

SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

Minutes

August 6, 2012

The South Florida Regional Planning Council's Executive Committee met on this date at the South Florida Regional Planning Council, 3440 Hollywood Boulevard, Suite 140, Hollywood, FL 33021. Chair Carruthers called the meeting to order at 11:28 a.m.

I. Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call

Chair Heather Carruthers
Councilmember Suzanne Gunzburger
Councilmember Stacy Ritter (absent)
Councilmember Paul Wallace

The following Councilmembers were present:

Ex-Officio Member Aileen Boucle, representing the Florida Department of Transportation, District VI

Webinar access was provided.

II. Approval of Executive Committee Agenda

Councilmember Gunzburger moved to approve the Executive Committee Agenda. Councilmember Wallace seconded the motion, which carried by a unanimous vote.

III. Action Items

A. Developments of Regional Impact/Development Orders - None

B. Consent: Comprehensive Plan Amendment Reviews -

Proposed:

- Town of Cutler Bay
- Town of Davie
- City of Doral
- Islamorada, Village of Islands
- Village of Pinecrest
- City of Pompano Beach
- City of Weston

Adopted:

- Broward County
- City of Deerfield Beach
- Town of Southwest Ranches

- C. Regional Issues: Comprehensive Plan Amendment Reviews - None
- D. Port Everglades Next Generation Energy Center – Draft Agency Report on the Power Plant Site Certification Application

Councilmember Gunzburger moved to approve all Action Items: Agenda Item III.B, Comprehensive Plan Amendment Reviews, all of the above mentioned proposed and adopted, and III.D, Port Everglades Next Generation Energy Center – Draft Agency Report on the Power Plant Site-Certification Application. Councilmember Wallace seconded the motion, which carried by a unanimous vote.

IV. Discussion Items

A. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director James F. Murley announced that Councilmember Bovo, representing Miami-Dade County, has agreed to serve as Secretary on the Executive Committee rendering Councilmember Ritter the Treasurer position only.

There was a recommendation by Councilmember Gunzburger that the decision for the Secretary position be presented to the full Board. Councilmember Wallace seconded the motion, which carried by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Murley stated that after the August Primary, he will pursue to fill the other Miami-Dade vacancy on the Board.

Mr. Murley announced that on August 23 – 24, 2012, the Florida Regional Councils Association will be meeting in Hollywood, Florida at the Diplomat Hotel, as part of the Florida League of Cities Conference, for the Policy Council Meeting. Chair Carruthers and Councilmembers Asseff and Blynn are representatives. He stated that the City of Hollywood Community Redevelopment Agency is hosting a reception. Chair Carruthers invited everyone to attend the reception.

Mr. Murley introduced Marcela Cambor, Project Director for Seven50, to summarize the Project's Executive Committee meeting. Ms. Cambor explained that the Seven50 was originally the Regional Vision and Blueprint for Economic Prosperity and part of the Southeast Florida Regional Partnership. She stated that the July 27th meeting summarized the events of the June 27th Summit, which was very successful. She stated that the process and structure with the workgroups was established and approved. She stated that this process is internally being called "the Road Show"; the process will be a series of seven meetings, one for each county, in which all of the workgroups will meet. She explained that the purpose is to research the regional issues in relation to each of the counties, and include additional participation in each county. She stated that there will be a meeting consisting of all of the workgroups prior to the next Summit. She announced that the next Summit will be at the end of January 2013, at Miami-Dade College, in Miami, with possible tours. It was suggested that the names of the seven workgroups and their subtopics be forwarded to the Councilmembers; Mr. Murley stated this could be done. Ms. Cambor stated that, at the meeting, there was a request that the word "sustainability" along with a few other phrases be defined in general terms and in the context of each workgroup. She stated that the consultants are commissioned and working with staff to produce a proposed definition statement to the Board for the next meeting.

Mr. Murley announced that the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Committee's (CEDS) second meeting will be held after the Executive Committee Meeting. He stated that the report for the Economic Development Administration will be on the September Council Agenda to meet the SFRPC's obligation.

Mr. Murley stated that the Clean Cities Program, a designation by the Department of Energy, was verbally recertified for three years.

Mr. Murley stated that the performance review for the Executive Director and Legal Counsel will be on the September Agenda. Ms. Rhonda Noah explained that the Executive Committee will review Mr. Murley's contract and there will be a proposed contract for Mr. Sam Goren, Legal Counsel. She clarified that this will happen during the Executive Committee conference call on September 5, 2012, and will then be presented to the full Board during the Council Meeting.

B. Legal Counsel Report

Mr. Sam Goren stated that his office will continue researching and retrieving background information on the Institute for Community Collaboration (ICC) and its various counterparts.

He stated that the Wilma and Revolving Loan Fund Reports will be brought to the Council in September and there were few defaults this month. Mr. Goren stated that there was no litigation to report.

V. Announcements and Attachments

Mr. Murley announced that the next Executive Meeting will be at 2 p.m. on September 5, 2012 via Conference call. Mr. Goren stated that, for the record, the Executive Committee meetings are posted, noticed and recorded; the public has the right of access, in which there is no privileged, private or confidential discussion.

Mr. Murley informed those present that the next Council Meeting will be held at the Murray E. Nelson Governmental Center in Key Largo.

A. Upcoming Meetings

1. September 10th, 10:30 a.m. (Murray E. Nelson Government Center, Key Largo)
2. October 1st, 10:30 a.m. (Council Offices, Hollywood)
3. November 5th, 10:30 a.m. (Beacon Council, Miami-Dade County)
4. December 3rd, 10:30 a.m. (Council Offices, Hollywood)

VI. Councilmember Comments

Discussion ensued regarding a potential retreat to discuss the mission and potential future of the Council. It was suggested that the meeting place should be centrally located and be a one-day meeting, preferably on a weekday. Mr. Murley stated that with the involvement with CEDS and the follow up documents, part of our message would be to our regional community that the SFRPC is concerned with economic development and has the resources available to the Region. Councilmember Wallace stated that the

economic development should be in the SFRPC's future; for example, the Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO's) are all county-based and should become regional and that the Council could become the leader of this regionalism. Councilmember Gunzburger stated that Seven50 is about regionalism. She commented on the participation at the various meetings including Council meeting. She stated that it shows that there is "no will" among the political leadership or business community to look at regionalism except for a few concerned people. She stated that Seven50's purpose is the involvement in regionalism and the Council should let Seven50 continue and not duplicate this vision yet. Councilmember Gunzburger stated that the grant will be over in another year and then it would be time for the SFRPC to examine options for additional regional initiatives.

Mr. Murley stated that staff is working through FRCA to refine the direction from the State to make this meaningful to our partners at the county and municipal level; one of those items will be specific action steps on each one of the Six Pillars.

Councilmember Wallace questioned the research being done on growth and job development. Mr. Murley stated we collaborate with the Beacon Council, the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance and The Council's REMI Program, with Jeanne Tan and Richard Ogburn of Council staff, provides the SFRPC has the resources and information to research this in this area.

VII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

This signature is to attest that the undersigned is the Secretary of the SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL, and that the information provided herein is the true and correct minutes for the August 6, 2012 meetings of the SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL adopted the 10th day of September, 2012.

Stacy Ritter, Treasurer / Acting Secretary

Date