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APPROVED
PORT ST. JOHN SMALL AREA STUDY
Meeting Minutes
October 24, 2019
5:00 PM
PORT ST. JOHN COMMUNITY CENTER

Committee Members Present

Steven Darling
Carmine Ferraro (Vice-chair)
Chris Kane
Vaughn Kimberling (Chair)
John Wortham

Committee Members Not Present

Matt Denyer
Maureen Rupe

Staff Present

Cheryl Campbell- Planning and Development
Amy Craddock- Legislative Assistant District 1
Corrina Gumm- Public Works
Jane Hart- Planning and Development

Public Present

Ann Bard, Jon Warner

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm. A quorum was established.

2. Approval of the minutes

A motion was made to approve the minutes as corrected for the September 26th meeting by Steven Darling and seconded. The motion passed.

3. Special Presentations

a) Public Works- Corrina Gumm, Interim Director

Corrina Gumm, Interim Public Works Director, handed out a PowerPoint presentation illustrating the responsibilities of the Brevard County Public Works Department. The presentation was



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tailored to the results of the community survey. The presentation highlighted current and future projects in Port St. John.

A discussion ensued regarding a variety of topics which included; how projects are chosen, the scope of current and future projects, and the length of time these projects will take to complete.

John Wortham asked about the resurfacing of the intersection of Grissom Parkway and Fay Boulevard. Corrina stated that the intersection will be resurfaced during the safety improvement plan. Resurfacing of the entire roadways is in the 5-year plan.

Carmine Ferraro asked if the intersection of Grissom Parkway and Fay Boulevard will be completely closed during the Safety Improvement Project. Corrina stated there will be a brief period when the intersection will be closed to ensure the safety of drivers.

Corrina reviewed the sidewalk construction on Curtis Boulevard completed 2 years ago and included they have evaluated the street lighting on Curtis Boulevard.

John Wortham asked who is responsible for maintaining power poles. Corrina stated that Brevard County Traffic Operations does maintain some of the power poles; however, Florida Power and Light is responsible for the majority.

Carmine Ferraro asked how roads are weighted for resurfacing or reconstruction. Corrina explained Brevard County has a Pavement Management Plan from 2012. She stated that currently a road condition assessment is under way and a new plan will be published in the upcoming months.

Public Comment- Ann Bard, 4900 Fay Boulevard Cocoa, FL 32927. Inquired about the potholes on Fay Boulevard and if they will be patched. She also asked when the speed humps on Bridge Road would be replaced.

Corrina stated the potholes will be repaired. She said typically speed humps are replaced within a month after road repairs are complete and she suggested Ms. Bard see her after the meeting.

The presentation included drainage improvement information for Port St. John. Road and Bridge currently has a 15-phase plan that consists of ditch cleaning and regrading swales.

Public Comment- Ann Bard, 4900 Fay Boulevard Cocoa, FL 32927. Asked about the traffic cameras on Curtis Boulevard. She also asked where the Traffic Management Center is located.

Corrina explained the different types of cameras and how they operate. The Traffic Management Center is located at the Viera Government Center.



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Currently, a traffic safety study is taking place at Curtis Boulevard and Fay Boulevard. Corrina stated they have received the draft recommendations from the study.

Discussion ensued regarding different scenarios for the intersection of Curtis Boulevard and Fay Boulevard that would eliminate safety concerns.

Traffic Operations is trying to address the aging population by installing larger print and advanced signage. LED lighted signs have also been installed.

A traffic signal re-timing effort is currently taking place within the county. New funding has recently become available for these re-timing measures.

John Wortham suggested that during the re-timing of the traffic signals, school hours be considered. Corrina indicated that school hours are a big factor when the timing is being programmed.

Corrina stated there are no roads in Port St. John near or over traffic capacity at this time. She stated that they are continually monitoring traffic volumes.

John Wortham asked about the widening of Grissom Parkway to four lanes. Corrina replied that there is available right of way to widen Grissom Parkway but currently the traffic volume is below the capacity that would require this.

John Wortham asked if there are any subdivisions coming into the area that would affect the traffic volume on Grissom Parkway. Corrina deferred the question to staff from the Planning and Development Department. Cheryl Campbell answered currently there are no plans for new subdivisions. She stated there is however, potential for future growth.

John Wortham asked if the PowerPoint presentation could be sent electronically to each of the committee members. Staff indicated they could send an electronic copy.

John Wortham asked if the department has done a study on traffic congestion at the intersection of Fay Boulevard and Grissom Boulevard. Corrina stated traffic volume counts were done and they did not see the need to widen this roadway. New traffic signaling was designed to accommodate the current volume of traffic at this intersection.

Steven Darling asked how roads get tagged for resurfacing and the scheduling of the process. Also, how the funding process works. Corrina stated that a road condition assessment is underway, and roads will be given a score for either resurfacing or reconstruction and this will be done by district.



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The discussion continued about the process involved in the resurfacing and reconstruction of roads.

Carmine Ferraro asked about the condition of the original roads in Port St. John. Corrina stated that they have not had to reconstruct many roads in Port St. John.

Public Comment- Jon Warner, 1059 Hibiscus Street Cocoa 32927. Stated that Fay Boulevard was completed in 1994, and it needs to be repaired.

Corrina stated they are aware that Fay Boulevard needs repair.

Chris Kane asked if the county has considered solar street lighting. Corrina replied no, but the county is looking to install LED street lighting. She did state that solar power is used for school flashers.

Carmine Ferraro asked about unfunded projects and how these projects get reprioritized. Corrina replied that safety issues get a higher prioritization.

A discussion ensued about project timeframes, priorities and funding.

Public Comment- Ann Bard, 4900 Fay Boulevard Cocoa, 32927. Ms. Bard asked if semi-trucks were permitted to use Fay Boulevard. She also asked when the road is repaved, will they consider that semi-trucks travel on the road.

Corrina stated that semi-trucks are permitted to travel on any arterial roadway unless it is posted otherwise. She stated that the pavement used will support semi-truck traffic.

Public Comment- Jon Warner, 1059 Hibiscus Street Cocoa 32927. Asked if he could get an electronic copy of the PowerPoint presentation.

Staff stated they would email the presentation.

4. New Business

a) Committee recommendations for future meeting topics

Committee Chair, Vaughn Kimberling asked for future meeting topics.

Chris Kane stated she would like to discuss the protection of Green Space, enforcement of the speed limit by the Sherriff's Office and Code Enforcement enforcing current regulations.



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Carmine Ferraro stated he would like to have Planning and Zoning at a future meeting to discuss aspects related to the Port St. John Special District.

Cheryl Campbell clarified how the committee wanted to group presentations for future meetings.

Steven Darling requested that the Utilities Department be invited to a future meeting to discuss infrastructure, septic tanks and sewer lines.

b) Approval of topic for next meeting

Committee Chair, Vaughn Kimberling stated no approval was needed.

Stormwater/Natural Resources has already been scheduled for the next meeting.

5. General Public Comments - Ann Bard, 4900 Fay Boulevard Cocoa, 32927. Next meeting date?

Staff stated November 21, 2019 at 5:00 pm.

6. Final comments by Chair and Committee Members

Committee Chair, Vaughn Kimberling asked the committee members if they have ideas or topics for future meetings to please hold them until the next meeting, opposed to emailing them to staff. He also suggested the questions asked at the meeting should pertain to the topic being discussed.

7. Adjournment-

Committee Chair, Vaughn Kimberling adjourned the meeting at 6:00 pm

Minutes approved: S/ Carmine Ferraro, Vice-Chair