



**SUMMARY MINUTES
BROWARD COUNTY PLANNING COUNCIL
APRIL 22, 2021**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Thomas H. DiGiorgio, Jr., Chair
Commissioner Angelo Castillo, Secretary
Robert Breslau
Mayor Felicia Brunson, via telephone
Denise Birdsong Fernandez, via telephone
Mayor Michelle J. Gomez
Mary D. Graham
Richard Grosso, via telephone
Mayor Rex Hardin
Chadwick Maxey
Commissioner Bernie Parness
Commissioner Nan H. Rich, via telephone
David Rosenof
Vice Mayor Beverly Williams, via telephone

MEMBERS ABSENT: Brion Blackwelder
School Board Member Patricia Good, Vice Chair
Mayor Michael J. Ryan

ALSO PRESENT: Barbara Boy, Executive Director
Andrew Maurodis, Legal Counsel
Carlos Adoriso, Broward County Environmental Engineering and Permitting, via telephone
Nancy Cavender, The Laws Group

A meeting of the Broward County Planning Council, Broward County, Florida, was held in Room 422 of the Government Center, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, April 22, 2021.

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 during a declared state or local emergency. To promote social distancing and avoid risk of additional community spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19), this Public Hearing was not open to physical attendance by members of the public or the media. Members of the community were able to participate utilizing telephonic conferencing, as well as view the live meeting via webcast.

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Secretary Angelo Castillo led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

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

REAPPOINTMENT

The Chair acknowledged and congratulated the Council's reappointed member, Vice Mayor Beverly Williams, on behalf of Commissioner Dale V.C. Holness.

CONSENT AGENDA

- C 1 APPROVAL OF FINAL AGENDA FOR APRIL 22, 2021**
- C 2 APRIL 2021 PLAT REVIEWS FOR TRAFFICWAYS PLAN COMPLIANCE**
- C 3 APPROVAL OF SUMMARY MINUTES OF JANUARY 28, 2021 AND FEBRUARY 25, 2021**
- C 4 EXCUSED ABSENCE REQUESTS**
 - Brion Blackwelder
 - School Board Member Patricia Good

Following the Chair's request for a motion, a motion was made by Secretary Castillo and seconded by Mayor Gomez to approve the Consent Agenda. The Planning Council unanimously approved the Consent Agenda, Items C1 through C4.

REGULAR AGENDA

Prior to the start of the Regular Agenda, Ms. Boy noted the additional agenda materials that were received and sent to all Planning Council members regarding Items R 2 (email from the Broward County Office of the County Attorney) and PH 6 (correspondence from interested parties and PowerPoint presentation). The Council accepted the additional agenda material without objection.

R 1 FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET PROPOSAL

Ms. Boy reported to the Board that the Fiscal Year 2022 budget proposal of \$1.267 million dollars is an increase of 4.5% over Fiscal Year 2021 due to increases in personal service line items and no changes to the operating budget. Ms. Boy also noted the lower revenue estimate was in part due to fee exemptions for land use plan amendments that are filed with at least a 15 percent set aside for affordable housing subject to a legally enforceable mechanism.



Following the Chair's request for a motion, a motion was made by Secretary Castillo and seconded by Mayor Gomez to recommend approval of the proposed budget and to forward the same to the County Commission. The motion was unanimously approved.

R 2 Local Planning Agency Review: Proposed Revisions to the Broward County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 27, Article V, Water Resource Management, Sections 27-192 and 27-200, Establishing a Future Conditions 100-Year Flood Elevation Map.

Ms. Boy reported that the proposed revisions are consistent with climate resiliency, water resource management and wellfield strategies and policies and staff recommends to transmit the same to the Broward County Board of County Commissioners.

Mr. Carlos Adoriso from the Broward County Environmental Engineering and Permitting Division gave an overview of the proposed revision and noted that the establishment of the map will set the development standard for future planning and regulatory purposes.

The Council engaged in a brief discussion and questions.

Following the Chair's request for a motion, a motion was made by Secretary Castillo and seconded by Mayor Hardin to find the proposed revisions consistent with the policies of the Broward County Land Use Plan and transmit same to the Board of County Commissioners. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Chair also directed Planning Council staff to invite the County's Environmental staff to a future meeting to make a presentation regarding sea level rise, drainage and flooding policies and issues.

R 3 COUNSEL'S REPORT

- **Hybrid Virtual/In-Person Public Participation for Future Meeting Dates**

Mr. Maurodis updated the Council on Hybrid Virtual/In-Person public participation for future meetings starting May 4th.

R 4 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- **Upcoming Planning Council Meeting Schedule**

Ms. Boy suggested that the Council could consider cancelling the May meeting and moving those items to the June 24, 2021, meeting date, as it would result in having more consistency in the meeting schedule, as the July meeting had previously been cancelled. Without objection, the Council cancelled the May meeting date.

Ms. Boy noted that she will send a survey to the Council Members regarding the Member's preference for the receipt of agenda materials.

R 5 CORRESPONDENCE

(No correspondence)



PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA

Ms. Boy advised the Council that items PH 1 through PH 5 are recommended for approval by the Planning Council staff and have no public speakers with the exception of the applicants. Ms. Boy advised the Council that there were 16 public speakers signed in for Item PH 6, including the City of Margate, as the applicant, as well as interested parties. It was further noted that Item PH 6 was recommended for provisional recertification by the Planning Council staff. The Chair asked if Planning Council members wanted to pull any items other than PH 6. Ms. Graham requested that Item PH 3 be pulled for discussion.

Following the Chair's request for a motion, a motion was made by Secretary Castillo and seconded by Mayor Hardin to approve items PH 1, PH 2, PH 4 and PH 5 per Planning Council staff recommendations. The motion was unanimously approved.

**PH 1 RECERTIFICATION PCR 21-5
Public Hearing on Recertification of the City of Oakland Park Future Land Use Element - Text Amendment**

(Previously approved)

**PH 2 RECERTIFICATION PCR 21-6
Public Hearing on Recertification of the City of Fort Lauderdale Future Land Use Element - Text Amendment**

(Previously approved)

**PH 3 FLEXIBILITY UNIT RELEASE REQUEST PCUFZ 21-1
Public Hearing on Flexibility Unit Release Request - City of Fort Lauderdale**

Ms. Boy gave an overview of the request to release the next 5,000 flexibility units from the City of Fort Lauderdale's flexibility unit pool, including a facilities and services summary. Ms. Boy noted that the request is not a site specific allocation.

The members engaged in a brief discussion.

Following the Chair's request for a motion, a motion was made by Mayor Hardin and seconded by Commissioner Parness to approve the request per Planning Council staff recommendation. The motion was unanimously approved.

PH 4 AMENDMENT TO THE "ADMINISTRATIVE RULES DOCUMENT: BROWARDNEXT"

(Previously approved)

**PH 5 AMENDMENT PCNRM 21-1
Public Hearing on Update of the Broward County Natural Resource Map Series - Cultural Resources/Local Areas of Particular Concern: Historic Sites Map**

(Previously approved)



**PH 6 RECERTIFICATION PCR 21-1
Public Hearing on Recertification of the City of Margate Future Land Use Element –
Text Amendment**

Ms. Boy noted that this recertification request was continued by the Council from its January public hearing and gave an overview of the recertification request, including the Council's role, the State of Florida statutory process and a description of the report updates, analysis and attachments. Ms. Boy stated that the Planning Council staff recommended approval of the provisional recertification of the City's future land use element and the City agreed to address the deficiencies within one year.

The Chair called for the public speakers.

Speakers:

Bill Laystom, Esq., Doumar Allsworth, Laystrom, et al., on behalf of the City of Margate
Michele Mellgren, SEPI Consultants, on behalf of the City of Margate
Mayor Arlene Schwartz, City of Margate
Andrew VanValin, New Urban Communities (Opposed)
Tim Hernandez, AICP, Principal, New Urban Communities (Opposed) (presented a PowerPoint on file with the Planning Council)
John L. Renne, Ph.D., AICP, Professor of Urban Planning (Opposed)
Joseph Kohl, CNU, Principal, Dover, Kohl & Partners (Opposed)
Marcela Cambolor, AICP, Principal, Marcela Cambolor & Associates, Inc. (Opposed)

The following speakers signed in and did not speak:

Kevin Rickard, New Urban Communities (requested to yield time to Tim Hernandez)
Michael W. Moskowitz, Esq., on behalf of New Urban Communities (requested to yield time to Tim Hernandez)
Cale Curtis, City Manager, City of Margate, Questions Only
Janette Smith, Esq., City Attorney, City of Margate, Questions Only
Elizabeth Taschereau, City Planner, City of Margate, Questions Only
Robert Meehan, Planner, City of Margate, Questions Only
Jeff Katims, SEPI Consultants, on behalf of the City of Margate, Questions Only
Kaitlyn Forbes, SEPI Consultants, on behalf of the City of Margate, Questions Only

At the conclusion of the public speakers, the Council Chair asked the City of Margate to make any closing remarks or clarifications. Mr. Laystrom, representing the City of Margate, followed up.

The Chair called on each Council member in reverse alphabetical order for comments, questions and discussion. The following topics were discussed by the Council members, with the City of Margate and Planning Council staff responding to questions or discussion points as appropriate:

- The Council's role and rules/guidelines for recertification requests;
- Clarification of the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization's role in recertification requests; and
- The status and legal applicability of the State Road 7 Collaborative.

(Secretary Castillo left the meeting)



Following the Chair’s request for a motion, a motion was made by Mr. Maxey and seconded by Mayor Gomez to approve the provisional recertification per Planning Council staff recommendation. The Chair called for a roll call vote and the motion was approved 9 to 4 with the following votes:

Robert Breslau	Yes
Mayor Felicia Brunson	Yes via telephone
Denise Birdsong Fernandez	Yes via telephone
Mayor Michelle J. Gomez	Yes
Mary D. Graham	Yes
Richard Grosso	No via telephone
Mayor Rex Hardin	Yes
Chadwick Maxey	Yes
Commissioner Bernie Parness	No
Commissioner Nan H. Rich	No via telephone
David Rosenof	No
Vice Mayor Beverly Williams	Yes via telephone
Thomas H. DiGiorgio, Jr., Chair	Yes

A second motion was made by Mr. Maxey and seconded by Mayor Hardin to request that the City of Margate provide an update to staff prior to the full recertification updating the Planning Council on their commitment to the State Road 7 Collaborative. The Chair called for a roll call vote and the motion failed 3 to 10 with the following votes:

Robert Breslau	No
Mayor Felicia Brunson	No via telephone
Denise Birdsong Fernandez	No via telephone
Mayor Michelle J. Gomez	No
Mary D. Graham	No
Richard Grosso	No via telephone
Mayor Rex Hardin	Yes
Chadwick Maxey	Yes
Commissioner Bernie Parness	No
Commissioner Nan H. Rich	No via telephone
David Rosenof	No
Vice Mayor Beverly Williams	No via telephone
Thomas H. DiGiorgio, Jr., Chair	Yes

OTHER BUSINESS

PLANNING COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Planning Council members sent their thoughts and prayers to the Blackwelder family.



NEXT REGULAR SCHEDULED PLANNING COUNCIL MEETING

The next Planning Council meeting is scheduled for June 24, 2021, 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 12:22 p.m.

(A copy of the audio recording of this meeting is available upon request by calling Document Control located in Room 336U, at (954)357-7297 or on the Planning Council website at <https://www.broward.org/PlanningCouncil/Pages/Meeting%20Archives.aspx>)

