

**TALLAHASSEE – LEON COUNTY**  
**BLUEPRINT 2000 INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGENCY**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**April 22, 2014**  
**12:00 pm, County Commission Chambers**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

<b><u>County</u></b>	<b><u>City</u></b>
Commissioner John Dailey	Commissioner Andrew Gillum
Commissioner Bryan Desloge	Commissioner Scott Maddox
Commissioner Kristin Dozier, Chair	Mayor John Marks
Commissioner Bill Proctor	Commissioner Nancy Miller
Commissioner Mary Ann Lindley	Commissioner Gil Ziffer
Commissioner Nick Maddox	
Commissioner Jane Sauls	

**CITY/COUNTY STAFF**

Kathy Burke, LCPW	Gabriel Menendez, COT
Roshaunda Bradley, Leon County	Shelonda Meeks, Blueprint 2000
Jon Brown, Leon County	Ron Miller, LCRDA
Autumn Calder, Blueprint 2000	Cristina Paredes, Leon County
James Cooke, COT	Alan Rosenzweig, Leon County
Daniel Crotty, Blueprint 2000	Lew Shelley, City Attorney
Regina Glee, Leon County	Max Stout, COT
Charles Hargraves, Blueprint 2000	Brenda Tanner, Leon County
Angela Ivy, Blueprint 2000	Wayne Tedder, PLACE
Cassandra Jackson, City of Tallahassee	Herb Thiele, Leon County
Catherine Jones, BOCC	Anita Favors Thompson, City Manager
Vincent Long, County Administrator	Laura Youmans, Leon County
Roxanne Manning, CRA	

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Bill Berlew, Sales Tax Committee	Stephen N. Martin
Curtis Baynes	Will Messer, Sales Tax Committee
Paco DeLa Fente	Maribel Nicholson- Choice, Greenberg Traurig*
Steve Evans, Sales Tax Committee	Daniel Newman, Sales Tax Committee
Pamela Hall	Tom O'Steen, Sales Tax Committee
Rocky Hanna	Curtis Richardson, Sales Tax Committee
Christic Henry, Sales Tax Committee	Kim Rivers, Sales Tax Committee
Terrence Hinson, Sales Tax Committee	Lamar Taylor, Sales Tax Committee
Laurie Hartsfield, Sales Tax Committee	Bill Tucker, Sales Tax Committee
Henree Martin, Sales Tax Committee	Kim Williams, Sales Tax Committee

\* Indicates Blueprint 2000 Consultant

Commissioner Kristen Dozier called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm.

## **I. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS**

## **II. PRESENTATION/ DISCUSSIONS**

### **1. Sales Tax Committee Recognition**

Commissioner Kristen Dozier and Mayor John Marks recognized and awarded each member of the Sales Tax Committee with a token of gratitude.

### **2. Infrastructure Sales Tax Extension**

Commissioner Dozier opted to allow public comment on the item prior to the Board taking up discussion.

Lamar Taylor, 1112 Lasswade, stated what an honor and privilege it was to have been part of the Sales Tax Committee and advance the vision of Blueprint 2000 for another 20 years. At the April 22 meeting; however, he was speaking as a general citizen. Regarding water quality he stated that the \$85 million line item was void of specified projects. To have approximately 20% of the total anticipated revenue set aside without identifying which projects would be funded from it ran counter to the entire process of the last two years; which was to allocate tax dollars to specific projects. He strongly requested that a list of water quality projects that were passed by the Committee be added to that line item. Furthermore, regarding the \$2.8 million alternative sewer study, he requested that the item be set aside as a Tier 1 project, in addition to the \$85 million. He stated that a study that outlined a vision for the future of water quality was a priority and to needed be one of the first projects to be funding.

Mr. Taylor's second point was on economic development. At the beginning of the process, his personal preference had been to allocate tax dollars for hard infrastructure. Over the course of the last two years, his bias changed; the primary reason being the significant amount of public input. A large portion of the community was in favor of a reasonable and transparent, tax funded process that would diversify the local economy from its dependency on the public sector. The Sales Tax Committee had created a roadmap to how that could be accomplished including not only the Airport and Madison Mile projects, but many other initiatives that could be added to the component. All of which would be funded by a static 12%.

Steven Martin, 2625 Stone Gate Drive, stated that he would have been at more of the meetings, to share his opinions, but they were held at times that were inconvenient to his work schedule. In order to correspond with County staff, Mr. Martin adapted by emailing his concerns to the committee. However, in listening to the audio recording of the committee meeting where the Northeast Gateway was discussed, not one member of that committee mentioned his concerns; a committee that was skewed to the pro-growth side of the spectrum. Therefore he felt neglected and unrepresented in the process. Concerning the Northeast Gateway, Mr. Martin spoke of major

land holders in the Maclay and Fleischman families. His time expired before he could complete his comments.

Curtis Banes, 1323 East Tennessee Street, stated that his concerns continued to be that too much of the infrastructure sales tax money was being spent on non-infrastructure related purposes. He thought the best contribution to economic development was to build the infrastructure the community needed in order to sustain an urban lifestyle. There was lack of specificity in some cases over specificity in others, for example, seven gateway projects for \$150-200 million but one line item for water quality and no identified projects.

In Mr. Banes' opinion, the responsibility of the County, was to reassess sewer priorities and focus efforts on the primary springs protection zone. The one urban service area, of principle concern to him, was the Oakridge/Lake Munson project zone. It was "sketched out" by the City in the 2030 plan; however, it was a matter of the BOCC making a concerted effort to reassess its priorities to include it. He further stated that the City was responsible, as a regional utility through the agreement, to provide services to unincorporated areas, therefore negating the issue of annexation. The matter of urban service was, however, an issue of annexation. He encouraged the IA to specify the Lake Munson/Oakridge zone as an identified sewer project that would provide advanced waste water treatment for approximately 700K gallons of wastewater per day. By 2030, it would provide approximately 8,400 people with sewer and help eliminate 3,100 septic tanks.

Pam Hall, 5051 Valley Road, requested that the Board consider the alternative sewer solution study as a standalone project. She reminded the Board that it wasn't an alternative sewer solution study, but it was a Comprehensive Wastewater Facilities Treatment Management Plan that addressed the next 20-30 years of community wastewater treatment for the unincorporated areas. The plan identified where and how to extend sewer, how to fund it, and which places were on the County's target list to extend sewer. Lake Munson was an obvious place to extend sewer however, she argued, the rural community of Woodville was as well.

Ms. Hall reiterated that it was a Plan not a study; the study had been completed. The problem and possible solutions had been identified and they needed to be put in writing. She emphasized that it was not the "dreaded RME" that seemed to scare everyone. It was the management of not only facilities that could come out of the plan, but also management of the existing septic tanks. The plan set the stage for the next 20-30 years and established tools for future commissions to address the TMDL issues, protect the aquifer, Wakulla Springs, Lake Jackson, and provide for future development. She echoed Mr. Taylor's request that the Plan be considered first and as a standalone project.

Rocky Hanna, 4049 Kilmartin Drive, stated that Cascades Park was a special piece of property; he thanked the Board and applauded their efforts. He also spoke on behalf of the "residents" of 550 East Tennessee Street, to thank the IA and Blueprint staff for their efforts in addressing flooding issues at Leon High School.

County Commissioner, Vincent Long, stated that the IA provided guidance throughout the process; the most important of which was to fully embrace the Blueprint philosophy. He felt

confident that the projects that would be presented did just that. They would continue to shape the community and serve citizens in ways to be proud of for generations to come. To the credit of the joint Sales Tax Committee and staffing effort there was not much reconciliation necessary on the items. The item provided a background and analysis of respective actions and sought final direction which would be reflected in the proposed interlocal agreement. It would be on the November 2014 general election ballot for decision by the voters.

City Manager, Anita Favors Thompson, stated that while it had been an arduous process the major issues had been worked through. She and Mr. Long were requesting the IA make any edits and provide additional guidance before moving forward.

With public comment complete, Commissioner Dozier clarified that the project lists were for Tier 1 and Tier 2 projects but no further ranking was applied. At that time there was no priority order for which they would be constructed.

**StarMetro:**

*City Commission Action:* Recommended including the total project in Tier 1 for \$12.25 million.

*County Commission Action:* The additional funding of \$4.7 million was not contemplated by the Board for any specific action.

*Options:*

1. Include \$12.25 million as a Tier 1 project for StarMetro, which makes bus stops ADA compliant and provides enhanced service for customers at major transfer points.

***OR***

2. Leave the Tier 1 StarMetro project at the \$7.55 million level.

**Commissioner Nick Maddox moved Option #1 for approval; Commissioner Lindley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously 12-0.**

**L.I.F.E. (Livable Infrastructure for Everyone):**

*County Commission Action:* Recommended the inclusion of the 2% allocation for L.I.F.E. (Livable Infrastructure for Everyone).

*City Commission Action:* Indicated that they would engage in discussion with the County at the IA meeting regarding the L.I.F.E. (Livable Infrastructure for Everyone) funding.

*Options:*

3. Include the 2% allocation for L.I.F.E. (Livable Infrastructure for Everyone) as a Tier 1 allocation for utilization in the unincorporated area of the County.

**OR**

4. Include the 2% allocation for L.I.F.E. (Livable Infrastructure for Everyone) as a Tier 1 allocation for utilization in both the unincorporated area of the County and within the City of Tallahassee.

**OR**

5. Do not include the 2% allocation for L.I.F.E. (Livable Infrastructure for Everyone) as a Tier 1 allocation.

**Commissioner Scott Maddox moved Option #4 for approval; Commissioner Desloge seconded the motion.**

Commissioner Proctor questioned the breakout of the 2%. Vincent Long stated that the 2% was there for addressing unincorporated area projects. Option #4 would allow the City Manager to avail the County Commission of including City projects for consideration. Anita Favors Thompson stated that there were many infrastructure needs in rural areas as well as basic infrastructure needs within the city limits. She wanted the ability to include city projects into that list.

Commissioner Proctor stated that the 2% was insufficient to adequately address the needs of rural residents who have no other means of addressing infrastructure needs. He wondered if it was a shared pot of money how that would affect the original intent without increasing the percentage.

Mr. Long stated that he felt it would give the IA the ability to address projects that fit the criteria irrespective of which side of the line one lived on. Commissioner Proctor questioned how the expenditures would be prioritized between Mr. Long and Mrs. Thompson. Mr. Long stated that all projects would be presented to the BOCC for approval. Commissioner Dozier stated that the only difference from earlier discussions was that the City would have the option to submit projects for consideration.

**The motion passed unanimously 12-0.**

**Alternative Sewer Solutions Study:**

*City Commission Action:* Recommended establishing a standalone \$2.8 million Tier 1 project for the Alternative Sewer Solutions Study, in addition to the \$85 million water quality and stormwater project.

*County Commission Action:* The County Commission supported the \$85 million water quality and stormwater project, inclusive of all the specific projects to be considered for possible funding.

*Options:*

6. Establish the Alternative Sewer Solutions Study as a standalone \$2.8 million Tier 1 project.

**OR**

7. Do not establish the Alternative Sewer Solutions Study as a standalone Tier 1 project and allow the project to be considered for funding in the future as part of the \$85 million water quality and stormwater allocation.

**Commissioner Proctor moved Option #7 for approval. The motion failed due to lack of a second.**

Commissioner Nancy Miller stated that while the problem had been identified, the appropriate solution had not. The study was intended to identify the proper way to deal with wastewater, especially in the southern part of the county. The study would be the basis for the Master Plan. It also allowed Blueprint to have “shovel-ready” projects to leverage tax dollars to the benefit of the community. She stated that the project looked forward to 2039; if not the study then what, she questioned; because doing nothing was not an option.

Commissioner Lindley voiced her support as well. Mayor Marks called the question.

**Commissioner Dailey moved Option #6 for approval; Commissioner Gillum seconded the motion. It passed 11-1; Commissioner Proctor cast the dissenting vote.**

**Animal Shelter:**

*City Commission Action:* Allocated \$3.5 million of the City’s 10% share towards the Animal Shelter.

*County Commission Action:* Did not address.

*Options:*

8. Establish a Tier 1 \$7.0 million project for the Animal Shelter. (Note: This would allow the City to reallocate their \$3.5 million from their 10% share of the sales tax towards other high priority projects.)

**OR**

9. Do not establish a Tier 1 project for the Animal Shelter. (Note: This action does not affect the City’s 10% allocation).

**Commissioner Ziffer moved Option #8 for approval; Commissioner Gillum seconded the motion. It passed 11-1; Commissioner Proctor cast the dissenting vote.**

### **Operating Costs for Parks Built with Sales Tax Funds:**

*County Commission Action:* Approved \$12.0 million for the County and \$8.0 million of the City for operating costs for parks built with sales tax funds.

*City Commission Action:* Indicated that they would review the operating funding levels between the City and County after identifying operating costs associated with the Northwest Park which was added during the workshop, to the City 10% share list of projects.

*Options:*

10. Approve \$12.0 million for the County and \$8.0 million of the City for operating costs for parks built with sales tax funds.

**OR**

11. Approve a distribution of the operating funds at a 50/50 ratio between the City and the County.

**Commissioner Scott Maddox moved Option #11 for approval; Commissioner Nick Maddox seconded the motion. It passed 11-1; Commissioner Proctor cast the dissenting vote.**

### **Economic Development and Leveraging:**

*County Commission Action:* Recommended a funding level of 12% for economic development to support the following:

- \$20 million for the Madison Mile Convention District dependent upon approval by the IA at the time of project consideration and the execution of formal agreements among all parties to the project.
- \$5.5 million for the Regional Airport Growth and Development (Part 1) project dependent upon approval by the IA at the time of project consideration.
- The remaining economic development proposals to be evaluated by the proposed advisory committee and IA for future funding consideration.
  - This recommendation included direction to define the role and responsibilities of the advisory committee for economic development and to modify the membership structure of the Citizen Advisory Committee to include economic development representatives. Both of these governance matters are explained under the Economic Development and Governance section of this analysis.

*City Commission Action:* Recommended a funding level of 12% but did not specifically address project/program recommendations or governance matters.

*Options:*

12. Establish 12% for economic development as follows:

- \$20 million for the Madison Mile Convention District dependent upon approval by the IA at the time of project consideration and the execution of formal agreements among all parties to the project.
- \$5.5 million for the Regional Airport Growth and Development (Part 1) project dependent upon approval by the IA at the time of project consideration.
- The remaining economic development proposals to be evaluated by the proposed advisory committee and IA for future funding consideration.

**OR**

13. Establish not to exceed 12% for economic development as follows:

- \$20 million for the Madison Mile Convention District dependent upon approval by the IA at the time of project consideration and the execution of formal agreements among all parties to the project.
- \$5.5 million for the Regional Airport Growth and Development (Part 1) project dependent upon approval by the IA at the time of project consideration.
- The remaining economic development proposals to be evaluated by the proposed advisory committee and IA for future funding consideration.

**OR**

14. Establish 12% for economic development without identifying specific economic development programs/projects.

**Commission Lindley moved Option #13 for approval; Commissioner Sauls seconded the motion.**

**In a substitute motion, Commissioner Andrew Gillum moved Option #12 for approval; Commissioner Scott Maddox seconded the motion.**

Commissioner Dailey requested staff clarify the options for the Board and the public. Vincent Long stated that Option 12 represented the BOCC action to establish economic development funding at the level of 12%. Specifically designating the Madison Mile and Part I of the Airport project; as well as allowing the remainder to be utilized for the projects put forward by the Imagine Tallahassee group. Option 13 allowed for further review by the IA as to what impact a 12% allocation might have on Tier 1 infrastructure projects. The 12% was based on reasonable facts, such as the majority Blueprint 2000's ability to leverage funds, came from Capital Circle projects which were appropriate for federal funding.

Mr. Long stated that the projects proposed on the sales tax extension were much more localized. Additionally, it had been a long time since a multi-year transportation package was passed by the federal government. The analysis identified that approximately 18% was necessary for leveraging to be successful. If the revenues came in at 18% it would give the IA the ability to dedicate 12% to economic development, as well as fund all of the Tier 1 projects. In contrast, County analysis indicated that 12% was more likely. Consequently, if revenues came in lower

than 18%, locking into a percentage would not necessarily be funding Tier 1 infrastructure projects.

Commissioner Dailey requested clarification on bullet three for both options. Mr. Long stated that bullet three addressed the proposals that were submitted by the Imagine Tallahassee process. The recommendation made was for those projects to be vetted by the Technical Coordinating Committee, which would be established based on actions of the meeting and comprised of professional, economic development people from the community. It was important for those projects to be evaluated and analyzed at the right time and through the right process.

**Commissioner Miller suggested a friendly amendment that a minimum floor of not less than 8-10% be set.** She did not want it to become a resource to make up overages in other areas. Commissioner Lindley stated that she hoped revenues would be standardized at 12%; however, she did not want to risk the Tier 1 projects in the event that it did not happen. She felt the option “not to exceed 12%” was fair. Furthermore, she was supportive of adding a floor to that to provide for comfort and reassurance for the minimum.

Commissioner Gillum explained that his alternative was intended to restate the City’s original position on the issue which was the maximum allowed by law, 15%. He felt that it was time for a new tool for economic development recruitments. He stated that he desired to see the IA go all in to diversify the opportunities in the community. Tallahassee was a government town and would probably continue to be so. He was not certain they wanted to disrupt that, especially with the increased collaboration with the university communities and their economic development partners. It was an opportunity to make good use of a new tool.

Commissioner Gillum further stated that many citizens, from all reaches, spoke at the community meetings sharing ideas to spur economic development. He felt it was important to make a firm statement that displayed the IA’s strong support of economic development opportunities in the city. The truth was that the IA was not prohibited from making decisions at a later date, in order to meet the economic realities of the future. If 18% leveraging was necessary the IA would always have the capability, responsibility, and obligation to reprioritize projects to meet what the incoming budget would allow.

While Option 12 more directly allowed that flexibility, Commissioner Gillum recommended that the IA maintained that flexibility all the way around. However, they had one shot at illustrating where the Board stood on economic development and he felt that Option 12 was it and the citizens could decide from there.

Commissioner Proctor stated that he felt that the economic development piece could potentially be problematic with voters. It was not transparent. It was neither specific nor related to infrastructure and if he understood correctly, had the potential to compromise Tier 1 projects. He requested that there be a process specific to the selection of projects for that line item.

Commissioner Scott Maddox stated that when Blueprint 2000 was initially created the community faced a much greater infrastructure deficiency than what was current. While there were still infrastructure projects that were needed, and the lion’s share of the sales tax dollars

would go to that, the IA had the luxury of allocating resources for the implementation of future projects that would be transformative for the community. Both governments had a truncated tax system and could not, through general revenue, come up with fund to support bringing a major employer into the community. The item before the Board created the opportunity to use sales tax funds to further enhance the community.

Commissioner Scott Maddox further stated that the reason he supported the substitute motion was that the lack of a hard number presented the temptation to push those dollars into infrastructure and it would be too great to resist. He cited the state lottery as a prime example. When passed, the Lottery was to supplement to enhance education however the Legislature dropped the general education budget to amount that the Lottery supplanted it. Therefore there were no extra dollars that went into education and nothing changed. He feared that without a hard and fast position by the IA, the temptation would be too great for those that followed after the sitting members, to do “run-of-the-mill” infrastructure projects with the only pot of dollars that allowed freedom of choice. He argued that taking a strong position and choosing a hard number would allow those that would serve after the present IA the discretion to make big decisions.

Commissioner Ziffer spoke of a recent presentation he attended by two gentlemen from Gainesville on hundreds of millions of dollars’ worth of investment that would be going into the downtown area for economic development. He emphatically stated that “we are woefully behind.” Before them was the opportunity to dedicate hard dollars; not a sum that might be used because something might be taken out of it. He stated it was time for the IA to make a commitment to invest in creating new jobs for existing businesses and potentially bringing new ones into the area.

Commissioner Nick Maddox requested to add Option #15 as an amendment to the current substitute motion on the floor. Commissioner Gillum stated that he was supportive of Option 15.

Commissioner Dozier echoed Commissioner Scott Maddox’s comments about the state of infrastructure needs at the beginning of Blueprint 2000 versus the current reality. She was pleased that the option was available, the change in statute that allowed the IA to focus on economic development. She noted that all pieces that were added (i.e. the animal shelter) or every road constructed all had an economic development component. Each piece that added to the quality of life in Tallahassee or made transportation more accessible was economic development as well. She felt they were all good options. It did, however, make her nervous because of the length of the tax. She worried about the possibility of a future recession or unforeseen challenges and stated that she would me more comfortable with a middle option. She agreed that there needed to be a set amount committed to economic development however she would like to see parameters such as a minimum of 10% and not to exceed 12%. She felt it gave the flexibility to work with other issues as they moved forward.

There was discussion as to which motion the amendment of a minimum was made. Commissioner Gillum stated that his position had not changed. He recognized that the decision had to be by majority and would prefer to end the discussion in a stronger position than not.

That being said, he would not accept a friendly amendment but if the maker wanted it to go to a vote, it could be a hostile amendment forcing the Board to vote on it.

Commissioner Miller spoke through both motions for clarification. Mayor Marks called the question. Commissioner Dozier called for a vote on the substitute motion, Option #12 at a fixed 12%. **The motion passed 9-3, Commissioner Lindley, Commissioner Proctor and Commissioner Dozier casted the dissenting votes.**

**AND**

15. In addition to the option selected above, identify Part 2 of the Regional Airport Growth and Development Project specifically at a funding level of \$8,578,609.

**Commissioner Andrew Gillum moved Option #15 for approval; Commissioner Gil Ziffer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously 12-0.**

Commissioner Miller stated that the IA was equally as accountable on economic development and only as it stood, there were three projects (as far as dollars to be flexible). All options amounted to the same thing because they accepted the 12% and added a hard number of \$8.5 million for the other half of the Airport project, which she supported. She wanted to ensure that all parties were comfortable and felt it was a good place for the IA to be.

#### **Economic Development and Governance:**

*County Commission Action:* Define the role and responsibilities of the EDCC and modify the membership structure of the CAC to include economic development representatives. Prepare an agenda item for the IA's consideration, subject to the passage of the referendum, on consolidating the County and City contractual agreements with the Economic Development Council and developing the EDC's role in administering the economic development portion of the sales tax proceeds.

*City Commission Action:* Did not provide any specific governance direction with regard to economic development.

*Options:*

16. Approve the proposed governance changes presented in the draft interlocal agreement which creates the EDCC, defines the roles and responsibilities of the EDCC, and modifies the composition of the CAC.

**Commissioner Nancy Miller moved Option #16; Commissioner Desloge seconded the motion.**

Commissioner Nick Maddox offered a friendly amendment to add the Northeast Business Association (NEBA) to the CAC. Commissioner Miller declined to accept the amendment. For clarification she stated that she was one of the ones who requested that NEBA be included on the

Sales Tax Committee. The Citizen's Advisory Committee began with five to six member of the EECC and over the years every conceivable group had been added. There had been good representation and a good committee that functioned incredibly well. Adding one group always meant adding another and another. Currently, she stated, the CAC was balanced and had proven itself capable of serving Blueprint 2000 well. She was not interested in adding any more people to it.

Mayor Marks stated that he was opposed to the addition as well. He felt it would tip the scale too much in favor of one type of organization. Thirteen members/groups represented was a good number at that point in time. Adding NEBA would not be a strong investment.

**Commissioner Desloge** felt there was merit to adding NEBA. They were established in the community and the CAC was a large enough group that the addition of NEBA would not change the dynamics overnight. Therefore he **offered a substitute motion for Option #16 with the addition of the Northeast Business Association to the CAC. Commissioner Proctor seconded the substitute motion.**

Commissioner Desloge further stated that the EDCC would serve as the technical review of the economic development arm. The CAC served on the infrastructure side and the traditional IA. He felt it was certainly appropriate for the CAC to have... Commissioner Dozier and Mayor Marks interjected to get clarification on the committees. Commissioner Dozier stated that as she understood it, the CAC was a different discussion from the technical committee who's members did economic development full time; that was the EDCC.

Commissioner Dozier further stated that while NEBA drew members from a large segment of the community there were a number of strong and active business associations in Tallahassee. She was nervous about singling out NEBA and not one, or more, of the other. She liked the idea of including business group in the CAC; however, suggested that it be on a rotating basis.

Mayor Marks echoed Commissioner Dozier's sentiments. He also reiterated that adding NEBA would tip the scales in favor of someone else. He reminded the Board that NEBA represented the northeast area businesses. It was the responsibility of the IA to ensure that all segments and areas were represented as well. Many were represented well; however, adding NEBA tipped the scales in favor of organizations that represented other groups in the community.

Commissioner Ziffer stated that while the structure was currently being established, the reality was still several years out. As evidenced by the changes in the market in the last couple of years, who could know who would be identified in two to three years. Or who, quite frankly, might presently be represented that might not be on the list in the future. He felt that the CAC would see changes in its structure over the years and that it would play out over many years, but not tomorrow.

Commissioner Scott Maddox questioned what kind of an opportunity there would be to change the composition of either one of the committees once it was passed. Wayne Tedder stated that in the past Blueprint 2000 had changed the composition of committee members. The IA reserved

the ability to do the same at any point in time. Commissioner Dozier stated that the same would be true of the EDCC. Mr. Tedder concurred.

Commissioner Gillum questioned the role of the EECC and EDCC played. He knew the EECC was governed by a Board of Directors. The EDCC would be governed by the IA, if it passed. Who would make the decision if there was a discrepancy between the two?

Vincent Long stated that the EDCC would operate like the current Technical Coordinating Committee for Blueprint 2000, which brought together City and County engineers, architects, and planners to review all infrastructure projects and made recommendations to Blueprint 2000 and the IA. The EDCC would be in place for the purpose of evaluating and making recommendations to the IA with respect to economic development projects. It would be totally separate from the EDC.

The other option, #17 acknowledged the EDC as the EDO and the community would take on a broader role. That option delayed making that decision until the roles and responsibilities of the EDC relative to that process.

Commissioner Gillum stated that it was the IA's first run at economic development projects and he felt it was critical that the elected bodies be intimately involved in the process. He did not want to elongate the process so that by the time it arrived to the elected, the decision making would be done. The Blueprint 2000 staff was fantastic and could be the best resource to consider. However, he was not clear about the relationship between all of the various committees. He felt it needed to be clarified.

**The substitute motion, Option #16 with the addition of the Northeast Business Association to the CAC, passed 9-3, Mayor Marks, Commissioner Gillum and Commissioner Miller casted the dissenting votes.**

*AND*

17. Direct staff to prepare an agenda item for the IA's consideration, subject to the passage of the referendum, on consolidating the County and City contractual agreements with the Economic Development Council and developing the EDC's role in in administering the economic development portion of the sales tax proceeds.

**Commissioner Brian Desloge moved Option #17 for approval; Commissioner Nick Maddox seconded the motion.**

Vincent Long stated that there had been significant discussion about what the role of the EDCC would be given the new economic development plan, which would conceivably bring in more money for those purposes. Mr. Long requested that the IA not decide that day or reflect it in the interlocal agreement. Let it be developed and brought back to the IA for full explanation of their role.

Commissioner Gillum questioned if the County would bring to the IA, not necessarily an agreement, but clear context of what the IA was moving toward. Vincent Long stated that the IA would direct the County to bring back an agenda item to discuss the contractual relationship as well as the roles and responsibilities of the EDC relative to the economic development component of the interlocal agreement.

Commissioner Miller requested that when the County brought the item back to the IA to please include detail about the current situation was to compare and understand precisely what would be changing.

**The motion passed unanimously 12-0.**

**Interlocal Agreement:**

*Options:*

18. Approve the draft inter-local agreement (as modified by the IA during the April 22, 2014 meeting).

**Recommendation:**

Intergovernmental Agency Direction

**Commissioner Nick Maddox moved Option #18; Commissioner Ziffer seconded the motion.**

Due to a conflict of interest, Commissioner Dailey recused himself from items number 25 and 27. His wife's law firm had been highly involved with the projects. He requested the indulgence of the Board to move all items with the exception of numbers 25 and 27 so that he could have an affirmative vote on the remainder of the projects on the list.

**Commissioner Scott Maddox offered a friendly amendment to move Option #18 with the exception of items number 25 and 27. It was accepted as friendly by the maker of the motion and the second. The motion passed unanimously 11-1. Commissioner Proctor casted the dissenting vote.**

**Commissioner Scott Maddox moved Project #25 and Project #27 of Option #18 for approval; Commissioner Desloge seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously 10 -1-1. Commissioner Proctor casted the dissenting vote and Commissioner Dailey recused himself from the vote.**

**VIII. ITEMS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE**

**VII. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

Speakers were taken at the beginning of the item they wished to speak on. Comments are included in the body of the item.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chairman Dozier adjourned the meeting at 2:00 pm.

**APPROVED:**

**ATTEST:**

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**Kristin Dozier**  
**Chair of Blueprint 2000 IA**

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**Shelonda Meeks**  
**Secretary to Blueprint 2000 IA**