

**MANATEE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER
1112 Manatee Avenue West
Bradenton, Florida
March 12, 2019**

Meeting video link: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUlgjuGhS-qV966RU2Z7AtA>

Present were:

Stephen R. Jonsson, Chairman
Betsy Benac, First Vice-Chairman
Misty Servia, Second Vice-Chairman
Carol Whitmore, Third Vice-Chairman
Vanessa Baugh
Reggie Bellamy
Priscilla Whisenant Trace

Also present were:

Cheri Coryea, Acting County Administrator
Mitchell O. Palmer, County Attorney
Vicki Tessmer, Board Records Supervisor, Clerk of the Circuit Court
Robin Toth, Deputy Clerk, Clerk of the Circuit Court



Chairman Jonsson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE



The Invocation was delivered by Reverend Clark Edwards, First United Methodist Church of Bradenton, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

REVISED AGENDA 

42. Agenda Update Memorandum

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- **Item 14**, FY 2019 Budget Amendment Resolutions – As clarification for the Clerk’s Office, Resolution B-19-060 was updated and replaced to add wording to the description in Item 1 to specify the amounts coming “from reserves” in the Transportation Trust Fund for purchase of radios
- **Item 16**, Change Order 1 to Agreement 18- TA002744JP – C.R. 675 Canal Piping – The requested action was updated to read: “...and accept and execute the Bond Rider.”
- **Item 19**, Contract for Sale and Purchase of Parcel 128 from Martha Anne King, as Trustee of that certain Declaration of Land Trust dated February 1, 1994, for property located at 4630 60th Street East, Bradenton, Florida 34203 – The following sentence was removed from the Background Discussion: “The attached comparison chart lists the various components of the respective appraiser’s conclusions and tabulates the total amount originally sought by the landowner (\$6,181,800).”
- **Item 21**, Permanent Utility and Access Easement between Advance Self Storage LLC and Manatee County for property located at 6424 14th Street West, Bradenton
 - The last bullet point in the Background Discussion was amended to read: “The 12 foot Utility Access Easement containing 0.086 acres was extended to 14th Street West, as recommended by the County Attorney’s Office in the Request for Legal Services.”
 - The following was added as an additional bullet point in the Background Discussion:
“Staff recommends this action requested despite the County Attorney’s Office advise that a single legal description and sketch should be used to depict the

entire easement area, as opposed to three (3) separate legal descriptions and sketches which overlap with one another.”

- **Item 23**, Special Warranty Deed from The American National Red Cross for the property located at 10311 Malachite Drive – DEFERRED BC20190312DOC003
- **Item 24**, State of Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Lease Agreement with Manatee County for eh Palma Sola Boat Ramp – FDOT Parcel 21 (Part B) – The requested action was updated to include: “Execution of Addendum to Lease Agreement with FDOT.”
- **Item 40**, Added to Consent - IFB 19-R070333GL, Cover Dirt at Landfill – Request for: Authorization to award Invitation for Bid (IFB) 19-R070333GL: Cover Dirt at Landfill to Dakin Natural Soils, Inc., for a not-to-exceed amount of \$1,025,440; and authorization for the County Administrator, or her designee, to execute the Agreement
- **Item 41**, Added to Regular Agenda - Confirmation of Appointment of John Osborne as Deputy County Administrator, effective March 12, 2019

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Requests: 

Item 21 – In response to a question by Commissioner Benac, Mitchell O. Palmer, County Attorney, stated his office recommended a single legal description and sketch to depict the entire easement area versus three, separate legal descriptions and sketches, which overlap with one another, as recommended by staff. Staff’s approach gets the job accomplished.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS 

2. March Employee of the Month – Ryan Suarez, Transit Planning Manager, Public Works BC20190312DOC004

PROCLAMATIONS

 A motion was made by Commissioner Trace, seconded by Commissioner Benac and carried 7-0, to adopt the following Proclamations:

3.  Florida Surveyors and Mappers Week – March 17-23, 2019, was accepted by Joe Kelly, professional surveyor with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. BC20190312DOC005
4.  Procurement Month – March 13, 2019, as Professional Buyer Day, and the month of March 2019 as Procurement Month, was accepted by staff of the Purchasing Division BC20190312DOC006
5.  Sexual Assault Awareness Day – April 4, 2019, was accepted by Terri Allen, Centerstone Trauma Services Manager, and Victim Advocates from Centerstone BC20190312DOC007
6.  National Library Week – April 7-13, 2019, was accepted by Ava Ehde, Neighborhood Services Director, and Glenda Lammers, Library Services Manager BC20190312DOC008

7. **CITIZEN COMMENTS** (Future Agenda Items)

 There being no citizen comments, Chairman Jonsson closed Citizen Comments. BC20190312DOC009

8. **CITIZEN COMMENTS** (Consent Agenda Items Only)

 There being no citizen comments, Chairman Jonsson closed Citizen Comments. BC20190312DOC010

(Depart Commissioner Baugh)

CONSENT AGENDA



A motion was made by Commissioner Trace, seconded by Commissioner Whitmore and carried 6-0, with Commissioner Baugh absent, to approve the Consent Agenda, with the changes noted in the Agenda Update Memorandum, with deletion of Item 23 (deferred).

9. **CLERK'S CONSENT AGENDA**

BC20190312DOC011

A. **WARRANTS**

Accepted the Warrant (Check) Listing for the month of February 2019, as issued by the Finance Department

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B. **MINUTES**

Approved the Minutes of January 9, 2019 and February 12 and 26, 2019

C. **REFUNDS**

1. Cusano Construction Company, Inc. - Permitting Fee, \$735.08 BC20190312DOC013
2. D.R. Horton - Transportation Impact Fees, \$8,192 BC20190312DOC014
3. Jubilee Organics LLC - Application Fee, \$8,550 BC20190312DOC015
4. William Manfull (Marcelin) - Affordable Housing Impact Fees, \$14,936 BC20190312DOC016

D. **SHERIFF BOND**

Accepted list of eight additional employees and deletion of 12 employees from the Sheriff's Public Employee Blanket Bond

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E. **BONDS**

1. **Magnolia Point**

- Released Agreement for Public Subdivision Improvements securing Tuttle Avenue improvements \$13,794.40;
- Released Agreement for Public Subdivision Improvements securing off-site, water main improvements \$29,301.85
- Released Agreement for Public Subdivision Improvements securing water and waste water improvements, \$53,248.90
- Released and Returned the following Surety Bonds (Defects) and associated riders: CMS0270630, \$13,794.40; CMS0270632, \$29,301.85; and CMS0270631, \$63,248.90 BC20190312DOC018

2. **Oakleaf Hammock, Phase IV-C**

- Released Agreement in conjunction with Surety Bond (Attachment A) as Defect Security Warranting Required Improvements securing water and wastewater improvements; and
- Released and Returned Surety Bond SUR0008847 and any associated riders, \$31,128.47 BC20190312DOC019

3. **Palisades, Phase I**

- Released and Returned Surety Bond (Performance) 016076842, and any associated riders in conjunction with the performance portion of the Agreement for Private Subdivision with Public Improvements, \$687,419.20;
- Accepted and Executed Surety Bond (Defect) 0160076882 securing Section 1.5 "Maintenance, Defects" of the Agreement for Private Subdivision with Public Improvements accepted by the Board of County Commissioners on August 7, 2018, securing sanitary sewer and water improvements, \$50,521.20; and
- Accepted and executed Bill of Sale BC20190312DOC020

4. **Park Place**

- Released Agreement for Public Subdivision Improvements securing water and wastewater improvements; and

- Released and Returned Surety Bond (Defect) 31BSBHG0257 and any associated riders, \$21,269.42 BC20190312DOC021
- 5. **Pearce Business Center**
 - Released Pearce Business Center Wetland Mitigation System Agreement securing wetland mitigation improvements; and
 - Released and Returned Letter of Credit 201301 securing Wetland Agreement, \$15,555.71 BC20190312DOC022
- 6. **Silverleaf, Phase II and III, Phase III-A Only**
 - Released and Returned Surety Bond (Performance) US00082113SU18A and any associated riders in conjunction with the performance portion of Phase III-B in the Agreement for Private Subdivision with Public Improvements, \$967,864.95;
 - Accepted and Executed Surety Bond (Defect) US00083251SU18A, securing Section 1.5 "Maintenance, Defects" of the Agreement for Private Subdivision with Public Improvements accepted by the Board of County Commissioners on March 20, 2018, securing sanitary sewer and reclaim water improvements, \$70,877.65; and
 - Accepted and Executed Bill of Sale BC20190312DOC023
- 7. **Silverleaf, Phase II and III, Phase III-B Only**
 - Released and Returned Surety Bond (Performance) US00082115SU18A and any associated riders in conjunction with the performance portion of Phase III-B in the Agreement for Private Subdivision with Public Improvements, \$226,721.30;
 - Accepted and Executed Surety Bond (Defect) US00083252SU18A, securing Section 1.5 "Maintenance, Defects" of the Agreement for Private Subdivision with Public Improvements accepted by the Board of County Commissioners on March 20, 2018, securing sanitary sewer and reclaim water improvements, \$14,610.10; and
 - Accepted and Executed Bill of Sale BC20190312DOC024
- 8. **Silverleaf, Phase II and III, Phase III-C Only**
 - Released and Returned Surety Bond (Performance) US00082117SU18A and any associated riders in conjunction with the performance portion of the Phase III-C Agreement for Private Subdivision with Public Improvements, \$2,152,505.68;
 - Accepted and Executed Surety Bond (Defect) US000834253SU18A securing Section 1.5 "Maintenance, Defects" of the Agreement for Private Subdivision with Public Improvements accepted by the Board of County Commissioners on March 20, 2018, securing boulevard, sanitary sewer, water and reclaim water improvements, \$158,368.86; and
 - Accepted and Executed Bill of Sale BC20190312DOC025
- 9. **Shoppes at Commerce Park**
 - Accepted and Executed Agreement for Public Improvements for Development (Non-Subdivision) securing general conditions, pavement/grading and storm water improvements;
 - Accepted Official Check (Defect) 53003619914 in conjunction with the above Agreement, general conditions, pavement/grading and storm water improvements, \$6,142;
 - Accepted Official Check (Defect) 5300487651 in conjunction with the above Agreement, water services improvements; and
 - Accepted and Executed Bill of Sale BC20190312DOC026
- F. **PARTIAL RELEASE OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT ASSESSMENT LIEN**
Project 4218 - Warners West Canal Dredging, Richard D. Smith BC20190312DOC027

10. **ADMINISTRATOR/COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT MEETING**
Adopted Resolution R-19-030, authorizing the Manatee County Commission to participate in a joint meeting with the Council of Governments on April 2, 2019, at 4:00 p.m., at Bradenton Area Convention Center, to discuss and plan matters of mutual interest BC20190312DOC028
11. **ATTORNEY/JUDICIAL CENTER**
Authorized the County Attorney's office to pursue all appropriate legal action, including filing and prosecution of a lawsuit against all potential, responsible parties and their sureties, for construction defects at the Manatee County Judicial Center BC20190312DOC029
12. **BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES/FINAL PLAT/GRAND OAK PRESERVE (fka THE PONDS)**
- Executed and authorized recording of Final Subdivision Plat;
 - Authorized recording of the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions of Grand Oak Preserve;
 - Accepted and authorized recording of Bill of Sale;
 - Accepted and authorized recording of Surveyors Affidavit Confirming Installation of P.C.P.'s (Permanent Control Point) and Monuments at Lot and/or Tract Corners;
 - Authorized the Acting County Administrator to accept, execute and record Agreement for Public Subdivision with Public Improvements from SD TLC Holdings LLC;
 - Authorized the Acting County Administrator to accept and execute Irrevocable Letter of Credit 723083582-L003 for Required Public Improvements, Grand Oak Preserve, Morgan Stanley Bank, for \$146,524.89; and
 - Authorized the Acting County Administrator to accept and execute Irrevocable Letter of Credit 723083582-L004, for Required Public Improvements, Grand Oak Preserve, Morgan Stanley Bank, for \$484,615.38 BC20190312DOC030
13. **BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES/FINAL PLAT/RIVER WILDERNESS, PHASE III, SUBPHASE G-1**
- Executed and authorized recording of Final Subdivision Plat;
 - Authorizing recording of Supplement and Amendment to Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions of River Wilderness, Phase III - Subphases E, F, G-1, H-1, H-2, and M (aka The Islands or The Islands on the Manatee River);
 - Authorized the Acting County Administrator to accept, execute and record Agreement for Private Subdivision with Private Improvements from River Isle Associates LLC;
 - Authorized the Acting County Administrator to accept and execute Surety Bond for Performance of Required Private Improvements, River Wilderness, Phase III, Subphase G-1, Surety Bond 3300996 ECCI from Insurance Company, for \$276,835; and
 - Authorized the Acting County Administrator to accept and execute Surety Bond for Performance of Required Private Improvements, River Wilderness, Phase III, Subphase G-1, Surety Bond 3300997 from ECCI Insurance Company, for \$42,295.50 BC20190312DOC031
14. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/BUDGET AMENDMENT RESOLUTION**
Adopted Budget Amendment Resolution B-19-060 BC20190312DOC032
15. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/CHANGE ORDER**
Authorized the Deputy County Administrator, or designee, to execute Change Order 1 to Agreement 17-1515DC, Satellite Lift Station 2016 Group 2, with Granger Maintenance & Construction, Inc., adding 262 calendar days to the contract time, for a revised project time of 472 days, with no additional cost incurred BC20190312DOC033

16. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/CHANGE ORDER**

- Authorized the Deputy County Administrator, or designee, to execute Change Order 1 to Agreement 18-TA002744JP, C.R. 675 Canal Piping with Cobb Site Development, Inc., increasing the contract sum by \$553,219.48, for a new total of \$1,320,416.59, with no changes to the construction schedule, and accept the Bond Rider; and
- Adopted Budget Resolution B-19-065, amending the annual budget for FY 2019

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17. **PARKS AND NATURAL RESOURCES/AGREEMENT**

Executed Change Order 2 to Florida Department of Environmental Protection Agreement 14ME1, reallocating funding among various deliverables, with no cost increase or time extension

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18. **PARKS AND NATURAL RESOURCES/FEE SCHEDULE**

Adopted Resolution R-19-032, amending Resolution R-18-157, and providing for changes to the Parks and Natural Resources Department Fee Schedule, with an effective date of March 12, 2019

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19. **PROPERTY MANAGEMENT/CONTRACT FOR SALE AND PURCHASE**

- Considered and accepted offer to purchase from Martha Anne King, individually and as Trustee of that certain Declaration of Land Trust, dated February 1, 1994, in the amount of \$5,000,000; and
- Approved and executed Contract for Sale and Purchase with Martha Anne King, individually and as Trustee of that certain Declaration of Land Trust dated February 1, 1994, for property located at 4630 60th Street East (Parcel 128), for the 44th Avenue East Road Improvement Project, from 45th Street East to 44th Avenue Plaza East, in the amount of \$5,000,000

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20. **PROPERTY MANAGEMENT/DEEDS AND EASEMENTS**

- Accepted and authorized recording of Permanent Utilities Easement from Palmetto Bradenton-Cortez Rd LLC, for property located at 8710 Cortez Road West, for 150 square feet needed to allow the County to access, read and maintain the water meter; and
- Authorized recording of Affidavit of Ownership and Encumbrances from Michael D. Houghton, Manager of Houghton Family Entities LLC, which entity is the manager of Palmetto Capital Group LLC, which company is the manager for Palmetto Bradenton-Cortez Rd LLC

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21. **PROPERTY MANAGEMENT/DEEDS AND EASEMENTS**

- Executed Notice of Termination of Portion of Easement;
- Acceptance and authorized recording of Notice of Termination of Portion of Easement;
- Authorized recording of Permanent Utility and Access Easement from Advance Self Storage LLC, for property located at 6424 14th Street West, to assist in the reengineering of the sewer system to accommodate the 14th Street Self Storage site plan (administratively approved 9/18); and
- Authorized Recording of Affidavit of Ownership and Encumbrances from James W. O'Neill

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22. **PROPERTY MANAGEMENT/DEEDS AND EASEMENTS**

Executed, accepted and authorized recording of Renouncement and Rejection of three Temporary Utilities Easements from OK Willow Walk LLC (recorded in 5/18), for property located at 4110 41st Street East, Palmetto

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24. **PROPERTY MANAGEMENT/AGREEMENT**

- Adopted Resolution R-19-027, authorizing execution of a Lease Agreement with Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), for use and maintenance of the Palma Sola Boat Ramp – FDOT Parcel 21 (Part B), dock and parking area; and
- Executed Lease Agreement with FDOT for a period of 25 years, with the option to renew for an additional 25 years at the option of the Lessee (Manatee County)

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25. **PROPERTY MANAGEMENT/AGREEMENT**

Executed Sublease Agreement with Validus Hangar LLC, for Professional Office Space located at 8100 15th Street East, Sarasota, to be occupied by the Sarasota/Bradenton Metropolitan Planning Organization, for a period of seven years, with the right to renew up to two additional, four-year terms (\$5,688.25/month for the first year, with two percent increases thereafter)

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26. **PROPERTY MANAGEMENT/DEEDS AND EASEMENTS**

Executed and authorized recording of Temporary Construction Easement from Manatee County Government to Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), for property located at 1115 Manatee Avenue West, for FDOT to perform work outside of right-of-way related to the installation of pedestrian improvements at State Road 64 westbound and 11th Street West

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27. **PUBLIC SAFETY/MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

Executed Memorandum of Understanding between Manatee County and the Fire Agencies of Manatee County (North River Fire District, Southern Manatee Fire Rescue District, West Manatee Fire and Rescue District, East Manatee Fire Rescue District, Parrish Fire District, Cedar Hammock Fire Control District, Duette Fire and Rescue District, Trailer Estates Fire Control District, Myakka City Fire Control District, and City of Bradenton Fire Department), as required by Florida Statute 401.135(2), to establish dispatch protocols, the roles and responsibilities of first responder personnel at the emergency scene, the documentation required for patient care rendered, and medical equipment requirements

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28. **PUBLIC SAFETY/INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT**

Executed Interlocal Agreement between Manatee County and Southern Manatee Fire Rescue District, for Hazard Materials Response (HAZMAT) services, providing funding for FY 2019 (\$38,000 annually; no change from FY 2018)

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29. **PUBLIC WORKS/AGREEMENT**

Executed Construction and Maintenance Agreement for Right-of-Way Improvements with Lakewood Ranch Stewardship District, for 44th Avenue East-Phase III, for the Developer to install/maintain non-standard decorative sign equipment along the proposed roadway, and landscaping and irrigation within the median and right-of-way (termination date 10/1/33, with automatic renewal of one-year terms)

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30. **PUBLIC WORKS/AGREEMENT**

Executed Construction and Maintenance Agreement for Right-of-Way Improvements with Lakewood Ranch Stewardship District, for 117th Street East at Lakewood Ranch, for the Developer to install/maintain non-standard decorative sign equipment along the proposed roadway, and install landscaping and irrigation within the median and right-of-way (termination date 10/1/33, with automatic renewal of one-year terms)

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31. **PUBLIC WORKS/AGREEMENT**

Executed Construction and Maintenance Agreement for Right-of-Way Improvements with Lakewood Ranch Stewardship District, for a new road – Masters Avenue Extension to Bournside Boulevard in Lakewood Ranch

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- 32. **REDEVELOPMENT AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY/LAND USE RESTRICTION AGREEMENT**
 Executed Land Use Restriction Agreement for Livable Manatee Homeownership Incentive Program with Select Homes of Florida LLC (owner) and William Manfull (developer), for property located at 2923 12th Street Court East (\$159,900) BC20190312DOC049

 - 33. **REDEVELOPMENT AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY/LAND USE RESTRICTION AGREEMENT**
 Executed Land Use Restriction Agreement for Livable Manatee Homeownership Incentive Program with Select Homes of Florida LLC (owner) and William Manfull (developer), for property located at 1229 30th Avenue East (\$159,900) BC20190312DOC050

 - 34. **REDEVELOPMENT AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY/LAND USE RESTRICTION AGREEMENT**
 Executed Land Use Restriction Agreement for Livable Manatee Homeownership Incentive Program with Select Homes of Florida LLC (owner) and William Manfull (developer), for property located at 2915 12th Street Court East (\$174,900) BC20190312DOC051

 - 40. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/INVITATION FOR BID**
 Authorized to award Invitation for Bid (IFB) 19-R070333GL, Cover Dirt at Landfill, to Dakin Natural Soils, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$1,025,440 BC20190312DOC052
- (End Consent Agenda)

(Enter Commissioner Baugh)

36. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/INFRASTRUCTURE SALES TAX CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

 Jan Brewer, Financial Management Director, requested the appointment of three Manatee County residents, living in the unincorporated area of the County, to the Infrastructure Sales Tax Citizens Oversight Committee, to each serve a term of two years. Nine individuals applied.

Nominations:

- Norm Luppino – by Commissioner Servia (6 votes)
- Craig Copeman – by Commissioner Whitmore (7 votes)
- Taura Denis – by Commissioner Bellamy (6 votes)
- James Ostrowski – by Commissioner Trace

A motion was made by Commissioner Trace, seconded by Commissioner Benac and carried 7-0, to close nominations.

By majority vote, Norm Luppino, Craig Copeman and Taura Denis were appointed.

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37. **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/EXTENSION OF OUTSTANDING LINE OF CREDIT-REVENUE REFUNDING AND IMPROVEMENT NOTE, SERIES 2018**

 Jan Brewer, Financial Management Director, reviewed the request to extend the line of credit relative to the 44th Avenue Transportation Project and distributed a breakdown of revenue and expenses.

 A motion was made by Commissioner Whitmore and seconded by Commissioner Trace, to **(1)** Approve a six-month maturity extension to October 2019, on the Transportations Revenue Improvement Note, Series 2018 by Bank of America, N.A., which was issued on April 2, 2018, for the 44th Avenue Transportation Project; **and (2)** Authorize the preparation of documents with the summary of terms and conditions included in the agenda, as per the recommendation of Public Resources Advisory Group, the County’s Financial Advisor, and

authorize County's professional staff to bring back all necessary documentation for Board approval.

 Discussion ensued regarding available impact fees will be used to pay off the debt, provide Commissioners with a presentation on the 44th Avenue alignment, and communicate to Commissioners on how much of the cost for 44th Avenue was eminent domain land taking and how much was construction.

 Mitchell O. Palmer, County Attorney, stated that, for the benefit of the public, the Board is using the umbrella label of eminent domain in a very broad sense. The vast majority of the right-of-way acquired has been through negotiated sale and purchase, short of the actual eminent domain process in the circuit court.

 Katherine Edwards asked that the public be provided with financial modeling outcomes.

There being no further public comment, Chairman Jonsson closed public comment.

The motion carried 7-0.

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38. **PARKS AND NATURAL RESOURCES/RESTORE ACT**

 Charlie Hunsicker, Parks and Natural Resources Director, reported on the Department of Treasury allocation to Manatee County of RESTORE Act Direct Component Funds. He requested adoption of Resolution R-19-031, authorizing acceptance of Notices of Award for the following RESTORE Act Projects: Gulf Shellfish Institute Sea Farm to Table (\$100,000), Florida Maritime Museum Facility Enhancement (\$225,000); and the Coastal Watershed Program (\$620,390). These are the first three awards from the Department of Treasury, and more awards are anticipated in the upcoming months.

Videos were shown highlighting the RESTORE Act projects that will benefit from this funding.

 Nan Summers, Grants Coordinator, commented on the ability of these projects to intersect.

 A motion was made by Commissioner Trace and seconded by Commissioner Servia, to adopt Resolution R-19-031, to accept Notices of Award for the following RESTORE Act Projects: Gulf Shellfish Institute Sea Farm to Table (\$100,000), Florida Maritime Museum Facility Enhancement (\$225,000); and Coastal Watershed Program (\$620,390).

 Angelina Colonnese, Clerk of the Circuit Court, spoke about the benefits of the Florida Maritime Museum to the children who tour the museum.

There being no further public comment, Chairman Jonsson closed public comment.

The motion carried 7-0.

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39. **PARKS AND NATURAL RESOURCES/WASHINGTON PARK FUNDING SUPPORT**

 Charlie Hunsicker, Parks and Natural Resources Director, commented on a project being conducted by the Army Corps of Engineers to remove dredge material from the disposal area at Port Manatee, for use as fill material for the reclamation of the Washington Park 88 acres borrow pit.

Inasmuch as annual funding support for this work is being deliberated in Congress and the specific amount has not yet been identified, he requested authorization for the Chairman to sign letters of support to the local Congressional Delegation, which will be prepared in the coming weeks, to reflect the appropriations request, developed by the Port Authority for dredging activities at Port Manatee.

 A motion was made by Commissioner Bellamy and seconded by Commissioner Trace, to approve the request.

 Discussion ensued regarding legislative priorities for the Port Authority, the Port has not yet taken formal action on this matter, the dredge materials are going to Washington Park and progress is being made, and a Federal report will be made at the next Board meeting.

 Katherine Edwards questioned if these materials could be used for fill at Lincoln Park, and if the fill will be tested for toxic materials.

Mr. Hunsicker stated the fill has been tested and is suitable to use in a recreational area; however, it would not be suitable to support the structural fill needed at Lincoln Park.

There being no further public comment, Chairman Jonsson closed public comment.

The motion carried 7-0.

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41. **COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR/DEPUTY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

 Cheri Coryea, Acting County Administrator, requested confirmation of the appointment of John Osborne, as Deputy County Administrator, effective March 12, 2019.

 A motion was made by Commissioner Whitmore and seconded by Commissioner Baugh, to confirm the appointment of John Osborne, as Deputy County Administrator, effective March 12, 2019.

 Brief discussion occurred regarding staffing needs.

There being no public comment, Chairman Jonsson closed public comment.

The motion carried 7-0.

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COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

 Commissioner Servia

- Relayed an announcement from City of Bradenton Councilman Bill Sanders that the City will no longer participate in the Council of Governments (COG) meetings, but they are interested in participating in a traffic committee between the City of Palmetto, City of Bradenton, and Manatee County.

There was discussion that the COG meetings are open to everyone, and there has been no formal request from the City to opt out of the COG meetings.

- Acknowledged receipt of a letter from the Federation of Community Associations regarding funding of Low Income Pool (LIP) funds

BC20190312DOC058

There was discussion that the facts in the letter are inaccurate, and the County has no authority to audit LIP funds.



Cheri Coryea, Acting County Administrator, stated the next COG meeting is April 2nd. There are several topics on this agenda, including the subject of hurricane shelters, with a joint presentation to be made by Emergency Management staff and the School District, community partnership schools, and The Accord at the request of City of Bradenton Mayor Poston and City of Palmetto Mayor Bryant.

Commissioner Benac

- Commented on a newspaper article about a special taxing district within the City of Bradenton being applied to the hospital

Ms. Coryea stated that more information would be provided to the Board on this matter.

Discussion was held as to how this will effect County residents, is there a pilot program, this is a voluntary assessment being charged to the hospital that will help bring LIP funding to the hospital, this could be a tax advantage to the hospital, and whether this will have any implications on the County's budget.

Chairman Jonsson

- Summarized discussions held during a televised House of Representatives Infrastructure Committee meeting regarding an increase in the federal gas tax by 25 cents per gallon over five years, which would generate approximately \$680 billion in revenues for roads, streets, waterways, etc. There appeared to be bipartisan support.

Commissioner Trace

- Stated the Friends of the Library groups help with library needs/programming for each of the library branches

Commissioner Whitmore

- Stated the FDOT will be putting the 119th Street West/Cortez Road project out for bid in June

There was discussion regarding the concerns of the Clerk of the Circuit Court on the effects of the 119th Street West alignment to the Florida Maritime Museum.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, Chairman Jonsson adjourned the meeting at 11:16 a.m.

Minutes Approved: _____