

**SUMMARY MINUTES  
BROWARD COUNTY PLANNING COUNCIL  
JANUARY 25, 2024**

**Members** Thomas H. DiGiorgio, Jr., Chair  
**Present:** City of Pembroke Pines Commissioner Angelo Castillo, Vice Chair  
City of Tamarac Mayor Michelle J. Gomez, Secretary  
Ms. Jessica Abramson  
City of West Park Mayor Felicia Brunson  
Broward County Commissioner Lamar P. Fisher  
City of Pompano Beach Mayor Rex Hardin  
Mr. Easton K. Harrison (arrival at 10:14 a.m.)  
City of Plantation Councilmember Denise Appleby Horland  
City of Hollywood Mayor Josh Levy  
City of Oakland Park Commissioner Letitia Newbold  
City of Coconut Creek Commissioner Jackie Railey  
Mr. David Rosenof  
City of Sunrise Mayor Michael J. Ryan (via CMT)  
School Board Member Dr. Allen Zeman

**Members** Ms. Denise B. Fernandez  
**Absent:** Ms. Ryann Greenberg

**Also** Barbara Blake Boy, Executive Director  
**Present:** Andy Maurodis, Legal Counsel  
Karen Pannell, Real Time Reporter

A meeting of the Broward County Planning Council was held on Thursday, January 25, 2024, at 10:10 a.m., in Room 422 of the Broward County Governmental Center, Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

The meeting quorum and format were consistent with Section 1-233 of the Broward County Code of Ordinances regarding advisory boards utilizing communications media technology in the form of telephonic conferencing.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair DiGiorgio called the meeting to order.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Vice Chair Castillo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Prior to the Roll Call, Chair DiGiorgio announced that Mayor Rich has sustained an injury to her knee. Commissioner Fisher provided an update on her condition noting that the Commissioners will fill in when needed during her recovery period. The Planning Council offered their prayers and support to Mayor Rich.

### **ROLL CALL**

Following the Roll Call by the Real Time Reporter, Chair DiGiorgio declared that a quorum was present.

### **OATH OF OFFICE**

Broward County Commissioner Lamar P. Fisher was installed as the newest member to the Planning Council. He thanked the Planning Council members for their public service and community service. He expressed his happiness to be back with the Planning Council.

### **REAPPOINTMENTS**

Chair DiGiorgio acknowledged and congratulated the Council's reappointed member, School Board Member Dr. Allen Zeman.

### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Mayor Levy made a motion to maintain the current officers: Thomas H. DiGiorgio, Jr. as Chair, Commissioner Angelo Castillo as Vice Chair, and Mayor Michelle J. Gomez as Secretary. Councilmember Horland seconded the motion. With no objection, the motion passed unanimously.

### **NOMINATIONS BY PLANNING COUNCIL TO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Chair DiGiorgio stated to the Council that the Trafficways and Executive Committees had been combined in 2023 with the update of the Rules of Procedure. Ms. Boy named the three officers of the Executive Committee: Chair DiGiorgio, Vice Chair Castillo, and Secretary Gomez and the four at-large members: Mayor Brunson, Ms. Fernandez, Councilmember Horland, and Mayor Levy.

Chair DiGiorgio asked if any other members would want to serve on the Executive Committee. He affirmed that all members would continue to serve. The Council waived its Rules setting the membership and Dr. Zeman and Mr. Harrison volunteered to serve on the Executive Committee.

**Without objection, the Executive Committee membership was established.**

## CONSENT AGENDA

**C 1 APPROVAL OF FINAL AGENDA FOR JANUARY 25, 2024**

**C 2 JANUARY 2024 PLAT REVIEWS FOR TRAFFICWAYS PLAN COMPLIANCE**

**C 3 APPROVAL OF SUMMARY MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 30, 2023**

**C 4 ATTENDANCE RECORD/EXCUSED ABSENCE REQUESTS**

Ms. Boy requested the addition of Ms. Fernandez to the excused absence request.

- Ms. Ryann Greenberg
- Ms. Denise B. Fernandez

**Vice Chair Castillo made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mayor Hardin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

## REGULAR AGENDA

**R 1 COUNSEL'S REPORT**

No report was made. Mr. Maurodis stated that he would make a mid-session report in February regarding the Land Use legislation and Live Local.

**R 2 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Ms. Boy:

- Welcomed Commissioner Fisher back to the Planning Council.
- Congratulated the reelection of the Officers and welcomed the new members to the Executive Committee.
- Thanked Mr. Maurodis for mentioning the mid-session report and provided a brief update to Broward County's efforts related to the Live Local strategy that was taken to the Florida State session. She discussed the movement for corrective action throughout the session.
- Stated that when the County Commission adopted their meeting schedule a conflict in the Planning Council calendar arose and the August 22, 2024, meeting date would need to be rescheduled. Ms. Boy provided two date options. The meeting was rescheduled to August 29, 2024, without objection.

**R 3 CORRESPONDENCE**

(None)

## **PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA**

Ms. Boy stated that there were no members of the public signed up to speak on items PH 1 and PH 2 other than applicants, agents, and local governments. She provided a brief overview of items PH 1 and PH 2 noting that staff recommended approval of each item.

**Vice Chair Castillo made a motion to approve items PH 1 and PH 2 of the Public Hearing agenda per Planning Council staff recommendations. Commissioner Fisher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

### **PH 1 RECERTIFICATION PCR 24-1**

**Public Hearing on Recertification of the City of Coral Springs Future Land Use Element – Text Amendment**

(Previously Approved.)

### **PH 2 RECERTIFICATION PCR 24-2**

**Public Hearing on Recertification of the City of Hollywood Future Land Use Element – Text Amendment**

(Previously Approved.)

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Referring to a presentation, Ms. Boy spoke on the wholistic update of the Broward County Land Use Plan every seven years. Ms. Boy provided the approximate timeline, which starts with a discussion in April 2024 at the Executive Committee before moving forward to the Planning Council for initiation. Ms. Boy explained that public outreach is expected to begin in June and that the public hearing process would take between 18 and 24 months.

## **NEXT REGULAR SCHEDULED PLANNING COUNCIL MEETING**

The next Planning Council meeting is scheduled for February 22, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 422 of the Broward County Governmental Center.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Without objection the Chair adjourned this day's meeting at 10:29 a.m.