

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
PINELLAS PLANNING COUNCIL
November 18, 2015

The Pinellas Planning Council (PPC) met in regular session in the County Commission Assembly Room, Pinellas County Courthouse, 315 Court Street, Clearwater, Florida, at 3:26 P.M. with the following members present:

Jim Kennedy, Chairman, City of St. Petersburg Councilmember
John Morroni, Vice-Chairman, Pinellas County Commissioner
Joanne "Cookie" Kennedy, Secretary, City of Indian Rocks Beach Commissioner
Representing Beach Communities
Doreen Hock-DiPolito, Treasurer, City of Clearwater Councilmember
Sandra Bradbury, City of Pinellas Park Mayor
Cliff Merz, City of Safety Harbor Commissioner
Representing Oldsmar, Safety Harbor, and Tarpon Springs
Darden Rice, City of St. Petersburg Councilmember
Karen Williams Seel, Pinellas County Commissioner
Michael Smith, City of Largo Commissioner
John Tornga, City of Dunedin Commissioner

Not Present:

Julie Ward Bujalski, City of Dunedin Mayor
Representing Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority (PSTA)
Dave Eggers, Pinellas County Commissioner
Kevin Piccarreto, Town of Belleair Deputy Mayor
Representing Inland Communities

Also Present:

Whit Blanton, Executive Director, PPC
Michael C. Crawford, Planning Division Manager, PPC
Linda A. Fisher, PPC Staff
Tina M. Jablon, PPC Staff
Chelsea D. Hardy, Assistant County Attorney
Other interested individuals
Laura M. Todd, Board Reporter, Deputy Clerk

AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. CONSENT AGENDA
 - A. Minutes of the September 9, 2015 Meeting
 - B. Minutes of the October 14, 2015 Meeting
 - C. Financial Statement for October 2015
 - D. CPA Actions for November 2015
 - E. Annexation Report for October 2015
 - F. Preliminary December 2015 Agenda
 - G. Correspondence and PAC Agenda Action Sheet (Draft)
- III. PUBLIC HEARINGS – To begin at 3:00 P.M. or as soon thereafter as agenda permits
 - A. Public Hearing Format Announcement and Oath
 - B. Amendments to the Countywide Plan Map
 - Subthreshold Amendments
 - 1. Case CW 15-18: City of St. Petersburg
 - 2. Case CW 15-19: City of Pinellas Park
 - Regular Amendments
 - None
- IV. REPORTS/OTHER ACTION
 - A. Countywide Plan Map – 2015 Annual Update
- V. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ITEMS
 - A. Agenda for December 4, 2015 Work Session
 - B. Verbal Reports
- VI. OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS
 - A. Chairman/Member Items
- VII. ADJOURNMENT

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Kennedy called the meeting to order at 3:26 P.M. and welcomed those in attendance.

CONSENT AGENDA – APPROVED

Chairman Kennedy presented the Consent Agenda items, as follows:

- A. Minutes of the September 9, 2015 Meeting
- B. Minutes of the October 14, 2015 Meeting (deferred to the December 9, 2015 meeting)
- C. Financial Statement for October 2015 (deferred to the December 9, 2015 meeting)
- D. CPA Actions for November 2015
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Commissioner Smith moved, seconded by Commissioner Kennedy and carried, that Consent Agenda Items A through G be approved (Vote 10–0).

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. Public Hearing Format Announcement and Oath

Upon request by the Chairman, all persons planning to give testimony were duly sworn by the Deputy Clerk.

- B. Amendments to the Countywide Plan Map

SUBTHRESHOLD AMENDMENTS

PUBLIC HEARING: CASE CW 15-18, A PROPOSAL BY THE CITY OF ST. PETERSBURG TO AMEND THE COUNTYWIDE PLAN MAP FROM RESIDENTIAL MEDIUM (RM) TO MULTIMODAL CORRIDOR (MMC) – APPROVED

Pursuant to legal notice published in the November 3, 2015 issue of the *Tampa Bay Times* as evidenced by affidavit of publication filed with the Clerk, public hearing was held on Case CW 15-18, a proposal by the City of St. Petersburg to amend the Countywide Plan Map from RM to MMC, re 0.3 acre m.o.l., located at 424 and 436 22nd Avenue North.

Mr. Crawford indicated that the proposed amendment is subthreshold; that backup documentation is included in the agenda package; and that staff recommends its approval. Chairman Kennedy noted that information in the agenda package indicates that the Planners Advisory Committee (PAC) had voted unanimously in favor of the staff recommendation;

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whereupon, the representative for the applicant local government indicated that the City concurs with the staff recommendation.

No one appeared in response to the Chairman's call for proponents, opponents, or citizens wishing to be heard with regard to the proposal; whereupon, he closed the public hearing.

Thereupon, Mayor Bradbury moved, seconded by Commissioner Morroni and carried, that Case CW 15-18 be approved as recommended by staff (Vote 10–0).

PUBLIC HEARING: CASE CW 15-19, A PROPOSAL BY THE CITY OF PINELLAS PARK TO AMEND THE COUNTYWIDE PLAN MAP FROM RESIDENTIAL LOW MEDIUM (RLM) TO RETAIL & SERVICES (R&S) – APPROVED

Pursuant to legal notice published in the November 3, 2015 issue of the *Tampa Bay Times* as evidenced by affidavit of publication filed with the Clerk, public hearing was held on Case CW 15-19, a proposal by the City of Pinellas Park to amend the Countywide Plan Map from RLM to R&S, re 0.5 acre m.o.l., located generally north of 82nd Avenue, east of 43rd Street, and west of U.S. Highway 19 North.

Mr. Crawford indicated that the proposed amendment is subthreshold; that backup documentation is included in the agenda package; and that staff recommends its approval; whereupon, Chairman Kennedy noted that information in the agenda package indicates that PAC had voted unanimously in favor of the staff recommendation.

Responding to the Chairman's call for the applicant local government, City of Pinellas Park Zoning Division Director Dean Neal indicated that the City concurs with the staff recommendation.

No one appeared in response to the Chairman's call for proponents, opponents, or citizens wishing to be heard with regard to the proposal; whereupon, he closed the public hearing.

Thereupon, Commissioner Kennedy moved, seconded by Mayor Bradbury and carried, that Case CW 15-19 be approved as recommended by staff (Vote 10–0).

REGULAR AMENDMENTS – None

REPORTS AND OTHER ACTION

- A. Countywide Plan Map – 2015 Annual Update – Adopted Resolution No. 15-4 and authorized transmittal to the Countywide Planning Authority for filing as the Official Record Copy
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Mr. Blanton indicated that one of the roles of the PPC, in accordance with the Countywide Rules, is to keep an update of the Countywide Plan Map and all amendments that have been made to date; whereupon, at his request, Principal Planner Linda Fisher made a brief presentation.

Ms. Fisher indicated that the Countywide Plan Map is updated each month as amendments are approved; that at the end of each fiscal year, the PPC makes an archival copy which is filed with the County Clerk, Board Records Division; and that the copy includes both the Countywide Plan Base Map and the Scenic Non-Commercial Corridor Map. Referring to a resolution in the agenda packet, she related that staff is recommending the PPC pass the resolution transmitting the map to the Countywide Planning Authority.

Thereupon, Commissioner Morroni moved, seconded by Mayor Bradbury and carried unanimously, that Resolution No. 15-4 be adopted accepting and authorizing filing with the Clerk the 2015 Annual Update of the Countywide Plan Map (Vote 10–0).

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ITEMS

- A. Agenda for December 4, 2015 Work Session

Mr. Blanton provided a brief overview of the agenda for the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and PPC Work Session scheduled for December 4, 2015. He indicated that the focus is to review the draft work plans for the three emphasis areas; and that work has already begun on the beach access issue, indicating that staff has reached out to city and county staff and the Florida Department of Transportation, and meetings will be scheduled in the next few weeks to discuss operational strategies to minimize congestion, including signage and the use of intelligent transportation systems, noting that a comprehensive strategy is important.

Mr. Blanton discussed drafting a letter following the December 4 work session to MPO/PPC partners in the Gateway area, the beach access communities, and the U.S. Highway 19 corridor communities inviting them to participate in the work plan, and noted that a funding commitment may be requested with regard to the Gateway area.

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Mr. Blanton indicated that, as part of the work session, a couple of modest proposals will be presented for the MPO/PPCs consideration regarding use of the flexible transportation dollars.

B. Verbal Report - None

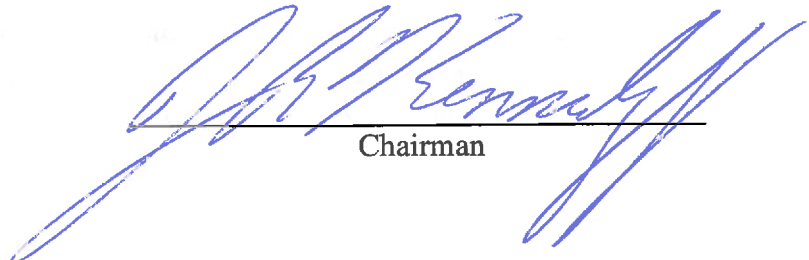
OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS

A. Chairman/Member Items

Chairman Kennedy announced that the Council is planning a small holiday get-together after the December meeting, noting that more information will be forthcoming; whereupon, he requested that the members place the event on their respective calendars.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:37 P.M.


Chairman