

**PAC AGENDA – SUMMARY AGENDA ACTION SHEET
DATE: JULY 1, 2024**

ITEM	ACTION TAKEN	VOTE
1. <u>CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL</u>	<p>The PAC held its July 1, 2024, meeting in the Palm Room at 333 Chestnut Street, Clearwater.</p> <p>The Chair, Matt Jackson, called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. and the members introduced themselves.</p> <p>Committee members in attendance included: Andrew Morris, Tom Scofield, Whitney Clark, Tiffany Menard, Cecelia Chen, Maryellen Edwards, Matt Jackson, Kyle Brotherton, Allie Keen, Kathy Gademer, Erica Lindquist, Brandon Berry, Britton Wilson and Wesley Wright (late arrival 1:37pm)</p> <p>Others in attendance: Katie Cole of Hill Ward Henderson and Courtney Cedrez a USF Student.</p> <p>Forward Pinellas staff included: Rodney Chatman, Linda Fisher, Emma Wennick, Nousheen Rahman, Lena Duque (Intern) and Tina Jablon.</p>	
2. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 29, 2024 PAC MEETING</u>	<p>Motion: Tom Scofield Second: Kyle Brotherton</p>	13-0
3. <u>REVIEW OF FORWARD PINELLAS AGENDA FOR JULY 10, 2024 MEETING</u> <u>PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS</u> A. <u>Countywide Plan Map Amendments</u> 1. Case CW 24-10 – Pinellas Park	<p>Motion: Britton Wilson Second: Brandon Berry</p>	13-0
2. Case CW 24-13 – City of St. Petersburg	<p>Motion: Andrew Morris Second: Tom Scofield</p>	14-0
<u>REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS</u> B. <u>CPA Actions and Forward Pinellas Administrative Review Items</u>	<p>Rodney Chatman advised the PAC members that the Countywide Planning Authority (CPA) approved two land use cases at its June 11th meeting and provided the details of the changes to the Countywide Map for each case. He advised there were no Tier I amendments or map adjustments to report.</p>	

4. PLANNING TOPICS OF INTEREST

A. PSTA Community Bus Plan

Jacob Labutka, Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority (PSTA) staff, explained to the PAC that the Community Bus Plan is typically reviewed every five years and its development includes an on-board survey, extensive public outreach, and intensive demographic and ridership analysis. He offered a high level overview of the types of engagement that was employed from November 2023 to January 2024 to influence the development of the next Plan. He advised the project is currently in Phase II and outlined the remaining phases to completion. Referring to a PowerPoint presentation, Mr. Labutka discussed the comparison between a coverage-based goal and a frequency-based goal. The PSTA team has developed concepts for both. Mr. Labutka discussed the details of the associated tradeoffs and changes that would occur with each scenario. He provided the detailed data that went into the development of each of the two scenarios including, proximity to transit, job access, proximity to bus stops and proximity to riders (boardings). Mr. Labutka took questions and explained the next steps.

B. Knowledge Exchange Series

Emma Wennick, Forward Pinellas staff, provided the PAC members with an overview of the Knowledge Exchange Series (KES) program, highlighting its intended purposes. She reminded the members of previous topics and offered some potential new topics, as brainstormed by the Forward Pinellas staff, which included Green Infrastructure and Resiliency Planning for Climate Change. Rodney Chatman further reminded the members of how the program came into being and highlighted one of the first topics requested by the City of St. Petersburg called "Finding the Missing Middle" to address affordable housing options and associated funding. The floor was then opened up to allow the PAC members to offer suggestions for new topics. Some of the suggestions included: strategies for increasing mixed-use development in commercial corridors, historic preservation, the Live Local Act, alleyway development standards, non-conforming residential condominiums on the beaches, and naturally occurring affordable housing. Forward Pinellas staff thanked the group for the robust participation in the conversation. Further information on the next KES will be forthcoming.

<p>C. <u>Advantage Pinellas Housing Action Plan Update</u></p>	<p>Linda Fisher, Forward Pinellas staff, provided updates on the Advantage Pinellas Housing Action Plan implementation tasks. This included the Countywide Housing Targets Study, a countywide housing educational campaign called Local Homes for Local People, and the Housing Regulatory Toolkit Study.</p>	
<p>5. <u>OTHER PAC BUSINESS/PAC DISCUSSION AND UPCOMING AGENDA</u> A. <u>Pinellas SPOTlight Emphasis Areas Update (Information)</u></p>	<p>Rodney Chatman updated the PAC members on the latest activities related to the SPOTlight Emphasis Areas. This included:</p> <p><u>US 19</u> Forward Pinellas is slowing down the process for the northern corridor of US 19 to engage with the local governments, public and business community prior to finalizing any plans. During a recent meeting with the Mayor of Tarpon Springs, the mayor suggested involving the public to lead up to a non-binding referendum or preference on the US 19 highway question as part of the city’s 2025 charter amendments that will be part of the March election. Forward Pinellas staff will meet with staff from the City of Tarpon Springs in mid-July to develop an effective engagement strategy. This will include introductory meetings in the September time frame with the public and business community and to discuss the viaduct concept. Additionally, a US 19 North Corridor Study, funded by FDOT District 7, will be conducted in the next couple of years. Meanwhile, the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) will reflect a need for mobility and safety in the US 19 North corridor. The City would also like to undertake an economic development/impact study in coordination with the corridor study to explore the transportation needs/impacts on desired US 19 redevelopment, downtown, and the Sponge Docks. They want to look at case studies of viaducts and interchanges on economic vitality.</p> <p><u>Enhancing Beach Community Access</u> Forward Pinellas staff is meeting, next Friday, July 12th, with the funding partners in the hopes of solidifying the local government match that’s required for the Service Development Grant.</p>	
<p>B. <u>Upcoming Land Use Cases & Pre-App Meetings</u></p>	<p>Upon call by the Chair for any items to discuss, none were heard.</p>	

<p>C. <u>Interesting Topics from Your Planner's Notebook</u></p>	<p><u>WebEOC Updates</u> Tina Jablon, Forward Pinellas Staff, inquired how many PAC members have duties related to emergency operations at their local governments. By a show of hand, most of the members serve in some capacity. Ms. Jablon alerted the members to the changes to WebEOC this year and recommended previewing the new version prior to an actual emergency. Referring to the agenda packet, Ms. Jablon encouraged the use of the 2024 Student Handbook for WebEOC as prepared by Pinellas County Emergency Management (PCEM) staff and directed any questions or inquiries to the PCEM staff.</p> <p>Matt Jackson, due to a recent personal experience, enlightened the members on appropriate responses during a legal proceeding when subpoenaed to appear on behalf of your local government employer. Subsequently, Nousheen Rahman, Forward Pinellas staff and APA Section Chair, alerted the members to an upcoming educational opportunity on this precise topic.</p>	
<p>D. <u>Reminder – No PAC meeting in August</u></p>	<p>The Chair reminded the members that there is not a PAC meeting in August and announced the next meeting is Tuesday, September 3rd.</p>	
<p>6. <u>Upcoming Events</u></p>	<p>The Chair highlighted the upcoming Florida APA Planning Conference coming up in September.</p>	
<p>7. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u></p>	<p>There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m.</p>	

Respectfully Submitted,

PAC Chair

Date