

# CITY OF PALM BAY, FLORIDA

## INFRASTRUCTURE ADVISORY & OVERSIGHT BOARD MEETING 2022-04

Held on Monday, the 25<sup>nd</sup> day of April 2022, in the City Hall Council Chambers, 120 Malabar Road, SE, Palm Bay, Florida.

This meeting was properly noticed pursuant to law; the minutes are on file in the Public Works Department located at 1050 Malabar Road, SW, Palm Bay, Florida. The minutes are not a verbatim transcript, but a brief summary of the discussions and actions taken at the meeting.

### CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Gaume, Chairperson, at 7:00 PM.

### ROLL CALL:

<b>CHAIRPERSON:</b>	Thomas Gaume	Present
<b>VICE CHAIRPERSON:</b>	Rebecca Thibert	Present
<b>MEMBER:</b>	Ann-Marie Fraser	Present
<b>MEMBER:</b>	Paul Edwards	Present
<b>MEMBER:</b>	David Jones	Present
<b>MEMBER:</b>	Terry Muller	Present
<b>MEMBER:</b>	Carmine Vitale	Absent

### ALSO PRESENT:

Frank Watanabe, City Engineer

### ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

#### 1. Meeting 2022-03; March 28, 2022.

Motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Ms. Fraser, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS: (Non-agenda items only)

1. Bill Battin, resident, commented on discussion at the last Charter Review Committee (CRC) meeting regarding inclusion of provisions in the City Charter for funding of road maintenance. He thanked Mr. Jones for bringing forth the item to the CRC and advised that the item was not considered by the CRC.

**BUSINESS:**

**1. Space Coast Area Transit Presentation – Terry Jordan, Director.**

Lance Parker, Space Coast Area Transit (SCAT) representative, provided an overview of the services provided by SCAT. He said that SCAT was available to partner with the city on any future joint transit projects and he mentioned the past 5-year bus stop improvement program in which the City had funded the cost for the benches and shelters.

Mr. Edwards asked about the para-transit services. Carmen Baez, SCAT representative, advised of the paratransit services which included senior services and required application and qualifications for same. Ms. Baez noted that the application was a State requirement. SCAT also provided transportation disadvantage services and students rode free using a Brevard County library card.

Mr. Jones requested the percentage of ridership or transit use for Palm Bay. Mr. Parker responded on the number of services for the city which included five (5) fixed routes out of the twenty-three (23) total fixed routes provided by SCAT, as well as other paratransit services. He mentioned the Minton Road route carried approximately 2,000-3,000 passengers daily. He said there was a new Route 20 known as the Heritage High School and West Melbourne service and that SCAT provided 15-passenger rental vans for companies to carpool employees. Mr. Parker said that SCAT was always available to assist and partner with local agencies on projects.

Mr. Watanabe commented on the city's new bus bench and shelter projects. An outside firm would be utilized to install new benches and shelters with advertisements which would cover the cost for the installation and maintenance.

Ms. Thibert said that the City of Melbourne provided SCAT with an annual \$50,000 grant to cover several routes within Melbourne. She said Palm Bay should consider that option.

Motion by Ms. Thibert, seconded by Mr. Jones, to have SCAT provide the same presentation to City Council. Mr. Watanabe would make arrangements with the City Manager.

**2. Agenda request for future meetings.**

Mr. Jones asked that the ridership percentage information be provided to the Board, along with a before and after result on the ridership of a new route.

Mr. Gaume asked about Vision Zero and a presentation from staff on the number of vehicle accidents and locations of the high accidents in Palm Bay. He requested a presentation from Brightline on the current railroad construction project.

Ms. Thibert requested a presentation from the Utilities Department with an update on future water and sewer projects.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

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Thomas Gaume, Chairperson

ATTEST:

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Frank Watanabe, Recorder