the residents regarding the project; whereupon, Commissioner Peters stated that cleaning up the site is essential for the health and safety of the residents.

Commissioner Long compared the Baypointe project to the Lake Seminole excavation, noting that Lake Seminole was a dead lake but is now thriving.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

All public hearing items have been properly advertised. Affidavits of Publication have been received and are on file in the Board Records Department.

AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS AND COUNCILS

Countywide Planning Authority

3. Case No. CW 23-05 - City of Pinellas Park
Countywide Plan Map amendment from Retail and Services to Employment, regarding 12.9 acres more or less, located at 10601 U.S. Highway 19 North.

Ordinance No. 23-11 adopted approving Case No. CW 23-05. Forward Pinellas, in its role as the Pinellas Planning Council, and the Planners Advisory Committee, recommended approval of the amendment; staff concurred. No correspondence has been received.

Upon the Chair's call for public comment, Jaime Maier, Clearwater, indicated that she is the agent for the applicant and provided brief comments regarding the amendment, noting that she is available to answer any questions.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Long, Vice-Chair Peters, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Latvala, and Commissioner Scott

4. Case No. CW 23-06 - City of Tarpon Springs
Countywide Plan Map amendment from Residential Medium to Public/Semi-Public, regarding 1.06 acres more or less, located at 200 Dixie Highway.

Ordinance No. 23-12 adopted approving Case No. CW 23-06. Forward Pinellas, in its role as the Pinellas Planning Council, and the Planners Advisory Committee, recommended approval of the amendment; staff concurred. No correspondence has been received. No citizens appeared to be heard.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Long, Vice-Chair Peters, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Latvala, and Commissioner Scott

5. Case No. CW 23-07 - Pinellas County
Countywide Plan Map amendment from Employment, Target Employment Center and No Designation to Public/Semi-Public and Target Employment Center, regarding 18.5 acres more or less, located at 13690 Stoneybrook Drive.

Ordinance No. 23-13 adopted approving Case No. CW 23-07. Forward Pinellas, in its role as the Pinellas Planning Council, and the Planners Advisory Committee, recommended approval of the amendment; staff concurred. No correspondence has been received. No citizens appeared to be heard.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Long, Vice-Chair Peters, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Latvala, and Commissioner Scott

6. Ordinance amending the Countywide Plan (first public hearing).

First public hearing held. Forward Pinellas, in its role as Pinellas Planning Council, recommended approval of the amendments to the Countywide Plan, and staff concurred. No correspondence has been received.

Forward Pinellas Planning Division Manager Rodney Chatman indicated that Pinellas County's lack of vacant land is creating redevelopment challenges; thus, the need to evolve and amend the Countywide Plan. He related that most of the recommended changes are derived from recent studies; that the County staff and city planners agree on them; that some changes will reorganize and clarify the tools planners can use as they regulate redevelopment; and that there is a need to streamline processes and create flexibility needed to enable the right type of development.

Referring to a PowerPoint presentation containing photographs and maps relating to the proposed amendments, Forward Pinellas Principal Planner Jared Austin provided information on the redevelopment and policy history, proposed amendments, and policy recommendations, noting that the majority of changes are related to the Target Employment and Industrial Land Study; that the very limited amount of the remaining vacant employment and industrial land that is critical to continued economic vitality of the County has come under a lot of pressure to be converted to residential and commercial uses; and that while certain previous policy changes have been successful, the policy has not been accommodating to modern employment uses. He highlighted the following policy update recommendations:

- Utilize a more sub-categorization approach, rather than "one size fits all" approach by moving toward employment categories that better reflect the nature of existing employment in the County
- Expand certain existing Target Employment Centers
- Incentivize a greater mix of uses
- Implement Multimodal Accessibility Index to evaluate potential transportation impacts of the proposed amendments

- Reorganize and clarify existing provisions; codify allowed practices; add formal requirements for amendments in the Coastal High Hazard Area; add amendments regarding graywater and stormwater density bonuses; clean up current provisions for transferable development rights, density averaging, and density pools; spell out process regarding activity centers and multimodal corridors; and make basic housekeeping changes relating to deadlines and legal advertisement requirements

Mr. Austin further discussed the proposed new subcategories and qualifications to increase flexibility of uses in conjunction with the Target Employment Center based on feedback from local government entities and State regulations; whereupon, he, with input from Mr. Chatman, responded to queries by the members regarding the amendments, including a hybrid of the employment and other uses, roadway levels of service impacts, Forward Pinellas' decision on the amendments, partnering with the cities and other entities on the matter, and more.

Upon the Chair's call for public comment, David Ballard Geddis, Jr., Palm Harbor, stated his opinion regarding the item.

CONSENT AGENDA - Items 7 through 12

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Long, Vice-Chair Peters, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Latvala, and Commissioner Scott

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND COMPTROLLER

7. Minutes of the regular BCC Meetings held on May 9 and June 13, 2023.

The item was approved as part of the Consent Agenda.

8. Vouchers and bills paid from June 25 through July 8, 2023.

Period June 25 - July 1, 2023

Accounts Payable - \$36,078,422.92

Payroll - None

Period July 2 - July 8, 2023

Accounts Payable - \$56,147,383.64

Payroll - \$4,264,307.71

The item was approved as part of the Consent Agenda.

Reports received for filing:

9. Dock Fee Report for the month of June 2023.

The item was approved as part of the Consent Agenda.

10. Quarterly Report of Routine Dock & Dredge/Fill Permits issued from April 1 through June 30, 2023.

The item was approved as part of the Consent Agenda.

Miscellaneous items received for filing:

11. City of Seminole Ordinance Nos. 07-2023 and 08-2023 adopted on June 27, 2023, annexing certain properties.

The item was approved as part of the Consent Agenda.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR DEPARTMENTS

Construction Services

12. Award of bid to Patterson Veterinary Supply, Inc. to provide and install new kennels for Animal Services.

Contract No. 23-0518-ITB awarded in the amount not to exceed \$924,472.41 on the basis of being the lowest responsive, responsible bid.

The item was approved as part of the Consent Agenda.

REGULAR AGENDA

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA - None

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR DEPARTMENTS

Deviating from the agenda, Mr. Burton requested that Item No. 14 be considered at this time.

Convention and Visitors Bureau

14. Recommendation to fund the revised request from The Dali Museum for an increased total amount of \$25 million in support of the Museum's expansion project.

Funding approved in the amount of \$25,160,000.00, payable in quarterly payments, with the opportunity to return to the BCC at a later date to request the remainder of the requested funding.

Visit St. Pete/Clearwater Interim President and CEO Brian Lowack provided a historical overview of the Dali Museum's expansion project, noting that the BCC approved \$17.5 million in capital funding for the original \$34 million project in 2019; and that since that time, the project has increased in scope and price for a new project cost of \$68 million.

Mr. Lowack related that the County engaged Crossroads Consulting to review the data and economic impact numbers submitted with the revised project and funding request; that Crossroads Consulting provided three different methodologies to justify capital investment in the project; and that staff is recommending moving forward with the methodology that applies the percentage of incremental Tourist Development Tax (TDT) generated by the expansion over base museum operations, which equates to \$25,160,000.00. He noted that the Tourist Development Council (TDC) recommended funding the full request for half of the project's \$68 million cost, or \$34 million; whereupon, he emphasized that another component of the request is that the payments be made on a quarterly basis throughout construction.

In response to a query by Commissioner Latvala regarding the status of beach renourishment, Mr. Burton stated that the County has contracted a firm to assist with policy analysis at the Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) level; and that an update will be provided to the Board in the near future; whereupon, he pointed out that the County has sufficient reserves for the Board to approve capital projects while a long-term plan for beach renourishment is formulated; whereupon, Commissioner Latvala noted his concern about other potential big ticket items that have not yet been considered and stressed the importance of preserving beaches as the county's most significant economic driver; whereupon, he indicated that his proposal would be to fund the \$17.5 million funding amount to the Dali as was originally approved by the BCC in 2019.

Commissioner Scott indicated that he supports providing the \$17.5 million but is hesitant to go any further at this point in time; whereupon, in response to his query, Mr. Lowack confirmed that the original \$17.5 million of approved capital funding was never disbursed and is still available to be utilized. Commissioner Flowers expressed her support for staff's recommendation, noting that costs are only going to continue to rise in the future; and that the outstanding capital projects will be addressed as they arise.

In response to queries by Commissioner Justice, Mr. Lowack confirmed that the Dali has committed to spend \$2 million of their own funds annually on marketing for advertising the museum and the destination, which was taken into consideration by staff when making their recommendation; and that the funding request is an up-to amount; whereupon, Commissioner Justice noted his shared concern regarding beach renourishment and indicated that he supports providing funding up to the original \$34 million approved by the TDC. Commissioner Peters expressed support for most of Commissioner Justice's comments and related that while the Dali plays a key role in

driving tourism, the beaches are critical to the county. She indicated that she supports staff's recommendation for \$25,160,000.00; and that she is supportive of the quarterly payment option; whereupon she made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Flowers, to support staff's recommendation for the \$25,160,000.00 via quarterly payments with the caveat that the Dali could come back before the Board for the remainder of the requested funding at a later date.

In response to queries by Chair Long and Commissioners Latvala and Scott, Dali Museum Executive Director Hank Hine explained that the full requested funding amount is necessary to create the full project, which will continue to drive tourism to Pinellas County; and that three quarters of the costs are related to site preparation, pointing out that certain aspects of the project would need to be eliminated if only half of the requested funding is received; whereupon, Chair Long noted that she would support the Dali's request for \$34 million, and Commissioner Scott stated that he supports staff's recommendation of \$25,160,000.00. Dali Museum Trustee Tim Bogott proposed that in the event the project does not cost the full \$68 million, the unused credit would go to the County.

Commissioner Eggers expressed concern regarding approving funding while not yet having a plan for beach renourishment, and stated that he supports the original \$17.5 million previously awarded by the Board while allowing the Dali to come back for additional funds after the beach renourishment has been resolved. In response to a query by Commissioner Eggers regarding equity versus debt funding, Mr. Hine confirmed that the funds would be equity-based, not a loan; whereupon, Commissioner Justice pointed out that the size and scope of the expansion project is different from the original project. Mr. Bogott reminded the Board that the expansion project would regenerate TDT funds that could be used for beach renourishment and other uses in the future.

A motion was made by Vice-Chair Peters, seconded by Commissioner Flowers, that The Dali Museum receive \$25,160,000.00 in quarterly payments with the opportunity to return to the BCC at a later date to request the remainder of the requested funding. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chair Long, Vice-Chair Peters, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Justice, and Commissioner Scott

Nay: 2 - Commissioner Eggers, and Commissioner Latvala

Administrative Services

13. Third Amendment to the agreement with Schindler Elevator Corporation for elevator and escalator maintenance and repair services.

(Contract No. 189-0129-M) Amendment approved increasing the contract amount by \$469,095.00 for a revised contract amount of \$1,334,519.75, with an estimated annual expenditure of \$266,903.95.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Latvala, and Commissioner Scott

Absent: 1 - Vice-Chair Peters

County Administrator

- 15.** East Lake Recreation District Fiscal Year 2023 Municipal Services Taxing Unit special projects funding request.

Funding request approved for a total one-time amount of \$20,000 to contribute towards the construction of concrete bins for the storage of bulk sand, clay, and soil material.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Latvala, and Commissioner Scott

Absent: 1 - Vice-Chair Peters

Emergency Management

- 16.** Interlocal Agreement between Pinellas County and the Pinellas County School Board for Disaster Shelter Facilities and Ancillary Services.

Agreement approved with a spending cap of \$3,500,000 within a single fiscal year. Prior Interlocal agreement between the County and the Pinellas County School Board for a five-year term with automatic continuing renewal was authorized by the Board of County Commissioners on June 5, 2008. The funding amount has not been budgeted; if the agreement is invoked, initial funding will be drawn from reserves, followed by the County seeking all allowable federal and state reimbursements.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Latvala, and Commissioner Scott

Absent: 1 - Vice-Chair Peters

Housing & Community Development

17. Ranking of firms for the development of residential property located at 4500 43rd Street North in the Lealman Community Redevelopment Area. (Companion to Item No. 18)

(Contract No. 22-0642-RN) Ranking of firms approved with Habitat for Humanity of Pinellas County, Inc. as the number one ranked firm approved. There is no cost to the County for this project, and all work is expected to be completed within 730 days.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Latvala, and Commissioner Scott

Absent: 1 - Vice-Chair Peters

18. Declare 12 County owned parcels as surplus and authorize the conveyance of those parcels to the Housing Finance Authority of Pinellas County. (Companion to Item No. 17)

Resolution No. 23-58 adopted declaring 12 County-owned parcels as surplus and authorizing their donation. Chair authorized to execute the County Deed and Land Trust Agreement in accordance with Section 125.38, Florida Statutes. Properties are located within the Lealman Community Redevelopment Area's boundaries and will be utilized for the construction of single-family homes serving households earning less than 80% of the Area Median Income.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Latvala, and Commissioner Scott

Absent: 1 - Vice-Chair Peters

Management and Budget

19. Fiscal Year 2023 Board Budget Amendment No. 3 to reallocate American Rescue Plan Act funds from Project 005015D Mobile Home Communities Potable Water System Improvements to 005015A Mobile Home Communities Wastewater System Improvements.

Amendment approved to reallocate \$939,000.00 of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding to allow more Mobile Home Communities to have sanitary sewer replacements and limit additional impacts from potable water replacements.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Latvala, and Commissioner Scott

Absent: 1 - Vice-Chair Peters

Public Works

20. Third Party Railroad Reimbursement Agreement and associated Resolution with CSX Transportation, Inc., and Florida Department of Transportation for future maintenance responsibility of the 46th Avenue North Grade Crossing Traffic Control Devices improvement.

Resolution No. 23-59 adopted authorizing execution of the agreement for the installation and maintenance of traffic control devices. County responsibility, \$1,967.00 or 50% of the annual maintenance charge; payment schedule effective through June 30, 2026.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Latvala, and Commissioner Scott

Absent: 1 - Vice-Chair Peters

Solid Waste

21. First Amendment with Keep Pinellas Beautiful, Inc. for Adopt-A-Program Management Services.

(Contract No. 190-0060-SS) Amendment approved extending the contract for 24 months and increasing the total contract amount by \$718,664.86 for a revised not-to-exceed expenditure of \$1,695,119.62.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Latvala, and Commissioner Scott

Absent: 1 - Vice-Chair Peters

Utilities

22. Fifth Amendment to the Agreement with Synagro-WWT, Inc. for the sludge dryer project.

(Contract No. 001-790-C) Amendment approved in the amount of \$1,390,359.20 for a revised total of \$59,051,624.06.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Latvala, and Commissioner Scott

Absent: 1 - Vice-Chair Peters

23. Interlocal Agreement with the Town of Belleair for the sale of wholesale potable water.

Agreement approved for a period of ten years, effective from the date of execution by the parties; anticipated revenue for Fiscal Year 2024 is estimated to be \$1,400,995.93.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Latvala, and Commissioner Scott

Absent: 1 - Vice-Chair Peters

COUNTY ATTORNEY

24. Selection of law firm(s) to provide Special Counsel Services relating to litigation regarding insulin pricing and approval and authorization to initiate litigation.

Selection of Special Counsel and authorization to initiate litigation approved.

Attorney White stated that based on information from the firm that will be retained, several states have filed lawsuits against the defendants that the County would be naming; that there are also class action cases pending; and that the lawsuits are not new but would be to the County.

In response to a query by Commissioner Scott, Attorney White related that an estimate of potential damages to the County, prepared by the County's Human Resources department, is approximately \$800,000.00 to \$900,000.00; whereupon, in response to queries by Chair Long, Attorney White indicated that she does not believe the State will intervene as it did with the opioid litigation, and Managing Assistant County Attorney Christy Pemberton provided input regarding the consortium firm and local counsel, pointing out that the consortium members would consist of subject matter experts, rather than the same members from the opioid litigation.

A motion was made by Commissioner Scott, seconded by Commissioner Latvala, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Latvala, and Commissioner Scott

Absent: 1 - Vice-Chair Peters

25. County Attorney Reports - None

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

26. County Administrator Reports:

-Update report regarding Barrier Islands Government Council (BIG-C) and beach renourishment

-Next Joint Board of County Commissioners regional meeting of Pinellas, Hillsborough, and Pasco Counties

Update report regarding Barrier Islands Government Council (BIG-C) and beach renourishment

Mr. Burton reported that last week he made a presentation on beach nourishment to BIG-C; that beach renourishment is not going to be resolved quickly or easily; that a firm will do an initial assessment of the issues and propose a course of action; and that the County has healthy reserves to address areas requiring action over the next several years, but 20-30 years down the road is an issue. He stated that an outside financial firm has been engaged to create models of the best and worst case scenarios and the next steps the County should take regarding the Army Corps of Engineers (Corps); and that he hopes to have the models available to discuss with the Commissioners in two weeks; whereupon, he related that staff is working with the Florida Association of Counties (FAC) on creating a statewide coalition, noting that ten other counties and one city received the same letter as the County from the Corps.

Commissioner Latvala expressed concern that the Corps is not following their own policy in some areas, and in response to his query, Mr. Burton indicated that it is too soon to know if litigation could be brought against the Corps; whereupon, Chair Long stated that the topic should be brought up at the upcoming policy and legislative conference, and Commissioner Flowers provided input.

In response to comments and a query by Commissioner Eggers, Mr. Burton stated that the two issues are the different interpretation of national policy, which has financial implications, and the interpretation of the natural policy and how the Corps is applying the easements; and that the firm is trying to assess the interpretations, and discussion ensued; whereupon, in response to a query by Commissioner Latvala, Mr. Burton indicated that staff will reach out to Duke Energy to solicit assistance given their infrastructure on the beach.

Joint Board of County Commissioners regional meeting of Pinellas, Hillsborough, and Pasco Counties

Mr. Burton related that the next joint meeting with Hillsborough and Pasco Counties is scheduled for October 15, 2023, and he requested that the Board begin thinking about topics. Mr. Burton indicated that he met with his counterparts regarding each county hosting a meeting; and that it was suggested that the next meeting be held at the Tampa Port Authority.

COUNTY COMMISSION

27. Appointments to the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council.

Sitting as the Emergency Medical Services Authority, the Board approved the appointments of Christopher Markham as Citizen Representative for Commission District 1 and Doreen Caudell as Citizen Representative for Commission District 2 for terms ending June 2025.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Latvala, and Commissioner Scott

Absent: 1 - Vice-Chair Peters

28. Appointment to WorkNet Pinellas d/b/a CareerSource Pinellas Board of Directors (Board of County Commissioners as a whole).

Nikisha Lezama, Russell Williams, and Benjamin Friedman appointed to the Business category for a two-year term expiring on June 30, 2025.

Florida Senator Nick DiCeglie appointed to the Workforce seat for a two-year term expiring on June 30, 2025.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Latvala, and Commissioner Scott

Absent: 1 - Vice-Chair Peters

29. County Commission New Business:

Pertinent and timely Committee/Board updates, policy considerations, administrative/procedural considerations, and other new business.

- Appointment of a BIG-C nominee to the Tourist Development Council (Board of County Commissioners as a whole).

- Appointments to the Pinellas County Housing Finance Authority (Board of Commissioners as a whole).

Mayor Dave Gattis appointed to the Tourist Development Council (TDC) via a ballot vote.

Audrey Henson appointed to the Housing Finance Authority via a ballot vote.

The Commissioners provided updates regarding their assigned boards and committees and discussed various issues, as follows:

Commissioner Latvala

- Congratulated Clearwater's new Chief of Police Eric Gandy
- Lyla Goode Foundation
- Suncoast Behavioral Health Center

Commissioner Eggers

- Forward Pinellas
- Tampa Bay Water

Commissioner Scott

- National Association of Counties (NACo)/Transportation Policy Steering Committee
- AmeriHealth and Tampa Bay Watch tours

Appointment to the Feather Sound Community Services District (on behalf of Commissioner Peters)

A motion was made by Commissioner Justice, seconded by Commissioner Eggers, that Ryan Andrews be appointed to the Feather Sound Community Services District as Commissioner Peters' appointment. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Long, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Latvala, and Commissioner Scott

Absent: 1 - Vice-Chair Peters

Commissioner Flowers

- School resuming
- NACo's Housing Taskforce
- CareerSource Pinellas
- Happy Workers 'R Club
- Amplify Clearwater
- Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority (PSTA)
- HCA West Florida

In response to concerns and a query by Commissioner Eggers regarding the Belleair area, Ms. Silverboard stated that the bus stop has been relocated, restriped, and is now adjacent to a light, no longer requiring children to cross the street; and that staff will continue to pursue additional lighting.

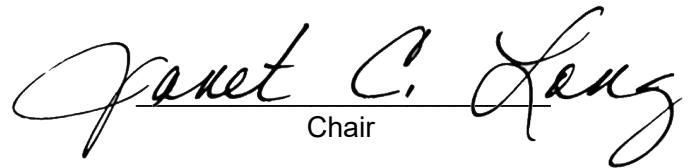
Commissioner Justice

- Junior League Back to School Fair
- BIG-C

Chair Long

- HCA Florida Largo Hospital
- Downtown St. Petersburg Pride Parade
- Commissioner Flowers' appointment as Second Vice-President on the Florida Association of Counties (FAC) Board
- Downtown St. Petersburg police station
- Tampa Bay Partnership Regional Roundtable
- County Attorney Oversight Committee meeting
- PSTA
- TDC

ADJOURNMENT - 12:24 P.M.


Chair

ATTEST: KEN BURKE, CLERK

By 
Deputy Clerk

