

**Climate Change Task Force Meeting
Monday, November 25, 2019
1:00 PM – 4:00 PM**

**Government Center Room 430
115 S. Andrews Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301**

SUMMARY MINUTES

Members Present

Co-chair: Senator Rich
Co-chair: Commissioner Furr
Bartleman, Robin
Cavros, George
Etessam, Shahin
Forbes, Sasha
Gottlieb, Lee
Heimlich, Barry
Kaltman, Adrienne
Kaufer, Ilan
Kornahrens, Robert
Commissioner Lonergan
Polsky, Colin
Rotolo, Chris
Commissioner Shuham
Sniezek, Henry

Members Absent

Bush, Lois
Carballo, Isabel Cosio
Keys, Kelly
Mayor Welch

- I. Welcome**
Commissioner Furr welcomed the members of the task force.
- II. Roll Call**
Roll was called. Sixteen members were present and four were absent. A quorum was present.
- III. Call to Order**
Commissioner Furr called the meeting to order at 1:14 PM.
- IV. Approval of Minutes of August 19, 2019**

A motion was made, approved, seconded, and passed to accept the minutes of the August 19, 2019 meeting.*

V. Announcements

- a. Commissioner Furr announced the success of the communications to the Public Service Commission by the Commission with the support of the Task Force regarding state energy efficiency standards.
- b. Commissioner Furr also announced that the Carbon Dividend bill is currently in legal review and will be an upcoming agenda item for the County Commission.
- c. Lee Gottlieb announced the amount of water during high tides in the City of Hollywood has been very alarming recently and mentioned how it is a sign of local impacts of climate change.
- d. Dr. Polsky announced that FAU recently published a state-wide climate change poll, finding 44% of republicans that responded agreed that climate change is real, and human-caused.
- e. The League of Women Voters unanimously passed a declaration of climate emergency resolution asking for action from State leaders. They are currently waiting for a response from Governor DeSantis' office.
- f. Commissioner Furr announced that he and Dr. Jurado met with the FDOT District 4 Secretary, and that he urged FDOT to begin planning for climate change in all future planning.
- g. Dr. Jurado announced the investment to advance resiliency planning needs with the forthcoming countywide risk assessment and resiliency capital improvement plan for the region.
- h. A motion was made for the Climate Change Task Force to support EPCRD comments in the 2045 Roadway Plan. Comments included utilizing resiliency criteria for project prioritization and the incorporation of identified vulnerable roadways adjacent to proposed projects in the plan. The motion was approved by Commissioner Carol Shuham, seconded by Robin Bartleman, and passed.*

VI. Task Force Member Updates on CCAP Action Items

- a. None.

VII. Subcommittee Updates:

Henry Sniezek (EV subcommittee) announced the survey went out to municipalities to get an idea of what the community has planned. It received a good response, and three cities were in the process of resiliency planning. Also, he mentioned resilience may have different meanings for different municipalities. The EV subcommittee plans to continue to work with municipalities and have a joint meeting with the City Collaboration subcommittee in the near future.

George Cavros (Social Equity subcommittee) announced that the subcommittee was identifying vulnerability traits for communities based on multiple criteria and have begun creating a database. They asked for help to synthesize the data and

choosing focus areas. Sasha Forbes added that the subcommittee will continue to focus on areas of interest to the task force and subcommittees.

Commissioner Shuham (City Collaboration subcommittee) confirmed the municipal outreach method for resiliency communications. The subcommittee will plan their next meeting and continue to assist with municipal communications.

Presentations and Discussion Items

a. Techniques for Municipal Visualization and Management of Energy Operations

- i. Nicole Albarano, CEM, Energy Services and Controls, Trane U.S. Inc., presented on techniques to audit, visualize and manage building energy use. Visuals and examples from Broward County were shared.
- ii. Discussion ensued regarding the energy management at Stiles Property Management buildings and the value optimizing efficiency. Commissioner Furr suggested sharing the information with the municipalities through the Broward League of Cities.

b. Outstanding Buildings of the Year Competition

- i. Nikki O'Neill, Property Manager II, and Tricia Foreman, Property Manager, Stiles, presented on the eligibility details of the competition, and what building managers have implemented in order to excel in this competition.
- ii. Discussion ensued regarding the importance of municipalities applying for this competition in the future to showcase efficiency work.

c. Electric Vehicle Fleet Update

- i. Daren Cheatham, Natural Resources Specialist, Senior, EPCRD, presented an update on the Broward County fleet electrification.
- ii. Discussion ensued regarding upcoming EV meetings in different municipalities and businesses around the community that are implementing EV charging stations.

d. Energy and Sustainability Program Update

- i. Dr. Samantha Danchuk, Assistant Director, EPCRD, shared program updates from the Energy and Sustainability Program, with an emphasis on the climate change and art event, community outreach, living shorelines brochures, and energy efficiency updates.

e. SE Florida Regional Climate Change Compact Update

- i. Dr. Jennifer Jurado, Director and Chief Resilience Officer, EPCRD, presented an update on the Southeast Florida Regional Climate Change Compact, with an emphasis on the updated Unified Sea Level Rise Projection, the Broward Leaders Resilience Roundtable, the upcoming resilience study and plan, and future flood conditions map series

- updates.
- ii. Discussion ensued regarding resiliency contacts within each municipality for review of projects and programs for resiliency.

f. Legislative Update

- i. Jason Liechty, Senior Environmental Project Coordinator, EPCRD, presented a legislative update including relevant proposals and relevant bills.
- ii. A motion was made to support 318 and Senate Bill 117, the regulation of sunscreen, Robin Bartleman motioned, Adrienne Kaltman seconded, and the motion was passed.*
- iii. A motion was made to ask the County consider regulating sunscreen, prior to the end of the session. Approved by Robin Bartleman, seconded by Commissioner Lonergan, and passed.*

Meeting Adjourned at 4:09 PM.

Next meeting: Thursday, February 27, 2020, 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM.