

Pinellas County

*Pinellas County Cooperative Extension
12520 Ulmerton Road, Largo*



Minutes - Final

Tuesday, September 22, 2020

2:00 P.M.

Public Hearings at 6:00 P.M.

Virtual Regular Meeting

Board of County Commissioners

Pat Gerard, Chair

Dave Eggers, Vice-Chair

Charlie Justice

Janet C. Long

Kathleen Peters

Karen Williams Seel

Kenneth T. Welch

ROLL CALL - 2:00 P.M.

Present: 7 - Chair Pat Gerard, Vice-Chair Dave Eggers, Charlie Justice, Janet C. Long, Kathleen Peters, Karen Williams Seel, and Kenneth T. Welch

Others Present: Barry A. Burton, County Administrator; Jewel White, County Attorney; Jeanette Phillips, Chief Deputy Clerk; and Jenny Masinovsky, Senior Board Reporter, Deputy Clerk

Office of Technology and Innovation Director Bryan Zumwalt introduced himself and announced that he would be the Technology Moderator for the virtual meeting; and that Chief Assistant County Attorney Don Crowell would serve as Process Moderator; whereupon, he conducted a roll call of the members.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

1. Public Comment.

Item addressed under Item No. 17.

CONSENT AGENDA - Items 2 through 16 (Items 13 and 14 addressed under Regular Agenda)

A motion was made by Commissioner Welch, seconded by Vice-Chair Eggers, that the Consent Agenda items be approved . The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Peters

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND COMPTROLLER

2. Minutes of the virtual regular meeting held August 6, 2020.

3. Vouchers and bills paid from August 2 through August 22, 2020.

Period: August 2 through August 8, 2020

Accounts Payable - \$45,229,579.20

Payroll - \$3,941,354.90

Period: August 9 through August 15, 2020

Accounts Payable - \$17,688,293.87

Payroll - None

Period: August 16 through August 22, 2020

Accounts Payable - \$17,741,085.38

Payroll - \$3,922,449.42

Miscellaneous items received for filing:

4. City of Clearwater Ordinance No. 9391-20 adopted August 6, 2020, annexing certain property.
5. City of Tarpon Springs Ordinances Nos. 2020-14 and 2020-08 adopted August 4 and August 11, 2020, respectively, annexing certain properties.
6. Clearwater Cay Community Development District Fiscal Year 2021 Meeting Schedule.
7. Eastlake Oaks Community Development District Fiscal Year 2021 Meeting Schedule.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR DEPARTMENTS

Administrative Services

8. Award of bid to Tappouni Mechanical Services, Inc. for the STAR Center Air Handler Replacement project.

Bid No. 190-0314-CP (PID No. 003345A) in the amount of \$677,750.00 awarded on the basis of being the lowest responsive, responsible bid received meeting specifications. All work is expected to be completed within 250 consecutive calendar days. Chair authorized to sign the agreement and the Clerk to attest.

Airport

9. Award of bid to Kenyon & Partners, Inc. for the St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport Chiller Replacement project.

Bid No. 190-0324-CP (PID No. 004086A) in the amount of \$747,888.35 awarded on the basis of being the lowest responsive, responsible bid received meeting specifications. All work is expected to be completed within 210 consecutive calendar days. Chair authorized to sign the agreement and the Clerk to attest. Bid from Mechanical Services of Florida d/b/a Emcor Services rejected on the basis of being non-responsive for not meeting specifications.

County Administrator

10. Receipt and file report of non-procurement items delegated to the County Administrator for the period ending August 31, 2020.

Human Services

11. Ranking of firms and agreement with Citizens Rx, LLC for Indigent Health Program-Pharmacy Services.

Ranking of firms and Contract No.190-0362-P approved in an annual amount of \$5,000,000.00 for a 60-month contract value of \$25,000,000.00. Chair authorized to sign and the Clerk to attest.

12. Ranking of firms and agreement with Directions for Mental Health, Inc. d/b/a Directions for Living for Homeless Street Outreach Services.

Ranking of firms and Contract No. 190-0588-P approved in an annual amount of \$400,000.00 for a total contract value of \$1,200,000.00. Contract is for 36 months with a provision for a 24-month extension. Chair authorized to sign and the Clerk to attest.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

15. Notice of new lawsuit and defense of the same by the County Attorney in the case of Asset Recovery Inc. v. L.J.I. Properties, LLC, et al.; Circuit Civil Case No. 20-3400-CI-7 - declaratory relief.
16. Notice of new lawsuit and defense of the same by the County Attorney in the case of Maurice Boulay v. Pinellas County; Circuit Civil Case No. 20-003885-CI-15 - allegations of negligence resulting in personal injuries.

REGULAR AGENDA

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

Public Works

13. Award of bid to Keystone Excavators, Inc. for the Lakeshore Estates Phase 2 Roadway and Drainage Improvement project.

Bid No.190-0494-CP (PID No. 001177B) in the amount of \$3,995,451.20 awarded on the basis of being the lowest responsive, responsible bid received meeting specifications. All work is expected to be completed within 400 consecutive calendar days. Chair authorized to sign the agreement and the Clerk to attest.

In response to query by Commissioner Eggers, Public Works Director Kelli Hammer Levy indicated that a community pre-construction meeting will be scheduled for January 2021;

that construction will start approximately 30 days thereafter; and that the contractor will phase construction to minimize disruption to the residents.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Peters, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Utilities

14. Award of bid to Keystone Excavators, Inc. for the Water Main Improvement project from Alternate U.S. Highway 19 to Omaha Street and Delaware Avenue to Nebraska Avenue.

Bid No. 190-0510-CP (PID No. 004017A) in the amount of \$1,098,680.00 awarded 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. Chair authorized to sign the agreement and the Clerk to attest. Bid from Intertek rejected on the basis of being non-responsive for not meeting specifications.

In response to query by Commissioner Eggers, Utilities Director Megan Ross stated that the project is a drinking water system and infrastructure upgrade; that community outreach will include a virtual informational meeting and weekly online updates; and that construction will begin in December 2020.

Responding to query by Commissioner Justice, Mr. Burton related that a requested update regarding the Small Business Enterprise program is complete; and that it will be addressed at an upcoming meeting.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Peters, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR DEPARTMENTS

Deviating from the agenda, Chair Gerard indicated that Item No. 17 will be addressed later in the meeting.

Airport

18. Fiscal Year 2021 Interlocal Agreement with the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office for law enforcement services at the St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport.

Agreement approved in the amount of \$1,402,188.00 for the period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021. Chair authorized to sign and the Clerk to attest.

Upon call by the Chair for public comment, David Waddell, Clearwater, expressed his concerns.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Peters, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Economic Development

19. Agreement to terminate the Interlocal Agreement for Tampa Bay Advanced Manufacturing Industry Certification Training Centers.

Agreement by and between Hernando, Pasco, and Pinellas Counties approved. All assets and obligations of the Industry Certification Training Centers (ICTC) Governing Board have been transferred to AmSkills, Inc., which will continue the ICTC programs.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Peters, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

20. Data Sharing Agreement between Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, Pinellas Board of County Commissioners, and WorkNet Pinellas, Inc. d/b/a CareerSource Pinellas.

Agreement approved establishing confidential information disclosure guidelines for the parties.

Upon call by the Chair for public comment, V. Anita Holifield, Tierra Verde, and David Waddell, Clearwater, expressed their concerns.

Responding to query by Ms. Holifield, Economic Development Director Michael Meidel provided information pertaining to the parties involved and purpose of the agreement, noting that the County will not have access to the data, and Chair Gerard provided input regarding data security.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Peters, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Human Services

21. Agreements with Directions for Mental Health, Inc., Operation Par, Inc., and Westcare Gulfcoast-Florida, Inc. for the Cooperative Agreement to Benefit Homeless Individuals.

Agreements approved providing funding in a total amount not to exceed \$700,279.00 for Fiscal Year 2021, as follows: Directions for Mental Health, Inc., \$278,493.00; Operation Par, Inc., \$211,636.00; Westcare Gulfcoast-Florida, Inc., \$210,150.00.

Mr. Burton indicated that the Cooperative Agreement to Benefit Homeless Individuals program currently provides services to 110 individuals.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Peters, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

- 22.** Agreement with Personal Enrichment Through Mental Health Services, Inc. for the Crisis Stabilization Unit and Pinellas Integrated Care Alliance.

Agreement approved providing funding in a total amount not to exceed \$2,193,066.00 for Fiscal Year 2021, as follows: Crisis Stabilization Unit, \$1,693,066.00; Pinellas Integrated Care Alliance, \$500,000.00.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Peters, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

- 23.** Grant award from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration for Assisted Outpatient Treatment services for individuals with serious mental illness.

Grant award approved providing year three funding in the amount of \$997,160.00 (total four-year grant amount, \$4,038,640.00). No match required. Authority delegated to the County Administrator to execute the subrecipient agreements and contracts.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Peters, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

- 24.** Interlocal Agreements with the Public Defender's Office for jail diversion, juvenile crossover case managers, a therapist for the Ready for Life program, and an information technology position.

Agreements approved in a total amount of \$1,221,550.00 for Fiscal Year 2021.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Peters, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

17. Local State of Emergency.

Mr. Burton indicated that the proposed resolution would extend the Local State of Emergency (LSE) from September 25 to October 2; that the COVID-19 positivity rate has been steady in the mid 2 to 3 percent range; and that the measures preventing the virus spread have been effective; whereupon, he noted that local health experts, as well as Department of Health in Pinellas County Director Dr. Ulyee Choe and Emergency Medical Services Medical Director Dr. Angus Jameson, are present to discuss COVID-19-related matters.

Dr. Choe, HCA West Florida Chief Medical Officer Dr. Larry Feinman, BayCare Chief Medical Officer Dr. Nishant Anand, AdventHealth North Pinellas Chief Medical Officer Dr. Michael Longley, and Community Health Centers of Pinellas, Inc. Chief Medical Officer Dr. Nichelle Threadgill discussed the following topics and responded to queries by the members:

- Data trends
- Mortality rate
- Hospital capacity
- Impact of schools reopening on the virus spread
- Social distancing and mask wearing as major virus defense mechanisms
- Reviewing COVID-19 trends in six-week blocks
- Strengthening immune system through vitamin intake as a virus prevention method

The doctors stressed the effectiveness of masks in reducing the virus transmission and strongly recommended that the mask ordinance be kept in place. Dr. Feinman offered a suggestion that the local health experts develop a set of metrics to determine when the mask ordinance could be rescinded, and the Commissioners welcomed it.

Responding to queries by the members, the doctors noted the remarkable efforts by their staff since the onset of COVID-19. They indicated that they have adequate protective equipment; that more COVID-19 treatments are available; that managing staff's mental and physical stress, as well as fear of the unknown, has been difficult; and that their well-being should be considered in the decisions regarding masks and related matters to avoid further stress. Mr. Feinman reported that upon polling infectious disease specialists at the 15 HCA West Florida hospitals, none had opined against the mask wearing measure in preventing the virus spread.

Responding to Chair Gerard's call for public comment, the following individuals expressed their concerns:

David Waddell, Clearwater
Aden Barnes, Largo
David Happe, Tarpon Springs
Debra Kurin, Clearwater (spelling uncertain)
Yvette Gaugh, St. Pete Beach

Rebecca Roush, St. Petersburg
Virginia Frizzle, Largo
David Katsaros, Palm Harbor
Carla Rudolph, St. Petersburg
Elena Levine, Dunedin
Karen Mullins, Dunedin
Robert Helinger, Largo
David Ballard Geddis, Jr., Palm Harbor
V. Anita Holifield, Tierra Verde
Dawn Lechner, Clearwater
Isaiah Niel, Largo
James Lechner, Clearwater
Moon Reilly, Pinellas Park
Gayle Donowitz, Dunedin
Dawn Bohler, St. Petersburg
Kathleen Gozo, Tarpon Springs (spelling uncertain)
Susan Mack, North Redington Beach
Sherry Fiorenzo, Largo
Barbara Walker, Palm Harbor
Jessica Gilley, unincorporated Pinellas County
Virginia Dassler, Largo
Kai Rubach, Dunedin
Dawn Jenkins, Lealman

Responding to comments by the citizens, Commissioner Welch emphasized that the Board's decisions regarding masks and related matters are based on science and public safety. He cited research referenced in a letter from Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital in St. Petersburg received by the Commission this morning and other local healthcare experts, noting that they are uniform in their recommendations regarding masks; whereupon, he discussed CARES Act funds allocation, indicating that the Board is aware of how the funds were distributed; and that Mr. Burton is working on an itemized summary.

Commissioner Long suggested that authority for subsequent weekly LSE extensions be delegated to the County Administrator, and discussion ensued concerning the following topics:

- CARES Act funding distribution
- Tolerance and kindness with regard to mask wearing
- Delegation of authority for LSE extensions
- Metrics for rescinding the mask ordinance
- Recommendation by health experts to wear masks throughout the pandemic

In response to query by Chair Gerard, Sheriff Gualtieri indicated that his office has not received many calls regarding harassment relating to masks; and that if anyone is being treated disrespectfully or feels threatened, they should contact law enforcement; whereupon,

he reminded the public about exceptions to the mask ordinance, noting that private businesses may have their own restrictions, possibly more stringent than the ordinance.

Responding to comments by Commissioners Long and Welch, Attorney White recommended that the Board take separate actions relating to the extension of the LSE and the delegation of authority, indicating that the mask ordinance would be in effect as long as the LSE is in place or until the Board takes an action to repeal it. Chair Gerard opined that consideration of changes pertaining to the mask ordinance should involve regional partners.

Following further discussion, Commissioner Long moved, seconded by Commissioner Welch, that the order extending the LSE be approved.

Commissioners Eggers and Peters stressed the importance of providing the public with an opportunity to comment regarding the LSE, and Commissioner Seel pointed out that the citizens would still be able to do so under the "Public Comment" agenda item instead of the LSE item, should the delegation of authority be approved. Responding to query by Commissioner Eggers, Chair Gerard clarified that there would be two regular County Commission meetings and two work session meetings per month, noting that no public comment would be received at work sessions, and Commissioners Eggers, Justice, and Peters indicated that they would not support the delegation.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long, seconded by Commissioner Welch, that the order extending the Local State of Emergency be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Peters, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Resolution No. 20-93 adopted extending the Local State of Emergency established in Resolution No. 20-16 until 3:00 P.M. on October 2, 2020.

Commissioner Long moved, seconded by Commissioner Welch, that delegation of authority regarding future weekly Local State of Emergency extensions be approved until metrics regarding the mask mandate are obtained.

Aye: 4 - Chair Gerard, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 3 - Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, and Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-94 adopted delegating authority regarding future Local State of Emergency extensions to the County Administrator.

25. Pinellas County Health Program hospital provider agreement renewals.

Agreement renewals approved for a period of 12 months in a total funding amount not to exceed \$3,000,000.00 for hospital services for the Pinellas County Health Program and Health Care for the Homeless, as follows:

- First Option of Renewal and Amendment No. 2 with Tarpon Springs Hospital Foundation, Inc. d/b/a AdventHealth North Pinellas providing funding in an amount of \$162,000.00;
- Second Option of Renewal and Amendment 3 with BayCare Health System, Inc. providing funding in an amount of \$2,091,000.00; and
- First Option of Renewal and Amendment 2 with Bayfront HMA Medical Center, LLC d/b/a Bayfront Medical Center providing funding in an amount of \$747,000.00.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Peters, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Planning

- 26.** Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Clearwater and Pinellas County pertaining to the Clearwater Planning Area.

Third Amendment approved extending the agreement through September 30, 2030.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Peters, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Public Works

- 27.** Change Order No. 1 to the contract with Cone & Graham, Inc. for the Betty Lane at Sunset Point Road intersection improvements project.

(Contract No. 178-0516-CP; PID 001018A) Change Order approved increasing the contract amount by \$317,245.88, to be paid by the City of Clearwater, for a revised total of \$3,468,237.08. Chair authorized to sign and the Clerk to attest.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Peters, and Commissioner Welch

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Seel

- 28.** Resolution to delegate authority to Melanie Weed, Public Works Department Environmental Management Division Director, as Pinellas County’s Resources and Ecosystems Sustainability, Tourist Opportunities and Revived Economies of the Gulf Coast Act Authorizing Official, to execute the certification required by the United States Treasury Financial Assistance application for direct component funds.

Resolution No. 20-95 adopted delegating the above-stated authority. Clerk authorized to record.

Mr. Burton noted that the appointment is necessary due to the retirement of Coastal Resources Manager Andy Squires; whereupon, Commissioner Justice thanked Mr. Squires for his many years of service and contributions to the County and the community.

Responding to Chair Gerard's call for public comment, the following individuals expressed their concerns:

David Happe, Tarpon Springs
David Waddell, Clearwater
Virginia Dassler, Largo

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Peters, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Safety and Emergency Services

- 29.** Medicaid Public Emergency Medical Transportation Letter of Agreement between Pinellas County Emergency Medical Services d/b/a Sunstar and the Agency for Health Care Administration that allows Pinellas County to participate in the State Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Medicaid Public Emergency Medical Transportation Intergovernmental Transfer program.

Letter of Agreement approved in accordance with Agency for Health Care Administration requirements, providing for projected Fiscal Year 2021 net revenue in the amount of \$3,044,883.14.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Peters, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

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

Resolution No. 20-96 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 \$122,074.00 will be awarded upon application, with no matching funds required. Chair authorized to sign the grant application.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Peters, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS AND COUNCILS

CareerSource Pinellas

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

Beverly L. Frank appointed to the Business category for a term expiring on June 30, 2022.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Peters, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Supervisor of Elections

- 32. Fiscal Year 2020 Board Budget Amendment No. 4 to realign appropriation from the General Government cost center to the Supervisor of Elections cost center within the General Fund.

Amendment approved realigning \$370,000.00 from the General Fund Reserves for Contingencies to cover costs associated with Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller staff working for the Supervisor of Elections Office.

Mr. Burton provided details regarding the realignment, indicating that the funds may be considered for reimbursement by FEMA or from CARES Act funding after all other distributions from the latter are made. Responding to query by Commissioner Seel, he related that a number of employees of the County and the cities, as well as community volunteers, have been recruited by the Supervisor of Elections Office to assist with the November election; and that more volunteers are wanted; whereupon, Chair Gerard thanked everyone for their help.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Peters, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

COUNTY ATTORNEY

- 33. County Attorney Reports - None.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

34. County Administrator Reports.

Mr. Burton welcomed Assistant County Administrator Kevin Knutson to the County and provided information regarding his position and other associated changes; whereupon, he announced that Carol Stricklin, City of Largo, will soon be joining the County's Community Development Department.

COUNTY COMMISSION

35. Appointments to the Youth Advisory Committee (Board of County Commissioners as a whole).

Commissioner Peters referred to an email sent to the members and backup documentation, indicating that a slate of 35 students is recommended for the Committee from 49 applicants. Responding to queries by Commissioners Welch and Eggers, she provided clarification regarding the recommended number of students and confirmed that they would provide a balanced geographical representation of the county. Commissioners Eggers and Justice expressed appreciation to Commissioner Peters and her staff for their efforts relating to the Committee.

Upon call by the Chair for public comment, David Waddell, Clearwater, expressed his concerns.

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

Aye: 7 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Peters, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

36. Appointment to the Pinellas County Construction Licensing Board (Board of County Commissioners as a whole).

John Wear appointed to a Licensed Plumbing Contractor position for a four-year term following a roll call vote.

37. Appointments to the Suncoast Health Council (Board of County Commissioners as a whole).

Melissa Johnson appointed to a Health Care Provider position for a two-year term expiring on September 30, 2022.

Mary Bennett appointed to a Health Care Consumer position for a two-year term expiring on September 30, 2022, following a roll call vote.

38. County Commission New Business Items.

The members commented on various topics, as follows:

Commissioner Eggers

- Need for a discussion regarding various types of County land

Commissioner Peters

- Forensic work performed by the Offices of the Sheriff and the District Six Medical Examiner
- Mr. Zumwalt's outstanding job as Technology Moderator for BCC virtual meetings

Commissioner Welch

- Clearwater Urban Leadership Coalition progress regarding the Community Redevelopment Agency proposal
- The passing of former Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States Ruth Bader Ginsburg

Later in the meeting, in response to the Chair's call for public comment, David Waddell, Clearwater, expressed his concerns.

Meeting Recessed: 5:17 P.M.

Meeting Reconvened: 6:01 P.M.

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.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

- 39.** Resolutions to adopt final millage rates and budgets for Fiscal Year 2021 (second public hearing).

Public hearing was held regarding the proposed Fiscal Year 2021 final millage rates and budgets for Pinellas County; resolutions adopted approving final millage rates and budgets for the Pinellas County General Fund (Nos. 20-97 and 20-98), Pinellas County Health Department Fund (Nos. 20-99 and 20-100), Pinellas County Emergency Medical Services Authority (Nos. 20-101 and 20-102), Pinellas County Planning Council (Nos. 20-103 and 20-104), Unincorporated Area Municipal Service Taxing Unit (MSTU) (Nos. 20-105 and 20-106), Public Library Services District (Nos. 20-107 and 20-108), Palm Harbor Community Services District (Nos. 20-109 and 20-110), Feather Sound Community Services District (Nos. 20-111 and 20-112), East Lake Library Services District (Nos. 20-113 and 20-114), East Lake Recreational Services District (Nos. 20-115 and 20-116),

the Fire Protection Districts of Belleair Bluffs (Nos. 20-117 and 20-118), Clearwater (Nos. 20-119 and 20-120), Dunedin (Nos. 20-121 and 20-122), Gandy (Nos. 20-123 and 20-124), High Point (Nos. 20-125 and 20-126) Largo (Nos. 20-127 and 20-128), Pinellas Park (Nos. 20-129 and 20-130), Safety Harbor (Nos. 20-131 and 20-132), Seminole (Nos. 20-133 and 20-134), South Pasadena (Nos. 20-135 and 20-136), Tarpon Springs (Nos. 20-137 and 20-138), and Tierra Verde (Nos. 20-139 and 20-140), and Resolution No. 20-141 approving total final Fiscal Year 2021 County Budget.

Ms. Phillips reported that 57 phone calls regarding the Truth in Millage (TRIM) Notices and 2 emails regarding the proposed budget have been received.

Chair Gerard reviewed the sequence of events for the evening's proceedings and indicated that any questions or concerns regarding the assessed property value or information appearing on TRIM Notices should be directed to the Pinellas County Property Appraiser's Office.

Chair Gerard related that even though Florida Statutes provide that a taxing authority may adopt tax levies and budgets of all its dependent special taxing districts and MSTUs by a single unanimous vote, members of the general public can request that the Board discuss and adopt any of those items separately; whereupon, in response to her query, no citizen requested that any item be separately reviewed. Thereupon, Chair Gerard opened the second public hearing on the final millage rates and budgets for Fiscal Year 2021.

Ms. Phillips reported that the public hearing is being held in accordance with Chapters 129 and 200 of the Florida Statutes; that the meeting has been duly noticed by the "Notice of Proposed Tax Increase" and the "Summary of Proposed Budget" legal advertisements that were published in the September 20, 2020 edition of the *Tampa Bay Times*; and that affidavits stating proof of publication are to be received for filing.

Chair Gerard announced that the BCC, as taxing authority for the BCC Countywide, the Dependent Special Districts, and the MSTUs, as previously referenced, will now proceed with the public hearings.

Mr. Burton related that the percentage increase in the millage rate for all budgets over the rolled-back rate, based on the maximum rates on the TRIM Notice and subsequent decreases to such rates, to fund the Fiscal Year 2021 Tentative Budget is a 4.48-percent increase over the aggregate rolled-back rate; whereupon, he indicated that the primary purpose for the changes in millage are as follows:

- In the General Fund, including Unincorporated Area MSTU, Health Department Fund, and Emergency Medical Services Authority, revenue increases are required to support personnel and operating expenditure levels that are driven by inflationary factors. In the General Fund, the revenue increase is also required to build reserves to maintain future stability of services in consideration of anticipated revenue decreases in future years due to economic impacts resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic.

- In the Public Library Services District MSTU, the Palm Harbor Community Services District, the Feather Sound Community Services District, the East Lake Library Services District, the East Lake Recreation Services District, and nine Fire Protection Districts, revenue increases are needed to support increased expenditures by the agencies providing services for those districts.
- In three Fire Protection Districts, revenue decreases are due to those districts having sufficient reserve levels to provide for future planned capital along with property values that can support annual operations.

Chair Gerard announced that the Board of County Commissioners will continue the hearing as the taxing authority for the BCC Countywide, Dependent Special Districts, and MSTU levies, as previously referenced, by taking public comment from citizens who wish to be heard regarding the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget.

No one appeared in response to the Chair's call for persons wishing to speak.

Chair Gerard asked whether the members wished to recommend any changes to the proposed millage rates or budgets, and no response was noted.

Chair Gerard stated that resolutions will now be considered to set the final millage rates and budgets; that their adoption requires a unanimous vote; and that should the unanimous vote not be received, each resolution will be adopted separately; whereupon, Mr. Burton announced each of the resolutions separately, noting that the millage rates, rolled-back rates, and percentage change for each taxing authority are listed on Schedule A, which has been posted to the County website.

Commissioner Welch moved, seconded by Commissioner Long, that the final millage rates and budgets for the Pinellas County General Fund and Pinellas County Health Department Fund be adopted. Upon call for the vote, the motion carried 6 to 1, with Commissioner Peters casting the dissenting vote; whereupon, separate action was taken for adoption of the following resolutions.

Resolution No. 20-97 adopted approving the final millage for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Pinellas County General Fund.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-98 adopted approving the final budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Pinellas County General Fund.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-99 adopted approving the final millage for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Pinellas County Health Department Fund.

Commissioner Peters commented regarding raising taxes during difficult times for the County businesses and employees. At the request of Commissioner Long, Office of Management and Budget Director Bill Berger explained the rolled-back rate and Mr. Burton provided input, indicating that the funds would be placed into the reserves.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-100 adopted approving the final budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Pinellas County Health Department Fund.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Mr. Burton stated that the millage rates and budgets of Dependent Special Districts and MSTUs will now be considered, as listed on Schedule A.

Commissioner Welch moved, seconded by Commissioner Long, that the final millage rates for the Dependent Special Districts and MSTUs be adopted. Upon call for the vote, the motion carried 6 to 1, with Commissioner Peters casting the dissenting vote; whereupon, separate action was taken for adoption of the following resolutions.

Resolution No. 20-101 adopted approving the final millage for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Pinellas County Emergency Medical Services Authority.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-102 adopted approving the final budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Pinellas County Emergency Medical Services Authority.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-103 adopted approving the final millage for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Pinellas Planning Council.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-104 adopted approving the final budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Pinellas Planning Council.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-105 adopted approving the final millage for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Unincorporated Area Municipal Service Taxing Unit.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-106 adopted approving the final budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Unincorporated Area Municipal Service Taxing Unit.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-107 adopted approving the final millage for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Public Library Services District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-108 adopted approving the final budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Public Library Services District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-109 adopted approving the final millage for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Palm Harbor Community Services District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-110 adopted approving the final budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Palm Harbor Community Services District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-111 adopted approving the final millage for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Feather Sound Community Services District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-112 adopted approving the final budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Feather Sound Community Services District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-113 adopted approving the final millage for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the East Lake Library Services District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-114 adopted approving the final budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the East Lake Library Services District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-115 adopted approving the final millage for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the East Lake Recreational Services District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-116 adopted approving the final budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the East Lake Recreational Services District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-117 adopted approving the final millage for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Belleair Bluffs Fire Protection District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-118 adopted approving the final budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Belleair Bluffs Fire Protection District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-119 adopted approving the final millage for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Clearwater Fire Protection District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-120 adopted approving the final budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Clearwater Fire Protection District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-121 adopted approving the final millage for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Dunedin Fire Protection District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-122 adopted approving the final budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Dunedin Fire Protection District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-123 adopted approving the final millage for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Gandy Fire Protection District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-124 adopted approving the final budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Gandy Fire Protection District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-125 adopted approving the final millage for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the High Point Fire Protection District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-126 adopted approving the final budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the High Point Fire Protection District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-127 adopted approving the final millage for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Largo Fire Protection District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-128 adopted approving the final budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Largo Fire Protection District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-129 adopted approving the final millage for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Pinellas Park Fire Protection District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-130 adopted approving the final budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Pinellas Park Fire Protection District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-131 adopted approving the final millage for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Safety Harbor Fire Protection District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-132 adopted approving the final budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Safety Harbor Fire Protection District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-133 adopted approving the final millage for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Seminole Fire Protection District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-134 adopted approving the final budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Seminole Fire Protection District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-135 adopted approving the final millage for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the South Pasadena Fire Protection District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-136 adopted approving the final budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the South Pasadena Fire Protection District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-137 adopted approving the final millage for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Tarpon Springs Fire Protection District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-138 adopted approving the final budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Tarpon Springs Fire Protection District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-139 adopted approving the final millage for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Tierra Verde Fire Protection District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-140 adopted approving the final budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Tierra Verde Fire Protection District.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

Resolution No. 20-141 adopted approving the total final Fiscal Year 2020-2021 County budget.

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

Aye: 6 - Chair Gerard, Vice-Chair Eggers, Commissioner Justice, Commissioner Long, Commissioner Seel, and Commissioner Welch

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Peters

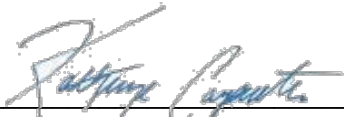
Mr. Burton remarked that the budget was developed considering the Board’s strategic priorities; that the County departments, Constitutional Officers, and the independent agencies were challenged with developing conservative budgets; and that as a result of the pandemic, staff focused on building a reserve, anticipating a two-year budget cycle and ensuring that services to the residents continue to be provided without staff cuts;

whereupon, he thanked the employees of the Office of Management and Budget, Constitutional Officers, and Appointing Authorities for their collaboration and the Board for guidance.


Commissioners Long, Welch, and Eggers noted the challenges and the efforts of everyone involved in the process and commended the County Administrator and his staff on their commitment and hard work, emphasizing that the budget was developed to ensure minimal impacts to the residents.

ADJOURNMENT - 6:56 P.M.

ATTEST: KEN BURKE, CLERK

By 
Deputy Clerk




Chair