

MINUTES OF THE COLLIER COUNTY
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
Naples, Florida

December 6, 2023

LET IT BE REMEMBERED, the Collier County Development Services Advisory Committee, in and for the County of Collier, having conducted business herein, met on this date at 3 P.M. in REGULAR SESSION at the Collier County Growth Management Community Department Building, Conference Room #609/610, 2800 Horseshoe Drive North, Naples, Florida, with the following members present:

Chairman: William J. Varian
Vice Chairman: Blair Foley
James E. Boughton
Clay Brooker
Jeff Curl (excused)
David Dunnivant
John English
Marco Espinar
Norman Gentry
Mark McLean (excused)
Chris Mitchell
Robert Mulhere
Laura Spurgeon-DeJohn
Jeremy Sterk
Mario Valle
Hannah Roberts—AHAC non-voting
(excused)

ALSO PRESENT:

Jamie French, Department Head, GMCD
Jaime Cook, Director, Development Review
Michael Bosi, Director, Planning & Zoning
Thomas Iandimarino, Director, Code Enforcement
Drew Cody, Senior Project Manager, Utilities Planning
Joe Bellone, Finance Director, Public Utilities
Cormac Giblin, Director, Housing Policy & Economic Development
Jay Ahmad, Director, Transportation Engineering
Michael Stark, Director, Operations & Regulatory Mgt. Division
Richard Long, Director, Building Plan Review & Inspection, GMCD
Diane Lynch, Management Analyst II/Staff Liaison GMCD
Julie Chardon, Ops Support Specialist II, GMCD

Any persons needing the verbatim record of the meeting may request a copy of the audio recording from the Collier County Growth Management Community Department.

1. Call to Order – Chairman

Chairman Varian called the meeting to order at 3 p.m.

A quorum of 10 was present in the boardroom; three members joined later.

2. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Brooker moved to approve the agenda. Mr. Espinar seconded it. The motion passed unanimously, 10-0.

3. Approval of Minutes

a. DSAC Meeting – November 1, 2023

Mr. Mulhere made a motion to approve the November 1, 2023, DSAC meeting minutes.

Mr. Valle seconded it. The motion passed unanimously, 10-0.

b. DSAC-LDR Subcommittee Meeting – October 17, 2023

Vice Chair Foley made a motion to approve the October 17, 2023, DSAC-LDR

Subcommittee meeting minutes. Chairman Varian seconded it. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

c. DSAC-LDR Subcommittee Meeting – April 18, 2023

Chairman Varian made a motion to approve the April 18, 2023, DSAC-LDR

Subcommittee meeting minutes. DSAC-LDR Chairman Brooker seconded it. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

4. Public Speakers

(None)

5. Staff Announcements/Updates

a. Development Review Division – [Jaime Cook, Director]

Ms. Cook reported that:

- The planning manager and environmental manager positions have been filled.
- Craig Brown is now environmental manager. He was previously the environmental supervisor and before that, a senior. We'll be backfilling his supervisor position.
- Lisa Blackledge is our planning manager. She's done architecture review and site planning and is very reasonable to work with.
- Sign review is now under Development Review's purview.
- Turn lanes are part of the Right-of-Way Manual and are required prior to onsite construction. She's been receiving many complaints. Especially on major arterial roadways, Immokalee, Collier, Pine Ridge, if you're installing a turn lane, they need to go in before construction starts onsite.

A discussion ensued and the following points were made:

- Turn lanes are not optional. The county can discuss options for a small local road or something minor, but for major arterials, they are required to go in first.
- It's very important to have this at the pre-app meeting. It's required before you can clear a site and will impact a project's sequencing.
- The pre-app meeting comes well before initial design, so everybody will be aware of it.
- Staff will let you know when that's coming down at the pre-app meeting.
- Other alternative/temporary measures, such as moving a light pole or utility, to install a turn lane will be looked at on a case-by-case basis.

b. Code Enforcement Division – [Thomas Iandimarino, Director]

Mr. Iandimarino provided a November update:

- More than 400 contractor licensing licenses are still outstanding for the rest of the year. Contractor Licensing doesn't know if they'll get renewed or lapse.
- We've been doing a lot of annual refresher training and refreshers, such as officer safety and in-service training, today and tomorrow.

c. Community Planning & Resiliency Division [Chris Mason, Director]

(No report)

d. Public Utilities Department [Drew Cody, Senior Project Manager]

Mr. Cody provided an update:

- As we go into the holidays, please make sure you're sending emails to Utility Planning, not individual team members because some will be taking time off.
- There's been an uptick in FDEP comments, mostly due to an increase in volume. That hasn't translated into an equivalent percentage increase in time, which has only gone up slightly. You've doubled permits and we've gone up about 50% on time, so we're doing well.
- Going into November and December, you probably will see some delays with utility deviations. We fixed an issue where you immediately received individual comments from the first reviewer, and sometimes that meant you had to meet with the entire team because engineering and operations weren't agreeing. That was messy and not good.
- During the system process used to fix that, the developer turned off almost all system communications, not just the ones going to you, so now our team doesn't get notified when they go in. It takes a lot more prodding and manual effort on our part.
- We're working with the developer to get what we want communicated, such as "please review deviations" turned back on, but that may take six weeks, so in November and early December, you may see deviations increase slightly on our view time.

Mr. Mitchell noted that the deviation still goes to the general utility planning e-mail, so this is an internal problem?

Mr. Drew said it's an internal system the developer and our staff are having problems with. You don't have to do anything differently. What's occurring behind the scenes is not going as smoothly as it has in the past and it's slowing us down.

Joe Bellone, Public Utilities finance director, detailed the ongoing impact-fees rate study:

- He'll receive the Water & Sewer-Rate Study first draft later this week or next week.
- He and legal counsel will review it.
- After that, he wants a DSAC utility subcommittee to study it. That's what occurred during the last two studies.
- It will probably be ready in mid-January, or later.

Mr. Mulhere asked when he's retiring.

Mr. Bellone said June 6.

A discussion ensued and the following points were made:

- The last study was in 2019, became effective March 30, 2020, so we were three years out.
- It's a full study. We have a lot of upcoming capacity projects, including the Golden Gate Wastewater Plant and the Northeast Wastewater Plant.
- They're in the first 10-year window, so you're going to see some capacity expansion projects.
- We're in discussions about long-range planning for the southeast.
- We're probably going to focus the 10-year plan on central Golden Gate and Collier Boulevard.
- Collier Boulevard is getting crazy and the northeast is really starting to get going, so we need to focus on the wastewater plant on the edge of the 10-year plan.
- The Northeast Water Plant is in the AUIR.
- He'll work on getting that to the DSAC Subcommittee.

[DSAC Subcommittee members agreed they'd review the study; they later agreed that Mr. Valle, Vice Chair Foley and Mr. Mitchell would serve on the DSAC Utility Subcommittee.]

[Mr. Dunnivant and Mr. Gentry joined the meeting at 3:11 p.m.]

e. Housing Policy & Economic Development [Cormac Giblin, Director]

Mr. Giblin told the DSAC:

- There will be a Government Contractors Roundtable at 10 a.m. Thursday, January 18, in this room.
- Anyone interested in doing business with Collier County, the state or federal government is invited.
- County, state and federal procurement department representatives will be here to help you through the process to get on approved bidders lists, if you're looking for government work.

Mr. Mulhere asked if it would be construction related.

Mr. Giblin said it would involve all services.

f. GMD Transportation Engineering Division [Jay Ahmad, Director]

Mr. Ahmad provided an update on projects in design:

- Airport Road. Last night, we had 30% design stage for Airport Road. We're widening it from Vanderbilt Beach Road to Immokalee Road and adding a lane in the median. It will be three lanes like the rest of Airport Road, from south to U.S. 41. We received a grant for 2026, so we hope to be in construction that year.
- 16th Street Northeast Bridge and Roadway Improvements. It will connect from Golden Gate to the canal and all the way to Randall Boulevard. There will be a new bridge on Golden Gate, the main canal, and the roadway will have small shoulders and a sidewalk on the east side. The project is almost done, 100% design, and we hope to go to construction procurement early next year. It's tied to a grant, so by late 2024, we hope to be in construction.
- Vanderbilt Drive Sidewalk Project. The project goes from Vanderbilt Drive from Vanderbilt Beach Road to 111th Street. The 5-foot sidewalk will be on the east side, where it's close to the beach and there are a lot of pedestrians. January 10 is the tentative date for the Public Information Meeting. We hope to be in construction after that in March or April.

Mr. Ahmad detailed several projects under construction:

- The Whippoorwill signal is now on today.
- The connection from Pine Ridge is making an L-shape to Livingston. They're doing cleanup this afternoon or tomorrow morning.
- Once Quality Enterprises finishes the punch-list item on drainage, the roadway will be open, either today or tomorrow.
- The Golden Gate City bridge replacement is completed and open to traffic and it has a shiny railing on both sides from the MSTU.

A discussion ensued and the following points were made:

- Vanderbilt Beach Road is now at 30% design and construction stage. The project goes from Collier to 16th, about seven miles. We're building three lanes in each direction to Wilson, and from Wilson to 16th, about two miles, where it will be one lane in each direction. We have the right of way for six lanes. It may be four or six lanes in the future, but we're building two lanes.
- The contractors are doing well and are doing a lot of drainage. A lot of bank material is being brought to the site. The pond sites are taking shape. The Cypress Canal is being relocated from the north side to the south side, 1½ miles. It's almost 60-70% complete. The project is moving along very well.
- As you head to Golden Gate Parkway east, there's a light at the I-75 interchange where cars come off the ramp and a small green fence on the south/right side of Golden Gate Parkway gets knocked down all the time and the landscaping gets ripped up. It needs to be supported. It seems like the county is out there every Sunday morning after it gets knocked down. You see tire tracks there nearly every week.
- Mr. Ahmad said he'd pass along the information. It's handled by a private contractor for the FDOT.
- The county has the plans for the Vanderbilt Drive sidewalk project. It's designed and all in county rights of way.

g. Collier County Fire Review [Michael Cruz, Captain]

Capt. Cruz detailed the November report:

- We did 50 plan reviews and 395 fire permit reviews.
- All had two-day turnarounds.
- System projects: 95 were issued and 103 were finalized with fire alarms.
- Fire sprinklers: 1 outstanding and 11 completed.
- Current projects include a storage building on 10th Avenue and Collier Boulevard, a storage facility on Davis Boulevard and we're in the planning phase for the new Home Depot at the Hitching Post. The city is going to take six or seven parcels. It's a big deal and they're doing a lot of work.
- The Hampton Inn has already gone vertical.
- We have a new fee structure in place so North Collier and Greater Naples are similar. Chief Lintz will follow up with more information about it. It's in the testing phase and will go into effect around January 1. That's the biggest news.

Mr. Dunnivant asked if they were reducing fees.

Capt. Cruz said some fees are being reduced. It's several pages long and covers everything. It involved a lot of effort, so he applauds Chief Lintz and Chief Hanson for their work.

h. North Collier Fire Review [Sean Lintz, Chief]

Chief Lintz detailed the November report:

- 543 building fire reviews, with an average four-day turnaround.
- 48 plan and fire reviews, with an average two-day turnaround.
- We're very busy with inspections, about 1,400 monthly, due to new construction.
- Capt. Bryan Horbal is here. He'll be taking over my role in the Growth Management Department.
- Maggie and Linda are plan reviewers so please reach out. We need some help, so Capt. Horbal will help and probably will attend some of these meetings.

[Ms. DeJohn joined the meeting at 3:23 p.m.]

- Our new fee schedule takes effect January 1.
- GMD is now testing it out in CityView. The GMD team did an outstanding job helping us put it together with input from you, contractors and the public, and it's a great partnership.

i. Operations & Regulatory Management Division – [Michael Stark, Director]

Mr. Stark provided the November update:

- Our last discussion centered on the CityView software application testing feature enhancement with the May 2024 deadline. There's a purchase order in place and we're moving forward with that program.
- We also discussed CityView active submittal dates. That included some holidays and weekends, so we're still looking into that.
- We've developed a process to look at it from submittal to what it takes for a customer to reply to some of that information.

- The private-provider administrative fee went to the Board of County Commissioners on November 14 and was approved.

[He introduced Kirsten Wilke, the business center manager, and her supervisory team, Connie, Michelle and Tommy. They oversee the Call Center, information counter, permit intake, zoning front desk and client services. They're responsible for our exceptional customer service, clear communication and accurate reviews each business day. It takes an army to make it work.]

- The Business Center assisted 976 walk-in customers and the four satellite locations welcomed 133 walk-in customers.
- The Call Center received 4,880 calls to the main number; the average call lasted under three minutes.
- The department received 3,657 permit applications through the CityView software portal; 392 were permit applications related to Hurricane Ian. There were 125 permits in routing, which means the fees were paid and intake staff is working on 237 permits.
- Due to the last DSAC meeting, our process improvement group developed a Microsoft Power BI Report that will measure permit intake turnaround time for all applications.
- Staff averaged 0.9, or one business day, to complete the intake review.
- Applicants ranged from one to three business days. The top applications type that took the longest included AC replacements, carports/sheds, mechanical and demolition.
- Zoning front-desk staff resolved 1,246 survey conditions and are currently working through five survey conditions, four of which are CO holds.
- The department currently employs 320 full-time employees, with 21 positions in the hiring pipeline.
- Diane Lynch has been promoted to Management Analyst II and we're restructuring, so we want to ensure we continue with seamless service on those high-profile projects.

Chairman Varian noted that subcontractor forms have been changed and no notary is required. Are application forms going to be changing shortly?

Mr. Stark said yes.

Chairman Varian asked if that will include revision and correction forms, etc.

Mr. Stark said yes.

Mr. Dunnivant asked what the Milestone Building Inspections pie chart tells us.

Mr. Long said it's going to be a big lift in the beginning and then will taper back down. We're working through it.

A discussion ensued and the following points were made:

- Milestone Building Inspections are required by the state due to the Surfside condo collapse in 2021.
- They involve condos three stories and higher. If they're within three miles of the coast, it's 25 years from the CO date and anything past that is required after 30 years.
- The first lift is condos in arrears. The state gave them a two- or three-year grace period after the statute went into effect to get the initial report in.
- There are 490 due. We'll process those and after that, they're due every 10 years.

- Engineering reports by an engineer or an architect are required. It's a Level 1 inspection of all the building's structural components.
- If they find anything that kicks it to the next level, the engineer must provide another report, with timelines for repairs, etc.
- The HOA has a certain amount of time to implement that and get the work done.
- There are no county fees involved, just the HOA.
- In reality contractors and builders are paying for this with their fees.
- It falls on the local jurisdiction's building official to review, track, and enforce the reports. The county can only review what the engineer provides.
- If work is required, permits are needed. That's where the county could capture fees.
- Lisa Blacklidge is the best person to talk to about Milestone Inspections, but she no longer works for him. She put it together and was tracking it but handed it off to other staff to manage.
- We simplified the process as much as possible. It's loaded into the planning module and we track it from there.
- The county sent out initial notices about overdue reports and will send a follow-up notice. If we don't hear back, we'll hand it off to Code Enforcement to enforce it.
- If it takes a significant amount of time, it may be appropriate to set up a fee. The other option would be paying it through *ad valorem* tax dollars. Code Enforcement is paid for by *ad valorem* tax dollars and this is really an enforcement issue, so those are two options.
- There are about 960 total buildings; the initial list is 490.
- The county gets covered in the next step because if remedial action is needed, it will require inspections and a building permit.
- Employees spend one to two hours reviewing reports, which are prepared by a professional, and the county then makes recommendations if there are issues.
- This doesn't take away from reviewers' time. Admin staff are processing everything and the deputy building official or building official reviews the report.

j. Zoning Division – [Mike Bosi, Director]

Mr. Bosi reported that:

- At 3 p.m. Thursday, the Planning Commission will consider two land-use items, the Food Truck Parks, Wireless Communication Facilities and Scrivener's Errors. We appreciated the work and improvements the DSAC provided.
- The Wireless Communication Facilities land-use item was long overdue. Our code dates to the mid-90s and hasn't been substantially updated. This reduced separation requirements in many different areas; provides a lot more flexibility; and provides opportunities within areas where within the single-family zoning district, we do not even allow them to even ask for it to go through a conditional use process in their proposal, such as a stealth design. Those improvements are good.
- The Board of County Commissioners' Tuesday agenda is busy. We have seven items and about four will be on the regular agenda. The most important is the AUIR-CIE. For our Category A concurrency-management facilities, we have a \$2 billion, five-year plan that's 25% short. We haven't identified the revenue for it.
- The BCC chair brought the surtax issue up last month. Just for Category A facilities, half of our AUIR, we have about \$500 million in unfunded projects. Impact fees won't

cover those. The chair asked the Board of County Commissioners if they could discuss asking voters if they're interested in renewing the surtax. We hope it allows the board to make that decision to consider asking voters if they would like to self-tax and put the surtax on the ballot again.

- Business impact estimate: Florida's statutes have changed due to the legislature. Before a county can enact an ordinance, they must prepare a business-impact estimate and post it on the county website when we advertise for that item.
- We have to post a summary of the ordinance to our website that includes the public purpose; an estimate of the direct economic impact of the proposed ordinance on private, not-for-profit business in the county; an estimate of the direct compliance impact that businesses may reasonably incur for the ordinance if it's enacted; any new charges or fees associated with it; the estimate of the cost of regulatory to the county; and a good-faith estimate of the businesses that would be impacted by the ordinance.
- The kicker is it says this section doesn't apply to compliance with federal or state regulations, refinancing of debt, budget-to-budget amendments, ordinances that are required related to contracts, emergency ordinances, or Part 2 of Chapter 163, which is anything in growth management or zoning.
- The County Attorney's Office suggested we do it out of an abundance of caution. Mr. French discussed it with the county manager, and we don't think we have the capacity to do this. We don't have the expertise to make an estimate on a 200-unit PUD subdivision, so what value would that have?
- If the statute says we're exempt from that process, why would we want to move forward? We think the exemption is adequate and we shouldn't perform it.
- He received an email from Chris Scott this morning requesting the Executive Summary about a moratorium that's going to the BCC on Tuesday. He told Chris he wasn't aware of a moratorium on the agenda, but Mr. French said he heard that a commissioner may propose a moratorium related to areas within the eastern portion of the county, specific geographic areas. It will be discussed on Tuesday.
- We know how things can be motivated. This is an election year; nothing came from Growth Management and we haven't reviewed anything. The agenda will be published tonight if you want to see that item.
- We've got a busy winter and spring coming up. Land-use petitions continue to roll in.

Mr. Mulhere said in the old days, the direction from the county manager under the fiscal impact section of every Executive Summary included an analysis of any proposed regulatory change. It also involved the fiscal impact to the industry that's being regulated to the general public, to the development community, etc. It was very detailed but over the years, it went away. You should be happy to be exempt.

Mr. Bosi said he's not sure anyone on staff is qualified to make those estimates. The statute provides a clarification that says, "This subsection must not be construed to require a county to procure an accountant or any fiscal consultant to prepare the business impact estimate required by this subsection."

Mr. Brooker said he believed that requirement applied to new land development regulations or revised code land development, code provision or proposals, and wasn't more broadly applicable to what you mentioned. The City of Naples may have caused some of that.

Mr. Espinar noted that in the old days, Charlie Abbott would get upset because they always put in the caveat, “no significant impact to all the financial ...”

6. New Business

(None)

7. Old Business

(None)

8. Committee Member Comments

The DSAC discussed the need for a January meeting and giving staff a break and decided to meet again in February. They agreed that, Mr. Valle, Vice Chair Foley and Mr. Mitchell would be on the DSAC Utilities Impact Subcommittee for Ms. Cook and Mr. Cody.

Mr. Boughton said an issue keeps coming up that he’s confused about. If you’re in the building or construction business, when you’re halfway through construction, you find out you need a bidirectional-antenna system installed in the building because it’s not within range of a fire department’s communications system. Has anyone seen this happen? This is a big expense.

Mr. Long detailed BDA (bi-directional antenna) systems and replied that:

- The larger concrete buildings have an issue with being able to communicate so sometimes that BDA system is required by the code.
- Once that structure is up, a study is required to measure whether it’s needed.
- The county is in charge of FCC communications. You could install a system that’s not needed and that interferes with communications outside the building.
- When this first came out, everybody was saying they’d need it, but a study must be conducted to evaluate whether it’s needed.
- If you put a BDA in every building, if first responders show up and pull up outside the building, that could interfere with communications and they won’t be able to communicate.
- They’ve backed up a bit on it. Contractors and low-voltage folks often say it’s needed.
- Dan Summers and his staff are in charge of it. Our Fire-Plan Review requires that an experienced person conduct the study and the county and Dan’s employees review it.

Mr. Boughton said if you are targeted, we paid \$4-\$5 a square foot for installing these systems, a huge cost. This is a communication system that has nothing to do with the building or owner. It’s part of a publicly funded system, the fire department’s communications system. Why does this have anything to do with construction?

Mr. Long said it involves emergency communications, the sheriff and fire departments.

A discussion ensued and the following points were made:

- State statutes says it’s a cost the building owner has to absorb.
- The Florida Fire Prevention Code requires it.
- You can put in that system for \$50,000 to \$200,000 because you must meet a 98% rating on the signal anywhere in the building. You still might not achieve that, and only a few people are qualified to analyze it or provide the equipment.

- This is a fiasco that's been developing over the last few years.

Capt. Cruz responded that:

- It's directly related to the building's construction, providing emergency services.
- The biggest problem comes while enclosing these buildings.
- Our inspectors and North Collier also do this. We'll key up in the beginning of a project and you have a 600 number at your pre-construction meeting. We do it then and there. We look at your DA queues.
- There is new language in (National Fire Protection Association) 72 that will alleviate some of this, so all we can tell you is not to put it in from day one because we have no idea what's going to be out there. So that puts the contractor in limbo and you and your client must prep for it.
- We don't officially test for the DA Queues. We're looking for the reading.
- Collier County has a list of vendors and they use their equipment to do the testing. That's the process.
- In our office, it's Scott or Tom Mastroberto who reviews the scores with the county to determine whether the BDA is needed.
- Impact windows are a big thing. It's starting to go through existing buildings now under state statutes. It's a hot mess.
- (NFPA) 72 is letting go of some things, such as the hourly rating for your building construction to match what you're putting in, instead of four linear feet.
- There's new Dragon software that meets that rating where you're not putting in chases. We tell customers to prep for this because we don't know what will happen, but we'll keep keying up at every inspection, whether it's small or big.
- We're doing the best we can with what we have.

A discussion ensued and the following points were made:

- It's not a proximity question, such as being close to the communications tower.
- It involves communication systems owned by Collier County or the Sheriff's Office.
- The communications problem involves enclosing the structure. The tower could be there but emergency personnel can't key up, although you could be on the other side of the door and can't hear.
- We're following the statute and staying within the letter of the law.
- Is it reasonable to think the owner should have to pay for something that would be paid through taxes as a community? It seems like this has been shifted entirely onto the property owner, which seems like a disconnect.
- It's related to the fire alarm system, which is required by all the codes to be installed in buildings. It's like an extension. It's for emergency responders and isn't a government-community responsibility. You're building a new building and it's part of the life-safety aspect. That's why they put it in the Florida Fire Prevention Code and the Florida Building Code.

Mr. French told the DSAC:

- An item is going to the Board of County Commissioners on Tuesday that started with him and Dan Summers about four years ago regarding emergency communications towers.

- That infrastructure has been identified as an unmet infrastructure need. It's not in the AUIR but is going to the board.
- The county is investing several million dollars, which the board will consider. It's an item Dan Summers will present. He worked with Mike Choate, the former Immokalee Fire chief who is now the county's public safety officer and is Dan's boss.
- There's a plan in place they've been working on for years that the county will be rolling out in future years.
- A good example is the incident that occurred at Naples High School on Friday, the SWAT team incident (shooting hoax). There was so much agency response that they were bleeding over each other to the point where the radios and nothing was working.
- The City of Naples was the incident commander, not the Sheriff's Office, so we were there as a support function, as was the Sheriff's Office.
- We recognize there has been a critical failure for emergency responders. It could be a medical incident, a fire incident, etc., but they're working on a strategy.
- When Dan approached me, I identified early that you're not the authority with jurisdiction and encouraged him to work with our fire district partners because it's addressed within the fire code and state statute. That's the most lawful approach.
- We recognize some of these costs will be on the county and the Board of County Commissioners has recognized that, as has emergency services.
- It's not like there's an attempt to right a wrong on the backs of the development community or on the community that already occupies these developed areas.
- We recognize there's a problem and there's a long-term strategic approach to this.
- Mike Choate or Dan Summers can come to a DSAC meeting to discuss this.

Mr. Boughton said it almost sounds like an impact-fee issue. Why isn't this cost spread across the board? Instead of halfway through construction telling us that there's an extra \$200,000 expense someone has to make.

Mr. French said he didn't believe it would qualify under impact fees, but he can ask Ian Barnwell or County Manager Amy Patterson. We can invite Amy back to answer your questions. The unmet needs total about \$80 million. This is what the county is scheduling for the future, including the advancement or exiting some of our Motorola contracts to look at better, improved technology that will work with the systems that are in place.

Mr. Boughton said maybe that will improve the situation.

Mr. French said they hope it will.

Mr. French discussed the possible moratorium the BCC will discuss Tuesday:

- He received a voicemail from Mark Teeters on December 4. Mr. Teeters said it's posted on the Island Walk Facebook page.
- I wasn't aware of it, so I spoke with the county manager yesterday. She asked if I knew anything about it. She just found out.
- I have not had a conversation with any commissioners or the County Attorney's Office.
- We question whether Senate Bill 250 might affect this, but it looks like it only addresses properties impacted by Hurricane Ian.
- We haven't had this conversation at a staff level. This was not written by staff and Mike Bosi was surprised when I brought it to him yesterday afternoon.

Chairman Varian noted that there will be no January 3 meeting. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and asked for a motion to adjourn.

9. Adjourn

Future Meeting Dates:

3 p.m. Feb. 7, 2024

3 p.m. March 6, 2024

Mr. Espinar made a motion to adjourn. Second by Mr. Valle. The motion passed unanimously, 13-0.

There being no further business for the good of the County, the meeting was adjourned by the order of the chairman at 4:02 p.m.

**COLLIER COUNTY
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

William Varian, Chairman

These minutes were approved by the Committee/Chairman on 2/7/24, as presented (choose one) , or as amended .