

Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council

COUNCIL MINUTES MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2021

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DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Councilman Patrick Roff, Chair
City of Bradenton

Mr. Sean T. Sullivan, Executive Director

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COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

February 8, 2021 10:00 a.m.

4000 Gateway Centre Blvd., Suite 100, Pinellas Park FL 33782

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Topic: TBRPC February Council Meeting

Time: **Feb 8, 2021 10:00 AM** Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

Councilman Patrick Roff, City of Bradenton, Chair
Commissioner Jack Mariano, Pasco County, Secretary/Treasurer
Commissioner Ronald Kitchen, Citrus County, Past Chair
Mayor Chris Alahouzos, City of Tarpon Springs
Commissioner John Allocco, Hernando County
Councilman Peter Altman, City of New Port Richey
Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Manatee County
Councilor Thom Barnhorn, City of Seminole
Mayor Sandra Bradbury, City of Pinellas Park
Mayor Woody Brown, City of Largo
Councilman Joe Citro, City of Tampa
Commissioner Harry Cohen, Hillsborough County
Council Member James Chambers, City of Temple Terrace
Mr. Jacob Creamer, Hillsborough County Gubernatorial Appointee
Vice Mayor Bill Dodson, City of Plant City
Commissioner Maureen "Moe" Freaney, City of Dunedin
Vice Mayor Ward Friszolowski, City of St. Pete Beach
Council Member Brandi Gabbard, City of St. Petersburg
Council Member Hoyt Hamilton, City of Clearwater
Ms. Angeleah Kinsler, Hillsborough County Gubernatorial Appointee
Commissioner Janet Long, Pinellas County
Commissioner Gail Neidinger, City of South Pasadena
Mr. Frank Rygiel, Pasco County Gubernatorial Appointee
Ms. Barbara Sheen Todd, Pinellas County Gubernatorial Appointee
Commissioner Maribeth Wetzel, City of Treasure Island
Ms. Charlie O'Neal, Alternate for Ms. Mary Yeargan, Ex-Officio, DEP

REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT

Commissioner Scott Black, City of Dade City
Commissioner Carlos Diaz, City of Safety Harbor
Vice Mayor Michael Fridovich, City of Gulfport
Commissioner Nancy Hodges, City of Madeira Beach
Council Member Dan Saracki, City of Oldsmar
Mr. Waddah Farah, Alternate for Ming Gao, Ex-Officio, FDOT



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STAFF PRESENT

Sean Sullivan, Executive Director
Wren Krahl, Deputy Executive Director
Don Conn, Legal Counsel
Marshall Flynn, IT/GIS Director
Randy Deshazo, Director of Planning and Research
John Meyer, Principal Planner
Brian Ellis, Disaster Recovery Coordinator
Sue Geer, Accountant
Sarah Vitale, Senior Planner
Cara Woods Serra, Comprehensive Resiliency Planner
C.J. Reynolds, Director of Resiliency and Engagement
Alana Todd, Environmental Planner
Harry Walsh, Economic Development Planner
Simone Chapman, GRPS Policy Fellow

Call to Order: Councilman Patrick Roff, Chair

Chair Roff called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call: Ms. Wren G. Krahl, Deputy Executive Director

A quorum was present.

For purposes of a quorum, Council Members are encouraged to report their absences in advance of the meeting via email to the Deputy Executive Director, wren@tbrpc.org. Thank you for your cooperation.

Voting Conflict Report: Ms. Wren G. Krahl, Deputy Executive Director

There were no Voting Conflicts to report.

Public Comment: Members of the public who wish to be heard are requested to fill out a speaker's card and

provide it to the Recording Secretary 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.

No Public Comment-Upon motion duly made and seconded Public Comment was closed.

CONSENT AGENDA

[\(Link to Administrative Agenda Item Reports\)](#)

1. Approval of the Minutes

Additional Material:

Minutes from the October 12, 2020 Meeting.

Staff Contact:

Wren G. Krahl, Deputy Executive Director, wren@tbrpc.org. ext. 22

2. Budget and Finance

The financial statement for the month ending December 31st, 2020.

Additional Material:

Financial Statement for the month ending December 31st, 2020.

Staff Contact:

Sean T. Sullivan, Executive Director, sean@tbrpc.org. ext. 16

3. Budget and Contractual

- A. Evaluation of the MCORES Corridor Study Areas of the Northern Turnpike Connector and Suncoast Connector** TBRPC has been requested by the Florida Department of Transportation to evaluate the Citrus County local government comprehensive plan with respect to the alignment within the MCORES Corridor Study Areas of the Northern Turnpike Connector and Suncoast Connector. This evaluation will be conducted by staff and presented to the lead RPC on the project, namely, Central Florida Regional Planning Council (CFRPC). The information will be compiled by CFRPC with a final report presented to the Florida Department of Transportation.

Recommended Action: Motion to authorize the Executive Director to enter into an Interagency Agreement with the Central Florida Regional Planning Council (CFRPC) to perform an evaluation of the Citrus County local government comprehensive plan with respect to alignments within the Multi-Use Corridors of Regional Significance study areas.

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

B. Contract for the Editor of Bay Soundings

TBRPC produces the Bay Soundings environmental journal with the assistance of a contracted editor. Staff proposes to enter into an agreement with Ms. Victoria Parsons to continue her service as editor of Bay Soundings. The contract amount will be \$24,000 for the performance period of March 1, 2021 to February 28, 2022.

Action Recommended: Authorize Executive Director to issue purchase order for Bay Soundings Editor

Staff Contact: Alana Todd, ext. 40, alana@tbrpc.org

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

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

IC&R Summary by Jurisdiction

IC&R Review Log

5. Development of Regional Impacts (DRI)

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

DRI Development Amendment Report(s)

Notice of Proposed Change Report(s)

Annual/Biennial Report Summaries

DRI Status Report

6. Local Government Comprehensive Plan (LGCP)

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

LGCP Amendment Summary by Jurisdiction

LGCP Amendments Review Log

Due to statutory requirements (and if applicable), LGCP Reports may have already been transmitted to the State Land Planning Agency and the appropriate local government in accordance within the 30 days following receipt, as specified in Rule 29H-1.003(3), F.A.C.

7. LEPC Activity Report Information Only

Additional Material: LEPC Activity Report

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

8. FRCA Monthly Report Information Only

Additional Material: FRCA Monthly Report

Staff Contact: Wren G. Krahl, Deputy Executive Director, wren@tbrpc.org, ext. 22

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.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion duly made and seconded the Consent Agenda was unanimously approved.

E-2 Nominating Committee Report **Ms. Angeleah Kinsler, Nominating Committee Chair**
Ms. Angeleah Kinsler, Chair of the Nominating Committee will present the committee's recommendations for the 2021 Slate of Officers.

Recommended Action: Motion to approve the 2021 Slate of Officers.
Commissioner Jack Mariano, Chair (Pasco Co.)
Councilwoman Brandi Gabbard, Vice-Chair (City of St. Petersburg)
Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Secretary/Treasurer (Manatee Co.)

Staff Contact: Wren G. Krahl, Deputy Executive Director, wren@tbrpc.org, ext. 22

The Nominating Committee met on October 29th to make a recommendation for our 2021 Slate of Officers. We are honored to unanimously support and recommend the following Council Members for the 2021 Slate of Officers:

- For Secretary/Treasurer, Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Manatee County*
- For Vice Chair, Councilwoman Brandi Gabbard, City of St. Petersburg*
- And, Commissioner Jack Mariano, Pasco County as our 2021 Chair.*

Each of these Officers have generously given their time and have served the Council with dedication.

Mr. Chair, would you please call for a motion to approve the recommended Slate of Officers for 2021?

Upon motion duly made and seconded the 2021 Slate of Officers was unanimously approved.

Awards and Recognitions

Sean T. Sullivan, Executive Director

The Council recognized and presented a personalized moonlit photo of the Skyway Bridge to Officers, Committee Chairs, and those with outstanding service.

- *Councilman Patrick Roff, Chair*
- *Commissioner Jack Mariano, Secretary/Treasurer*
- *Ms. Barbara Sheen Todd, Agency on Bay Management Chair*
- *Ms. Angeleah Kinsler, Nominating Committee Chair*
- *Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Covid 19 Recovery Task Force Committee Chair*
- *Commissioner Janet Long, Tampa Bay Regional Resiliency Coalition Chair*
- *Commissioner Gail Niedinger, City of South Pasadena was recognized for 9 years of service.*
- *Commissioner Jonathan Davis, City of Palmetto was recognized for 8 years of service.*

Investiture Ceremony for the 2021 Slate of Officers

Ms. Diane Corna, Pinellas Park City Clerk

Ms. Diane Corna, Pinellas Park City Clerk administered the Oath of Office to the 2021 Slate of Officers for the 16th year:

- *Secretary/Treasurer, Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Manatee County*
- *Vice Chair, Councilwoman Brandi Gabbard, City of St. Petersburg*
- *Chair, , Commissioner Jack Mariano, Pasco County.*

Incoming Chair's Remarks

Commissioner Jack Mariano

Commissioner Jack Mariano thanked the Council and stated that he is looking forward to working with board members and staff to further the Council's mission. Commissioner Mariano is one of a very few elected officials serving a second term as Chair in the Council's 59- year history.

Councilman Patrick Roff continued to act as Chair for the remainder of the meeting. Commissioner Mariano will Chair March 8th, 2021.

TBRPC PROJECT, PROGRAM and COMMITTEE REPORTS (P)

TBRPC Programmatic Responsibilities include but are not limited to the following: Economic Development and Fiscal Impact Analysis; Environmental Planning; Emergency Preparedness; Resiliency; GIS Mapping and Modeling Services; Transportation Planning and Technical Assistance to Local Governments.

Committees of the TBRPC include but are not limited to the following: Executive/Budget Committee; Agency on Bay Management; Legislative Committee; Nominating Committee; Clearinghouse Review Committee; Florida Regional Council's Association Policy Board; and The Tampa Bay Regional Resiliency Coalition.

P1 Covid-19 Recovery Task Force Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Task Force Chair
Recommended Action: To Be Determined.
Staff Contact: Sean T. Sullivan, Executive Director, sean@tbrpc.org. ext. 16

Currently, TBRPC staff is completing three CARES Act Economic Recovery projects. TBRPC is in the final stages of completing a Conceptual Master Plan for Downtown New Port Richey's Rivergate District. TBRPC undertook a planning, economic, and 3D design-driven approach to assess the existing conditions of the Rivergate District and its opportunities for future development. This study provides an economic analysis of resilient development options and presents a conceptual vision of what it could be like to live, learn, work, play, and invest in the City's new Rivergate District.

TBRPC will provide the City of New Port Richey with a 3D model and video animation, which can be used to test ideas, compare alternatives, identify priorities, and develop consensus among stakeholders. Collectively, these resources equip City staff with visually compelling and economically assessed "proofs of concepts" to be considered when evaluating development potential and projects within the Rivergate District.

TBRPC is also in the final stages of preparing an aviation cluster study for Zephyrhills and the Pasco Economic Development Council. The study evaluates the potential for developing a cluster of businesses focused on light aircraft support and parts manufacturing anchored at the Zephyrhills Municipal Airport and in the adjacent industrial park. The study proposes a two-tiered land use strategy with one land use strategy "inside the airport fence" and another outside the fence, in the industrial park. The study identifies the most important businesses to recruit and the most important occupational needs of the aviation cluster, along with an assessment of how much of those needs Pasco currently can fulfill.

TBRPC also completed a report for Manatee County on the effects of COVID-19 closures on employment in the county. Our study found that the two largest impacts are in the food service and retail industries.

These industries were impacted by the economic decline in consumer spending. Using DEO reports and the REMI economic analysis tool the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in Manatee county on July 1st was 9.4%.

In the coming weeks staff will be placing a call for projects from member governments in accordance with guidelines from the Economic Development Administration. Thank you.

- P2 Tampa Bay Regional Resiliency Coalition Commissioner Janet Long, TBRC Chair**
Recommended Action: To Be Determined.
Staff Contact: Sean T. Sullivan, Executive Director, sean@tbrpc.org. ext. 16

Good morning, thank you. I'm pleased to report that TBRPC is making excellent progress toward developing the Regional Resilience Action Plan. They defined new goals related to health and equity, following the December workshop, and met with TBEP and SeaGrant to discuss climate data. On January 15, TBRPC staff convened the Resilience Coalition Management Planning Committee, which includes the staff from our local governments, to get input on the Plan chapters and discuss the process for reviewing the drafts and getting approval. Cara and CJ also had numerous one on one meetings with City and County staff.

The major chapter in the RRAP focus on People, Place and Prosperity. The People workshop is this Friday and focuses on organizational leadership and capacity building. The Place Chapter will be discussed is several workshops in February -- focusing on housing, ecosystems, infrastructure and transportation. In March, staff will hold workshops on Clean Energy and Prosperity Chapter which will also link to economic development plans. TBRPC has expanded its partnership with USF and met with faculty in social sciences to improve engagement strategies and faculty in the Masters In Urban and Regional Planning department have created two course projects. One will look at land-use and support the Regional Action Plan and the other will implement a GIS mapping project to assess flood risks to affordable housing in 10 communities.

Lastly, the Steering Committee will meet after the Council meeting to discuss the Action Plan and the Leadership Summit which is proposed for this June. Staff has conducted a review of safety information, costs and connected with our previous sponsors to get input.

That concludes my report. I welcome any questions.

PRESENTATIONS and GUEST SPEAKERS

All PowerPoint presentations will be posted to the Council website following the meeting at www.tbrpc.org

2020 Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council Annual Report Executive Director Report

Speaker: Mr. Sean Sullivan, Executive Director

TBRPC Executive Director Sean Sullivan will provide an overview of the Council's activities, projects, and programs over the past year.

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

Mr. Sullivan presented the 2020 Annual Report. The presentation is located on the website and was forwarded to all Council Members.

AMMENDED 02/04/2021 TO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING DISCUSSION ITEM:

Senate Bill 62- 2021 Legislative Action Involving TBRPC and Florida's Regional Planning Councils

Speaker: Mr. Sean Sullivan, Executive Director

TBRPC Executive Director Sean Sullivan will provide an overview and current status of Senate Bill 62 introduced by Community Affairs Committee Chair, Senator Jennifer Bradley of Baker County.

Mr. Sullivan described Florida Senate Bill 62 which if passed would negatively impact Regional Planning Councils. He provided the following information:

[SENATE BILL 62](#)

- In early January 2021 newly elected Senator Jennifer Bradley from Baker County filed Senate Bill 62 that essentially eliminates Florida's ten RPC's from State Statutes. The Bill does allow for future creation of regional entities through development of Interlocal Agreements.*
- FRCA immediately met with our Lobbyist (Ron Book) to develop a strategy to oppose this Bill. We began to assemble a list of available Partners who could testify on behalf of FRCA and express their opposition to this Bill.*

- *On January 26th I attended the Senate Community Affairs meeting in Tallahassee where 12 elected and appointed officials along with one business owner testified in opposition to SB 62. There was no testimony in favor of the Bill.*
- *The next step in the Senate is for the Bill to be placed on the Judiciary Committee agenda Chaired by St. Petersburg Senator Jeff Brandes. No hearing date has yet been set for SB 62.*
- *As of Friday, 2/5, a companion Bill had not been filed in the House, but this is subject to change and FRCA will monitor this closely.*
- *Each of TBRPC's member governments will be requested to consider signing a proclamation indicating opposition to Senate Bill 62.*
- *Continue to strategize with FRCA's Lobbyist to work to defeat SB 62. Our Lobbyist recommends that Council members contact State Senator's to express your opposition to this Bill.*
- *I will continue to track SB 62 and will work with FRCA to defeat this Bill and will provide Council members with updates.*

Additional Material:

TBRPC Resolution 01-2021 Opposing Senate Bill 62
Senate Bill 62 Staff Overview

Recommended Action:

Motion to Approve Resolution 01-2021 Opposing Senate Bill 62

Staff Contact:

Sean T. Sullivan, Executive Director, sean@tbrpc.org. ext. 16
Wren G. Krahl, Deputy Executive Director, wren@tbrpc.org, ext.22

Upon motion duly made and seconded Resolution 01-2021 Opposing Senate Bill 62 was unanimously approved.

Member governments were encouraged to pass individual resolutions or proclamations opposing Senate Bill 62.

This concludes the Presentations and Guest Speakers portion of the Agenda.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

TBRPC serves as a forum to foster communication between local governments. This portion of the agenda is dedicated to our Council Members to announce events and discuss emerging issues in your communities and jurisdictions. We encourage you to take an active role in submitting issues as well as to share those best practices that are working in your jurisdictions.

This concludes Council Member Comments for today's Agenda.

ADJOURNMENT 11:30 a.m.

Next Council Meeting: March 8, 2021

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.

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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.

 Date: 3/10/21

Commissioner Jack Mariano, Chair



Brian Ellis, Recording Secretary

