

CITY OF PALM BAY, FLORIDA

INFRASTRUCTURE ADVISORY AND OVERSIGHT BOARD MEETING 2022-04

Held on Monday, the 27th day of June 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. Mr. Gaume announced that the July IAOB meeting had been cancelled.

ROLL CALL:

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

ALSO PRESENT:

Frank Watanabe, City Engineer

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

1. Meeting 2022-05; May 23, 2022

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS: (Non-agenda items only)

There were no public comments.

BUSINESS:

1. Update on the NW and SE Quadrant Transportation Studies, Frank Watanabe

Mr. Watanabe made a presentation regarding the Northwest (NW) and Southeast (SE) Transportation Master Plan Study of developments within each area and provided a map showing the two study areas for future roadway improvements and then a listing of approved developments for both the NW and SE areas. These two areas had the most developments within the city.

Mr. Watanabe mentioned that the NW and SE Transportation Master Plan study would use a traffic model to analyze approved vested trips from developments to forecast a comprehensive future traffic projection for 5 years, 20 years and build-out year of the developments and identify locations for roadway improvements.

Mr. Gaume noted at the last City Council meeting on the revenue finance and a discussion of a using some of the Road Maintenance to fund other needs.

Mrs. Fraser commented that the NW area would have a gap in roadway improvement due to not having this study completed sooner.

Mr. Watanabe noted that the SE Area was originally one large development, Waterstone, and it provided a comprehensive traffic study with roadway mitigations which the current four developers were now coordinating proportionate fair share agreements with the city to pay for these improvements. Due to this, there was no gap in the SE area.

2. Update on the Road Paving and Pipe Replacements, Frank Watanabe

Mr. Watanabe provided an update of the Road Paving program and the financial projections for the completing the program. It was noted there would be a \$19.8 million shortfall in completing all five phases. Mr. Watanabe stated that the number was still the same from the last presentation to City Council regarding the paving of Unit 49, which was approximately \$16.5 million plus Madden Avenue and Osmosis Drive, which was about \$1.5 million, for a total of approximately \$18 million which was close to the new \$19.8 million.

The presentation also included an update on the pipe replacement program and completed pipe and culvert projects.

3. Agenda requests for future meetings

Mr. Gaume noted his communication with the members of City Council on working with Space Coast Area Transit (SCAT). He said that Deputy Mayor Johnson took his input to

coordinate a project with SCAT. He mentioned the special project may provide no charge or free transit service for residents of Palm Bay.

A board member questioned the status of the Malabar Road signal timing synchronization. Mr. Watanabe provided an update that the Space Coast Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) funded \$600,000 for the design of the Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) for Malabar Road and that Florida Department of Transportation would complete the design. The project would include fiber optic communication so that the signal could be interconnected and provide synchronized signal timing. Currently, there was no communication, so the signal all ran free on fixed times.

Mr. Gaume also commented on the Public Transit Grant called LOGT which the City could partner with SCAT on transit grants.

Mrs. Thibert asked about a presentation from Growth Management. Mr. Watanabe said that the Department had been short staffed and only recently hired senior planners and a Deputy Director. He suggested allowing the new staff to become familiar with City operations before asking them to present to the IAOB.

Mr. Watanabe mentioned that the Utilities Department Director advised that he would present an update on the status of utility projects in August or September.

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

Thomas Gaume, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Frank Watanabe, Recorder