Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council

COUNCIL AGENDA IN-PERSON OR VIRTUAL
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2021 10:00 A.M

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Commissioner Jack Mariano, Chair
Pasco County Board of County Commissioners

Mr. Sean T. Sullivan, Executive Director

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Topic: Council Meeting -- September

Time: **Sep 13, 2021 10:00 AM** Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
September 13, 2021  10:00 a.m.
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REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT
Commissioner Jack Mariano, Pasco County, Chair
Council Member Brandi Gabbard, City of St. Petersburg, Vice Chair
Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Manatee County, Secretary/Treasurer
Councilman Patrick Roff, City of Bradenton, Past Chair
Councilman Peter Altman, City of New Port Richey
Councilor Thom Barnhorn, City of Seminole
Mayor Sandra Bradbury, City of Pinellas Park
Mayor Woody Brown, City of Largo
Council Member James Chambers, City of Temple Terrace
Commissioner Harry Cohen, Hillsborough County
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Commissioner Maureen “Moe” Freaney, City of Dunedin
Commissioner Michael Fridovich, City of Gulfport
Vice Mayor Ward Friszolowski, City of St. Pete Beach
Council Member Steve Graber, City of Oldsmar
Council Member Hoyt Hamilton, City of Clearwater
Commissioner Ronald Kitchen, Citrus County
Commissioner Janet Long, Pinellas County
Vice Mayor Reid, City of South Pasadena
Mr. Frank Rygiel, Pasco County Gubernatorial Appointee
Ms. Barbara Sheen Todd, Pinellas County Gubernatorial Appointee
Commissioner Marlith Wetzel, City of Treasure Island
Ms. Charlie O’Neal, Ex-Officio, DEP

REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT
Mayor Chris Alahouzos, City of Tarpon Springs
Commissioner John Allocco, Hernando County
Commissioner Scott Black, City of Dade City
Councilman Joe Citro, City of Tampa Mr. Jacob Creamer, Hillsborough County Gubernatorial Appointee
Vice Mayor Bill Dodson, City of Plant City
Commissioner Nancy Hodges, City of Madeira Beach
Commissioner Sheldon Jones, City of Palmetto
Ms. Angeleah Kinsler, Hillsborough County Gubernatorial Appointee
Mr. Waddah Farah, Alternate for Ming Gao, Ex-Officio, FDOT
STAFF PRESENT
Sean Sullivan, Executive Director
Wren Krahl, Deputy Executive Director
Don Conn, Legal Counsel
Randy Deshazo, Director of Planning and Research
John Meyer, Principal Planner
Ashley Mott, GIS 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
Jamie Neville, Statewide Economic Analyst
Maria Robles, Communications Planner
Simone Chapman, GRPS Policy Fellow
Matt Valkony, GRPS Policy Fellow
Call to Order: Commissioner Jack Mariano, Chair

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

Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation: Commissioner Ronald E. Kitchen, Jr.

Commissioner Ronald E. Kitchen, Jr. led the Pledge of Allegiance and provided the invocation.

Roll Call: Mr. Brian Ellis, Recording Secretary

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: Mr. Brian Ellis, Recording Secretary

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.

Ms. Taylor Wooley, 500 South Belcher Road, St. Petersburg College Student commented on her Capstone project about creating an energy grant program for the City of Pinellas Park in order to promote cleaner energy practices.

Upon motion duly made and seconded Public Comment was unanimously closed.

CONSENT AGENDA

(Link to Administrative Agenda Item Reports)

1. Approval of the Minutes
   Additional Material: Minutes from the August 9, 2021 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 July 31, 2021.
   Staff Contact: Sean T. Sullivan, Executive Director, sean@tbrpc.org. ext. 16

3. Budget and Contractual

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Authorize the Executive Director to commit an amount not to exceed $55,000 of in-kind services (staff time) as local match to conduct a resiliency study at MacDill Air Force Base. The total project budget is anticipated to be $550,000 for an 18-month project. The Federal Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation is anticipated to award TBRPC a grant to conduct and manage this resiliency study for the Base. If awarded, the project will commence not later than October 1, 2021. Please see the attached draft Request for Proposals (RFP) that has been developed with guidance from Legal Counsel. Please note the dates noted in the RFP are estimated only at this time.

Additional Material: MacDill Request for Proposal
Staff Contact: Sean T. Sullivan, Executive Director, sean@tbrpc.org, ext. 16

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. Resolution #07-2021 Declaring City Government Week, October 18-24, 2021
Additional Material: Resolution #07-2021
Staff Contact: Wren G. Krahl, Deputy Executive Director, wren@tbrpc.org, ext. 22

8. Resolution #08-2021 Declaring October 2021 as Community Planning Month
Additional Material: Resolution #06-2020
Staff Contact: Wren G. Krahl, Deputy Executive Director, wren@tbrpc.org, ext. 22

9. 2021-2022 Regulatory Plan of the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council
Additional Material: 2021-2022 Regulatory Plan of the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council
Staff Contact: Wren G. Krahl, Deputy Executive Director, wren@tbrpc.org, ext. 22

10. **TBRPC PSTA Support Letter for Areas of Persistent Poverty Grant Program**
    Additional Material: Letter of Support for PSTA-Information Only
    Staff Contact: Sean T. Sullivan, Executive Director, sean@tbrpc.org, ext. 16

11. **LEPC Activity Report**
    Additional Material: LEPC Activity Report-Information Only
    Staff Contact: John Meyer, Principal Planner, johnm@tbrpc.org, ext. 29

12. **FRCA Monthly Report**
    Additional Material: FRCA Monthly Report-Information Only
    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
Mr. Sean T. Sullivan, Executive Director

**Executive Director’s Report**

**Recommended Action:** Information Only.

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

- TBRPC was chosen by the National Academy of Sciences, Engineering, and medicine to host a visiting fellow to assist with our resilience efforts for a period of one year. TBRPC welcomes Matthew Varkony who is currently a Ph. D student in sustainability and climate Policy at the University of Miami. Matt lives in Key Biscayne is a true Hurricane since holds a Bachelor of Science in Mathematics and Economics and a Master’s in Natural Hazards Analysis from U Miami. We look forward to Matt’s contribution to TBRPC’s mission over the next 12 months.

- TBRPC has partnered with the Tampa Bay Times and will be featured in an educational supplement due to be published at the end of September that will be distributed to all high schools throughout our 6-county region. This feature will also be inserted in the Times newspaper and be available online. In the article, we highlight the REACH initiative, the Resiliency Coalition, and the Regional Resilience Action Plan. Also, we included the Resilience Survey link for the public’s input about their experiences with extreme weather and climate change, which will be used for the RRAP’s goals and actions.

- On August 11th at the invitation of Vice Chair Gabbard, I attended a Forward Pinellas legislative breakfast where I discussed TBRPC’s resiliency initiative.

- TBRPC has partnered with “Move the World Films” production company to provide a screening of a documentary called “The Last House Standing”. The film includes stories from residents of Florida, Oklahoma and California who lost everything in disasters. The film is approximately one hour in length and provides the viewer with a first-hand example of how important it is to be prepared for a natural disaster and that it could happen to anyone. The last house standing is real, and the film is very informative. Screening will begin on September 17th and will be available for folks to watch at their leisure through September 24th. On September 28th TBRPC will sponsor a live panel discussion (virtually) with the film’s Director. All Council members are welcome and encouraged to participate in this exercise. Wren and Brian will work to distribute the link and access code to all Council members. Please feel free to share this with all who would like to participate.

- TBRPC recently partnered with the City of Tampa to submit two projects to FDEP to fund resilience projects to provide technical assistance for nature-based infrastructure design. The second project seeks funding to develop a region wide vulnerability assessment of hurricane shelters and critical community and emergency facilities.
- Cara, Randy, and Sarah recently served as presenters at the Florida Chapter of the American Planning Association conference in Miami. TBRPC projects that were featured include Hurricane Phoenix 2.0 and the Comprehensive Conservation Management Program.

- Brian recently presented out Hurricane Phoenix 2.0 video and talking points to the Pinellas Park Chamber of Commerce.

- Work continues with Smart Growth America and the Economic Development Administration as we seek to develop strategies to assist Citrus County with economic recovery due to the closure of the nuclear function of the Crystal River Power Plant.

- The 2022 State Legislative Session Committee meetings will begin on September 20, 2021 with the annual Legislative Session scheduled to commence on January 11th, 2022.

- Mr. Chairman, the next Council meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 11th, beginning at 10:00am. Thank you.

**E-2 Executive Budget Committee Report**

**Commissioner Jack Mariano, Chair**

**Recommended Action:** Information Only.

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

A compilation of the 2020-2021 Executive Director’s annual evaluation was presented to the Executive Budget Committee meeting prior to the Council meeting. Mr. Sullivan received high marks and was thanked for his work, and the staff’s work, over the past year by the Executive Budget Committee Members.
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.

Committes 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.

P-1 Agency on Bay Management

Recommended Action: To Be Determined.

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

There have been two ABM meetings since the last Council meeting.

The Natural Resources/Environmental Impact Review Committee met on August 11th.

The first topic was a Shoreline Protection Project that has been proposed for the Whiskey Joe’s Restaurant in Tampa, along the bay. The restaurant has been experiencing erosion along its shoreline which they propose mitigating by installing a new seawall, with some native plants, rip rap, and oyster bags.

The second topic for that meeting was red tide. Maya Burke from the Estuary program summarized a timeline of events, some of the monitoring results, and several ways in which the ABM could help.

The last thing discussed was some strategic planning for the Committee. Tom Ash, the current chair, will be retiring in May of next year, so we will need to find a new chair. The committee decided that moving forward it will meet quarterly.

The full Agency met last Thursday, September 9th.

We were introduced to a project being proposed by the Department of Transportation to make modifications to the Gandy Bridge. District 7 is conducting a Project Development and Environment (PD&E) study for US 92/SR 600/Gandy Boulevard, from 4th St. on the west in Pinellas County to Westshore Blvd. in Hillsborough County (approx. 7 mi.). The study will evaluate capacity improvements (i.e., roadway widening) and the addition of bicycle and pedestrian facilities within the study limits.

In addition, Cara from the TBRPC shared the latest version of the Regional Resiliency Action Plan to get feedback on actions that will intersect with the priorities of the ABM.

The last topic was on the new Hooked Pelican Working Group started by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. The purpose of this new working group will be to provide long-term coordination and guidance on managing the entangled pelican issue throughout the region.
The next ABM meeting will be on December 9, 2021 at 9am.

P-2 Covid-19 Recovery Task Force

Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Chair

Recommended Action: To Be Determined.

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

Thank you, Chair Mariano. I am pleased to advise you that Covid-19 Task force is providing oversight to Council staff who are continuing to work with member governments throughout the Tampa Bay region to provide technical assistance on projects that provide strategies for economic recovery from the Pandemic.

TBRPC is assisting Manatee County with an economic recovery plan for the County, focusing on recovery strategies for responding to the COVID-19 recession. A draft will be presented to County staff this week summarizing changes in jobs, income, changes in residential patterns and emerging trends in commercial real estate in light of the recession. The study also compares how Manatee County has done with respect to other Tampa Bay and peer counties in Southwest Florida. TBRPC will be reviewing the final version of this study with county staff and will supply the final report to Manatee county by the end of October.

TBRPC is providing technical assistance in economic analysis and 3D visualization to assist Pasco County in the implementation of the Harbors West Market Redevelopment/Infill Plan. The West Market District has many large, suburban shopping centers that are underperforming and have outlives their intended use. TBRPC staff are developing an economic revitalization strategy for the District that prioritizes two sites for adaptive reuse and redevelopment, the Gulf View Square Mall and Universal Plaza. TBRPC staff conducted site visits with County staff in August and have initiated the 3D modeling, which will be supplemented by economic analysis. The strategy will be completed in November.

TBRPC is providing technical assistance in economic analysis and 3D visualization to assist the City of Largo in the implementation of the Medical Arts District Conceptual Master Plan. The Medical Arts District contains a cluster of medical training and service facilities and is bordered by the Fred Marquis Pinellas Trail and Downtown Largo. TBRPC staff conducted a site visit and held a kick-off meeting with City staff in August. Stakeholder engagement will continue through September as the Strategic Plan and 3D model for the District is in development. The study will be completed in January.
P-3 Tampa Bay Regional Resiliency Coalition  
Commissioner Janet Long, TBRRC Chair

Ms. Wren G. Krah, Deputy Executive Director will provide an update on the Regional Resiliency Leadership Summit taking place at the Hilton Carillon Park on January 27th and 28th, 2022.

**Recommended Action:** To Be Determined.

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

Ms. Wren Krah, Deputy Executive Director provided a presentation on the Regional Resiliency Leadership Summit taking place on January 27th and 28th, 2022. The presentation included information on the various options available for proceeding with the summit (in-person, hybrid, virtual) and the costs associated with each option for the event. After the Council presentation, the Summit discussion was deferred to the Tampa Bay Regional Resiliency Steering Committee. A report from the committee will be provided at the next Council meeting.
PRESENTATIONS and GUEST SPEAKERS
All PowerPoint presentations will be posted to the Council website following the meeting at www.tbrpc.org

Clear Sky Tampa Bay

**Speaker:** Ms. Alana Todd, Environmental Planner
Ms. Sarah Vitale, TBRPC Senior Planner

Ms. Alana Todd, Environmental Planner with TBRPC and Ms. Sarah Vitale, AICP, TBRPC Senior Planner will present on the Clear Sky Tampa Bay project. Long-lasting power outages caused by hurricanes and other disasters have major impacts on communities and local economies. Leading organizations and energy agencies across the country are working to evaluate the role of solar energy and battery storage on specific buildings to improve local community resilience goals. An innovative project, led by the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council, was selected by the U.S. Department of Energy’s National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) to participate in a collaborative research effort to develop novel applications of solar energy. NREL is leading the Solar Energy Innovation Network with funding from the U.S. Department of Energy’s Solar Energy Technologies Office. NREL pursues fundamental research and development of renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies to transform the way we use energy.

**Staff Contact:** Alana Todd, Environmental Planner, alana@tbrpc.org, ext. 40 and Sarah Vitale, Senior Planner, sarah@tbrpc.org, ext. 27
COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS AND DISCUSSION

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.

CHAIR’S REPORT

Commissioner Jack Mariano, Chair

It is that time of the year in which the Chair appoints members to the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee will select candidates for the 2022 Slate of Officers which will be forwarded to the full Council for consideration at the November meeting. This is an important task, and I would like to ask the following to serve:

Ms. Angeleah Kinsler, Chair (Hillsborough Gubernatorial Appointee)

Ms. Barbara Sheen Todd, Vice Chair (Pinellas Gubernatorial Appointee)

Commissioner Scott Black, (City of Dade City)

Mayor Saundra Bradbury, (City of Pinellas Park)

Vice Mayor Hoyt Hamilton, (City of Clearwater)

Now that we have our Nominating Committee in place, I would like to invite each of you to consider serving as an Officer. Keep in mind that typically this is a 3-year commitment as our Officers move forward on the Slate of Officers. Current members of the Nominating Committee are ineligible to be considered.

The Nominating Committee will be choosing a 2022 Secretary/Treasurer. I would like to ask that you let Sean or Wren know if you are interested in serving as an Officer by Friday, October 1st, 2021. Thank you very much for your consideration and support.
ADJOURNMENT

Next Council Meeting: October 11, 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.

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.

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Date: 10/11/21

Commissioner Jack Mariano, Chair

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Brian Ellis, Recording Secretary