

# **Pinellas County**

*333 Chestnut Street, Palm Room  
Clearwater, FL 33756*



## **Minutes - Final**

**Tuesday, June 11, 2024**

**9:30 A.M.**

**Hybrid In-Person and Virtual Regular Meeting**

## **Board of County Commissioners**

*Kathleen Peters, Chair*

*Brian Scott, Vice-Chair*

*Dave Eggers*

*René Flowers*

*Charlie Justice*

*Chris Latvala*

*Janet C. Long*

**ROLL CALL - 9:30 A.M.**

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

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

**INVOCATION by Reverend Kim Wells, Lakewood United Church of Christ, St. Petersburg****PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE****PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS****1. Youth Advisory Committee Presentation**

Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) Chair Judson Vann and Vice-Chair Alexandria Goodin introduced themselves; whereupon, referring to a PowerPoint presentation, they provided information regarding participation, a typical YAC meeting, service activities, tours completed within the community, this year's long-term YAC project, and future goals.

Following the presentation, Chair Peters and Commissioners Flowers and Justice commended the YAC members for their work and wished them luck in their future endeavors.

**2. Pride Month Proclamation:**

- Nicole Berman, Executive Director, St. Pete Pride
- Mark Esparza, Equal Opportunity Coordinator, Office of Human Rights

Chair Peters invited Ms. Berman and Mr. Esparza to join her at the podium and read a proclamation recognizing June as Pride Month.

**3. Juneteenth Proclamation**

Chair Peters invited Commissioner Flowers and Carl DeVine to join her at the podium; whereupon, Commissioner Flowers read a proclamation recognizing June 19, 2024, as Juneteenth and provided brief comments regarding Mr. DeVine's contributions to the community.

**4. National Mosquito Control Awareness Week Proclamation:****Public Works**

- Alissa Berro, Mosquito Control and Vegetation Management Section Manager
- Travis Faulk, Mosquito Lead Technician

- Austin Deal, Entomology Trainee

Chair Peters invited Ms. Berro and Messrs. Faulk and Deal to join her at the podium and read a proclamation in recognition of National Mosquito Control Awareness Week.

5. Partner Presentation:

Hurricane Season Kickoff

- Cathie Perkins, Director, Pinellas County Emergency Management
- Paul Dean, Section Manager 3, Public Works

Referring to a PowerPoint presentation, Ms. Perkins appeared, emphasized the importance of hurricane readiness and staying safe during storms, and provided information pertaining to the County's preparations for the upcoming hurricane season, including the following:

- Efforts to enhance communication abilities at emergency evacuation shelters during storms
- Acquisition of additional step-down shelter space
- Available accommodations for vulnerable populations in emergency evacuation shelters
- Various training exercises and workshops for community and municipal partners
- Collaborations with hospitals and municipal emergency management coordinators
- Increasing messaging related to evacuation, preparing boats for hurricane season, sandbags, and flood barriers

Mr. Dean highlighted emergency preparation activities conducted by Public Works in partnership with the Emergency Management Department and indicated that Public Works coordinated with various County departments and municipalities pertaining to debris management training and sandbag education and preparation events. He discussed partnerships and interlocal agreements with other municipal Public Works departments and noted that the internal Debris Management Plan has been updated to implement lessons learned; and that Public Works is working with the Communications Department to ensure information is available online for citizens to understand how to handle storm debris at their homes.

Ms. Perkins discussed her Department's efforts to be a resource for the community, including through accessible hurricane preparedness guides, the Alert Pinellas Emergency Notification Service, the Ready Pinellas mobile application, and outreach events; whereupon, she highlighted the actions County departments have taken to prepare for hurricane season and displayed a video demonstrating their efforts.

In response to comments and queries by Commissioners Eggers and Justice, Mr. Dean and Ms. Perkins provided information relating to sandbag availability and distribution and communication efforts to advise citizens about hurricane readiness and potential storm impacts.

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**CITIZENS TO BE HEARD****6. Citizens To Be Heard - Public Comment.**

Michael D. Hicks, Palm Harbor (submitted documents)  
Michael Sapp, Palm Harbor  
Ronald C. Walker, Largo (submitted documents)  
David Ballard Geddis, Jr., Palm Harbor (submitted documents)  
Patricia Kirby, Clearwater  
Greg Pound, Largo

**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**7. Case No. CW 24-11 - Pinellas County**

Countywide Plan Map amendment from Residential Low Medium and Preservation to Retail and Services, regarding 1.7 acres more or less, located at 29703 U.S. Highway 19 North.

Ordinance No. 24-19 adopted approving Case No. CW 24-11. 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.

Mr. Burton noted that this is a map amendment to a legislative action previously approved by the Commissioners.

**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 Peters, Vice-Chair Scott, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Justice, and Commissioner Long

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Latvala

**8. Case No. CW 24-12 - City of Largo**

Countywide Plan Map amendment from Public/Semi-Public and Target Employment Center to Employment and Target Employment Center, regarding 1.54 acres more or less, located at 13707 58th Street North.

Ordinance No. 24-20 adopted approving Case No. CW 24-12. 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 Long, seconded by Commissioner Justice, that the item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

## BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

9. Petition of Land Trust Service Corporation, a Florida corporation, as Trustee, to vacate that portion of County Road 144 (Park Boulevard), a 100-foot road petition, declared per Board of County Commissioners Minutes Book 5, Page 516, lying within the West 35 feet of Lot 6, of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 08-30-16, Pinellas Groves, Plat Book 1, Page 55, less that portion within the South 300.00 feet of said Lot 6 and less that portion within the North 40.00 feet of the Northeast 1/4 of said Section 08, (6160 Ulmerton Road), Pinellas County, Florida. (Legislative) Resolution No. 24-33 adopted granting the petition. Letters of no objection have been received from the appropriate parties. All interested individuals have been notified as to the date of the public hearing. No correspondence has been received. No citizens appeared to be heard.

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

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

10. Case No. FLU-24-01 (Jose E. Pagan Guzman)  
A request for a Future Land Use Map amendment from Residential Low to Commercial General on approximately 0.15 acre located at 2520 55th Avenue North in the Lealman community of unincorporated Pinellas County. (Companion to Item No.11)  
Ordinance No. 24-21 adopted approving Case No. FLU-24-01. The Local Planning Agency recommended approval of the request, and staff concurred. One email in opposition has been received.

Upon the Chair's call for public comment, Angel Rivera, Tampa, appeared, indicating that he is the Engineer of Record; and that he is available to answer any questions.

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

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

11. Case No. ZON-24-01 (Jose E. Pagan Guzman)  
A request for a zoning change from R-4, One, Two, and Three Family Residential to C-2, General Commercial and Services with a variance on approximately 0.15 acre located at 2520

55th Avenue North in Lealman. (Quasi-Judicial) (Companion to Item No.10)

Resolution No. 24-34 adopted approving the zoning change. The Local Planning Agency recommended approval of the request, and staff concurred. One email in opposition has been received. No citizens appeared to be heard.

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

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

**12. Case No. ZON-24-02 (Thuc Tri Cao)**

A request for a zoning change from Limited Office to Single-Family Residential on approximately 0.29 acres located at 4940 41st Avenue North in Lealman. (Quasi-Judicial)

Resolution No. 24-35 adopted approving the zoning change. The Local Planning Agency recommended approval of the request, and staff concurred. No correspondence has been received.

Upon the Chair’s call for public comment, Thuc Tri Cao, St. Petersburg, appeared and indicated that he is available to answer any questions.

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

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

**CONSENT AGENDA - Items 13 through 29**

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

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

**CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND COMPTROLLER**

**13. Minutes of the regular meetings held April 23 and May 7, 2024.**

**The item was approved as part of the Consent Agenda.**

**14. Vouchers and bills paid from April 28 through May 18, 2024.**

Period April 28 - May 4, 2024  
Accounts Payable - \$69,037,838.61  
Payroll - None

Period May 5 - May 11, 2024

Accounts Payable - \$13,530,221.35

Payroll - \$4,624,580.05

Period May 12 - May 18, 2024

Accounts Payable - \$20,337,892.01

Payroll - None

**The item was approved as part of the Consent Agenda.**

Reports received for filing:

15. Quarterly Donation Listing of \$1,000 or Greater for the quarter ending March 31, 2024.

**The item was approved as part of the Consent Agenda.**

16. Division of Inspector General, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller, Report No. 2024-06 dated May 6, 2024, Audit of Pinellas County Purchasing Card Usage.

**The item was approved as part of the Consent Agenda.**

17. Dock Fee Report for the month of April 2024.

**The item was approved as part of the Consent Agenda.**

Miscellaneous items received for filing:

18. Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreement and Affidavit of Authenticity for the City of Largo for the purpose of providing insurance through Public Risk Management of Florida.

**The item was approved as part of the Consent Agenda.**

19. City of Clearwater Public Hearing Notice, Annexation, Land Use Plan, and Zoning Atlas Amendments, regarding proposed Ordinance Nos. 9759-24, 9760-24, and 9761-24; public hearings scheduled for May 16 and June 6, 2024.

**The item was approved as part of the Consent Agenda.**

20. City of Clearwater Public Hearing Notice, Land Use Plan and Zoning Atlas Amendments, regarding proposed Ordinance Nos. 9765-24 and 9766-24; public hearings scheduled for May 21, June 20, and July 18, 2024.

**The item was approved as part of the Consent Agenda.**

21. City of Clearwater Notice of Community Development Board Public Hearing to consider a

request from Azure Condominium Association Clearwater, Inc.; public hearing scheduled for May 21, 2024.

**The item was approved as part of the Consent Agenda.**

- 22.** City of Clearwater Notice of Community Development Board Public Hearing to consider a request from Carlouel Yacht Corporation; public hearing scheduled for May 21, 2024.

**The item was approved as part of the Consent Agenda.**

- 23.** City of Clearwater Ordinance Nos. 9733-24, 9736-24, and 9750-24, adopted April 29, 2024, annexing certain properties.

**The item was approved as part of the Consent Agenda.**

## COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR DEPARTMENTS

### Administrative Services

- 24.** Declare surplus and authorize the sale of County-owned equipment and vehicles.

**The item was approved as part of the Consent Agenda.**

### County Administrator

- 25.** Receipt and file report of non-procurement items delegated to the County Administrator for the period ending May 24, 2024.

**The item was approved as part of the Consent Agenda.**

### Development Review Services

- 26.** Plat of Gooden Place, a proposed 3 lot subdivision.

**The item was approved as part of the Consent Agenda.**

### Public Works

- 27.** Award of bid to AKCA, LLC for requirements of traffic pavement marking materials and services for the Traffic Pavement Marking Services - a Tampa Bay area cooperative contract.

Contract No. 24-0215-ITB awarded to AKCA, LLC, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$3,794,580.00, on the basis of being the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, and is effective for sixty months. This contract replaces a prior contract.

**The item was approved as part of the Consent Agenda.**



Utilities

28. Ranking of firms and agreement with McKim & Creed, Inc. for the Pinellas Park Interceptor Collection System.

(Contract No. 23-1042-RFP-CCNA) Ranking of firms and agreement approved in the amount of \$2,774,058.00, for a term of one thousand one hundred twenty-five consecutive calendar days after receipt of a notice to proceed from the County.

**The item was approved as part of the Consent Agenda.**

## COUNTY ATTORNEY

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

**The item was approved as part of the Consent Agenda.**

**REGULAR AGENDA**

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA - None

## COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR DEPARTMENTS

Administrative Services

30. Third Amendment to the agreement with Pro Energy, LLC for requirements of gasoline and diesel fuel delivery services.

(Contract No. 190-0360-B) Amendment approved increasing the contract amount by \$7,300,000.00 for a revised total agreement value not to exceed \$26,119,556.70 for Pro Energy and a revised total not to exceed \$30,430,894.70 with both vendors. Contract effective through December 15, 2025.

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

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

Airport

31. Second Amendment to the agreement with AVCON, Inc. for the New Airco Taxiways - Professional Engineering Services.

(Contract No. 21-0552-NC) Amendment approved increasing the contract amount by \$495,240.25 for a revised not-to-exceed expenditure of \$2,011,545.25. Contract effective through December 31, 2026.

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

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

### County Administrator

**32.** Municipal Services Taxing Unit Special Project Funding for the Palm Harbor Little League Sunshade Project.

Funding request approved in the one-time amount of \$20,000.00.

**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 Peters, Vice-Chair Scott, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Latvala, and Commissioner Long

**33.** Resolution approving an updated list of Code Inspector job titles.

Resolution No. 24-36 adopted approving an updated list of Code Inspector job titles, as outlined in the Staff Report.

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

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

### Economic Development

**34.** Six applications for funding under the Penny for Pinellas Employment Sites Program.

Six applications for funding conditionally approved following completion of due diligence to comply with program guidelines. Authority delegated to the County Administrator to negotiate and execute all agreements and associated documentation, as set forth in the Staff Report, for the following projects:

- McCormick Stevenson Corporation in the amount of \$221,000.00
- AlloCyte, LLC in the amount of \$1,901,500.00
- Hero Products, LLC in the amount of \$115,000.00
- Greystar in the amount of \$4,925,408.00
- MicroLumen Inc. in the amount of \$2,800,000.00
- Pinellas Provision Holdings, LLC in the amount of \$1,196,000.00

In response to queries by Commissioners Scott and Eggers, Economic Development Manager Teresa Brydon indicated that even though Pinellas Provisions Holdings and AlloCyte have lower scores due to the properties being located outside of developed target employment centers and operating out of buildings which may not meet floor area ratio requirements, their locations are perfect for their businesses; whereupon, she provided information related to McCormick Stevenson's potential to generate funds through return on investment with taxes, noting that the company's rental term is ten years to start, with two five-year extensions; and that the County is covering only \$221,000.00 for a project totaling more than \$1 million.

Responding to a query by Commissioner Flowers, Ms. Brydon noted that Greystar encountered obstacles related to soil surcharge; and that the company is speculated to generate 600 jobs.

**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 Peters, Vice-Chair Scott, Commissioner Eggers, Commissioner Flowers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Latvala, and Commissioner Long

**35. Transfer of Funds Agreement between Pinellas County and WorkNet Pinellas, Inc. d/b/a CareerSource Pinellas, Inc.**

Agreement approved authorizing WorkNet Pinellas, Inc. d/b/a CareerSource Pinellas, Inc. to transfer \$1,000,000.00 to Pinellas County to be used for workforce services in Pinellas County.

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

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

### Human Services

**36. City/County Opioid Abatement Funding 2024-2025 Priority List recommendations for the Board of County Commissioners approval for submission to the Florida Department of Children and Families.**

Priority List approved as outlined in the Staff Report.

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

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

**37. Opioid Abatement Funding Advisory Board 2024-2025 Priority List recommendations for the**

Board of County Commissioners approval for submission to the Florida Department of Children and Families.

Priority List approved as outlined in the Staff Report.

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

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

**38. Interlocal Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding with the Sixth Judicial Circuit Court of Florida for County-Funded Court Employees**

Interlocal Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding approved effective July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2028, as set forth in the Staff Report.

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

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

**39. Changes to the Health Care for the Homeless Program Bylaws.**

Revisions to the Health Care for the Homeless Program bylaws approved, as outlined in the Staff Report.

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

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

Parks and Conservation Resources

**40. 2024-2025 Water Quality Improvement Grant application with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for Philippe Park Wastewater Collection System Improvements.**

(PID No. 000341G) Grant application approved for submittal. Total project estimate, \$3,450,000.00 (anticipated grant funding, \$2,450,000.00; County match, \$1,000,000.00).

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

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

Public Works

**41. Road Transfer Interlocal Agreement with the City of Safety Harbor for the transfer of specific**

roadway segments and easements.

Agreement approved transferring operation and associated maintenance responsibilities, including stormwater facilities, as set forth in the Staff Report.

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

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

**42. Contract for Sale and Purchase with Tarpon Springs Yacht Club, Inc.**

Contract for Sale and Purchase approved for a purchase price of \$320,000.00. Acquisition of the property will allow for a temporary construction easement and a permanent riparian easement in support of the Beckett Bridge Replacement/Riverside Drive Drainage Improvement Project.

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

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

Safety and Emergency Services

**43. Agreement with the City of Madeira Beach to provide advanced funding toward the construction of a new Emergency Medical Services station.**

Agreement approved in the amount of \$7,400,000.00, commencing on the date approved and signed by the County and ending on September 30, 2026.

Commissioner Eggers indicated that the analysis provided by the Office of Management and Budget for this item reflects an incorrect date of March 27, 2024.

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

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

Utilities

**44. Change Order No. 1 to the Agreement with Archer Western Construction, LLC and TLC Diversified, Inc., for Job Order Contracting for as-needed work on wastewater treatment and water facilities, underground utility repair, maintenance, and minor construction; Termination for convenience with Astra Construction Services.**

(Bid No. 21-0241-CP) Change order approved for termination of convenience and reallocation of funds in the amount of \$4,818,484.08. No change to the originally approved

upset limit of \$20,000,000.00.

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

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

## AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS AND COUNCILS

### Emergency Medical Services Authority

- 45.** Renewal of Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for non-medical wheelchair transport and stretcher van providers.

Sitting as the Emergency Medical Services Authority, certificates renewed and issued to nine providers as set forth in the Staff Report and in accordance with Pinellas County Code, Chapter 54. Three of the nine providers have applied to render both wheelchair and stretcher van services. Certificates will expire on June 30, 2025.

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

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

## COUNTY ATTORNEY

- 46.** Proposed initiation of litigation in the case of Pinellas County v. 5144 Family Revocable Trust - action for foreclosure of Special Magistrate lien.

No action taken.

Attorney White indicated that she is not requesting action from the Board at this time since the property owner has come into compliance and is currently working toward a lien reduction with Code Enforcement.

- 47.** Resolution regarding the Pinellas County School Board's proposed referendum question allowing electors to vote on the approval of a one mill levy.

Resolution No. 24-37 approved allowing the School Board's proposed referendum question to be placed on the November 5, 2024, General Election ballot.

Attorney White clarified that this item does not impose the one-mill tax that is being proposed; and that it would simply place the item on the ballot for electors to decide.

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

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

**48.** County Attorney Reports - None

## COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

**49.** County Administrator Reports

Mr. Burton provided brief comments regarding the three remaining Budget Information Session meetings and congratulated Visit St. Pete/Clearwater President and CEO Brian Lowack for receiving his Master's Degree in Public Administration.

## COUNTY COMMISSION

**50.** Appointments and reappointments to the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council (Board of County Commissioners as whole).

Sitting as the Emergency Medical Services Authority, the Board approved the following appointment and reappointments for a two-year term:

Appointment

- District Chief Lindsay Judah as the City of St. Petersburg Fire Chief's primary representative for a term ending April 2026.

Reappointments

- Tina Ambrose as the District 4 Citizen Representative for a term ending April 2026.
- Ty Dougherty as the District 6 Citizen Representative for a term ending April 2026.
- Gayle Guidash and Erin Bates as the Pinellas County Health Department's primary and alternate representatives for a term ending April 2026.
- Mayors Woody Brown, Sandra Bradbury, Dave Gattis, and Dan Saracki as Mayors' Council representatives for a term ending May 2026.

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

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

**51.** Appointments and reappointments to the Emergency Medical Services Medical Control Board (Board of County Commissioners as a whole).

Sitting as the Emergency Medical Services Authority, the Board approved the following appointments and reappointments for a two-year term:

#### Appointments

- Dr. Craig Kizewic as an Emergency Physician alternate representative for a term ending May 2026.
- Dr. Brian Charity as an Emergency Physician primary representative for a term ending April 2026.
- Dr. Matt Nelson as an Emergency Physician primary representative for a term ending April 2026.
- Dr. Stephen Feilinger as an Emergency Physician alternate representative for a term ending April 2026.
- Dr. Sebastian Strom as a Hospital Administrator primary representative for a term ending April 2026.
- Dr. Siddarth Goyal as an Emergency Physician Trauma Center alternate representative for a term ending May 2026.

#### Reappointments

- Dr. Roberto Bellini as an Emergency Physician primary representative for a term ending May 2026.
- Matthew Novak as a Hospital Administrator primary representative for a term ending April 2026.
- Nancy Hopkins as a Hospital Administrator alternate representative for a term ending April 2026.
- Dr. Joseph Namey as a Physician primary representative for a term ending April 2026.
- Dr. Anthony Ottaviani as a Physician alternate representative for the Pinellas County Osteopathic Medical Society for a term ending April 2026.
- Dr. Krista Gillis as an Emergency Physician Trauma Center primary representative for a term ending May 2026.

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

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

#### **52. County Commission New Business:**

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

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



Commissioner Flowers

- Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council
- Hillsborough/Pinellas Workforce Development Consortium

Commissioner Flowers indicated that there was an emergency meeting of the executive committee for the Florida Association of Counties regarding Property Assessed Clean Energy's recent successful appeal; whereupon, Attorney White indicated that the executive group of the Florida Association of County Attorneys will be filing an amicus brief taking the position of the counties in the case.

Commissioner Justice

- Congratulations to Norm Bungard for receiving the Sallie Parks Outstanding Humanitarian Award at the Area Agency on Aging of Pasco-Pinellas, Inc. annual luncheon
- Congratulations to Jungle Lake for receiving the Golden Mangrove Award at a Tampa Bay Estuary program meeting
- Civic Fellows Program
- Congratulations to the Lealman Fire District for being named District of the Year by the Florida Association of Special Districts

Referencing previous discussions by the members, Commissioner Justice indicated that staff has prepared language relating to the expansion of the homestead exemption for low-income senior citizens; and that he would like to obtain consensus to allow Mr. Burton to place the item on a future meeting agenda; whereupon, Chair Peters noted that there is consensus to do so.

Commissioner Scott

- Pinellas County Urban League Whitney M. Young Leadership Awards event
- Tour of new Speer YMCA
- Wounded Warriors Abilities Ranch Annual Gala
- Tour of Power Design, Inc.
- Meeting with Florida Main Street state coordinators regarding Palm Harbor Main Street
- Chef's Showcase at the Fort Harrison event
- Parrot Head Festival

Commissioner Scott expressed appreciation to individuals who spoke during Citizens to be Heard regarding an issue related to reclaimed water and encouraged staff to continue trying to find a solution. Later in the meeting, Commissioner Eggers concurred.

Commissioner Long

Commissioner Long expressed well wishes to her former Executive Aide Tony Stillo, who is now working for Pasco County; whereupon, she indicated that she will not be filling the position since she only has five months remaining in her term.

Commissioner Eggers

- Palm Harbor Main Street
- Whispering Souls African American Cemetery Memorial Day Observance
- Charter Review Commission

Commissioner Latvala

- CareerSource Hillsborough/Pinellas
- Hillsborough/Pinellas Workforce Development Consortium
- Honor Flights
- Tour of Wendover Art Group
- Hurricane Preparedness Press Conference hosted by Senator Rick Scott
- City of Largo Memorial Day Ceremony
- Clearwater Honor Fest
- Heritage Oaks groundbreaking event
- Parrot Head Festival
- Congratulations to Commissioner Flowers for receiving her doctorate degree

Chair Peters

- Commended Senator Rick Scott for hosting the Hurricane Preparedness Press Conference
- Amskills Career Discovery Bootcamp graduation
- Barrier Islands Government Council (BIG-C)
- Meeting with the new CEO of Creative Pinellas, Margaret Murray
- Spoke with five young women related to their interest in state government
- Tampa Bay Beaches Chamber of Commerce Tourism Allies Committee meeting
- Tampa Bay Thrives Men’s Mental Health Awareness Month panel
- Expressed gratitude to the Charter Review Committee and Chairman Brian Aungst, Jr.

Chair Peters thanked agencies, departments, and staff for their efforts related to ongoing budget presentations and expressed appreciation to the Pinellas County Sheriff’s Office deputies for their presence at the BCC meetings.

**ADJOURNMENT - 11:28 A.M.**

ATTEST: KEN BURKE, CLERK

By *[Signature]*  
Deputy Clerk



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Chair