



Board of County Commissioners
March 30, 2021 – Work Session

SUBJECT

UPDATES TO AGENDA

Category

AGENDA ITEMS

Briefings

None

Contact and/or Presenter Information

Karen Stewart, Acting County Administrator

William E. Clague, County Attorney

Action Requested

Enabling/Regulating Authority

Background Discussion

Changes made to the initial agenda are reported on the update memo (attached) and incorporated into the electronic agenda.

Attorney Review

Other (if applicable)

Reviewing Attorney

Instructions to Board Records

Cost and Funds Source Account Number and Name

Amount and Frequency of Recurring Costs

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MEMORANDUM

To: Cheri Coryea, County Administrator

From: Diane Vollmer, Agenda Coordinator

Date: March 26, 2021

Subject: **Agenda Update for Work Session of March 30, 2021**

This memo and the changes indicated below are reflected in the electronic agenda.

Public Comments

Written comments submitted through the online Public Comment form were added to Agenda Items 1 and 2.

JAMES
SATCER
District 1

REGGIE
BELLAMY
District 2

KEVIN
VAN OSTENBRIDGE
District 3

MISTY
SERVIA
District 4

VANESSA
BAUGH
District 5

CAROL
WHITMORE
At Large

GEORGE W.
KRUSE
At Large



Public Comment

Submitted On: Mar 19, 2021, 08:57PM EDT

Manatee County, FL

Agenda Item 1

Full Name	First Name: Glen Last Name: Gibellina
Email	glengibellina@gmail.com
Topic/Agenda Item	1. Discussion of the FY22 Budget Work Session - Capital Improvement Plan
Comment (max. 3,000 characters)	<p>Here is my concern. You want \$1,695,000.00 for replacement playground equipment Let me say that again you want 1 MILLION SIX HUNDRED AND NINETY FIVE DOLLARS OF TAXPAYERS MONEY I have looked at many of the playground equipment, all look pretty good You have provide no dates of the purchase of each park equipment You have not provide the original cost of the equipment you want to replace You have not provided any photos of equipment What happens to the play ground equipment that is replaced ? Are non profits or day care have a chance to repurpose this equipment? This attitude of yea lets just replace it instead of maintaining it or even perhaps a coat of new paint to freshen it up. I don't believe I have ever seen playground equipment maintained These items should be removed until the above information can be provided If it's not broke, don't fix it Bayfront Park Playground ReplacementFY23-60,000----60,000 Blackstone Park Playground ReplacementFY22150,000-----150,000 Coquina Gulfside Park Playground ReplacementFY22175,000-----175,000 Country Club East Park Playground ReplacementFY2275,000-----75,000 Crane Park Playground ReplacementFY2225,000-----25,000 Greenbrook Park Playground ReplacementFY22100,000-----100,000GT Bray 51st Street Park Playground ReplacementFY2260,000-----60,000 Jiggs Landing Park Playground ReplacementFY2240,000-----40,000 John Marble Large Playground ReplacementFY24--130,000---130,000 John Marble Swing and Small Playground ReplacementFY22150,000-----150,000 Lincoln Park Playground ReplacementFY23-125,000----125,000LWR Park Soccer Playground and Tee Ball Playground ReFY23-280,000----280,000 Manatee Beach Playground ReplacementFY22150,000-----150,000 Pride Splash Park Playground and Swing ReplacementFY2265,000-----65,000 University Community Park Playground ReplacementFY22110,000-----110,000 Show us some FACTS on the above and we will revisit this</p>
Which meeting is this public comment for? (Please select date of meeting)	March 30, 2021



Public Comment

Submitted On: Mar 19, 2021, 08:59PM EDT

Manatee County, FL

Full Name	First Name: Glen Last Name: Gibellina
Email	glengibellina@gmail.com
Topic/Agenda Item	1. Discussion of the FY22 Budget Work Session - Capital Improvement Pla
Comment (max. 3,000 characters)	Moccasin Wallow EMS Station and AmbulanceFY23-640,0002,536,658---3,176,658
Which meeting is this public comment for? (Please select date of meeting)	March 30, 2021



Public Comment

Submitted On: Mar 19, 2021, 09:10PM EDT

Manatee County, FL

Full Name	First Name: Glen Last Name: Gibellina
Email	glengibellina@gmail.com
Topic/Agenda Item	1. Discussion of the FY22 Budget Work Session - Capital Improvement Pla
Comment (max. 3,000 characters)	Am I to understand we are spending 3,176,658 on EMS Station and Ambulance Don't you think it's about time to combine first responders on the same property Typically both EMS and a fire truck go out so why not on the same property Plus if we need a library in that area place the library on the same piece of property These separate silo's of taxpayers monies is not in the best interest of the Citizens of Manatee county While your at it put in a Community garden between the library and the fire house We are suppose to be working as a TEAM in our County Currently I don't see it Coming together is a beginning, staying together is progress, and working together is success. —Henry Ford
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Public Comment

Submitted On: Mar 21, 2021, 05:20PM EDT

Manatee County, FL

Agenda Item 2

Full Name	First Name: Melissa Last Name: Zepeda
Email	mas@alumni.emory.edu
Topic/Agenda Item	Animal Welfare Regulations & Retail Sales
Comment (max. 3,000 characters)	Please pass a full retail sales ban on selling dogs and cats. Other counties in FL have already done so. These pet stores import hundreds of puppies from out of state puppy mills. Not only are puppy mills inhumane, these stores are adding to Manatee's pet overpopulation problem. Florida ranks in the TOP 5 states who euthanize the most pets! FL had to euthanize over 45,000 pets because they're are not enough good homes. Passing a ban does NOT mean the stores have to close. They can easily switch to an adoption model or simply sell pet supplies like PetCo & Petsmart successfully does.
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Public Comment

Submitted On: Mar 21, 2021, 06:19PM EDT

Manatee County, FL

Full Name	First Name: Naomi Last Name: Mannino
Email	naomi@goingveganforhealth.com
Topic/Agenda Item	Animal Welfare Regulations & Retail sales ban of dogs and cats
Comment (max. 3,000 characters)	Please pass a full ban on the retail sales of dogs and cats in Manatee County as other counties have already done. Florida is already overpopulated with pets and in the top 5 states for euthanizing unwanted pets so we don't need more pets being important from notoriously in humane puppy mills. I full support the ban on retail sales of all pets and these stores can convert to an adoption sales model to help liquidate the pets we currently have to good homes.
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Public Comment

Submitted On: Mar 25, 2021, 09:16AM EDT

Manatee County, FL

Full Name	First Name: Joyce Last Name: Carta
Email	joyce@joycecarta.com
Topic/Agenda Item	Retail Sale of Puppies
Comment (max. 3,000 characters)	Puppy mills crank them out to be sold as pets in retail stores. What is utterly wrong with this cannot be covered in 3000 characters...BUT...a companion animal's life is precious and needs to be treated as an adoption investment, not an impulse that can be thrown over. Buy from responsible breeders only. And make sure you commit for the entire life of the animal.
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Public Comment

Submitted On: Mar 25, 2021, 11:40AM EDT

Manatee County, FL

Full Name	First Name: Barbara Last Name: Cook
Email	barbaracook22@me.com
Topic/Agenda Item	Discussion of Animal Welfare Regulations & Retail Sales
Comment (max. 3,000 characters)	<p>Dear Manatee County Commissioners, Please do NOT implement a ban on retail pet sales in Manatee County. Please continue to allow your constituents to have a choice on where they obtain their beloved pets! There are already strict Federal and State laws in effect regarding ALL pet sales in Manatee County. The Florida Pet Lemon Law is one of the most far-reaching pet buyer protection laws in the nation. USDA already regulates the breeders that pets are sourced from. The folks "adopting" or buying Rescue dogs have NO recourse or protection since the dogs are not required to have health certificates and the Florida Pet Lemon Law does not apply. An article published March 21, 2021 in the Washington Post makes some excellent points and clearly outlines why Pet Sale bans are barking up the wrong tree! "Now, those seeking to restrict pet sales risk worsening the situation. The new legislation would require residents to get a dog from a shelter or rescue — which are often lacking in breeds the public wants — or travel potentially hundreds of miles to buy from a breeder in person. This is both a huge hassle and a potential public health risk during a pandemic. These unnecessary regulations don't address substandard breeders in other states. They simply would make it harder to get a pet, which would amplify the incentive to illegally traffic dogs from unregulated sources, particularly foreign countries. It's a problem regulators are already witnessing. In an attempt to satisfy Americans' affinity for furry friends, a new phenomenon has emerged in the form of foreign dog trafficking. The USDA reports that 1 million dogs are imported into the United States every year. Of those, fewer than 1 percent are regulated by the agency. These phony rescuers can concoct a false story about how the animals were "rescued" from a foreign country. And the traffickers earn thousands of dollars per dog, making it a lucrative trade. Popular breeds such as Maltipoo and collies aren't common dogs you'd find at shelters or rescues. But many Americans want them. And when there's demand, there will be a black market supply, as we learned from Prohibition." Instead of a retail pet sales ban, please take a closer look at the source of dogs entering the county through rescue channels. Since Retail Rescue is not regulated at all, please consider regulating Retail Rescue to protect residents, lesson the risk of introducing transmissible diseases (including Covid) and parasites to Manatee County and decrease the strain on Animal Services. Please continue to allow Manatee county residents freedom to choose where their pets come from. Barbara Cook Manatee Kennel Club</p>
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Public Comment

Submitted On: Mar 26, 2021, 12:47PM EDT

Manatee County, FL

Full Name	First Name: Robert Last Name: Mowry
Email	fisalukidad@gmail.com
Topic/Agenda Item	Discussion of Animal Welfare Regulations & Retail Sale
Comment (max. 3,000 characters)	Sec. 2-4-6 Display of License tag C - Exemptions 1 - Animal actively participating... This states that the Handler must have the license on their person while competing. As someone who exhibits at dog shows, this is not a realistic expectation as those of use exhibiting our dogs need as few distractions for both human and K-9 as possible. Having to stuff a dog collar with tags that jungle into a pocket for men or bra for women is really not feasible,. It would be appropriate, in my opinion, to state that the tag be available upon completion of exhibition at their set-up, I.e. tent or car/vehicle.
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Public Comment

Submitted On: Mar 26, 2021, 01:26PM EDT

Manatee County, FL

Full Name	First Name: Erin Last Name: Haas
Email	sarasotalakes@gmail.com
Topic/Agenda Item	Retail pet sales
Comment (max. 3,000 characters)	<p>Dear County Commissioners, I have been a resident of Manatee County for the past 10 years. I am a mother with 2 small children. I feel strongly that people should have the freedom to choose the pet that is best for their family. Please do NOT proceed with a pet sale ban or any additional regulations that interfere with a person's freedom to choose the pet that is best for them. Pet sales and breeders are already regulated at the State and Federal level. We do not need any additional regulations. Breeders are motivated to care for their animals. There are many good breeders out there who care deeply about their animals. Local government should not have their hands in this. A pet sale ban will have many unintended consequences. For example, a shelter pet is not always a good fit for a family with small children. The majority of dogs at Manatee county shelters are big dogs (specifically pit bulls) and that does not work for people with small children. I am a licensed medical professional (dental hygienist for 15 years). Children are especially vulnerable to dog attacks/bites and the end results are devastating. Please think about the children in our community. I have visited the Petland Store in Bradenton on several occasions and it is always clean and the dogs look like they are well cared for. They are providing healthy, happy, socialized animals for the community and they shouldn't be harassed and targeted like this. We should all be mindful of scapegoating and discrimination when it happens. And that is what these pet sale bans are, scapegoating and discrimination by large rescue organizations who want to FORCE everyone to take a shelter pet. I am an animal lover and I want every family to have the freedom to choose the pet that is best for them. Pet retention is best when people have the freedom to choose.</p>
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Public Comment

Submitted On: Mar 26, 2021, 01:40PM EDT

Manatee County, FL

Full Name	First Name: Lesley Last Name: Hammar
Email	lesleyhammar@gmail.com
Topic/Agenda Item	Dog Laws
Comment (max. 3,000 characters)	All animals whether in private homes or in shelters much be treated humanely with safe, clean conditions with food and water, and shelter. Please hold all people to the dogs laws not just the breeders and privately owned animals. Shelters must be held accountable for how they treat animals.
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