

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COLLIER COUNTY
EAST OF 951 INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERVICES
HORIZON STUDY PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MASTER PLAN
COMMITTEE

Naples, Florida, March 19, 2007

LET IT BE REMEMBERED, that the East of 951 Infrastructure and Services Horizon Study Public Participation Master Plan Committee in and for the County of Collier, having conducted business herein, met on this date at 7:00 p.m. in REGULAR SESSION at the Collier County Agricultural Extension Office, 14700 Immokalee Road, with the following members present:

Chairman: Bill McDaniel
Linda Hartman (Vice Chairman)
Kris Van Lengen (excused)
Stephen Price
Richard Rice
Christian Spilker (excused)
Jeanne Alleman (excused)
Thomas Jones
Kenneth Lynch
Timothy Nance
Russell Priddy (excused)
Douglas Rankin
Clarence Tears (absent)
Mark Teaters
Michael Dedio

ALSO PRESENT: Mike Bosi, Community Planning & Redevelopment Manager

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill McDaniel at 7:04 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

I. Roll Call

A quorum was established.

II. Agenda

Mr. Price moved to approve the agenda. Second by Ms. Hartman. Motion carried unanimously 9-0.

III. Approval of February 12, 2007 meeting minutes

Ms. Hartman moved to approve the minutes. Second by Mr. Lynch. Motion carried unanimously 9-0.

IV. Presentation from Public Utilities and subsequent discussion

Phil Gramatges, Principal Project Manager gave a power point presentation (see attachments).

He addressed Committee Member questions noting that the cost estimate provided in the presentation did not include the individual hook-ups to facilities, and that the estimates are based on their standard estimate number of 185 gallons a day. He mentioned that the problem with having just a fire hydrant is that the transmission cost set up is very high; some of the cost incurred would be purchase of easements.

It was suggested to have the hydrant water supply loop back so that no flushing would be needed as required by the law.

Phil Gramatges informed that Water and Sewer receives financial funds through impact fees not taxes.

Tim Nance suggested raw water fire wells as appropriate for use by the Fire Department.

Linda Hartman mentioned that Golden Gate has a pipe going down it that is used for sprinkler systems for the medians.

Phil Gramatges replied that reclaimed water cannot be used for fire and irrigation lines do not have enough pressure for the Fire Department.

It was suggested that the Rural Lands be evaluated also. It was requested that the cost basis be set up for the entire area.

Phil Gramatges replied to the suggestion that it would make the estimated numbers far more uncertain. He added that a water plant is being constructed to

the North where a pipeline will be run along the road. Hydrants can be run through that pipeline.

Tom Jones suggested looking at future developments and requiring developers to incur the water cost.

Phil Gramatges mentioned that there are no current plans of expansion outside of the red outlined area as demonstrated on the power point map. It is foreseen that wells will not be permitted to be placed within wetlands in the future. He added that reverse osmosis is very expensive and removes minerals from the water.

Discussion ensued on the current personal well systems being turned over to Water and Sewer if the project were set up.

It was suggested that raw water transmission lines run through The Estates with water available 80% of the time that could have hydrants placed on them.

Chief Peterson replied that if hydrants are placed on the raw transmission mains water could be contaminated, but did acknowledge that non-potable water can be utilized to fight fires.

Public Comment-

Peggy Wetback mentioned that there are right-of-ways being purchased for wells. She believes that the cost of doing the project would bankrupt people.

Discussion ensued on the cost of the acquiring a right-of-way through Transportation and through Water and Sewer.

Phil Gramatges explained that if new roads are purchased or expanded then transportation has to purchase more of a right-of-way cost incurred by Water and Sewer.

Bill McDaniel brought out that there has been no environmental opinion on what the affect will be in the future with and without the water system being placed.

Mark Teaters pointed out the necessity of figuring out how the project would be financed before it is presented to the public.

An ecoli concern with the current system was mentioned.

Michael Dedio noted that there are Federal Funds such as ISTEA (Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act) that would pay large portions of the cost.

Ken Lynch suggested having a time line created on when to have the services placed.

David Farmer expressed that gravity sewer will not work in Golden Gate Estates. He suggested that pump stations at each home could be used instead which would be a cost savings. He would like the system to remain as it is.

Mike Bosi brought out that the questionnaire should address the issue on what people would be willing to pay for the project.

It was suggested to have the construction phased into multiple projects and the benefits of the project explained.

Phil Gramatges commented that an individual to connect to the lines once they have been set up could cost \$4,000 to \$6,000.

It was requested to get an Environmental and Health Department opinion on the effects of having or not having the system at the point of build out.

V. Discussion of public questionnaire

Chairman Bill McDaniel requested that each Committee Member mail comments on the survey to Chuck Mohlke.

VI. Public Comments

Comment cards can be utilized with the Public Meeting next month.

VII. Next Meeting April 16th, 2007

There being no further business for the good of the County, the meeting was adjourned by the order of the Chair at 9:07 p.m.

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Chairman Bill McDaniel

These Minutes approved by the Board/Committee on _____,
as presented _____ or as amended _____.