



Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council

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Council Minutes

August 14, 2017

10:00 a.m.

Agenda Item #1
9/11/17

REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

Vice Mayor Patrick Roff, City of Bradenton, Chair
Commissioner Janet Long, Pinellas County, Vice Chair
Commissioner Ronald Kitchen, Citrus County, Secretary/Treasurer
Mayor Woody Brown, City of Largo, Past Chair
Mayor Chris Alahouzos, City of Tarpon Springs
Vice Mayor Bob Boss, City of Temple Terrace
Commissioner Jonathan Davis, City of Palmetto
Commissioner Carlos Diaz, City of Safety Harbor
Commissioner Robin DiSabatino, Manatee County
Commissioner Maureen Freaney, City of Dunedin
Council Member Michael Fridovich, City of Gulfport
Vice Mayor Ward Friszolowski, City of St. Pete Beach
Council Member Hoyt Hamilton, City of Clearwater
Ms. Angeleah Kinsler, Hillsborough County Gubernatorial Appointee
Commissioner Terry Lister, City of Madeira Beach
Councilor Bob Matthews, City of Seminole
Mayor Bob Minning, City of Treasure Island
Mr. John Neal, Manatee County Gubernatorial Appointee
Commissioner Gail Neidinger, City of South Pasadena
Mr. Andy Nunez, Pinellas County Gubernatorial Appointee
Council Member Dan Saracki, City of Oldsmar
Ms. Barbara Sheen Todd, Pinellas County Gubernatorial Appointee
Mr. Waddah Farah, Ex-Officio Alternate, FDOT

REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT

Commissioner John Allocco, Hernando County
Commissioner Scott Black, City of Dade City
Mr. Jacob Creamer, Hillsborough County Gubernatorial Appointee
Commissioner Victor Crist, Hillsborough County
Vice Mayor Bill Dodson, City of Plant City
Mr. Robert "Pete" Edwards, Hillsborough County Gubernatorial Appointee
Council Member Steve Kornell, City of St. Petersburg
Councilman Guido Maniscalco, City of Tampa
Commissioner Jack Mariano, Pasco County
Deputy Mayor Bill Phillips, City of New Port Richey
Mr. Frank Rygiel, Pasco County Gubernatorial Appointee
Mr. Robert Sebesta, Pinellas County Gubernatorial Appointee
Mr. Scott Sheridan, Hillsborough County Gubernatorial Appointee
Councilman Ed Taylor, City of Pinellas Park
Ms. Mary Yeargan, Ex-Officio, DEP

STAFF PRESENT

Sean Sullivan, Executive Director
Wren Krahl, Director of Administration/Public Information
Marshall Flynn, GIS Director
Don Conn, Legal Counsel
John Meyer, Principal Planner
Randy Deshazo, Principal Planner
Brian Ellis, Planning Technician
Brady Smith, Principal Planner
Beth Williams, Accounting Manager
Heather Young, Senior Planner

OTHERS PRESENT

Milton Martinez, Chief Transportation Engineer, City of Tampa
Ryan Suarez, Planning Manager, Manatee County Transit
Trisha Neasman, Planner, SWFWMD

Call to Order: Chair Patrick Roff

The August 14, 2017 regular meeting of the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council (TBRPC) was called to order at 10:05 a.m.

Invocation and Pledge: Councilor Bob Matthews

The invocation was given by Councilor Bob Matthews, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call: Recording Secretary

A quorum was present.

Voting Conflict Report: Recording Secretary

One voting conflict reported from the June 12, 2017 Council Meeting, Consent Agenda Item 3.B.

Public Comment: Members of the public who wish to be heard are requested to fill out a speaker's card and give it to the Director of Administration/Public Information before the start of the meeting. Speakers will be given three (3) minutes to address any item on the agenda or an item of regional interest.

None. Motion to close the Public Comment passed without objection.

Welcome...

We would like to welcome Commissioner Terry Lister. Commissioner Lister will be representing the City of Madeira Beach.

1. Approval of Minutes- Secretary /Treasurer Kitchen

Approve the minutes from the June 12, 2017 Council Meeting. [\(report attached\)](#)

Staff Contact: Wren Krahl, ext. 22, wren@tbrpc.org

Upon motion duly made and seconded the minutes of the June 12, 2017 regular Council Meeting was unanimously approved.

2. Budget and Finance- Secretary/Treasurer Kitchen

a. Approve the Financial Report for the period ending June 30, 2017. [\(report attached\)](#)

Upon motion duly made and seconded the Financial Report for the period ending June 30, 2017 was unanimously approved.

b. Approve the Initial Budget for FY 18. [\(report attached\)](#)

Upon motion duly made and seconded the Initial Budget for FY 2018 was unanimously approved.

Staff Contact: Beth Williams, ext. 15, beth@tbrpc.org

3. Consent Agenda- Chair Patrick Roff

A. Budget and Contractual

1. Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Contract

Since the 1988 passage of the Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act (EPCRA), which created Local Emergency Planning Committees and the State Emergency Response Commission, the Tampa Bay LEPC had operated under a basic annual contract between the FDEM (formerly DCA) and the TBRPC. Again, for this upcoming year, a contract between FDEM and the TBRPC for LEPC operations has been offered. The funding allotment for the Tampa Bay LEPC for FY 2017-18 will be \$80,000, an increase of \$21,000.

Recommended Action: Motion to authorize the Chair to sign the LEPC contract with FDEM for FY 2017-18.

Staff Contact: John Meyer, ext. 29, johnm@tbrpc.org

None.

2. Public Education and Training Facilitation – FDOT Stormwater Management Program

The Florida Department of Transportation District Seven wishes to engage TBRPC to continue Council’s coordination of the Public Education & Training component of the Department’s NPDES (National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System) Permit held jointly by the Department and several local governments for Fiscal Year 2018.

Recommended Action: Motion to authorize Chairman or Executive Director to accept a Purchase Order from the Florida Department of Transportation, District Seven, for a maximum of \$100,000.00.

Staff contact: Heather Young, ext. 40, heather@tbrpc.org

B. Intergovernmental Coordination and Review (IC&R) Program

1. IC&R Reviews by Jurisdiction – June/July 2017 ([report attached](#))
2. IC&R Database – June/July 2017 ([report attached](#))

Recommended Action: None. Information Only.

Staff Contact: John Meyer, ext. 29

C. DRI Development Order Report (DOR)

None

D. DRI Development Order Amendment Report (DOAR)

Due to statutory and contractual requirements, the following Reports have been transmitted to the State Land Planning Agency and all relevant review agencies in accordance with Rule 29H-1.003(3), F.A.C.:

1. DRI #97 – St. Petersburg Intown Areawide, City of St. Petersburg ([report attached](#))
2. DRI #130 – Cypress Banks, Manatee County ([report attached](#))
3. DRI #195 – Gateway Areawide, City of St. Petersburg ([report attached](#))
4. DRI #216 – University Lakes, Manatee County ([report attached](#))
5. DRI #265 – Lakewood Centre, Manatee County ([report attached](#))

Recommended Action: None (Information Only)

Staff Contact: John Meyer, ext. 29

The following Report is presented for Council action:

6. DRI #119 – Northwood, Pasco County

Recommended Action: None (Information Only)

Staff Contact: John Meyer, ext. 29

E. Notice of Proposed Change (NOPC) Report

None

F. Annual Report Summaries (ARS) Biennial Report Summaries (BRS)

1. DRI # 98 – Sabal Center, RY 2015-16 ARS, Hillsborough County ([report attached](#))
2. DRI #103 – Cooper Creek, RYs 2015-17 BRS, Manatee County ([report attached](#))
3. DRI #106 – Corporex Park, RY 2016-17 ARS, Hillsborough County ([report attached](#))
4. DRI #110 – Rocky Point Harbor, RY 2016-17 ARS, City of Tampa ([report attached](#))
5. DRI #114 – Tampa Oaks, RY 2016-17 ARS, City of Temple Terrace ([report attached](#))
6. DRI #116 – Tampa Telecom Park, RY 2016-17 ARS, City of Temple Terrace ([report attached](#))

7. DRI #130 – Cypress Banks, RY 2016-17 ARS, Manatee County ([report attached](#))
8. DRI #131 – Regency Park North, RY 2016-17 ARS, Hillsborough County ([report attached](#))
9. DRI #158 – Tampa Bay Park of Commerce, RY 2016-17 ARS, City of Oldsmar & Pinellas County ([report attached](#))
10. DRI #208 – The Crescent, RY 2016-17 ARS, Hillsborough County ([report attached](#))
11. DRI #233 – Connerton, RYs 2014-16 BRS, Pasco County ([report attached](#))
12. DRI #239 – River Club Park of Commerce, RY 2015-16 ARS, Manatee County ([report attached](#))
13. DRI #245 – Big Bend Transfer Company, RY 2016-17 ARS, Hillsborough County ([report attached](#))
14. DRI #422 – Betz Farm, RY 2016-17 ARS, Citrus County ([report attached](#))

Recommended Action: Approve staff reports

Staff Contact: John Meyer, ext. 29

G. DRI Status Report (report attached)

Recommended Action: None. Information Only.

Staff Contact: John Meyer, ext. 29, johnm@tbrpc.org

H. Local Government Comprehensive Plan (LGCP) Amendment Summary Report
([report attached](#))

Recommended Action: None

Staff contact: Brady Smith, ext. 42, brady@tbrpc.org

I. Local Government Comprehensive Plan (LGCP) Amendment Reports

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No reports.

Recommended Action: None

Staff contact: Brady Smith, ext. 42, brady@tbrpc.org

MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the August 14, 2017 Consent Agenda was unanimously approved.

4. Item(s) Removed from the Consent Agenda and Addendum Item(s)

Council members shall notify the Chair of any items they wish to be pulled from the Consent Agenda. These items will be discussed and voted on separately after the remainder of the Consent Agenda is approved.

5. Review Item(s) or Any Other Item(s) for Discussion

None.

6. **A. Skyway ConneXion** - Mr. Ryan Suarez, Planning Manager, Manatee County Transit Division

In 2016, Manatee County Area Transit (MCAT) began operating a new inter-county limited stop, express service, the *Skyway ConneXion*, connecting Manatee and Pinellas County. The service connects the three major Manatee County Transfer Stations (DeSoto, Downtown Bradenton and Palmetto Stations) with stops in Pinellas County that include 54th Avenue South, the Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority (PSTA) Grand Central Terminal, PSTA's Tyrone Square Mall transit center and the C.W. Bill Young/Bay Pines Veterans Administration (VA) Hospital, which is also served by PSTA fixed route buses. The project was this year's winner in the Transportation and Mobility category of the Annual Future of the Region Awards. Mr. Suarez will provide an overview of the project.

Recommended Action: None. Information Only.

Staff contact: Wren Krahl, ext. 22, wren@tbrpc.org

(Presentation available on the Council website, www.tbrpc.org)

B. Tampa Streetcar Project- Mr. Milton Martinez, Chief Transportation Engineer, Transportation and Stormwater Services Department, City of Tampa

The Tampa Historic Streetcar System is a 2.7-mile long streetcar transportation network that provides a unique connection from downtown Tampa and the Channelside District to the Ybor City historic district. Today, the system is used mainly by tourists. But the City of Tampa is exploring a future for the streetcar as a true transportation option for residents, visitors, and employees in the downtown core. Mr. Martinez will provide an overview of the project.

Recommended Action: None. Information Only.

Staff contact: Sean Sullivan, ext. 16, sean@tbrpc.org

(Presentation available on the Council website, www.tbrpc.org)

7. Council Member Comments

- A. Announcements/Events
- B. Emerging Issues for Local Governments

8. Program/Project Reports

A. Legislative Committee- Commissioner Scott Black, Chair

No Report

Recommended Action: None.

Staff Contact: Wren Krahl, ext. 22, wren@tbrpc.org

B. Agency on Bay Management- Mayor Bob Minning, Chair

We held a joint meeting with TBEP's TAC on August 10. The next meeting will be September 14th, which will be a full agency meeting.

Recommended Action: None. Information Only.

Staff Contact: Heather Young, ext. 40, heather@tbrpc.org

C. **Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)** – No report.

1. LEPC Activities & Initiatives (report attached)
2. SERC Recap (report attached)

Recommended Action: None. Information Only.

Staff Contact: John Meyer, ext. 29, johnm@tbrpc.org

D. **Emergency Management and Hazard Mitigation**

Recently, a couple of articles in local and national media have shone a spotlight on weather and climate issues in the Tampa Bay area. On July 28, 2017, the *Washington Post* published a story titled “Tampa Bay’s Coming Storm” by reporter Darryl Fears. The story and accompanying videos chronicle the region’s vulnerability to hurricanes and flooding, which may be exacerbated by sea level rise in coming decades. In his story, Fears highlights the plausible, but very low-probability, worst-case hurricane scenario for Tampa Bay, known as “Hurricane Phoenix.” The Hurricane Phoenix scenario was developed for TBRPC’s “Tampa Bay Catastrophic Plan” in 2010. The *Washington Post* article, “Tampa Bay’s Coming Storm,” may be accessed online here: https://www.washingtonpost.com/graphics/2017/health/environment/tampa-bay-climate-change/?utm_term=.41749191e82d

The Tampa Bay Catastrophic Plan, aka “Project Phoenix,” may be accessed online here: <http://www.tbrpc.org/tampabaycatplan/>

On July 25, 2017, the Tampa Bay online magazine *83 Degrees* featured a story by author Zac Taylor titled, “Florida communities prepare for sea level rise, potential costs to local economy.” The article focuses on long-term risks in the Tampa Bay area from potential sea level rise. To help quantify those risks, the author cites TBRPC’s recent “The Cost of Doing Nothing” report, which outlines the potential impacts of future sea level rise on the region’s economy. The *83 Degrees* article may be accessed online here: <http://www.83degreesmedia.com/features/raminifications-of-sea-level-rise-in-Florida-072517.aspx>

Recommended Action: None. Information Only.

Staff Contact: Brady Smith, ext. 42, brady@tbrpc.org

E. **Economic Development: Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Annual Update**

As the federally designated Economic Development District (EDD) for the Tampa Bay Area, the Council conducts economic development studies and coordinates planning efforts with respect to economic development in the region. The Council is also responsible for maintaining and periodically updating the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). For its update of the CEDS, staff worked with partners in the public and private sector to update the document. Staff has circulated the draft update of the CEDS for a 30 day public review period, incorporating received comments. The CEDS will be presented for Council acceptance. Staff will provide a presentation on the EDD and the CEDS.

Recommended Action: Approve Annual CEDS Update ([report attached](#))

Upon motion duly made and seconded the Annual Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Update was unanimously approved.

Staff contact: Randy Deshazo, ext. 31, randy@tbrpc.org

(Presentation available on the Council website, www.tbrpc.org)

F. Florida Regional Councils Association: FRCA Monthly Report

Recommended Action: None. Information Only. ([report attached](#))

Staff contact: Wren Krahl, ext. 22, wren@tbrpc.org

9. Executive/Budget Committee Report- Chair Roff

Recommended Action: None.

Staff Contact: Sean Sullivan, ext. 16, sean@tbrpc.org

10. Executive Director's Report- Mr. Sean Sullivan

Director's Report August 14th, 2017 Meeting

TBRPC Efforts

- On July 28th the Council was recognized by the Washington Post for your work on the potential impacts to the region if a Category 5 Hurricane was to make landfall in the region. You may recall we played this video at a Council meeting last year. We received numerous inquiries including CBS news after this story ran.
- On June 15th staff attended a meeting at the Hillsborough Environmental Protection Commission to celebrate a 50 year anniversary of the success of this organization. EPC representatives will be asked to address the Council at a future meeting to describe Hillsborough's efforts as a steward of the environment.
- Also on June 15th staff Planner John Myer participated in a Florida Department of Health Point of Distribution training exercise in Hernando County as part of his duties as manager of the Local Emergency Planning Committee.
- On June 22nd I met with Jerry Custin Executive Director of the Upper Tampa Bay Chamber of Commerce in Oldsmar to discuss possible collaboration on projects of mutual interest.
- On June 28th I attended the Clearwater Chamber of Commerce annual Legislative Delegation breakfast to network and learn about legislation that was passed in the recent Session and the impact of legislation on the Tampa Bay Region.
- On June 29th I attended the Florida Regional Council's Association Policy Board meetings along with Council Member Barbara Sheen Todd. The Association elected a new slate of officers and we remain fortunate that Council member Todd will remain on the Executive Board as the immediate past President. Thanks to Ms. Todd the Association has a new website, logo, a renewed

relationship with the Florida Association of Counties and a newsletter that is distributed to over 2500 people on a monthly basis.

- Staff submitted two grant applications to the State Department of Economic Opportunity. One grant was to continue our storm surge modeling efforts and the second grant seeks funding to develop a land re-use plan in Citrus County.
- On July 20th staff IT Director Marshall Flynn and Planning Technician Brian Ellis attended a ribbon cutting for the expansion of the Coast to Coast trail network in Tarpon Springs. The TBRPC has been an active participant in the planning phase of the Coast to Coast trail and assisted with plan design and logo branding efforts. TBRPC received two grants from the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity to conduct a technical assessment and modeling for the trail.
- On July 21st staff attended and coordinated a meeting of the Courtney Campbell Causeway Scenic Highway Advisory Committee in Tampa. The TBRPC staffs this committee to ensure that the Causeway maintains its designation as a Scenic Highway.
- On August 1st and on each consecutive Tuesday in August thereafter, TBRPC staff will be attending public meetings in the City of Tampa in concert with FDOT to present the first phase of an economic impact analysis of the proposed Tampa Bay Next surface transportation project. We anticipate the full analysis to be complete by the end of the year.
- On July 21st I participated in a conference call with the National Association of Regional Councils to discuss potential improvements to USDOT transportation policies. NARC drafted a non-partisan letter to DOT with input from the TBRPC and RPC's throughout the Country that will assist Regional Council's with navigating Federal Highway and Federal Transit regulations. Ex. NEPA, Performance Measures, Civil Rights.
- On July 26th Planning Technician Brian Ellis and I met with Derryl O'Neal, acting City Manager for the City of Madeira Beach to discuss services offered by the TBRPC and indicated that the Council looks forward to working with the City, the most recent community to join the Council. Wren and Brian followed up with a presentation to the City Commission on August 8th.
- On July 31st Wren attended a Florida Public Human Resources Conference in Orlando to enhance her knowledge of ever changing personnel regulations.
- On August 2nd I met with Pinellas Park City Manager Doug Lewis to discuss services offered by the TBRPC and to learn more about opportunities of collaborating with the City. The meeting was very productive and we look forward to continuing to work with the City.
- On August 7th & 8th we collaborated with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to host a climate change workshop on adaptation planning for coastal communities. This workshop was open to all 27 member governments in our region. Environmental Planner Heather Young coordinated this effort.
- On August 9th I attended a Legislative Chamber Luncheon at the Upper Tampa Bay Chamber of Commerce. Several Legislators attended this meeting to discuss recent actions taken in the 2017 Session.
- Also on August 9th I met with new Pasco County Administrator Dan Biles. Mr. Biles comes to Pasco County via Alabama where he served as Deputy Manager in Jefferson County. We discussed the long standing relationship that the TBRPC has had with the County and the services offered by the TBRPC. We look forward to maintaining and strengthening our relationship with Pasco County.

Staff Contact: Sean Sullivan, ext. 16, sean@tbrpc.org

11. Chair's Report-Chair Roff

Next Meeting: September 11, 2017

Adjournment 11:45 a.m.

The Council, in accordance with its adopted rules of procedure, may only take action on matters not on the printed agenda involving the exercise of agency discretion and policymaking upon a finding by the Council of an emergency situation affecting the public's health, safety, and welfare. Council meetings are Public Meetings within the context of [Section 286.011, Florida Statutes](#). Public Hearings on issues before the Council are conducted by individual local governments, and are the proper forum for public comment.

Please note that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Council with respect to any matter considered at the above cited meeting or hearing, s/he will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purpose, s/he may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. Persons wishing to speak at a Council meeting are required to complete the form provided at the entrance to the meeting room. The form, after being completed, must be given to the Recording Secretary.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this meeting you are entitled, at no cost to you, the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council at 727-570-5151 ext. 22 within 3 working days prior to the meeting.