

OFFICIAL MEETING MINUTES OF THE PALM BEACH TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AGENCY (TPA) GOVERNING BOARD

July 21, 2022

301 Datura Street, West Palm Beach, FL 33401 Meeting was also conducted virtually via Zoom.

These minutes are a summary of the meeting events and may not reflect all discussion that occurred. PDF versions of the agenda, backup material and presentations as well as audio recordings are available for review at <u>www.PalmBeachTPA.org/Board</u>

1. **REGULAR ITEMS**

1.A. Call to Order and Roll Call

CHAIR WEINROTH called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

The Recording Secretary called the roll. A quorum was present in-person as depicted in the table below.

| Member | Attendance | Member | Attendance | Member | Attendance |
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| Steve Wilson | Р | Reinaldo Diaz | Р | Shirley Lanier | A |
| Yvette Drucker | А | Joni Brinkman P Fred Pinto | | | А |
| Andrea O'Rourke (Alt) | Р | Katherine Waldron | Р | Michael Napoleone | Р |
| Angela Cruz | А | Melissa McKinlay | А | Christy Fox | Р |
| Shelly Petrolia | А | Maria Marino | А | Joseph Peduzzi | Р |
| Joel Flores | А | Maria Sachs | А | Chelsea Reed | Р |
| Jim Kuretski | А | Dave Kerner (Alt) | Р | Robert Weinroth | Р |

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1.B. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Wilson led the invocation and pledge.

1.C. Modifications to the Agenda

The Recording Secretary stated the following members requested to join the meeting remotely:

- Vice Mayor Cruz and Mayor Flores out of caution due to feeling sick.
- Commissioner McKinlay due to attending the National Association of Counties Annual Conference in Colorado.
- Mayor Pinto due to a COVID-19 exposure.

There were no objections to the virtual participation and the members was permitted to join the meeting.

The Recording Secretary also noted a staff request for a modification to Agenda Item 3.B.1 to include Palm Tran updates for July, in addition to June.

Mayor Petrolia joined the meeting in-person.

MOTION to Approve Modifications to the Agenda made by Vice Chair Reed, seconded by Mayor Petrolia, and carried unanimously 16-0 as depicted in the table below.

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| Angela Cruz | Y | Melissa McKinlay | Y | Christy Fox | Y |
| Shelly Petrolia | Y | Maria Marino | А | Joseph Peduzzi | Y |
| Joel Flores | Y | Maria Sachs | А | Chelsea Reed | Y |
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1.D. General Public Comments

There were no general public comments received.

1.E. Comments from the Chair and Member Comments

CHAIR WEINROTH shared comments on the TPA Executive Director Recruitment process. He noted disappointments with the recruitment firm and concerns shared during the July Executive Committee meeting.

1.F. Interim Executive Director's Report

VALERIE NEILSON, TPA Interim Executive Director, reviewed the Report that can be viewed at <u>PalmBeachTPA.org/Board</u>.

There were no public comments on this item.

VICE CHAIR REED thanked TPA staff for the work completed for the Annual Report.

Council Member Drucker joined the meeting in-person.

1.G. <u>APPROVED</u>: Consent Agenda Items

- 1. Meeting Minutes for June 16, 2022
- 2. Receive and file TPA Executive Committee Meeting Minutes for June 6, 2022
- 3. Appointments to TPA Advisory Committees through July 2025
- Michael Corbit as Representative for the Workforce Development Board on the Palm Beach County Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board (TD LCB). A summary of qualifications is attached.
- 5. Thomas Hernandez as Representative for the Town of Jupiter on the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC). A summary of qualifications is attached.
- 6. Appointment renewals to TPA Advisory Committees through July 2025.
- 7. Aaron Hoffman as Representative and Carl Baker as Alternate for the Port of Palm Beach on the TAC.
- 8. Rescind Healthier Jupiter's membership from the Vision Zero Advisory Committee (VZAC) as the agency ceased operations as of July 1, 2022.
- 9. Adoption of the attached resolution ratifying Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-2022 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Revision #4 Amendment.

There were no public comments or Board member discussion on this item.

MOTION to Approve the Consent Agenda made by Councilman Napoleone seconded by Vice Chair Reed, and carried unanimously 17-0 as depicted in the table below.

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2. ACTION ITEMS

2.A. <u>APPROVED</u>: the TPA Executive Director Employment Agreement

No presentation was provided for this item.

There were no public comments on this item.

CHAIR WEINROTH confirmed Mayor Flores was online and asked for his comments on the candidate interviews. He noted the Executive Committee voted 4-1 to extend an employment offer for the Executive Director position to Ms. Neilson, with Commissioner Marino dissenting due to staff departures concerns.

MAYOR FLORES noted a lack of preparation from candidates besides Ms. Neilson.

COMMISSIONER KERNER thanked Ms. Neilson for her service to the agency and inquired about the process for determining her salary.

VICE CHAIR REED noted staff departures were, in-part, due to finding other better paying opportunities.

MAYOR PETROLIA inquired if the Executive Committee asked staff about the departures.

COMMISSIONER FOX noted it is natural to have a staffing shift with a leadership change.

MOTION to Approve the TPA Executive Director Employment Agreement made by Commissioner Kerner and seconded by Vice Chair Reed. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously 17-0 as depicted in the table below.

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2.B. <u>ADOPTED</u>: a Resolution Approving the Fiscal Year (FY) 24-28 List of Priority Projects (LOPP)

JASON PRICE, TPA TIP Coordinator, and ANDREW UHLIR, TPA Deputy Director of Program Development, provided a PowerPoint presentation that can be viewed at <u>PalmBeachTPA.org/Board</u>. Jason noted the LOPP guides development of the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Five-Year Work Program and the TPA's Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The FY 24-28 LOPP is organized into State Road Modifications, Local Initiatives Projects, and Transportation Alternative Projects.

There were no public comments on this item.

Member discussion ensued on potential Okeechobee Blvd. Projects.

MOTION to Adopt a Resolution Approving the FY 24-28 LOPP made by Councilman Napoleone and seconded by Commissioner Kerner and passed 15-2 as depicted in the table below.

Commissioners Fox and Peduzzi dissented due to the inclusion of the State Road 7 extension projects.

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2.C. APPROVED: The FY 23 Strategic Plan

ANDREW UHLIR provided a PowerPoint presentation that can be viewed at <u>PalmBeachTPA.org/Board</u>. Andrew noted the TPA's Strategic Plan identified specific and relevant actions that advance the TPA's mission and vision.

There were no public comments on this item.

CHAIR WEINROTH asked if Goal 6.A. will include team building for staff and HR Procurement. The Unified Planning Work Program encompasses team building and HR Procurement.

MOTION to Approve the FY 23 Strategic Plan made by Commissioner Kerner and seconded by Councilman Napoleone and passed 17-0 as depicted in the table below.

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3. INFORMATION ITEMS

3.A. <u>DISCUSSED</u>: Traffic Signal Priority Update

Commissioner Katherine Waldron left the meeting.

CLINTON FORBES, Palm Tran Executive Director, LEVI MCCOLLUM, Palm Tran Director of Transit Planning, and SHRIRAM RAMARATNAM, Palm Tran Consultant, provided an update on the TPA funded Transit Signal Priority Project. The PowerPoint presentation can be viewed at <u>PalmBeachTPA.org/Board</u>.

There were no public comments on this item.

Member discussion ensued on autonomous vehicles, Paradise Pass, fleet statistics, and route timing.

Mayor Pro Tem Joni Brinkman, Deputy Mayor Andrea O'Rourke, Commissioner Christy Fox, Commissioner

Joseph Peduzzi, and Commissioner Dave Kerner left the meeting. A physical quorum was no longer present.

3.B. Partner Agency Updates

CLINTON FORBES, Palm Tran Executive Director, LEVI MCCOLLUM, Palm Tran Director of Transit Planning, provided an update on their operations and ridership.

DAVID RICKS, County Engineer for Palm Beach County, provided an update. He discussed collaboration with Palm Tran and the Fire Department on traffic signalization. He also responded to TPA Advisory Committee member concerns regarding the TPA's Okeechobee Blvd. & SR-7 Multimodal Corridor Study, explaining further detailed analysis will be conducted by FDOT to determine feasibility, cost, and impacts.

There were no public comments on this item.

CHAIR WEINROTH thanked Mr. Ricks for his update.

4. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

4.A.1. Routine TPA Reports – Public Involvement Activity Report – June 2022

There were no public comments or Board member discussion on this item.

4.A.2. Routine TPA Reports – FDOT Scheduling Report – July 2022

There were no public comments or Board member discussion on this item.

4.A.3. Routine TPA Reports – Quarterly Fatal Crash Analysis

There were no public comments or Board member discussion on this item.

4.A.4. Routine TPA Reports – FY 22 Annual Report

There were no public comments or Board member discussion on this item.

4.B. Next Meeting – September 15, 2022

4.C. Adjournment

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 10:32 a.m.

This signature is to attest that the undersigned is the Chair, or a designated nominee, of the TPA Governing Board and that the information provided herein is the true and correct Minutes for the July 21, 2022, meeting of the Board, dated this 15th day of September 2022.

Chair Robert S. Weinroth Palm Beach County Mayor

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EXHIBIT A

Transportation Planning Agency Governing Board Attendance Record

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OTHERS PRESENT

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REPRESENTING

Board of County Commissioners (BCC) - District 3 BCC – District 3 City of Greenacres City of Greenacres City of Westlake Colliers Engineering and Design Colliers Engineering and Design Florida Atlantic University (FAU) Florida's Turnpike Enterprise Florida's Turnpike Enterprise **FDOT** FDOT **FDOT** FDOT **FDOT** FDOT **FDOT Consultant General Public General Public** League of Cities Palm Beach County Palm Beach County Engineering Palm Beach County Planning, Zoning and Building Palm Beach TPA – Weiss Serota et al Palm Beach TPA Palm Beach TPA Palm Beach TPA

OTHERS PRESENT

Matthew Masa Valerie Neilson Margarita Pierce Jason Price Cassidy Sparks Andrew Uhlir Amanda Williams Yash Nagal Levi McCollum Deborah Posey-Blocker **Clinton Forbes** Shriram Ramaratnam Jamie Brown Jose Perez Loraine Cargill Jeff Hmara

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