Pinellas County

333 Chestnut Street Clearwater, FL 33756



Minutes - Final

Thursday, April 6, 2023 9:30 A.M.

Work Session/Agenda Briefing
333 Chestnut Street, Palm Room, Clearwater

Board of County Commissioners

Janet C. Long, Chair
Kathleen Peters, Vice-Chair
Dave Eggers
Rene Flowers
Charlie Justice
Chris Latvala
Brian Scott

ROLL CALL - 9:31 A.M.

Present 7 - Janet C. Long, Chair; Kathleen Peters, Vice-Chair; Dave Eggers, Rene Flowers, Charlie

Justice, Chris Latvala, and Brian Scott

Others Present: Barry A. Burton, County Administrator; Jewel White, County Attorney; and Katie Poviones,

Board Reporter, Deputy Clerk

- **1.** Transportation Program Updates:
 - SR 60 & Belcher Road
 - LOS Enhancements
 - FDOT Drew Street Project

Report and discussion regarding alternatives considered and a path forward for the Belcher Road at Gulf to Bay Boulevard (State Road 60) intersection, updates on various programs as part of the County's level of service enhancements, and County staff concerns regarding the Florida Department of Transportation's proposed improvements to Drew Street.

Staff presenters: Kelli Hammer Levy, Director, Public Works; Tom Washburn, Section Manager, Transportation Division

Document displayed: Transportation Program Updates: SR 60 & Belcher, LOS Enhancements, and FDOT - Drew Street Project

Chair Long noted that the Board would address the item related to the Board of Adjustment and Appeals at this time.

3. Delegation of Authority to Board of Adjustment and Appeals

Report and discussion regarding the authority of the Board of Adjustment and Appeals to review various cases and appeals and options for consideration of special cases.

Staff presenter: Carol Stricklin, Director, Housing and Community Development Document displayed: *Delegation of Authority to Board of Adjustment and Appeals*

Commissioner Eggers left the meeting at 11:32 A.M.

2. Substance Use Initiatives of Pinellas County

Report and discussion regarding substance abuse statistics in the county, quick response team metrics, overdose fatality reviews, opioid settlement funding, and resources for treatment and recovery.

Staff presenter: Karen Yatchum, Director, Human Services

Document displayed: Substance Use Initiatives of Pinellas County Human Services

4. Agenda Briefing

Referring to the proposed agenda of the April 11 BCC meeting, Mr. Burton and his staff, along with Attorney White, provided information on the agenda items and responded to queries by the members.

Earlier in the meeting, Mr. Burton indicated that the members should have received a modified draft of a letter related to CareerSource and requested a consensus on whether it should be sent or not; whereupon, the members agreed to send the letter.

ADJOURNMENT - 12:39 P.M.