



# **Courtney Campbell Scenic Highway Corridor Advisory Committee**

## **Meeting Minutes**

January 15, 2021 – 10:00am

### **Zoom Meeting**

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Public Comments
3. Approval of October 16, 2020 Meeting Minutes
4. New Business
  - a. 2020 Annual Report
    - i. Cleanup Events
      1. Joan Rice asking about
    - ii. Coopers Point Water Quality Improvements – Funding & Permitting
      1. Sarah Kessler from City of Clearwater should provide update – not present in meeting
    - iii. Security for southside Recreation Area
      1. Brian Roberts to provide description
      2. Security gate added, but enforcement of behavior is still needed
      3. Alex Henry will find the start and completion date
      4. Verify who opens and closes the gate – Karla Price
    - iv. Disruptive behavior and public safety along the causeway was discussed.
    - v. Removal of invasive Australian pines on the west bound side to the North before you get to the tidal gate



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1. The pines are invasive and an eyesore; they need to be removed as they may be a threat in the event of a storm.
  2. Alex Henry from FDOT will take a look
  3. FWC is another organization that may be interested in getting
  - vi. Funding – talk to Sarah Kessler from Chamber
    1. Outstanding funding – information center and Coopers Point
    2. Alana to compile list of needs and Mark will reach out to Sarah
  - vii. Tourism trends – Clearwater and Tampa needs to provide
    1. Tourism development funding
    2. Christina Alspaw
  - viii. Current BMP – Alex is checking status
  - ix. Installation of rumble strips – enough needed to make people slow down (prevent racing) – This is a continued issue
    1. Both sides of Bayport Dr. (exit ramp to Hyatt)
    2. Alex Henry will be looking into this issue
  - x. On north and south side there is no guard rail – safety issue
    1. Alex Henry will be looking into this issue
5. Old Business
- a. Status update on disruptive behavior near Ben T. Davis Beach
    - i. Motion adopted last meeting<sup>1</sup>
    - ii. Allison and Brian will help Bill and Alana to draft this letter to TBRPC; Will set up a meeting to draft the letter

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<sup>1</sup> Be it moved that the Courtney Campbell Causeway Scenic Highway Advisory Committee draft a letter to be sent to the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council that the Committee has been advised by residents of Rocky Point Condominiums in the City of Tampa, of unruly and possibly illegal activity taking place along the shore of Tampa Bay in the vicinity of Ben T. Davis Beach.



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- b. Update to scope verbiage of “scenic” character of water uses along causeway
  - c. Clearwater amenities status (trail enhancements)
  - d. We need to contact agencies involved in the amenities funding.
  - e. new bike/ped overhead crossing at Bayshore Drive/CCC – FDOT Funding for construction still estimated for 2024
6. Organization Updates – as appropriate/if any
- a. Clearwater
  - b. Tampa
  - c. Pinellas County
  - d. Hillsborough County
  - e. Clearwater Chamber of Commerce
  - f. Westshore Alliance
  - g. Dana Shores
  - h. TBRPC
  - i. FDOT
7. Other Business
8. Adjourned: 11:43

Next meeting date: April 16, 2021

In Attendance: Ron Gregory – AECOM and vice president, Alex Henry – District 7 Scenic Highway Coordinator, Mark Bunker – Clearwater City Council, Brian Roberts – Dana Shores Civic Association, Joan Rice – Pinellas County Public Works, Allison Roberts – Dana Shores Civic Association, Bill Jonson – President; Alana Todd – TBRPC; Michael Maurino – Westshore Alliance