

CITY OF PALM BAY, FLORIDA
SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING 2021-09

Held on Wednesday, the 23rd day of June 2021 at Council Chambers, 120 Malabar Road SE, Palm Bay, Florida.

This meeting was properly noticed pursuant to law; the minutes are on file in the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, Palm Bay, Florida. The minutes are not a verbatim transcript, but a brief summary of the discussions and actions taken at the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:02 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

CHAIRPERSON:	Lesley Byrd	Present
VICE CHAIRPERSON	Khalilah A. Maragh	Present
MEMBER:	Phillip Snyder	Present
MEMBER:	Susan B. Connolly	Present
MEMBER:	Randall Olszewski	Present
MEMBER:	Vacant	--
MEMBER:	Rebecca J. Ziegler	Present

CITY STAFF:

Britta Kellner, Special Projects Manager; Suzanne Sherman, City Manager; Joan Brown, Deputy City Manager; Pamela Bell, Board Secretary

ADOPTION OF MEETINGS:

1. Special Meeting 2021-06; April 28, 2021

Motion by Mr. Snyder, seconded by Mr. Olszewski, to adopt the minutes as presented.
Motion carried unanimously.

Special Meeting 2021-07; May 11, 2021

Motion by Mr. Snyder, seconded by Ms. Connolly, to adopt the minutes as presented.
Motion carried unanimously.

Regular Meeting 2021-08; May 18, 2021

Motion by Vice Chairperson Maragh, seconded by Mr. Olszewski, to adopt the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: (Non-agenda items only)

Bill Battin, resident, inquired about the City's use of solar power and discussed the importance of water recharge areas.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discussion with the City Manager on the Sustainability Action Plan

Chairperson Byrd introduced City Manager Suzanne Sherman who offered her comments regarding the Sustainability Action Plan. Ms. Sherman commended the Board on their efforts to develop the plan. She shared feedback and engaged the Board in discussion of plan sections regarding water resources, wastewater, Florida-friendly landscaping, septic tank management, and an inquiry regarding the disposal of hazardous items. Ms. Sherman introduced a change in language from green guidelines to use of low impact development.

Ms. Sherman and Board engaged in discussion regarding first tasks the Board might undertake once the plan was approved and how sustainability budget allocation and implementation might occur. Ms. Sherman concluded her participation with comments regarding public transportation and waste management issues.

1. 2020 Sustainability Action Plan Development Discussion

The Board continued with a final overview of the Sustainability Action Plan to incorporate any last changes Board members may wish to make and considered plans for City Council presentation. There was discussion of the plan photography.

Motion by Mr. Olszewski, seconded by Mr. Snyder, to remove all the photos prior to Council presentation. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board continued its discussion of presentation format and timing options. Due to Board member travel, availability, and other considerations, the Board deliberated moving the plan presentation from July 15th to August 19th, 2021, to be placed on a Regular Council agenda or considered in a Council Workshop.

Motion by Mr. Olszewski, seconded by Mr. Snyder, to prepare for presentation at the Sustainability Board Meeting of July 28, 2021; move the plan presentation to the meeting

of August 19, 2021, City Council Meeting; and undertake next steps for the plan at the Sustainability Board Meeting of August 25, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Snyder to appoint Chairperson Byrd to make the Action Plan Presentation to City Council. Motion carried unanimously.

Note: As there was no second to the above motion, the vote was null and void and would be considered under unfinished business at the next meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Upcoming meetings/events of interest (INFORMATIONAL)

Ms. Kellner provided confirmation that Keep Brevard Beautiful was tentatively scheduled to discuss composting at the July meeting.

Ms. Connolly shared that the Comprehensive Plan Workshop would take place on June 29th in Council Chambers.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:38 P.M.

Lesley Byrd, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Pamela Bell, Board Secretary