

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

NOVEMBER 12, 2024

A Regular Meeting was held at the Murdock Administration Complex in Commission Chambers; Room 119, Port Charlotte, Florida.

The following members were present: Chair Truex, Commissioner Constance, Commissioner Deutsch, Commissioner Doherty, and Commissioner Tiseo. Also in attendance were: County Administrator Flores, County Attorney Knowlton, and Minutes Clerk Welsh. The following members were absent: None.

The Meeting was called to order at 9:00 am

The Invocation was given by Reverend Dr. R. Brian Stolarczyk, Lutheran Church of the Cross, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Changes to the Agenda

Addition #1: R-9, Countryman Ackerman Septic to Sewer Project Update. Update on the Countryman Ackerman Septic to Sewer Project.

Requested by: Utilities

Addition #2: R-10, Fiscal New Positions. a) Request approval of an additional two (2) positions for the newly created Disaster Recovery Core Service; and b) Approve Resolution, Position Modification Form and Budget Adjustment BA25-145 for \$198,959 for the positions.

Requested by: Budget & Administrative Services

Addition #3: R-11, Retainer Agreement Greenberg Traurig, P.A. - Michael Colosi v. Charlotte County, et al. Approve the retainer agreement with Greenberg Traurig, P.A., to serve as legal counsel for Charlotte County in the litigation filed in the United States District Court, Middle District of Florida, Fort Myers Division, case captioned Michael Colosi v. Charlotte County, Florida, et al. Case No. 2:24-cv-10034-JES-KCD.

Requested by: County Attorney

Change #1: R-6, Added attachment – FY2025 Non-Qualified Work Plan.

Requested by: Administration

Change #2: R-4, Added attachment – Presentation.

Requested by: Community Services

Change #3: Added attachments – Presentation & Revised Metro Forecasting Study.

Requested by: Community Development

Deletion #1: R-7, Manasota Key and Don Pedro Knight Island Recovery Project. a) Presentation; and b) Discussion and direction on which option: storm recovery project or full permitted template beach project.

Requested by: Public Works

COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE MOVED TO APPROVE CHANGES TO THE AGENDA, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TISEO
MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

Proclamations - Commissioner Ken Doherty

COMMISSIONER DOHERTY MOVED TO APPROVE THE PROCLAMATIONS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE
MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

Artist of the Month - Lionel Lewis

Lionel Lewis accepted the Proclamation.

Jimi Smith Feliciano Day

Jimi Smith Feliciano, Charlotte-DeSoto Building Industry Association (CDBIA) President accepted the Proclamation.

National Injury Prevention Day

Tracey Thornton, Lee Health Trauma Services Injury Prevention Educator and Dr. James Kasiewicz, Lee Health Surgical Intensive Care Unit Medical Director accepted the Proclamation.

U.S. Air Force Band's Airmen of Note Day

Hugh Porter, Charlotte County Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America President accepted the Proclamation.

Employee Recognition

Years of Service - September 2024

5 Years: Brittany Stamer, Budget & Administrative Services; Ricknell Honore, Community Services; Neil Durrant, Community Services; **25 Years:** Daniel Sacksteder, Public Safety; Dennis Locker, Public Safety; and Timothy Burke, Public Safety.

Years of Service - October 2024

5 Years: John Rosenborough, Facilities Management; Thomas Barche, Public Safety; John Edwards, Public Works; **10 Years:** Leah Williams, Community Services; Sidney Lowe Jr., Public Works; Johnny Chamberlain, Utilities; Jeannine Fullerton, Budget & Administrative Services; Todd Dunn, Public Safety; Lanette Hart, Community Services; **15 Years:** Gordon Burger, Budget & Administrative Services; **20 Years:** Cheryl Rigano, Utilities; Jeffrey Rathburn, Public Safety; Larry Golden, Public Safety; **25 Years:** Rhiannon Mills, Budget & Administrative Services; Chris Durso, Utilities; and **35 Years:** Donald Finkelstein, Public Safety.

Chair Truex remarked on Todd Dunn, Englewood Fire District, community service, and partnership.

Mr. Dunn replied to service and opportunities.

Award Presentations

PUBLIC INPUT - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Joyce Valickas commented on Placida Bunkhouse.

John Valickas discussed Placida Bunkhouse.

Jimi Smith Feliciano mentioned Manasota and Sandpiper Key Overlay Code.

Dr. Mary Ellen Kiss remarked on Burnt Store Area Plan Update.

Frank Kudrna spoke against 24-564, Approve Ranking, Design - Port Charlotte Beach Recreation Center and Pool Facility and 22-162, Approve Amendment 2, Construction Manager at Risk, Port Charlotte Beach Recreation Center.

Jeff Lustig spoke in support of Retainer Agreement Greenberg Traurig, P.A. - Michael Colosi v. Charlotte County, et al.

Tim Ritchie noted 24-564, Approve Ranking, Design - Port Charlotte Beach Recreation Center and Pool Facility and 24-591, Approve Ranking, Construction/Geotechnical Services - Annual Contract.

Bill Dryburgh spoke in support of Placida Bunkhouse.

Rob Berntsson spoke to on Hurricane Update and Manasota and Sandpiper Key Overlay Code.

Shan Swelland commented on Manasota and Sandpiper Key Overlay Code.

Damian Ochab spoke in support of Manasota and Sandpiper Key Overlay Code.

Don Sabo spoke against 24-564, Approve Ranking, Design - Port Charlotte Beach Recreation Center and Pool Facility and 22-162, Approve Amendment 2, Construction Manager at Risk, Port Charlotte Beach Recreation Center.

COMMITTEE VACANCIES

The committee vacancy list below is for informational purposes only. It is not part of the County Commission agenda upon which action is to be taken, and therefore not a topic on which public input is allowed at the beginning of this meeting.

The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC) is searching for one volunteer who lives in Charlotte County who is actively engaged in any of the following:

- Citizen actively engaged in the residential home building industry in connection with affordable housing.
- Citizen actively engaged in the banking or mortgage banking industry in connection with affordable housing.
- Citizen representative of those areas of labor actively engaged in home building in connection with affordable housing.
- Citizen actively engaged as an advocate for low-income persons in connection with affordable housing.
- Citizen actively engaged as a for-profit provider of affordable housing.
- Citizen actively engaged as a not-for-profit provider of affordable housing.
- Citizen actively engaged as a real estate professional in connection with affordable housing.
- Citizen actively serving on the local planning agency pursuant to s.163.3174.
- Citizen residing within the jurisdiction of the local governing body making the appointments.
- Citizen who represents employers within the jurisdiction.
- Citizen who represents essential services personnel, as defined in the local housing assistance plan.

Please contact Morgan.Cook@charlottecountyfl.gov for more information.

Barrier Island Fire Service Municipal Service Benefit Unit (MSBU) Advisory Board is seeking a volunteer to fill a vacant position with term ending October 31, 2025. Applicants must be residents of Charlotte County and reside within the Unit. Submit applications to Public Safety Department, 26571 Airport Road, Punta Gorda, Florida 33982; call 941-833-5610 or email Todd.Dunn@CharlotteCountyFL.gov.

The following **MSBU/TU Advisory Boards** are seeking volunteers who must be both a property owner within and reside within the Unit. Submit applications to Public Works Department, 7000 Florida Street, Punta Gorda, Florida 33950; call 941-575-3600 or e-mail MSBU-TU@CharlotteCountyFL.gov.

- **Boca Grande Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2026, and one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2027.
- **Buena Vista Waterway Unit** is seeking one person to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2027.
- **Edgewater North Waterway Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2025.
- **Gardens of Gulf Cove Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking two members to fill position with a term through October 31, 2027.
- **Greater Port Charlotte Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2026.
- **Grove City Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2025, one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2027.
- **Gulf Cove Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2025, and seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2027.
- **Gulf Cove Waterway Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2027.
- **Harbour Heights Waterway Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2027.
- **Manasota Key Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2026.
- **Manchester Waterway Utility Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2027.
- **Northwest Port Charlotte Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2025, and one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2027.
- **Northwest Port Charlotte Waterway Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with term through October 31, 2027.
- **Pirate Harbor Waterway Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2027.
- **Rotonda Heights Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2027.
- **Rotonda Sands Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2025, and one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2027.
- **Rotonda West Street & Drainage Unit** is one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2027.
- **South Burnt Store Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2025.

- Suncoast Waterway Unit is one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2025
- West Charlotte Stormwater is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2027.

REPORTS RECEIVED AND FILED

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Constance discussed Reappointments - Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. **Commissioner Doherty** mentioned Reappointments - Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

COMMISSIONER DOHERTY MOVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA WITH THE EXCEPTION OF F-3, F-5, AND N-1, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TISEO

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

Clerk of the Circuit Court

A. Comptroller Division

1. Finance

Recommended Action: Approve the Clerk's Finance Memorandum.

Budgeted Action: No action needed.

B. Minutes Division

1. Minutes

Recommended Action: Approve the following Minutes:

September 24, 2024 BCC Regular and Land Use Meeting
October 3, 2024 BCC Pre Agenda
October 17, 2024 BCC Pre Agenda
October 22, 2024 BCC Regular and Land Use Meeting

Budgeted Action: No action needed.

Board of County Commissioners

C. Commission Office

1. Appointment - Environmentally Sensitive Lands Oversight Committee

Recommended Action: Approve the appointment of Stephen Kalaf as a representative of Environmental Expertise to the Environmentally Sensitive Lands Oversight Committee to complete the term of Jack Pryor. The term begins immediately and expires on December 31, 2025.

Budgeted Action: No action needed.

2. Reappointments - Beaches and Shores Advisory Committee

Recommended Action: a) Approve the reappointment of Robert A. Wibbeler Jr. as the District 1 representative to the Beaches and Shores Advisory Committee. Term is effective immediately and will expire on November 30, 2028; and b) Approve the reappointment of Ralph Lombardo as the District 3 representative to the Beaches and Shores Advisory Committee. Term is effective immediately and will expire on November 30, 2028.

Budgeted Action: No action needed.

3. Reappointments - Board of Zoning Appeals

Recommended Action: a) Approve the reappointment of Stephen J. Vieira as the District 1 representative to the Board of Zoning Appeals. Term is effective immediately and will expire on November 30, 2028; and b) Approve the reappointment of Nichole Beyer as the District 3 representative to the Board of Zoning Appeals. Term is effective immediately and will expire on November 30, 2028.

Budgeted Action: No action needed.

4. Reappointments - Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Recommended Action: a) Approve the reappointment of Steven Leskovich as the District 1 representative to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. Term is effective immediately and will expire on November 30, 2028; and b) Approve the reappointment of Kay Tvaroch as the District 3 representative to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. Term is effective immediately and will expire on November 30, 2028.

Budgeted Action: No action needed.

5. Reappointments - Planning and Zoning Board

Recommended Action: a) Approve the reappointment of Stephen J. Vieira as the District 1 representative to the Planning and Zoning Board. Term is effective immediately and will expire on November 30, 2028; and b) Approve the reappointment of Doug Izzo as the District 3 representative to the Planning and Zoning Board. Term is effective immediately and will expire on November 30, 2028.

Budgeted Action: No action needed.

D. County Administration

E. County Attorney

F. Budget and Administrative Services

Fiscal Services

Information Technology

Purchasing

1. 24-528, Award, Dorchester Street Sidewalk and Watermain Replacement (Public Works and Utilities)

Recommended Action: Approve award of Request for Bid #24-528, Dorchester Street Sidewalk and Watermain Replacement (Phase 1), to Andrew Sitework, LLC of Fort Myers, Florida, for the total amount of \$4,390,072.05. This is for the services of a Contractor to construct a sidewalk along the west side of Dorchester Street and includes sidewalk, drainage pipes, drainage improvements, utility adjustments, and watermain removal and installation.

Budgeted Action: No action needed. Budgeted in the Capital Improvement Project "Greater Port Charlotte Master Sidewalk Plan" as approved in the FY25 budget process. Funding is supplied from Greater Port Charlotte Street and Drainage MSBU assessments in the amount of \$2,565,584.70. Budgeted in the Capital Improvement Project "Relocation Needs Utility Pipe Replacement - Public Works Projects" as approved in the FY25 budget process. Funding is supplied from the Utility Repair and Replacement Fund in the amount of \$1,824,487.35.

2. 25-008, Award, Purchase and Delivery of STX Hydrogen Sulfide (H2S) Reduction Chemicals - Annual Contract (Utilities)

Recommended Action: a) Approve award of Sole Source File #25-008, Purchase and Delivery of STX Hydrogen Sulfide (H2S) Reduction Chemicals - Annual Contract, to Source Technologies, LLC, of Lakeland, Florida, at the unit price of \$44.50 per gallon, for the term of January 1, 2025, through and including, December 31, 2025, with option to renew for additional year(s); and b) Authorize the County Administrator to approve annual renewal(s), at the same prices, terms, and conditions. This is an annual contract for the purchase and delivery of STX H2S Reduction Chemicals.

Budgeted Action: No action needed. Budgeted in the Utilities Operations and Maintenance Fund - Operations budget as approved in the FY2025 budget process. Funding for this expenditure comes from rate revenues.

3. 24-564, Approve Ranking, Design - Port Charlotte Beach Recreation Center and Pool Facility (Facilities)

Recommended Action: a) Approve ranking of firms for Request for Proposal #24-564, Design - Port Charlotte Beach Recreation Center and Pool Facility: 1st Harvard Jolly Inc. of St. Petersburg, Florida; 2nd TVS Florida, Inc., of Tampa, Florida; 3rd Fawley Bryant Architecture of Sarasota, Florida; and b) Approve start of negotiations; and c) Authorize the Chairman to sign the Contract after completion of negotiations. This is for the engineering services for the planning and design of the Port Charlotte Beach Recreation Center, Pool, and Pool House.

Budgeted Action: No action needed. Budgeted in the Capital Improvement Projects "Port Charlotte Beach Recreation Center Pool" and "Port Charlotte Beach Recreation Center" as approved in the FY25 budget process. Funding is supplied from the Sales Tax Extension Fund.

Chair Truex noted Florida Building Code, Southern Building Code Congress, International (SBCCI), resiliency, options, elevation, cost, storm surge, wind shear, zones, hurricanes, and intensification processes. **Commissioner Constance** spoke to Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR), contracts, Hurricanes Helene and Milton, location selection, resiliency, tax payer dollars, flood and surge maps, weather events, elevation, wind speeds, Emergency Operations Center (EOC), and public safety. **Commissioner Deutsch** commented on flooding events, resiliency, elevation, public safety, parks, amenities, site evaluation, and boat launch. **Commissioner Doherty** discussed delivery systems, design team and parameters, CMAR, project managers, contracts, scope of services, elevation, Coastal High Hazard Areas (CHHA), Hurricane Ian, surge maps, wind shear, and Code requirements. **Commissioner Tiseo** mentioned location, park and weather elements, resiliency, elevation, Manasota Key, Florida Building Codes, amenities, and Hurricane Andrew.

Travis Perdue, Facilities Management Director responded to CMAR, design process, cost, benefit, contract, elevation, and resiliency component.

COMMISSIONER DOHERTY MOVED TO APPROVE RANKING OF FIRMS FOR REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL #24-564, DESIGN - PORT CHARLOTTE BEACH RECREATION CENTER AND POOL FACILITY: 1ST HARVARD JOLLY INC. OF ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA; 2ND TVS FLORIDA, INC., OF TAMPA, FLORIDA; 3RD FAWLEY BRYANT ARCHITECTURE OF SARASOTA, FLORIDA; AND APPROVE START OF NEGOTIATIONS; AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE CONTRACT AFTER

COMPLETION OF NEGOTIATIONS. THIS IS FOR THE ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE PLANNING AND DESIGN OF THE PORT CHARLOTTE BEACH RECREATION CENTER, POOL, AND POOL HOUSE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TISEO

MOTION CARRIED 3:2., COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE AND COMMISSIONER DEUTSCH OPPOSED

4. 24-591, Approve Ranking, Construction/Geotechnical Services - Annual Contract (Public Works)

Recommended Action: a) Approve ranking of firms for Request for Proposal #24-591, Construction/Geotechnical Services - Annual Contract: 1st- Ardaman & Associates, Inc., of Sarasota, Florida; 2nd- Collier Engineering & Design, of Fort Myers, Florida; 3rd-Lomski Engineering, of Port Charlotte, Florida; and b) Authorize negotiations; and c) Authorize the Chairman to sign contracts for the top three (3) firms; and d) Authorize the County Administrator to approve an additional two-year renewal term. This is an annual contract for construction and geotechnical testing and inspection services for Charlotte County.

Budgeted Action: No action needed. Funding will be provided by the applicable MSBU assessment, Gas Tax and Ad Valorem.

5. 22-162, Approve Amendment 2, Construction Manager at Risk, Port Charlotte Beach Recreation Center (Facilities)

Recommended Action: Approve Amendment #2 to Contract #22-162, Construction Manager at Risk, Port Charlotte Beach Recreation Center, with Tandem Construction, of Sarasota, Florida, for the total amount of \$947,989. This amendment is for the demolition of the recreation center, pool and pool house.

Budgeted Action: No action needed. Budgeted in the Capital Improvement Project "Port Charlotte Beach Recreation Center" as approved in the FY25 budget process. Funding is supplied from the 2020 Sales Tax Extension.

Chair Truex noted public safety and liability. **Commissioner Constance** spoke to strategy, public safety, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC), mission, state funding, November 8, 2024 West Coast Inland Navigation District (WCIND) Meeting, location, elevation, water proximity, and demolition. **Commissioner Deutsch** commented on insurance, reimbursement, derelict vessels, FWC, agreement term, elevation, construction, timeline, boat launch, and park amenities. **Commissioner Doherty** discussed guaranteed maximum price (GMP). **Commissioner Tiseo** mentioned catastrophic damage, insurance coverage, park elements, construction zone, public access and safety, derelict vessels, staging area, temporary usage, site work elements, and Amendment 2 costs.

Mr. Perdue replied to insurance coverage, timing, demolition plan, public safety, design, and reimbursement potential.

Tommy Scott, Community Services Director responded to derelict vessels and debris removal, relocation, options, Florida Department of Emergency Management (FDEM), negotiations, locations, boat ramps, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Hurricanes Ian, Helene, and Milton, sand, demolition, structural and significant damage, alternative facilities, park amenities, and public safety.

COMMISSIONER DOHERTY MOVED TO APPROVE AMENDMENT #2 TO CONTRACT #22-162, CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT RISK, PORT CHARLOTTE BEACH RECREATION CENTER, WITH TANDEM CONSTRUCTION, OF SARASOTA, FLORIDA, FOR THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$947,989. THIS AMENDMENT IS FOR THE DEMOLITION OF THE RECREATION CENTER, POOL AND POOL HOUSE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TISEO

MOTION CARRIED 3:2., COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE AND COMMISSIONER DEUTSCH OPPOSED

6. Property Deletions for the Month of November 2024 (Purchasing)

Recommended Action: Approve the deletion of additional property inventory items listed on the attached for the month of November 2024.

Budgeted Action: No action needed.

Real Estate Services

Risk Management

Transit

G. Community Development

H. Community Services

I. Economic Development

J. Facilities Management

K. Human Resources

L. Human Services

M. Public Safety

N. Public Works

1. Coral Creek Waterway Bridge Repair Agreements

Recommended Action: a) Approve Coral Creek Waterway Bridge Repair Agreements between Charlotte County and Thomas Marine Construction, Inc., and Charlotte County and Consor Engineers, LLC for repairs to the Coral Creek Waterway Bridge; and b) Authorize the Chairman to sign both of the Coral Creek Waterway Bridge Repair Agreements. **AGR 2024-215 / AGR 2024-216**

Budgeted Action: No action needed.

Chair Truex noted savings, Maintenance of Traffic (MOT) cost, concerns, and rebar. **Commissioner Constance** spoke to rebar, design plan, inspections, legal recourse, cost sharing, Construction Engineering & Inspection (CEI) team, responsibility, bridge x-ray imaging, contract language, and artificial intelligence (AI). **Commissioner Deutsch** commented on contractor, responsibility, and prevention. **Commissioner Doherty** discussed opportunities. **Commissioner Tiseo** mentioned bridge construction, savings, cost, negotiations, tax payers, MOT, and legal fees.

John Elias, Public Works Director replied to bridge construction, spalling, surface blemishes, corrosive environment, forensic engineering team, report, rebar, public safety, CEI team, installation, MOT, bridge x-ray imaging, design standards, and industry practices.

COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE MOVED TO APPROVE CORAL CREEK WATERWAY BRIDGE REPAIR AGREEMENTS 2024-215 AND 2024-216 BETWEEN CHARLOTTE COUNTY AND THOMAS MARINE CONSTRUCTION, INC., AND CHARLOTTE COUNTY AND CONSOR ENGINEERS, LLC FOR REPAIRS TO THE CORAL CREEK WATERWAY BRIDGE; AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN BOTH OF THE CORAL CREEK WATERWAY BRIDGE REPAIR AGREEMENTS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DOHERTY

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

2. Set a Public Hearing to Consider Approving an Ordinance to Reduce the Speed Limit from 45 and 40 Miles Per Hour to 35 Miles Per Hour on All Major Roads in South Gulf Cove

Recommended Action: Set a public hearing on November 26, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., or soon thereafter as may be heard, in Room 119 at 18500 Murdock Circle, Port Charlotte, Florida to consider approving an ordinance to reduce the posted speed limit from 45 and 40 miles per hour to 35 miles per hour on all the six major roads in South Gulf Cove.

Budgeted Action: No action needed.

O. Tourism Development

P. Utilities

Q. Other Agencies

REGULAR AGENDA

R. Regular Agenda

1. Hurricane Update

County Administration

Update on Hurricane Helene and Milton.

Patrick Fuller, Emergency Management Director gave a brief overview of damage levels, individual and housing assistance applications, Disaster Survivor Assistance Teams (DSAT), FEMA, multi-agency resource center location, deadlines, Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COAD), local resources application, donated goods warehouse, crisis cleanup, Harold Ave Recreation Center, comfort stations, shelters, Transitional Sheltering Assistance and Non-Congregate Sheltering Programs, FDEM, Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (D-SNAP), Operation Blue Roof, Army Corps of Engineers, unemployment assistance, Florida Small Business Emergency Bridge Loan Program, Disaster Recovery Center (DRC), Storm & Recovery website, and monitoring.

Taken Out of Order

3. Metro Forecasting Update

(Change #3) Added attachments – Presentation & Revised Metro Forecasting Study.

Community Development

Discussion on the presentation by Metro Forecasting of the updated projections.

Shaun Cullinan, Planning and Zoning Official highlighted Metro Forecasting Update, introduced David Farmer, Metro Forecasting Models Project Manager, and responded to heat mapping.

Mr. Farmer gave a brief overview of Agenda, The Interactive Growth Model (IGM) and Charlotte County, Charlotte County IGM, Where Do We Start, Charlotte County Planning Cluster Map, 2024 Findings and Trends, Population Growth, Housing Forecast, 2023 - Housing Construction Trends, 2024 - Construction Trends, Comparisons, 2023 Population Forecast, 2024

Population Forecast, Housing/Population Observations, Housing Data Analysis, Charlotte County Baseline Data, Charlotte County Buildout Data, New Shopping Centers Demand, Future Shopping Centers Locations, Commercial Supply Comparison, Industrial, Industrial Supply Comparison, Recommendations, Recommendations - Continued, and Quality Data leads to quality decision making.

Chair Truex noted growth. **Commissioner Constance** spoke to Population Growth, heat mapping, power driven development sites, capacity, utilities, environmentally sensitive lands, City of Punta Gorda, Charlotte County Planning Cluster Map, hurricanes, and impact fees. **Commissioner Deutsch** remarked on projections and data. **Commissioner Doherty** commented on fire stations, parks, needs, heat mapping, Future Shopping Centers Locations, and Capital Improvement Projects (CIP). **Commissioner Tiseo** discussed Live Local, multi-family affordable housing, uncertainty, weather events, homeowners and flood insurance policies, coastal community, costs, trip counts, and infrastructure.

Ben Bailey, Community Development Director mentioned data and development maps.

2. Manasota and Sandpiper Key Overlay Code

Community Development

Discussion and direction regarding the Manasota and Sandpiper Key Overlay Code.

Mr. Cullinan gave a brief overview of Discussion Topics, Lot Size Issue, Barriers to Recovery, Proposal, Height Calculations, and Other Proposals.

Chair Truex mentioned process, public input, Overlay Code, modifications, height calculations, inaccuracies, consistency, extensive damage, property rights, zoning, beach access points, rights of way, dedicated easements, design and rebuild process, and bicycle parking. **Commissioner Constance** spoke to parking limitations and beach access points. **Commissioner Doherty** noted November 26, 2024 Regular and Land Use Meeting, process, and November 18, 2024 Planning and Zoning Board Regular Meeting. **Commissioner Tiseo** commented on devastation, policy, Overlay Code, height, resiliency, property protections, storm surge, right of way, public safety, improvements, access points, street parking, and tourism.

4. Placida Bunkhouse

(Change #2) Added attachment – Presentation.

Community Services

Discussion and direction regarding the Placida Bunkhouse.

Mr. Scott gave a brief overview of History of Placida Bunkhouse, County purchase, County preservation efforts, 2024 Preservation Plan: County hired a consultant to perform the following tasks, Preservation, Existing conditions, Phase 1: Ongoing preservation and stabilization work, Restoration: Option 1, Restoration: Option 2, Both Restoration Options 1 & 2, and Cost estimates.

Chair Truex discussed Sales Tax Project, options, replica restoration, preservation, railroad right of way, funding options, The Cookie House, cost, Historic Preservation Committee, approval process, and Sales Tax Project. **Commissioner Constance** mentioned replica restoration, options, The Cookie House, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) ramps, historical representation, and design plans. **Commissioner Doherty** remarked on Workshop, historical representation, and funding options. **Commissioner Tiseo** noted replica restoration, options, site selection, ADA compliance, and funding opportunities.

5. West Port East Cost Share Project

Utilities

Discussion and direction on the proposed allocation of funds to upsize the water main and utility services for the West Port East Project.

Dave Watson, Utilities Director highlighted West Port East Cost Share Project.

Chair Truex spoke to tax payer savings.

COMMISSIONER DOHERTY MOVED TO APPROVE PROPOSED ALLOCATION OF FUNDS TO UPSIZE THE WATER MAIN AND UTILITY SERVICES FOR WEST PORT EAST PROJECT, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TISEO

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

6. Authorize Purchase Agreement with Central Florida Behavioral Network and FY2024-25 Work Program with Carry Forward Funding Under the Florida Opioid Allocation and Statewide Response Agreement

(Change #1) Added attachment – FY2025 Non-Qualified Work Plan.

County Administration

Authorize the Work Program to be submitted for allocation of funding to Charlotte County under the Florida unified plan using the regional pot funding for FY2024-25 and carry forward funding for FY2023-24. **AGR 2024-217**

Deputy County Administrator Emily Lewis highlighted Authorize Purchase Agreement with Central Florida Behavioral Network and FY2024-25 Work Program with Carry Forward Funding Under the Florida Opioid Allocation and Statewide Response Agreement.

Commissioner Constance commented on recurring funding and Integrated Response for Intervention and Support (IRIS).

COMMISSIONER DOHERTY MOVED TO APPROVE PURCHASE AGREEMENT 2024-217 WITH CENTRAL FLORIDA BEHAVIORAL NETWORK AND FY 2024-25 WORK PROGRAM WITH CARRY FORWARD FUNDING UNDER THE FLORIDA OPIOID ALLOCATION AND STATEWIDE RESPONSE AGREEMENT, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TISEO

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

(Deletion #1) 7. Manasota Key and Don Pedro Knight Island Recovery Project

Public Works

~~a) Presentation; and b) Discussion and direction on which option: storm recovery project or full permitted template beach project.~~

8. Burnt Store Area Plan Update

Commission Office

Update on Burnt Store Area.

Chair Truex discussed Planned Development (PD) process. Commissioner Constance mentioned Burnt Store Corridor Coalition Chairman John Fleming, December 10, 2024 Burnt Store Meeting, community outreach and input, concerns, One Charlotte One Water, developers, and Land Use Meetings representation. Commissioner Tiseo noted community and stakeholder meetings, hydrology study, accommodations, Staff Reports, concerns, impacts, developers, concurrency, authority, noise abatement, and data.

Dr. Mary Ellen Kiss replied to meeting date and location, flexibility, hydrology study, September 16, 2024 and October 23, 2024 Burnt Store Meetings, attendance, community outreach session, Burnt Store Area Plan, noise abatement, future development, and survey.

County Administrator Flores responded to meeting facilitation, developer meetings, traffic requirements, landscaping, noise abatement, community input, and staff engagement.

(Addition #1) 9. Countryman Ackerman Septic to Sewer Project Update

Utilities

Update on the Countryman Ackerman Septic to Sewer Project.

Rick Arthur, Fiscal Services Manager gave a brief overview of Zone 3, 4 and Low Pressure Sewer (LPS) and Options will be presented at 11/19 Utility Meeting.

Commissioner Constance spoke to Options will be presented at 11/19 Utility Meeting and missed payments. Commissioner Doherty commented on Options will be presented at 11/19 Utility Meeting.

(Addition #2) 10. Fiscal New Positions

Budget & Admin Services

a) Request approval of an additional two (2) positions for the newly created Disaster Recovery Core Services; and b) Approve Resolution, Position Modification Form and Budget Adjustment BA25-145 for \$198,959 for the positions. RES 2024-205 / RES 2024-206

Mr. Arthur highlighted Fiscal New Positions.

Commissioner Constance commented on positions.

COMMISSIONER DOHERTY MOVED TO APPROVE AN ADDITIONAL TWO (2) POSITIONS FOR THE NEWLY CREATED DISASTER RECOVERY CORE SERVICES; AND APPROVE RESOLUTION 2024-205 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT BA25-145 FOR \$198,959 FOR THE POSITIONS, AND RESOLUTION 2024-206 POSITION MODIFICATION FORM, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TISEO

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

(Addition #3) 11. Retainer Agreement Greenberg Traurig, P.A. – Michael Colosi v. Charlotte County, et al.

County Attorney

Approve the retainer agreement with Greenberg Traurig, P.A., to serve as legal counsel for Charlotte County in the litigation filed in the United States District Court, Middle District of Florida, Fort Myers Division, case captioned Michael Colosi v. Charlotte County, Florida, et al., Case No. 2:24-cv-1004-JES-KCD. **AGR 2024-218**

County Attorney Knowlton highlighted Retainer Agreement Greenberg Traurig, P.A. - Michael Colosi v. Charlotte County, et al.

Commissioner Tiseo discussed blended rate formula.

COMMISSIONER DOHERTY MOVED TO APPROVE THE RETAINER AGREEMENT 2024-218 WITH GREENBERG TRAUIG, P.A., TO SERVE AS LEGAL COUNSEL FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY IN THE LITIGATION FILED IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA, FORT MYERS DIVISION, CASE CAPTIONED MICHAEL COLOSI V. CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA, ET AL., CASE NO. 2:24-CV-1004-JES-KCD, WITH A SPECIAL PUBLIC ENTITY (BLENDED RATE) FEE OF \$650.00 PER HOUR FOR ALL ATTORNEYS WORKING ON THE SUBJECT MATTER, INCLUDING SHAREHOLDERS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TISEO

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PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA

S. 10:00 A.M. Public Hearing

PRESENTATION AGENDA

T. 10:00 A.M. Presentations

PUBLIC INPUT - ANY SUBJECT

Tim Ritchie remarked on Crossroads Hope Academy, juvenile delinquents, public safety, Mosaic Fertilizer, Ardaman & Associates Inc., Senator Ben Albritton, and phosphate mining gypstacks.

Frank Kudrna mentioned Port Charlotte Beach Park Complex, public safety, derelict vessels, boat launch, community and economic impacts, FEMA reimbursements, Senator Rick Scott, Congressman Greg Steube,

Teri Johnston noted Port Charlotte Beach Park Complex, community impacts, greenspace, mental health, scheduled events, pickleball courts, boat launch, hurricane debris, and derelict vessels.

Troy-Conner remarked on dog attack, Chapter 1-4-30 of the Code of Laws and Ordinances of Charlotte County, penalties, fine, accountability, incidents, public safety, Neighborhood Watch Meeting, and responsibility.

Jeff Lustig spoke to Neighborhood Watch Meeting, community impacts, concerns, Mosaic Fertilizer, toxic waste discharge, Peace River, Charlotte Harbor, phosphate mining, Manasota and Sandpiper Key Overlay Code, Low Density Residential (LDR), and City of Punta Gorda.

Dr. Mary Ellen Kiss commented on funding sources, Burnt Store Area Plan, opportunities, Burnt Store Road, and development.

AA. County Administrator Comments - None

BB. County Attorney Comments

County Attorney Knowlton mentioned Coral Creek Bridge Repair Agreements, negotiations, and Public Works Director John Elias and Staff.

CC. Economic Development Director Comments

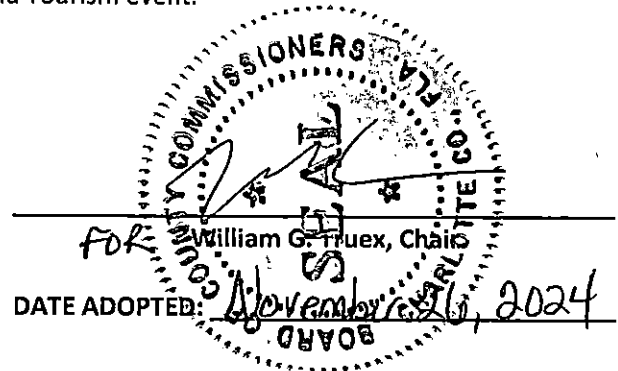
Kay Tracy, Economic Development Director discussed hurricane relief, community and business outreach, resources, reported damages, and Economic Development Department positions.

DD. County Commissioner Comments

Chair Truex commented on Tourist Development Tax (TDT). Commissioner Constance spoke to WCIND November 8, 2024 Meeting, FWC, derelict vessels, funding, Venice Jetty, TDT, Tourism event, and infrastructure. Commissioner Deutsch noted Veterans Appreciation Month, Military Heritage Museum, community events, and Beirut Peacekeepers Tower. Commissioner Doherty mentioned Hurricane Helene and damages. Commissioner Tiseo discussed October 24, 2024 Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council (MPOAC) Governing Board Meeting, Tourism, funding, and Placida Bunkhouse.

County Attorney Knowlton interjected on Placida Bunkhouse and Tourism event.

ADJOURNED: 12:52 pm



ATTEST:

ROGER D. EATON, CLERK
OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND
EX-OFFICIO OF THE BOARD
OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

By: 
Deputy Clerk