

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

Naples, Florida, September 8, 2008

LET IT BE REMEMBERED that the Collier County 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 PM in REGULAR SESSION at the Collier County Agricultural Extension Office, 14700 Immokalee Road, with the following members present:

Chairman: Bill McDaniel
Vice Chair: Linda Hartman
David Farmer
Thomas Jones
Kenneth Lynch
Timothy Nance
Stephen Price (Absent)
Russell Priddy
Douglas Rankin
Michael Ramsey
Richard Rice (Absent)
Christian Spilker (Absent)
Clarence Tears (Absent)
Mark Teaters
Kris Van Lengen

ALSO PRESENT: Michael Bosi, Community Planning & Redevelopment
Manager

1. **The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill McDaniel at 7:07 PM.**
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
2. **Roll Call**
Michael Bosi called the roll and a quorum was established.
3. **Approval of Agenda**
Linda Hartman moved to approve the Agenda. Second by Kenneth Lynch. Carried unanimously, 9-0.

(7:10 PM – Douglas Rankin arrived.)

4. **Old Business**

A. **Discussion of Screening Survey Table Results – Charles Mohlke**

Copies of the preliminary findings were distributed to all members.

Charles Mohlke reported:

- The Preliminary Findings included eight additional pages of narrative that describes the respective tables which were included in the information distributed at last week's meeting
- A comparative analysis by Postal zip code area was also provided
- Significant differences: Residents living south of Golden Gate Blvd. (34117) placed greater emphasis on north/south roads while residents living north of Golden Gate Blvd. (34120) were more concerned about east/west roads

A committee member stated the zip code information was important as guidance and felt it should be included as a reference document.

Mr. Mohlke stated the tables could be configured to compare each of the zip code areas. Another format that could be utilized would group together areas with similar densities.

Chairman McDaniel reminded the Committee members the purpose of the Committee was to obtain opinions from the Community as to their wants and needs for growth and development in eastern Collier County.

Another member pointed out the Survey was a tool to help the Members make decisions and recommendations.

Mr. Mohlke stated the information presented in the zip code tables could also be broken down by precincts which are based upon Traffic Analysis Zones ("TAZ").

It was suggested to note in the narrative that the capability exists for future Committees.

5. **New Business**

A. **Review of Public Participation Process draft report and Committee action**

Chairman McDaniel stated there was a contradiction on page 13 of the email sent to the members regarding the Immokalee Overlay.

The statement: *“A number of the public expressed dissatisfaction with the idea, indicating that increased traffic would lead to increased commerce for the local economy.”* He suggested the sentence should be re-examined. There was a discussion of the long-range plans for Route 29 and how those plans would affect commerce in downtown Immokalee. The consensus was removing truck traffic from the area would be beneficial to merchants and shoppers.

He mentioned his suggestions made at the last meeting: creation of an Oversight Committee of 3 to 5 members; a Rural Lands Stewardship Review Committee [since it was felt that a “re-do” of the Rural Fringe Area was needed], and a derivative of the Horizon Study Advisory Committee that would be allowed to deal with the Loop Road and other topics with specificity. He stated these committees could be created by the BCC to further assist the Board in utilizing the information gathered by the Horizon Study Advisory Committee. He reminded the members their “charge” was to poll the public to ascertain the different levels of service the public felt were necessary and to interpret what was heard from the general public. The derivative committee would be site specific and would hold public meetings on the topics.

Mike Bosi suggested reviewing each of the Position Points as the most appropriate way to determine which would be presented to the BCC.

A committee member questioned whether or not the subject of evacuations was addressed in the Position Points and was referred to the statement of page 25: *“The public has expressed a need for more consideration of emergency evacuation routes in future roadway planning.”*

Russell Priddy moved to recommend that the Board of County Commissioners approve creation of three additional committees: an Oversight Committee for the implementation of the Interactive Growth Model; a Review Committee for the Rural Fringe Overlay; and a Site-Specific Committee of 3 to 5 members. Second by Linda Hartman.

There was discussion concerning the number of committee members and a suggestion was made to limit the size in order to operate more effectively. Also discussed was the lack of coordination of committees, for example, the Rural Fringe and the Estates Master Plan.

Chairman McDaniel pointed out the Interactive Growth Model would take into account all of the different Committees. Part of the responsibilities of the proposed Oversight Committee would be to make sure there is coordination.

It was suggested the County was on the cusp of “doing something very positive and productive” regarding the Rural Fringe Overlay. The concern was that the formation of the Review Committee could possibly serve as a deterrent to the County.

Mike Bosi stated property owners have contacted him with concerns that the Rural Fringe has not had the same attention paid to it as other areas.

Russell Priddy amended his motion to remove the recommendation for a Review Committee for the Rural Fringe Overlay and to recommend only the Oversight Committee and the Site-Specific Committee to the BCC. Second by Linda Hartman. Carried unanimously, 10-0.

It was suggested the Position Points should state they are Community's opinions and sensibilities that the Committee has perceived during the course of its public hearings and are not necessarily endorsed by the Members as individuals.

Re: Water

It was suggested the title should be changed from "water" to "drinking water." After discussion, the Committee decided the title would remain as stated and accept the Position Point as written.

Re: Transportation

It was suggested a sentence should be added: *"For future roads within the Rural Land Stewardship Area Overlay, the rural cross-section should be the first cross-section considered for the road network."*

The last sentence of the second paragraph was amended to read: *"Sidewalks are not considered essential and lighting should be confined to major road intersections, schools and park locations."*

Under the third paragraph, the first sentence was amended to read: *"Existing and future arterial and collector roads should have multiple-use pathways."* The second sentence should read: *"Pedestrian lanes on local roads are not the public's preference."*

Russell Priddy moved to approve the (Transportation) Position Point as amended. Second by Linda Hartman. Carried unanimously, 10-0.

Re: Fire

It was suggested to add another sentence: *"Utilize existing raw water supply mains for fire suppression, i.e., place hydrants on those carrying water into the City of Naples."*

Public Comment:

A member of the public opposed having hydrants along the way due to the potential for terrorists to tap into the water supply.

Russell Priddy moved to approve the (Fire) Position Point as amended. Second by Linda Hartman. Carried unanimously, 10-0.

Re: EMS

Linda Hartman moved to approve the Position Point as written. Second by Russell Priddy. Carried unanimously, 10-0.

Re: Parks

Douglas Rankin moved to include a Level of Service (Level 3 for Parks). Second by Linda Hartman. Carried unanimously, 10-0.

(8:10 PM – Mark Teaters arrived.)

Re: General

The first and second paragraphs were accepted as written by consensus of the Committee.

A suggestion was made to add the phrase, “*and various area planned Committees*” to the third paragraph, following the word “area.” The point was to stress communication between the various committees.

Another suggestion was made to add an additional sentence to read: “*All Committees within the East of 951 Study Area should communicate with one another.*”

There was a discussion concerning upgrading the current drainage system and whether it was economically feasible to do so.

A suggestion was made that a Regional Surface Water Management Plan, promoted by the rural cross-section, should be developed. After discussion, it was not supported.

On page 25, add the following phrase, “*on a regional basis and not on a site-specific basis*” to the end of the third paragraph.

In the fourth paragraph, change “infrastructure improvements” to “*Interactive Growth Model and its maintenance.*”

It was suggested to completely remove the last sentence and substitute, “*The Site-Specific Committee will explore where future land use and infrastructure improvements should be implemented with specificity after public meetings.*”

Russell Priddy moved to approve the (General) Position Point as amended. Second by Linda Hartman. Carried unanimously, 11-0.

Re: Final Conclusions

It was suggested to add a sentence, “The Committee has been in existence during high and low growth cycles and had the advantage of that experience.”

Chairman McDaniel asked Mike Bosi to modify the Position Points and email the revised versions to the Committee Members. He also requested the members to review the email and return their suggestions directly to Mike.

Chairman McDaniel further requested a quorum at the September 23rd meeting and full Committee attendance at the presentation to the BCC on September 29th.

(NOTE: No motion was made regarding acceptance of the Final Conclusions and no consensus was stated.)

6. **Committee questions/comments – None**

7. **Public questions/comments - None**

Next Meeting:

The next Committee meeting is scheduled for September 23, 2008 at 7:00 PM.

There being no further business for the good of the County, the meeting was adjourned by the order of the Chair at 8:55 PM.

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William McDaniel, Chairman

These Minutes were approved by the Board/Committee on 9-23-08,
as presented X or as amended _____.