

Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council

**COUNCIL MINUTES IN-PERSON OR VIRTUAL
MONDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2021 10:00 A.M**

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TRANSPORTATION * SOUTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

Commissioner Jack Mariano, Chair
Pasco County Board of County Commissioners

Mr. Sean T. Sullivan, Executive Director

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COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

October 11, 2021 10:00 a.m.

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

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Topic: TBRPC Council Meeting

Time: Oct 11, 2021 10:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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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 Peter Altman, City of New Port Richey
Commissioner John Allocco, Hernando County
Councilor Thom Barnhorn, City of Seminole
Commissioner Scott Black, City of Dade City
Mayor Sandra Bradbury, City of Pinellas Park
Councilman Joe Citro, City of Tampa
Council Member James Chambers, City of Temple Terrace
Commissioner Harry Cohen, Hillsborough County
Commissioner Carlos Diaz, City of Safety Harbor
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 Sheldon Jones, City of Palmetto
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 Maribeth Wetzel, City of Treasure Island
Ms. Charlie O'Neal, Ex-Officio, DEP

REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT

Mayor Chris Alahouzos, City of Tarpon Springs
Mayor Woody Brown, City of Largo
Mr. Jacob Creamer, Hillsborough County Gubernatorial Appointee
Vice Mayor Bill Dodson, City of Plant City
Commissioner Nancy Hodges, City of Madeira Beach
Ms. Angeleah Kinsler, Hillsborough County Gubernatorial Appointee
Councilman Patrick Roff, City of Bradenton, Past Chair
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
Randy Deshazo, Chief of Staff
Don Conn, General Counsel
John Meyer, Principal Planner
Ashley Mott, GIS Principal Planner
Brian Ellis, Disaster Recovery Coordinator
Sue Geer, Accountant
Sarah Vitale, Senior Planner/Urban Designer
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: Ms. Barbara Sheen Todd, Gubernatorial Appointee

Ms. Barbara Sheen Todd 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.

No Public Comment: 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 September 13, 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 August 31, 2021.

Additional Material:

Financial Statement for the month ending August 31, 2021.

Staff Contact:

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

3. Budget and Contractual

Florida Resilient Coastlines Program

The TBRPC is a recipient of two Florida Resilient Coastlines Program grant awards through FDEP to support regional resilience initiatives to be completed by June 30, 2022. We have partnered with the City of Tampa as grantee and will serve as the prime subcontractor for these two resiliency projects. The first project referred to as the Resilient Ready Tampa Bay, with a total project budget of \$300,000 and staff requests approval to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) to implement contracts not to exceed \$220,000. The second project, referred to as Safe Shelter Tampa Bay, with a total project budget of \$150,000 and staff requests approval to issue an RFP to implement contracts not to exceed \$90,000 for Safe Shelter. Staff are developing a scope of work for each project.

Additional Material: None.

Staff Contact: Randy Deshazo, Chief of Staff, randy@tbrpc.org, ext. 30

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

Additional Material: LEPC Activity Report-Information Only

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

8. Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)

Staff has held meetings with regional economic development partners to gather critical input and comments on our region's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). Using this input, staff has updated the CEDS document to reflect stakeholder priorities in the required annual update. Staff has issued the draft CEDS for a 30-day public comment period.

Additional Material: Draft CEDS Report

Staff Contact: Harry Walsh, Economic Development Planner, harry@tbrpc.org. ext. 33

9. FRCA Monthly Report

Additional Material: FRCA Monthly Report-Information Only

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

10. 2022 Legislature Session Dates

The 2022 Legislature Session will convene on January 11, 2022 and is scheduled to adjourn on March 11, 2022. The legislative interim Committee schedule is as follows:

- Week of September 20, 2021
- Week of October 11, 2021
- Week of October 18, 2021
- Week of November 1, 2021
- Week of November 15, 2021
- Week of November 29, 2021

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.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS (E)

E-1 Executive Director's Report

Mr. Sean T. Sullivan, Executive Director

Recommended Action: Information Only.

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

- *On September 28th at the invitation of Chair Mariano, I attended a Pasco County BOCC meeting to provide the Commission with an update of Council activities. I would be happy to make such a presentation to any of our County or City governments' if you would like, just let me know.*
- *As you may recall TBRPC recently partnered with the City of Tampa to submit two projects to FDEP to fund resilience projects. The first project will provide technical assistance for nature-based infrastructure design. The second project will develop a region wide vulnerability assessment of hurricane shelters and critical community and emergency facilities. Each of these projects were funded in the amount of \$300,000 and \$150,000 respectively.*
- *I recently participated on a call with the USDOT office of Intragovernmental Affairs to learn about the Infrastructure Bill that has passed in the Senate and awaiting action by the House. One notable component of this Bill is that Federal Transit administration will be authorized to spend 305 Billion dollars on transit projects throughout America. Additionally, FTA will make 2.2 Billion dollars available to assist transit agencies recover from the impact of Covid-19. This unprecedented influx of funding will provide transit agencies the opportunity to increase service and upgrade both their fleet and facilities. Most of these dollars will be competitively awarded, so a well written grant application to FTA will be critical.*
- *Sarah and Brian recently presented our Hurricane Phoenix 2.0 and economic recovery talking points to the South Tampa Chamber of Commerce.*
- *TBRPC continues to work with Smart Growth America as it relates to the economic impact of the closure of the nuclear power electrical generation component of the Crystal River Power Plant. Staff is reviewing the draft report and continues to work with the Economic Development Administration, Citrus County and Crystal River officials to develop strategies to assist the County and City with economic recovery.*
- *The 2022 State Legislative Session Committee meetings have begun with the annual Legislative Session scheduled to commence on January 11th, 2022.*
- *Mr. Chairman and Council members, I will be out of town on annual leave beginning October 25th through November 2nd as my wife and I prepare to celebrate the wedding of our daughter. Wren will serve as acting Director during my absence. I will have my cell phone with me if I am needed during this time.*

- E-2 Regional Cooperative Alliance 501C3 Report** **Commissioner Jack Mariano, Vice President**
Recommended Action: Information Only.
Staff Contact: Sean T. Sullivan, Executive Director, sean@tbrpc.org. ext. 16

- *Just a reminder that the Regional Cooperative Alliance Board meeting will take place immediately following the Council Meeting. Staff will be providing an update on the REACH Project.*

- E-3 General Counsel Report- Opioid Litigation Settlement** **Mr. Don Conn, TBRPC General Counsel**
Mr. Conn will provide a report on the Opioid Litigation Settlement as requested at the September Council meeting.
Recommended Action: Information Only.
Staff Contact: Sean T. Sullivan, Executive Director, sean@tbrpc.org. ext. 16

Mr. Don Conn provided a report of the Opioid Litigation Settlement. After discussion, the Council found consensus in the following:

- *Addressing the impact of opioid abuse fell heavily on local governments who then committed substantial resources to care for and treat those addicted to opioids as well as public safety issues. Since local governments have accepted the responsibility to mitigate the opioid crisis, it would be recommended that major share of funding from any opioid settlement be authorized for use by local governments to identify the most effective use of such funds.*
- *Opioid settlement funds should be authorized to be used for care, treatment, and prevention, as well as for reimbursement of local government expenditures necessitated by the impact of opioid abuse in their communities.*

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.

P-1 Tampa Bay Regional Resiliency Coalition Commissioner Janet Long, TBRC Chair
Recommended Action: To Be Determined.
Staff Contact: CJ Reynolds, Director of Resiliency and Engagement, creynolds@tbrpc.org
ext. 30

Thank you Chair. It was just 3 years ago this week on Friday October 8, 2018 that we had the signing ceremony for the new Regional Resilience Coalition. Since then, the Coalition has grown to 31 members, more than 100 partners and staff has brought in multiple resilience-focused grants which are supporting the efforts of our counties and cities. In January 2020, we held the first Regional Resilience Leadership Summit, which was very successful.

Today, the Steering Committee met to discuss the second Summit. As you know, we have been evaluating the risks associated with COVID and agreed to make a make a final decision in October. We noted that positivity rates are currently declining and vaccine rates are increasing.

However, after extended discussions about fundraising deadlines, the Committee determined that it would be more advantageous to hold the Summit the first week in April. In addition, the new date will also provide the opportunity to integrate the Future of the Region Awards event, which could also focus on resilience projects. And we also learned from Commissioner Cohen that April is better than late January because it will avoid bumping up against Gasparilla!

As such, the Committee voted to move forward with the April timeframe, and all of us will work together to bring in sponsors to make this a spectacular event.

So, Commissioner Mariano, as the Committee chair, I make a motion that the second Regional Resilience Leadership Summit be held in-person in the first week in April of 2022.

Upon motion duly made and seconded unanimously approved that the Regional Resiliency Leadership Summit will be held in-person in April and will include the TBRPC 60th Anniversary Celebration and the Future of the Region Awards.

P-2 Covid-19 Recovery Task Force

Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Chair

Recommended Action: To Be Determined.

Staff Contact: Randy Deshazo, Chief of Staff, randy@tbrpc.org, ext. 30

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.

Staff outreach continued with disaster recovery presentations to both the Pinellas County Small Lodgings Hurricane Panel and South Tampa Chamber of Commerce.

Work is continuing on an economic recovery plan for Manatee County, focusing on recovery strategies for responding to the COVID-19 recession. A draft has been presented to County staff summarizing changes in jobs, income, changes in residential patterns and emerging trends in commercial real estate considering the recession. It is anticipated that staff will present this report to the full Council at our November meeting.

TBRPC staff conducted site visits to two properties in Pasco County to which will assist with development of a needs assessment for underperforming suburban shopping centers. TBRPC staff are developing an economic revitalization strategy for the West Market District that prioritizes two sites within the district for adaptive reuse and redevelopment. This project is scheduled to be completed in November.

TBRPC staff has conducted a site visit to the Largo Medical Arts District and will provide technical assistance to the City of Largo in both economic analysis and 3D visualization. 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. Staff will produce a Strategic Plan and 3D model for the City to use as a strategy for advancement of the District. A draft report will be presented to the City in January.

Thank you.

PRESENTATIONS and GUEST SPEAKERS

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

COVID-19 Economic Impacts and Summary of Statewide Economic Analysis Activities

Speaker: Ms. Jamie Neville, TBRPC Statewide Economic Analyst

Ms. Jamie Neville, TBRPC Statewide Economic Analyst will present on Covid-19's economic impacts and the future recovery for Citrus, Hernando, Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco and Pinellas counties. This presentation will include pandemic-related impacts on employment, mobility, and sales taxes in the Tampa Bay Region.

Staff Contact: Jamie Neville, , jamie@tbrpc.org. ext. 13

Economic Development Administration (EDA) Build Back Better Program

Speaker: Mr. Harry Walsh, TBRPC Economic Development Planner

TBRPC staff, with partners at East Central Florida RPC, Central Florida RPC, the University of South Florida, and the University of Central Florida are preparing an application for the EDA's Build Back Better Regional Challenge. The application centers on a plan to develop a microgrid industry cluster across Central Florida. Staff has been petitioning and receiving letters of support from key public and private stakeholder groups across Central Florida. Mr. Walsh will provide an update on the application process.

Staff Contact: Harry Walsh, Economic Development Planner, harry@tbrpc.org. ext. 33

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

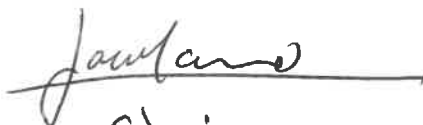
ADJOURNMENT: Noon


Next Council Meeting: November 8, 2021

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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.


Chair


Date

