

**MANATEE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
COUNTY ADMINISTRATION CENTER, HONORABLE PATRICIA M. GLASS CHAMBERS
1112 Manatee Avenue West
Bradenton, Florida
December 2, 2021**

Meeting video link: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCULgjuGhS-qV966RU2Z7AtA>

Present were:

Vanessa Baugh, Chairman
George Kruse, First Vice-Chairman
Kevin Van Ostenbridge, Second Vice-Chairman
Reggie Bellamy, Third Vice-Chairman
James A. Satcher III
Misty Servia
Carol Whitmore


Also present were:

Dr. Scott L. Hopes, County Administrator
Rossina Leider, Planning Section Manager
William Clague, County Attorney
Quantana Acevedo, Deputy Clerk, Clerk of the Circuit Court

Chairman Baugh called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.


All witnesses and staff giving testimony were duly sworn.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE


 The Invocation was delivered by Chaplain Tony Ledbetter, The International Fellowship of Chaplains, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

8. COMMISSIONER AGENDA/REDISTRICTING MAPS


John Guthrie, County Consultant, was available via Zoom.

 Commissioner Kruse stated there are two maps to review and after meeting with Dr. Scott Hopes regarding Maps A and B, he had discussions with the consultant. He explained why he liked Map B. Commissioner Bellamy, District 2, has two city seats in his district (City of Bradenton and City of Palmetto) when he should be able to concentrate on the City of Palmetto.

(Enter Commissioner Bellamy)

 Discussion took place on how the compromised map has cleaner lines, whether Maps A and B are legally defensible, Commissioner Whitmore does not support reviewing the matter at a land use hearing, a special meeting could have been called, Map A was produced by the consultant, Map B by Commissioner Baugh and Map C was presented by Commissioner Servia and the Board decided on Maps A and B, Commissioner Servia has held several town hall meetings to make sure there is public participation, in favor of keeping the urban core together, redistricting should protect the minority population, compromised map would replace Map B, why are they spending taxpayer money to draw an unbiased map that the Board is going to alter due to special interests, Commissioner Bellamy anticipated changes which is why he moved his town hall meeting date closer to December 14, 2021, lack of transparency amongst Board members, Commissioner Bellamy stated he does not like the lines for District 2, and the urban core is not being protected, the map was not finalized on December 1, 2021, but it was added to the agenda then, the County received their monies worth since Mr. Guthrie created the map, town hall should have been held in August if public input was truly wanted, one aspect should not be the only aspect to consider when it comes

to the maps, historical maps for District 4 included coastline, District 1 has the most diversity, Commissioner Van Ostenbridge did not agree with process for this matter (Items 8 and 9), the Board met yesterday and Commissioners Kruse and Servia could have mentioned their items, special interests are not necessarily bad, the compromise map does not have street names, and Commissioner Van Ostenbridge received feedback on Maps A and B and he has no problem with replacing the current Map B with the compromise Map B.

 Dr. Scott Hopes, County Administrator, made comments including that the process should not be rigid.


Commissioners' Whitmore and Servia disagreed due to policy concerns and the fact that several Commissioners were allowed to speak more than once.


Commissioner Whitmore moved that the Board follow procedures of Commissioners who have pushed their buttons to speak. Commissioner Servia seconded the motion.

William Clague, County Attorney, stated the motion on the floor is a valid motion.

Discussion ensued regarding why Terra Ceia was not placed within District 3, the area of concern is the Port, the urban core being included in one area (Samoset, MMH and Tropicana), the map was not received until after 4:00 p.m. yesterday, avoid dividing the urban core, and thought the vote was just for Maps A and B.

The Clerk read the votes from November 16, 2021.

 Discussion ensued that votes should take place in the public, Commissioner Servia compiled public comment for consideration for the December 14, 2021, meeting, the consultant is an expert in redistricting, the public has asked why the Board has not considered the school maps, the redistricting maps are one of most important decisions the Board will make, and it is time to move on.

 Upon question, Mr. Guthrie relayed his mission. December 14 is an important date and the Board should decide on a process. He does not disagree with Commissioner Kruse's explanation about compromise Map B.


Discussion continued that the minority district with the compromise Map B is legally defensible, as are all the maps, and other changes could be made.


Motion


 A motion was made by Commissioner Van Ostenbridge and seconded by Commissioner Kruse, to replace Map B with the Compromise Map B (as presented by Commissioner Kruse).

 Dr. Hopes stated his idea was for Commissioner Kruse to work with the consultant.


Commissioner Van Ostenbridge pointed out his motion would allow the compromise map to be reviewed by the public.

 Commissioner Whitmore inquired if Chairman Baugh created Map B herself.


 Dr. Hopes stated it is important to remember there is a process after December 14, 2021. Staff would have to create legal descriptions for every single street on the map in order to meet statutory requirements.

 Mr. Clague explained Districts have to be designated by resolution and legal descriptions would be exhibits to the resolution on December 14.


Discussion ensued that the compromise map includes more minorities in District 2 and land mass within District 4, and land mass does not play a factor in redistricting, because Districts are based on population.


 A friendly amendment to the motion was made by Commissioner Servia, to attach Commissioner Kruse's rendition and any future maps provided by other Commissioners as things to consider in deciding on Maps A and B.


RECESS/RECONVENE: 10:40 a.m. – 10:55 a.m. All Commissioners were present.

 Commissioner Servia restated the friendly amendment: To take Commissioner Kruse's map and any future maps coming forward from other commissioners and put them in special stack to consider them all as a Board together in special sessions up until adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bellamy.


Public Comment


 Betty Sailes Rhodes stated the Board is setting themselves up for a lawsuit.


 Susie Copeland stated government was created for the people and by the people, and encouraged the Board to respect each other.

 Charles Smith stated Mr. Guthrie made the same remarks before the Florida Senate and his remarks should be taken with a grain salt about the maps being legally defensible. Rubonia should be included in District 2, and there are legal ramifications brewing.

 Rodney Jones expressed concern with the process as being discussed today.

 Dawn Kitterman expressed concern with the lack of transparency from the Board and to not consider any maps submitted by individual Commissioners.

 Alicia S., League of Women Voters, confirmed that they support Map A.

 Glen Gibellina stated the consultant should have been hired as soon as the census was released and town hall meetings held. Commissioner Servia's collection of public comments should be in the record.

 Carol Felts stated the public has not been given the right to discuss the proposed maps.

There being no further public comment, Chairman Baugh closed public comment. Commissioner Kruse stated his conversation with Dr. Hopes in the elevator was about procedure not about the actual maps.

Commissioner Bellamy confirmed Commissioner Kruse's statement and explained that he did not hear the conversation. He spoke to issues associated with moving the northern border of District 2.

Vote – Friendly Amendment

Motion failed 3 to 4 with Commissioners Baugh, Kruse, Satcher, and Van Ostenbridge voting nay.


Vote for the original motion

A motion was made to replace Map B with the Compromise Map B (as presented by Commissioner Kruse).

Commissioner Satcher stated he would vote on this, but he would be presenting his own map. If this was the final map, he would not vote in favor of this. He preferred the lines of District 1 on Map B.

The motion carried 4-3, with Commissioners Bellamy, Servia, and Whitmore voting nay.

Motion – Special Sessions


 Commissioner Whitmore moved that future work sessions on this topic be held before the December 14 meeting. Commissioner Servia stated she would not support the motion unless it is a special meeting to allow voting. Commissioner Whitmore revised her motion for future special sessions on this topic be held before December 14, 2021. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Servia.

Commissioner Van Ostenbridge inquired on the number of meetings and which days.

Commissioner Whitmore advised that she would like to see at least one special meeting scheduled for the week of December 6, 2021.

Commissioner Servia stated she would like to revise the motion or withdraw her second to the motion.


Chairman Baugh stated the County Administrator should be given the opportunity to find potential dates.

 Dr. Hopes explained the only available date in which all of the Commissioners would be available is December 7, 2021, which was designated for the Strategic Retreat at the Crosley Museum. The meeting would be relocated on the fifth floor.

Commissioner Whitmore agreed with the date as referenced by Dr. Hopes.

Commissioner Servia pointed out that December 7, 2021, should not be the one and only meeting.

Public Comment

 Charles Smith agreed that more meetings are needed.

 Susie Copeland agreed with holding the special session.

There being no further public comment, Chairman Baugh closed public comment.

Motion –Carried


The motion carried 4-3, with Commissioners Baugh, Satcher, and Van Ostenbridge voting nay.

Commissioner Satcher stated the County Commission is creating chaos in the process and another meeting is not necessary.

Commissioner Kruse noted there were too many moving variables.

Commissioner Whitmore stated it is their job as Commissioners to listen to the public and they should be at the special meeting.

Commissioner Van Ostenbridge stated he is concerned with the possible lack of decorum at the upcoming special meeting.


 Dr. Hopes sought guidance on whether or not to have Mr. Guthrie and a lawyer participate by Zoom or in person on December 7, 2021, and by consensus it was determined to have them attend via Zoom.


Commissioner Satcher noted that Commissioner Kruse could make a motion to reconsider the motion if he desired to do so.

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9. **COMMISSIONER AGENDA/SCHOOL BOARD REDISTRICTING MAP**

Commissioner Servia stated she presented this item on Monday to be placed on the agenda and the updates should be done in real time. She posed the item just to see if the School District boundaries could be analyzed by the consultant.

 Discussion ensued that the School Board maps reduce minority population to a bare minimum, and nothing the Board has discussed is addressed in the School District map.

 A motion was made by Commissioner Servia to have the consultant analyze the adopted School Board redistricting maps to see if it meets with the County standards or not. The motion failed for lack of second.


Commissioner Bellamy expressed concern that he has not seen the map and it would add another map at the last minute.

 Dr. Hopes stated Commissioner Servia or any of the Commissioners could have a discussion with the School Board member who is driving the maps.

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ENGAGEMENT LETTER

William Clague, County Attorney, recommended a motion to approve the County Attorney's engagement of Gray Robinson as special counsel for redistricting of Commissioner Districts and the extension of previously approved waivers of conflict of interest for the law firm of Gray Robinson in such representation. The motion as presented was made by Commissioner Van Ostenbridge and seconded by Commission Kruse.

 There being no public comment, Chairman Baugh closed public comment.

The motion carried 7-0.

RECESS/RECONVENE: 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. All Commissioners were present except Chairman Baugh.
(Depart Dr. Scott Hopes, County Administrator, and William Clague, County Attorney)
(Enter Sarah Schenk, Chief Assistant County Attorney, and Robert Wenzel, Planning Division Manager)

AGENDA

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Agenda Update Memorandum:

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- Item 3 – PDC-21-06(G), SR64 and Lorraine Road, Revised Schedule of Uses in Table format attached, and revised motion for denial: Based upon the staff report, evidence presented, comments made at the Public Hearing, the action of the Planning Commission, and finding the request to be inconsistent with the Manatee County Comprehensive Plan and the Manatee County Land Development Code, as stipulated herein, I move to deny Manatee County Zoning Ordinance PDC-21-06(G) and the General Development Plan.
- Item 5 – PDMU-19-21(Z)(P), 69th Street Mixed Use Development, Changes to the staff report and Public Comment letter and site plan attached
- Item 7 – Discussion and Staff Direction for Future Workforce Housing Incentive, added to the agenda
- Item 8 – (9:00 a.m. time certain) Compromise of Redistricting Map for consideration, added to the agenda
- Item 9 - (9:00 a.m. time certain) School Board Redistricting Map, added to the agenda

CITIZEN COMMENTS (Future Agenda Items)

There being no citizen comments, First Vice-Chairman Kruse closed citizen comments.


ADVERTISED PUBLIC HEARINGS (Presentations Upon Request)

1. **ORDINANCE/COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

A duly advertised public hearing was held to consider adoption of proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendment PA-21-06/Ordinance 21-44, Capital Improvements Element, Annual Update 2022-2026.


 Elaine Barker, Impact Fee Coordinator, used slide presentation to review the request.

There being no public comment, First Vice-Chairman Kruse closed public comment.

 Based upon the evidence presented, comments made at the public hearing, the technical support documents and finding the request to be consistent with the Community Planning Act, as codified in applicable portions of Chapter 163, Part II, Florida Statutes, and the Manatee County Comprehensive Plan, Commissioner Servia moved to adopt Comprehensive Plan Amendment PA-21-06/Ordinance 21-44. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Van Ostenbridge and carried 6-0, with Chairman Baugh absent.


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2. **ORDINANCE/ZONING**

 A duly advertised public hearing was opened to consider adoption of proposed Zoning Ordinance PDR-21-01(P), Cedar Run, Phase II/Cedar Run Condominium Association/Michael Fenton. The Planning Commission continued this item (11/10/21).

No ex-parte communications were disclosed.


There being no public comment, First Vice-Chairman Kruse closed public comment.

 A motion was made by Commissioner Van Ostenbridge, seconded by Commissioner Bellamy, and carried 6-0 with Commissioner Baugh absent to continue the public hearing for


PDR-21-01(P) to January 6, 2022, at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as same may be heard.

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3. **ORDINANCE/ZONING**

 A duly advertised public hearing was opened to consider adoption of proposed Zoning Ordinance PDC-21-06(G), SR 64 and Lorraine Road/CNL Bradenton Lorraine W LLC. The Planning Commission recommended adoption (11/10/21).

No ex-parte communications were disclosed.

 Linda Stewart, Planner for the applicant, discussed the location of the property near S.R. 64 and Lorraine Road in the Northwest Quadrant, past zoning history, the adjacent properties and zoning, access to the property, deceleration lane for right-turns on S. R. 64, existing utilities and access for connections, the previously approved site plan, currently a 15 foot buffer and wetland buffer between the site and Mill Creek, increased separation from the subdivision to the north, and they request approval.


There being no public comment, First Vice-Chairman Kruse closed public comment.

 Based upon the staff report, evidence presented, comments made at the public hearing, the action of the Planning Commission, and finding the request to be consistent with the Manatee County Comprehensive Plan and the Manatee County LDC, as stipulated herein, Commissioner Whitmore moved to adopt of Manatee County Zoning Ordinance PDC-21-06(G); Approve the General Development Plan with Stipulations A.1-A.5, B.1-B.5, C.1-C.3, D.1 and E.1. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Van Ostenbridge and carried 6-0, with Chairman Baugh absent.


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
ADVERTISED PUBLIC HEARINGS (Presentations Scheduled)


4. **ORDINANCE/ZONING**


 A duly advertised public hearing was held to consider adoption of proposed Zoning Ordinance PDC-16-20(G)(R2), Rye Road FLC007/NSA Property Holdings LLC. The Planning Commission recommended adoption (11/10/21).

No ex-parte communications were disclosed.

 Jeff Wright, Attorney for the applicant, utilized a slide presentation to review the aerial map, summary of the request, staff conclusion, Rye Road, tower elevation, AT&T RF Memo, current AT&T propagation, FirstNet, Fall Zone Letter, specific approval request, and summary.


 Discussion took place regarding items of this nature being administratively approved.

 Dorothy Rainey, Principal Planner, made use of slide presentation to review the request, site information, future land use category and zoning maps, aerial of site, surrounding uses, photographs of the site and surrounding uses, site plan and information, positive and negative aspects, and mitigating measures.


 Commissioner Servia questioned if the purpose of the public hearing is because it is in a non-preferred zoning district.

Ms. Rainey stated it was stricken from the schedule so it had to be added.


There being no public comment, First Vice Chairman Kruse closed public comment.


 Based upon the staff report, evidence presented, comments made at the public hearing, the action of the Planning Commission, and finding the request to be consistent with the Manatee County Comprehensive Plan and the Manatee County LDC, as stipulated herein, Commissioner Bellamy moved to adopt of Manatee County Zoning Ordinance PDC-16-20(G)(R2); Approve the revised General Development Plan with Stipulations A.1; B.1-B.2; C.1-C.6; and D.1-D.2; Adopt of Findings for Specific Approval; and Grant Specific Approval of an alternative to LDC Section 531.37.D.6 to allow the elimination of the required 10-foot-wide landscape and screening buffer around the perimeter of the telecommunication tower, as recommended by the Planning Commission. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Van Ostenbridge and carried 6-0, with Chairman Baugh absent. BC20211202DOC008


5. **ORDINANCE/ZONING**

 A duly advertised public hearing was held to consider adoption of proposed Zoning Ordinance PDMU-19-21(Z)(P), 69th Street Mixed Use Development/Tampa Acquisitions, Inc. The Planning Commission recommended adoption (11/10/21).

No ex-parte communications were disclosed.

 Edward Vogler, Attorney for the applicant, made opening remarks.

 Michael Costello, Civil Engineer for the applicant, used a slide presentation to review the aerial maps, zoning and FLUC maps, overall site plan, specific approval requests (4), and the land use equivalency matrix.

 Discussion ensued regarding Commissioners received numerous emails about the lot sizes, clarification on the location of the stormwater retention pond, concern with the south access point directly on U.S. 41, and the reduction in parking ratio.

Mr. Costello stated the applicant would extend the south right turn lane along U.S. 41.


Michael Yates, Traffic Engineer, performed a traffic analysis and due to no development on the west side of U.S. 41, the southern access point would operate as a T intersection.


Discussion continued that a neighborhood meeting was not held, because there are no residences within 500 feet of the site (Sysco and vacant land), height restriction and access points, is the request is consistent with the surrounding uses, infill project, elevation of the site, location of the hotel, the number of lots planned for RV project, traffic and flooding, potential impacts or protecting existing neighbors, if a line of site analysis will be performed if the buildings are constructed to five stories, lighting, effect of industrial use for established residents, transit stipulations, site meeting entranceway standards, area flooding, and if the applicant is committing to the overall site plan.

Mr. Vogler explained that any changes to the overall site plan would have to be approved by the Board, and there is the matrix.


Rossina Leider, Planning Section Manager, stated the applicant cannot build more than 342 units.


Upon question about no on-site development, Mr. Vogler stated it was not for no development but increased density, and the sidewalk.

 Commissioner Servia inquired why the stormwater retention pond is proposed to be built in phases.


 Robert Wenzel, Planning Division Manager, spoke to site plan approval and LDC Section 324 or 342.


Discussion ensued on the number of units allowed.

 Dorothy Rainey, Principal Planner, utilized a slide presentation to review the request, FLUC and zoning map, aerials of site, surrounding uses, photographs of the site and surrounding uses, site information, site plan and details, positive aspects. Staff encourages neighborhood meetings, but they are not required by law.

 Carol Adams, resident of 29th Street East, displayed an aerial map, site plan and photographs, to discuss her concerns with the proposed project including proposed building heights, compatibility, salt marsh that flows into McMullen Creek is close to the site, varied uses, and visual and light pollution.

There being no additional public comment, First Vice-Chairman Kruse closed public comment.

 Discussion ensued on the specific approval request for the safety zone and greenbelt buffers, the building as shown is not a good example of a seven-story building, and the applicant has to comply with the criteria.


 Merid Wahid, Transportation Planning, spoke to traffic analysis and the background traffic includes approved projects. This project only has to mitigate traffic it creates.


Ms. Leider further elaborated on the zoning, and there is already commercial zoning on the property. PDMU will allow this type of development.

Discussion continued regarding allowable uses, there is a workforce housing crisis in the County and this is ideal location because of proximity to the I-275 and Port Manatee, and can the Board stipulate the allowable height.

Sarah Schenk, Chief Assistant County Attorney, pointed out Stipulation A.6.

Ms. Leider spoke regarding surrounding uses and the height of the Sysco building.


 Ms. Rainey asked staff to address concerns from Ms. Adams regarding the lift station being over capacity and runoff from site to McMullen Creek.

 Thomas Gersenberger, Stormwater Division Manager, addressed the master lift station serving from Port Manatee to the south. He displayed the County Maintained Drainage Systems map to discuss rainfall accumulation and the FEMA 2021 FIRM map to discuss McMullen Creek.

 Ms. Rainey spoke to commercial and resident units on-site now.

 During rebuttal, Mr. Vogler addressed traffic issues in the area which will be addressed (page 12 of staff report was displayed).


Deliberations ensued on the request being right for the area, thanked citizens for their emails, five stories is not necessarily compatible with the area, but it is within the LDC criteria, the project would impact the County economically and provide workforce housing, more units would have been great, and the applicant should reach out to the neighbors.

 Based upon the staff report, evidence presented, comments made at the public hearing, the action of the Planning Commission, and finding the request to be consistent with the Manatee County Comprehensive Plan and the Manatee County LDC, as stipulated herein, Commissioner Van Ostenbridge moved to adopt of Manatee County Zoning Ordinance PDMU-19-21(Z)(P); Approve the Preliminary Site Plan with Stipulations A.1-A.8; B.1-B.5; C.1-C.3; D.1; and E.1; Adopt the Findings for Specific Approval; and Grant Specific Approval to LDC Sections: (1) 1001.6.A.1 to allow sidewalks on only one side of the internal roadways; (2) 1005.7.G to eliminate six-foot-wide internal walkways every 200-feet for every 100 parking spaces; (3) 1005.3.A, Table 10-2, to reduce parking spaces ratio per multi-family dwelling unit from 2.0 to 1.7; and (4) 402.7.D.5 to allow a reduction to the perimeter greenbelt buffer from 15 to 10 feet, as recommended by the Planning Commission. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Whitmore and carried 6-0, with Chairman Baugh absent. BC20211202DOC009

RECESS/RECONVENE: 3:45 p.m. – 3:55 p.m. All Commissioners were present except Chairman Baugh.

(Depart Robert Wenzel, Planning Division Manager; enter Dr. Scott Hopes, County Administrator)

6. **ATTORNEY/RECOMMENDED ORDER OF SPECIAL MAGISTRATE/PDC-04-39(G)(R2), THE CONCESSION**


 Sarah Schenk, Chief Assistant County Attorney, read the background discussion as outlined on the agenda memorandum. This is not a duly noticed item and there is a recommended motion.

There being no public comment, First Vice-Chairman Kruse closed public comment.


Commissioner Van Ostenbridge moved to accept the Recommended Order of Special Magistrate Larsen finding the actions of the Board of County Commissioners in adopting Resolution R-20-103 and Resolution R-21-147 are not unreasonable and that the existing development order remain undisturbed. (Note: Preserves the status quo consistent with the past actions of the Board). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Whitmore and carried 6-0, with Chairman Baugh absent. BC20211202DOC010

(Depart Sarah Schenk, Chief Assistant County Attorney; enter William Clague, County Attorney)

7. **WORKFORCE HOUSING INCENTIVES**

 Commissioner Kruse spoke regarding incentives for developers to build workforce housing, the need to get more people to use the incentives, and encouraging smaller units. He introduced the concept of half-unit dwellings, to encourage building smaller units to make them more affordable.

(Gavel to passed to Commissioner Van Ostenbridge, Second Vice-Chairman, presiding)

 A motion was made by Commissioner Kruse, to direct staff to research and propose language for half-unit incentives in Manatee County substantially similar to those in Sarasota. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Servia.

Discussion ensued regarding staff being extremely busy, there is no timeframe for this request, and not discussing specifics at this time.

The motion carried 6-0, with Chairman Baugh absent.

Commissioner Kruse moved to direct staff to coordinate a task force work session of interested development partners (market rate, non-profit, attorneys, etc.) to discuss ways Manatee County can modify existing workforce and affordable housing incentives to encourage private sector utilization. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Servia.



Discussion ensued that the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee is performing this task, incentives are not great enough, need more density in certain areas, and more established developers may not be attracted due to the LURA.

Commissioner Kruse withdrew his motion and stated he would host a town hall in after the first of the year and invite non-profit and profit developers.

Dr. Scott Hopes, County Administrator, reported numerous meetings have been held with entities to discuss their efforts in other counties.

The former Desoto Square Mall was discussed.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Servia

- Thanked Deputy County Administrator Charlie Bishop for always being available to address issues
- Thanked Public Safety Director Jake Saur and EMS Chief James Crutchfield regarding Paramedicine
- Announced a Town Hall meeting on December 11
- Addressed the Heather Hills pedestrian bridge and requested further information

Commissioner Satcher

- Requested information on Red Light Cameras (to be discussed on 12/14/21)
- Attended the Airport Commission meeting yesterday and noted the Sarasota/Bradenton Airport is the fastest growing airport in the world

Commissioner Whitmore

- Met with Paramedicine staff regarding the homeless
- Noted the Sheriff supports the Red Light Cameras
- Met with Lakewood Ranch management, and received an update regarding road updates and the progress of future development
- Expressed concern regarding the Building Department and encouraged staff to do their jobs


Commissioner Van Ostenbridge

- Thanked Charlie Bishop for doing an excellent job

Commissioner Bellamy

- Also recognized Charlie Bishop
- Requested copies of the redistricting maps for his Town Hall meeting
- Announced the Florida Senate sent him a letter appointing him to a Florida Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Black Boys

Discussion ensued that a press release will be done regarding Commission Bellamy's appointment.

 Dr. Hopes stated the redistricting map would be located on the County's page by tomorrow. Regarding Building and Development Services, Sam Acosta is the Building Official, and Charlie Bishop is the direct contact. Courtney DePaul is his selection for Building and Development Services Director.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, First Vice-Chairman Kruse adjourned the meeting at 4:29 p.m.

Minutes Approved: January 31, 2023