

Manatee County Government Administrative Center  
First Floor, Commission Chambers  
9:00 a.m. - March 6, 2018

**REVISED** March 6, 2018 - Regular Meeting  
Agenda Item #6

Subject

Introduction of Sherry Price, Recreation Coordinator / Parks & Natural Resources

Briefings

None

Contact and/or Presenter Information

Charlie Hunsicker, Parks and Natural Resources Director, ext. 6001

Action Requested

None

Enabling/Regulating Authority

Background Discussion

County Attorney Review

Not Reviewed (No apparent legal issues)

Explanation of Other

Reviewing Attorney

N/A

Instructions to Board Records

None

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N/A

Amount and Frequency of Recurring Costs

N/A

Attachment: [Sherry Price Bio.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Bob Davis Bio.pdf](#)

## Sherry Price Bio

-Sherry started playing tennis at 7 years old. Came to Florida at 10 years old and began her junior career here in Bradenton at Nick Bolleteri Tennis Academy with Bob Davis (Black Dynamics) She stayed in the top 10 nationally through the 14s and kept high national rankings until she left Florida at 17 years old for The University of Southern Mississippi.

-Sherry's older sister Shawny also played at Southern Miss where she earned All American as a tennis player.

-Sherry graduated HS a semester early and began her college career in the spring of 2005, where she played #1 singles and #1 doubles, earned conference player awards, student athlete of the week awards and played in NCAA regional qualifiers. She earned a Bachelor of Science in political science.

-Sherry moved to Queens NY at 21 years old and worked as a tennis professional at West Side Tennis Club in Forest Hills, NY. Whilst she worked on her tennis teaching profession, she played the role of Althea Gibson in the documentary film ALTHEA.

-Sherry was offered a Graduate Assistant position in the fall of 2009 at a small private school on Staten Island called Wagner College. Within a week of being accepted to the school and accepting the graduate position, she was unexpectedly put into the position of interim Head Women's and Men's tennis coach without an assistant coach. Sherry recruited players, held practices, organized team scheduling and matches, budgeted and designed programming for both teams while maintaining and graduating with a 4.0 GPA honors Master of Science in Education.

-Sherry moved to Brooklyn, NY and earned a position with the National Urban League (New York affiliate) in Harlem, NY where she again took an interim position of Education Director and developed, implemented and facilitated curriculum for students in middle and high schools across all boroughs in NYC. The Absolute Success College Access Program (ASCAP) was her main priority, taking a group of young, academically gifted boys to New Orleans, LA to the National Urban League Conference where they participated in a case competition that she prepared these specific students for, for two years. She had the honor of attending this event with her students and participating with former President Barack Obama and many black leaders across the country to achieve the many goals of young people and their communities while in school and once they move into their collegiate careers. She helped plan and facilitate Girls and Boys Empowerment Days and HBCU College fairs and events.

-Sherry decided to step back into tennis and this time took her new skill sets in Education and used them at Advantage Tennis in Manhattan, NY. Sherry was hired on as an assistant director and helped build the junior programs, adult programs and summer camps at Martime College and New York Tennis Club in Bronx, NY.

-After a year, Sherry was promoted to Site Director for The Avenues Global School and education curriculum development team for The United Nations School.

-At the same time, Sherry also worked as a High Performance junior and adult tennis pro for Love and Sudden Death Tennis in Brooklyn, NY and New York Sports Club junior and adult professional.

-At 28 years old, Sherry decided to move back home to Bradenton, FL where she worked as an independent professional at Sarasota Country Club with her own brand Phoenix Rising Academy of Tennis & Education.

-Sherry has been working as a recreation coordinator for Manatee County since May of last year and is looking forward to the future of tennis and education and how she can help develop tennis in and around Manatee County.

## Bob Davis Bio

Born in New York City during segregation, Bob was introduced to tennis at the age of 8. Because of his color, he was not permitted to play in USLTA tournaments, but there was an alternative, the American Tennis Association (ATA).



Bob at age 10

The ATA was created in 1916 to provide a competitive and networking venue for minorities. During the 1950 and early 60's, Bob became a 2-time ATA National Champion; winning the ATA Junior National title and the Men's Doubles title with his brother, Hall-of-Famer Bill Davis. A hitting partner for Hall of Famer Althea Gibson and a Life member of the ATA, he competed in the U.S. National Championships (U.S. Open) at Forest Hills and was a USTA Mixed Doubles National Champion in 2006. Off the court, Bob leased the largest private tennis club in New York State in the '70s and managed his family-owned sleep-over tennis Academy in the 80's. He then helped to create and was National Program Director for the Ashe/Bollettieri "Cities" Tennis Program (ABC), which later became the Arthur Ashe Safe Passage Foundation.



Bob winning the ATA National Junior Title at age 17

As CEO, this program introduced tennis to more than 20,000 inner-city children and provided health screenings, tutoring and academic support to these children in 10 U.S. cities across America. Once the Safe Passage Foundation closed its doors, Bob created Black Dynamics, Inc., which offered scholarships to the most talented minority youth to the IMG Bollettieri Tennis Academy. The founding belief of Black

Dynamics was that youngsters needed world-class competition in order to reach world-class performance. Two alumni of Black Dynamics represented the United States on the Federation Cup Team. Bob then created the Panda Foundation, Inc. ([www.thepandafoundation.com](http://www.thepandafoundation.com)). The Panda Foundation, modeled after the wildly successful Safe Passage Foundation,



Bob and Arthur Ashe at Boy's Club Fundraiser.

provides introductory tennis instruction to more than 500 urban youth each year.



Hall of Famer Althea Gibson at Bob's Tennis Academy

These under-served youth also receive dental and health related services as well as mentoring by local professionals. All Panda programs are free to the children. Bob co-wrote Nick Bollettieri's autobiography, "Bollettieri – Changing the Game" and continues to write barter articles for Nick. These tennis-related articles are used in exchange for

advertising in their tennis magazines. Bob also coaches professional players and, in 2014, was added to the coaching

delegation of the Jamaican Davis Cup Team. He was inducted into the ATA's New England Tennis Association Hall of Fame in 2006, the Black Tennis Hall of Fame in August, 2014 and was inducted into the Tampa Bay Tennis Hall of Fame in December, 2014. Bob is the father of two daughters, Tanya and Robyn. Tanya is a graduate of the U.S. Military Academy at West point and Robyn has a Masters degree from Bentley College in Boston. Bob's life mission has been, and continues to be, giving to youngsters some of the life-changing opportunities that were given to him. ***Teaching Tennis and Changing Lives!***

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**From:** [Diane Vollmer](#)  
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I have the second one I can forward to you, but not the first one.

*Diane*

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**From:** Robin Toth [mailto:robin.toth@ManateeClerk.com]  
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Diane,

Are there links to these two videos?

Robin

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# MEMORANDUM



To: Ed Hunzeker, County Administrator  
From: Diane Vollmer, Agenda Coordinator  
Date: March 5, 2018  
Subject: **Agenda Update for Meeting of March 6, 2018**

*THIS MEMO AND THE CHANGES INDICATED BELOW ARE REFLECTED IN THE ELECTRONIC AGENDA (E-AGENDA)*

## CHANGES TO INTRODUCTIONS

### INTRODUCTIONS

6. **Introduction of Sherry Price, Recreation Coordinator / Parks & Natural Resources** – The Bio's for Sherry Price and Bob Davis were added to this agenda item.

## CHANGES TO CONSENT AGENDA

### FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

22. **Non-Exclusive Interlocal Agreement Relating to the Funding and Financing of Qualifying Improvements by PACE programs (Florida Green Finance Authority and Florida Resiliency and Energy District)** – The County Attorney Review section of this item was updated to indicate Bill Clague, Assistant County Attorney, reviewed the agreements and prepared Resolution R-18-008.
23. **Request for Proposal (RFP) 17-2234BLS, Collection and Removal of Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)** – The agreement with Clean Harbors Environmental Services was updated to include each of the exhibits referenced in that agreement.

### PUBLIC SAFETY

34. **Execution of Contract with West Coast Southern Medical Services, Inc.** – Deferred.

## CHANGES TO ADVERTISED PUBLIC HEARINGS

### PUBLIC WORKS

37. **LDA-17-01 - Local Development Agreement for Northeast Sector** – The Agreement was updated to include the referenced exhibits.

### ADMINISTRATOR

38. **Braden River Preserve - Establishment of a Municipal Services Taxing Unit (MSTU)** – Ordinance 18-14 was updated to include Attachment "A" to Exhibit "A" of that Ordinance.

## CHANGES TO REGULAR AGENDA

### FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

39. **Transportation Revenue Improvement Note Series 2016 – Extension** – The Summary of Terms and Conditions was added to the agenda item and the motion was revised to read:
- Approve a one year maturity extension to March 28, 2019, on the Transportation Revenue Improvement Note, Series 2016 by Bank of America, N.A, which was issued on April 12, 2016, for the 44th Avenue Transportation Project; and
  - 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 (PRAG), the County's Financial Advisor, and authorize County's professional staff to bring back all necessary documentation for Board approval.

## CHANGES TO COMMISSIONER AGENDA

### COMMISSIONER TRACE

44. **Fort Hamer Bridge Closing for Fundraiser Run - September 2018** – This item was updated to reflect a 10:45 a.m. time certain.

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