

TALLAHASSEE – LEON COUNTY
BLUEPRINT 2000 INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGENCY
Meeting Minutes
June 17, 2013
3:00 pm, City Commission Chambers

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

CITY/COUNTY STAFF

Wayne Tedder, PLACE	Kent Olson, City of Tallahassee
Charles Hargraves, Blueprint 2000	Lew Shelley, City of Tallahassee
Autumn Calder, Blueprint 2000	Jay Townsend, City of Tallahassee
Debra Schiro, Blueprint 2000	Cassandra Jackson, City of Tallahassee
Veronica Saavedra, Blueprint 2000	Dee Crumpler, City of Tallahassee
Shelonda Meeks, Blueprint 2000	Linda Hurst, City of Tallahassee
Vince Long, Leon County	Patrick Twyman, City of Tallahassee
Lee Daniel, Leon County	Gabe Menendez, City of Tallahassee
Ken Morris, Leon County	Max Stout, City of Tallahassee
Arielle Franklin, Leon County	Chara Lucas, City of Tallahassee
Gary Zirin, Leon County	Roxanne Manning, CRA
Josh Pascua, Leon County	Harry Reed, CRTPA
Ryan Aamondt, Leon County	

OTHERS PRESENT

Dave Snyder, Michael Baker Corp.*	Susan Campbell
Susan Emmanuel, QCA*	Jeanie Conner
Gary Phillips, Michael Baker Corp.*	Vivian Young
Margie Quillman, Michael Baker Corp.*	Scott Carswell
Alisha Wetherell, Kimley Horn & Associates*	Gerri Seay
Ryan Wetherell, Kimley Horn & Associates*	Bryon Ehlmann
Maribel Nicholson-Choice, Greenburg Traurig	Barbara Ehlmann
Echo Gates, Genesis*	John Gibby
Laurie Thomas, FSU Facilities	Bob Ippolito
Mike Bauer, Attorney	Brad Trotman
Emily Flint	Debbie Lightsey
Erica Clark	Barbara Stansell
Ron Clark	Mia Shargel
Terence Hinson	Jim English
Tamara Waters	

* Indicates Blueprint 2000 Consultant

Commissioner Kristen Dozier called the meeting to order at 3:02 pm.

I. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

Replacement Pages were distributed for Items 13 and 15; additional material was provided for Item 11.

Commissioner Nick Maddox moved that, in light of the number of citizens in the audience to speak on Item 11, it be moved to the second presentation item behind the election of the Vice-Chair. The motion passed unanimously.

II. CITIZEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC) CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Terence Hinson recapped the discussions of the June 4, 2013 CAC meeting. Details of action taken by the CAC are noted with each agenda item below. Regarding Items 13 and 14 the CAC requested additional information from staff to be provided at the August 29th meeting.

Regarding the minority chambers, Mayor Marks requested clarification of the rotation. Mr. Hinson stated that as he understood it, participation would be on a rotating basis per the structure of the bylaws.

III. INFORMATION ITEMS

1. CAC Meeting Minutes (January 22 & February 7, 2013)

This item was presented as informational only.

2. Project Updates

This item was presented as informational only.

IV. CONSENT ITEMS

3. IA Meeting Minutes (February 25, 2012)

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve minutes as provided.

Action by TCC and CAC: This item was not presented to the TCC or CAC.

4. Acceptance of FY 2012 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) & Appropriation of FY 2012 Operating Fund Balance

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Accept the FY 2012 CAFR and approve additional appropriation to the FY 2013 Operating Budget of \$4,816 for encumbrances and \$7,287,385 for transfer to the Capital

Projects Fund. In addition, out of the \$7,287,385 available for transfer to the Capital Projects Fund, allocate \$70,000 to the historical interpretation of Smokey Hollow and transfer \$30,000 to the operating budget to cover Blueprint 2000 Information Technology (IT) equipment, software, subscriptions, and contingency.

Action by the TCC and CAC: The CAC voted 9-0 in favor of accepting the staff recommendation. This item was not presented to the TCC.

5. Approval to Negotiate a Contract for External Auditing Services

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Option 1: Approve Blueprint 2000 to negotiate a contract with the top ranked firm of Thomas Howell Ferguson P.A./Law, Redd, Crona & Munroe, P.A. for fees of \$21,550 for FY 2013, \$22,197 for FY 2014, \$22,863 for FY 2015, and \$23,549 for FY 2016. Should the contract be renewed by Blueprint for two additional years; and, in such event, the Contractor's fee for audit services will be \$24,256 for FY 2017, and \$24,990 for FY 2018.

Action by TCC and CAC: This item was not presented to the TCC or CAC.

6. IRS Audit Results of 2007 Sales Tax Revenue Bonds

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Option 1: Accept staff update.

TCC and CAC Action: The CAC voted 9-0 in favor of accepting the staff recommendation. This item was not presented to the TCC.

Commissioner Scott Maddox moved approval of the consent agenda; Commissioner Nick Maddox seconded the motion. Regarding the minutes Commissioner Nick Maddox requested an amendment to reflect that he was present at the meeting prior to when it was noted that he arrived; evidenced by motions made on earlier items. Autumn Calder noted that after it was pointed out in a briefing, it was corrected in the file. However it was not submitted as an agenda modification. **Commissioner Scott Maddox amended his motions to include correcting the scrivener's error. The amended motion passed unanimously.**

V. PRESENTATIONS/ACTIONS/DISCUSSIONS

7. Election of Intergovernmental Agency Vice-Chair

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The Agency is to conduct an election for a Vice-Chairperson in accordance with the approved By-Laws.

Action by TCC and CAC: This item was not presented to the TCC or CAC.

Commissioner Gillum moved to elect Commissioner Scott Maddox as the IA Vice-Chair. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Capital City Amphitheater Interlocal Agreement

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Option 1: Accept the Capital City Amphitheater Interlocal Agreement and direct staff to place the Agreement on the July 9, 2013 County Commission meeting agenda and the July 10, 2013 City Commission meeting agenda for final approval.

Action by the TCC and CAC: Lee Daniel from Visit Tallahassee provided the CAC an information update on the progress of the Interlocal Agreement draft. This item was not presented to the TCC.

Commissioner Dozier stated that it had been mentioned to staff previously however she wanted to reiterate that agenda material needed to be distributed in a timely manner. It was difficult to read and review material that was emailed out the day before the meeting.

Wayne Tedder stated that City and County had taken point on the item and requested that Ken Morris of Leon County, Lee Daniel of Visit Tallahassee, and Dee Crumpler of City Parks and Recreation come forward to present the item to the Board. Ken Morris stated that a STAGE Committee or focus group was developed for the County to help plan and coordinate events at the Amphitheater, which would be managed by the City. The Committee would be under the policies of the County, however, it would have open public meetings. Many items that had been previously presented remained the same however, there were a couple of outstanding issues; one being dispute resolution in which the language differed from other Interlocal Agreements.

Commissioner Dozier stated that City Commissioners requested that the agreement be brought before the IA for discussion. However, since the MOU was between both governments, the ultimate votes would be made at the individual commission meetings. Citizen comment and Board recommendations should be added to staff negotiations prior to the item being placed on the respective commission agendas. Furthermore, additional decisions would be made by the City Commission on other events that was not part of the subject agreement, which spoke to the ten regional events.

Mike Bauer, Attorney for the Myers Park Neighborhood Association, stated that the decisions before the chamber jeopardized the financial guarantee of time tested tax revenue of approximately \$1M annually, from the neighborhoods of Myers Park and Woodland Drive. By trading decibel heavy speakers and amplifiers at the quiet neighborhoods and for unknown tourists and outsiders to come watch headliners in a 4500 seat outdoor amphitheater ten times a year. He expressed concern that realtors would steer perspective buyers away from the neighborhoods; that the older generation would want to leave and the younger generations with families would not be interested either. He requested that the Board not write a "how to destroy a large tax base of our city" or "how to offend your neighbors with loud music and base for four hours a night ten nights a year" but rather follow the golden rule. He expressed that the

neighborhoods wanted to be fair however it was not the St. Augustine Amphitheater in a tourist area. It was a neighborhood with families with work and school responsibilities.

Vivian Young, a resident of Oakland Avenue in Myers Park, expressed her concern of the noise impacts from the Amphitheater. She was a longtime supporter of Blueprint however she requested that the IA take serious consideration of the noise concerns. She did not believe that simply turning down the volume was a solution. She felt that it was critical and still possible to redesign the speaker system or modify the structure of the Amphitheater before construction was completed. Furthermore, she encouraged specific and documented dBA and dBC limits prior to the adoption of the noise ordinance. She recognized that it was a tremendous asset to the community and that many residents were looking forward to it. However, it was not only the regional events but the many local events that could occur there throughout the year.

Jeannie Conner, a resident of Oakland Avenue, echoed the comments of the previous speakers and further requested regulation of bass levels, the dBCs.

Wayne Tedder stated that the neighborhood had not been provided materials that the Board received earlier that day. However, Mr. Tedder stated, that he was moving forward based on the input of local professionals following a site visit. A draft outline of some of the scope of services available by the local professionals was provided and could be distributed to the interested residents.

Commissioner Proctor stated that with multiple universities and colleges in town, a closing time for the Amphitheater of 11:00 pm did not seem to be "late." He did not think that it was necessary to create exemptions. He reminded the Board that former Commissioner Mustian wanted to bring a national literary event to Tallahassee. He did not see how Tallahassee could hope to attract that type of performance with a curfew of 11:00 pm. He suggested the Board beg exception from the Myers Park and Woodland Drives neighborhoods to accommodate it. The Board should not legislate themselves into placing a limit on the regional events when they have a \$300K plus facility. He reminded the Board that residents in the southern half of Leon County were disturbed **every** morning and late into the evening by the sound of airplanes coming and going.

Understanding that it would be voted on by the respective commissions, **Commissioner Proctor moved to place an addendum in the language of the Interlocal Agreement for exceptions to the curfew times for regional events.** Commissioner Dozier clarified Board members could make recommendations for further negotiation between the City and County staff. It would be brought before each commission individually by staff; if the individual commissions had further specific changes or rejections it would be returned to the other Agency. Ken Morris stated that they were willing to take input from the IA and return to negotiations. **Mayor Marks seconded the motion for purposes of discussion.**

Mr. Crumpler stated that the Interlocal Agreement would apply to the ten ticketed events, not specifically the literary event as Mr. Crumpler understood it. Lee Daniel stated that based on conversations with other Amphitheaters in the region, the 11:00 pm curfew on weekends could

work with regional acts. Regarding the curfew, Mr. Crumpler stated that language was included for exceptions on state and federal holidays, such as New Year's Eve.

Commissioner Desloge stated that nothing would be cast in stone from the review of the draft that was before them. He felt it was a good product; not perfect but a good reflection of hours of work by staff and the neighborhoods. The problems would not be solved around a table. He suggested letting it run for six months to a year and factor in the real time data of actual events.

Commissioner Dozier noted that should the City or County elect not to use the Amphitheater for regional events, it would not fit the intent and agreement of the TDC dollars. She also requested that staff provide clarification when it was returned to the individual Commissions of whom the STAGE Committee would be making recommendations to and what their responsibilities would be. Also, to her City Commission counterparts she encouraged the sorting of the Meridian Point Building to use as backstage area for performers, or if it was not feasible to allow for another location to be secured.

Commissioner Gillum requested that staff outline what process and current "curfew" was and who was responsible for enforcing that. Ken Morris stated that the City Commission would be the approving authority for any deviation. **Commissioner Procter withdrew his motion.**

Scott Maddox moved option 1; it was seconded by Mary Ann Lindley.

Commissioner Nancy Miller questioned if there were stipulations on deviations contained in the MOU. It was confirmed that there were not any included.

Commissioner Gillum requested that no committee censor any potential act at the Amphitheater. Instead, he requested that all members of all committees take a holistic view and take into consideration the needs of the entire community. Mr. Crumpler concurred with Commissioner Gillum and further stated that was why such a diverse group of people were selected for the STAGE Committee. Also, both he and Mr. Daniel would be reporting back to the City and County Commissions respectively after events and six-months into it.

Commissioner Miller stated regarding diversity of the community that she wanted to go on record as stating that she preferred for Cascades Park to be focused on the community at large and not be turned into a playground for the Universities. There were other venues and occasions that are well established by their communities. She would like the ten ticked events and other uses of the park to be aimed at the larger community not just students.

The motion passed unanimously.

8. Lake Jackson Basin Water Quality Project

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Option 1: Approve the transfer of \$272,254.34 in remaining funds from the Blueprint 2000 Lake Jackson Basin Water Quality budget to Leon County for channel improvements and stream restoration in the Ford's Arm South Watershed.

Action by the TCC and CAC: The CAC voted 9-0 in favor of the staff recommendation. This item was not presented to the TCC.

Commissioner Scott Maddox moved option 1; Commissioner Nick Maddox seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

9. Capital Circle SW (W1) Right-of-Way Adjustment

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Option 1: Reduce the right-of-way from 230 feet to 180 feet in the areas of the Golden Aster Preserve and the US Forest Service's Lake Bradford Tract. This would result in the Typical Section being modified to remove the 50 feet noted as "natural ground".

Action by the TCC and CAC: The TCC concurred with Blueprint 2000's recommendation to reduce the right-of-way width in the areas of the Golden Aster Preserve and the US Forest Service's Lake Bradford Tract. The TCC awaits final guidance from the IA.

The CAC voted 9-0 in favor of the staff recommendation. However, there was considerable discuss over the perception that this deviation from the Blueprint 2000 typical section may set a precedent for future deviations from the standard Blueprint 2000 Capital Circle roadway design.

Charles Hargraves gave a brief overview of the agenda item and introduced one citizen to speak. Debbie Lightsey, resident of 2340 Cypress Cove Drive, stated that Blueprint staff notified residents that FDOT secured federal funds to complete construction of the final segment of Capital Circle, known as W1 by Blueprint. She reminded the Board that the subject segment had been hotly contested for more than 20-years by residents of that area. Over the years, agreements had been reached between residents and staff about how it should be handled. The neighborhoods preferred that a 230-foot ROW be maintained through that area however they understood that Forest Service property served the same intent as the original "natural area."

Her main point however was that certain understandings, some of which had been codified, would be disregarded by FDOT who intended to construct their standard roadway; items such as light and noise controls, bridging of the wetland connector between Lake Cascade and Lake Hiawatha, or having Environmental Inspectors on site during construction. FDOT's position was that anything other than their standard construction would to be funded by local government. She requested the Board to be advocates of the residents, the environment, and that segment of Capital Circle; to absolutely be consistently and aggressively involved with FDOT and FHWA to ensure that the guarantees given the citizens were maintained.

Wayne Tedder stated that Blueprint met with FDOT District 3 office twice since the issue was surfaced. Blueprint remained firm that the corridor needed to be consistent with the other segments of Capital Circle, including a 230-foot wide Right of Way, with the exception of the small area of the Golden Aster Preserve. FDOT had expressed concerns about the 230-foot

ROW through the other portion of the corridor. Blueprint's position was to stay involved by monitoring that FDOT complied.

Commissioner Gillum requested that Mr. Tedder explain exactly what that involvement would look like. Mr. Tedder stated that ROW width would be determined based on 60% design plans. The opportunity for the Board to be involved would come when, questioned Commissioner Gillum. Mr. Tedder stated that Blueprint would review both 30% and 60% plans.

Ryan Wetherell, of Kimley Horn and Associates, the FDOT selected consultant, stated that in addition to staff involvement and review briefings at each IA meeting were included in the scope of service providing the elected officials opportunity to provide input throughout the project.

Commissioner Miller stated that she was troubled by Mr. Tedder's comment of "until we needed it for the future." She questioned the status of the preserves. Mr. Tedder stated that one was owned by the City and the other by the US Forest Service, who it was said had plans for a future training facility and offices on that site. Regarding Ms. Lightsey's concerns, Mr. Tedder stated that Blueprint was fortunate that Kimley Horn was the proposed design consultant for the project. Ryan Wetherell was present through the many public hearings and various meetings with the neighborhood through the PD&E phase of the project and was intimately familiar with the sensitivity of the issues. The connections were in place to raise issues up through FDOT then the Board, if staff could not reach resolution.

Commissioner Ziffer reinforced the painstaking efforts that had been made by staff with the community in other segments of Capital Circle to keep the corridor far and above the typical roadway construction. It was a segment that had great environmental concerns and was the gateway from the airport; the first impression to the City was equally as important as the environment. Commissioner Ziffer reiterated the support and backing of the Board with FDOT.

Mayor Marks questioned what role the USDOT played in the process. Mr. Tedder stated that they provided funding for the Southwest segment as well as having been involved in the design process. At the end of the day it would be their roadway, stated Mr. Tedder.

Regarding the environmental issues, the Mayor questioned whose rules would be followed; those of local government or another's. Mr. Wetherell stated that the PD&E process followed the federal NEPA process. In order to leave the project open for future funding federal rules would have to be adhered to. They were not specific to Florida or even transportation; they were national environmental policies. The Mayor questioned if they were consistent with local practices. Mr. Wetherell stated that typically, whether it was local or federal, the most stringent rule would apply because of the permitting process. The Mayor was impressed.

Commissioner Proctor questioned the commitment to and status of the current MBE participation on the project. Mr. Tedder stated that if Blueprint accepted even one dollar from the federal government they would follow federal guidelines for MBE participation which was a goal of 10%. Commissioner Proctor requested an update be presented at the February IA to what percentages were addressed. **The motion passed unanimously.**

10. Capital Cascades Trail Segment 3 Update and Authorization to Increase Construction Budget

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Option 1: Authorize the addition of landscape and hardscape design to Capital Cascades Trail – Segments 3B and 3C Construction Services Contract at a cost not to exceed **\$5,000,000.00** which includes post design services and project contingency consistent with the project implementation described below:

1. The CCT-Segment 3B and 3C project will be combined (plans, specifications, quantities) with the FAMU Way Extension Project and advertised together as one construction contract.
2. City of Tallahassee Public Works will advertise, and award a construction contract to the lowest, responsible, responsive bidder meeting all contract requirements.
3. City of Tallahassee Public Works, in coordination with Blueprint 2000, will administer the Construction Contract and provide CEI Services for the project.
4. Blueprint 2000 and the City of Tallahassee Public Works Department will enter into a Joint Project Funding Agreement.
5. Project funding will come from fiscal year 2014 sales tax revenues.

Action by the TCC and CAC: The CAC voted 8-0 in favor of staff recommendation (one member abstained). Several members expressed an interest in providing input into the conceptual design of Segment 3 in a separate workshop.

Commissioner Scott Maddox moved option 1; Mayor Marks seconded the motion.

Shawn Kalbli gave a brief presentation on the updates of Capital Cascades Trail Segment 3 character. While he was bringing up the item Wayne Tedder responded to Commissioner Miller's request for clarification on the addition of \$5M for the project. He stated that the original allocations did not include the landscape and hardscape design, which still was not complete. However the estimate for stormwater improvements was at \$17M.

At the February 2013 IA meeting the Board expressed great concern with the aesthetics of the trail and stormwater management facilities. Staff was working with the stakeholders and FAMU Way CAC and while a formal response had not been received, the initial reactions of the FAMU Leadership Team were favorable. As the Board continued to allocate funding for hardscape and landscape improvements to beautify the area, to make it more than a stormwater management project, Blueprint would join forces with the City on FAMU Way and put the project out to bid once the final design was complete. Until the design was completed, staff could not give a final cost estimate. Commissioner Miller questioned where the \$5M would come from. Mr. Tedder stated that there were unallocated sales tax dollars included in the budget.

Commissioner Miller stated that in discussions of the Tallahassee Junction there was an option of moving the trailhead to Lake Elberta; she questioned how that fit into Blueprint's plans. Mr. Tedder stated that staff was actively meeting with Parks & Recreation and Public Works staff to figure out if collaboration and common areas were possible. Commissioner Miller stated that it was well known that the only reason Tallahassee Junction was not currently open was funding

obstacles in maintaining it. To build or even plan something to go there, when the City could not afford to maintain it was unwise.

Commissioner Proctor expressed his dislike for the ‘water hole’ of Van Buren Pond. His understanding was that boxed culverts would be installed the length of the project. He did not think that a pond should be placed there. Instead, he thought only Coal Chute Pond should be included. He was reticent to cast a vote on a decision that had not been fully vetted through FAMU. Furthermore, he did not think that staff had worked out flow of traffic in the round-about at MLK and that it would exacerbate the existing difficulties at high traffic times.

Mayor Marks suggested officially naming Van Buren Pond, Lake Savoy in honor of the Savoy Lounge. Mr. Tedder stated that naming the pond would be appropriate to take through the FAMU Way CAC and Leadership Team.

The motion passed 8-1 with Commissioner Proctor casting the dissenting vote.

12. Proposed Revisions to the IA, CAC, and TCC Rules, By-laws, and Policies and Procedures

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Option 1: Approve of the revisions as described above, and attached in the redline edited copies of each governing document discussed above.

Action by the CAC and TCC: The CAC voted 7-2 in favor of adding the Big Bend Minority Chamber of Commerce as an additional option for providing a representative from a minority chamber of commerce. This item was not presented to the TCC.

Wayne Tedder gave a brief overview of the item. The two significant issues were: (1) the “or” provision in the CAC bylaws for the two minority Chambers of Commerce and (2) in the IA bylaws, how changes to existing projects or new projects were brought before the IA. For greater accountability of Blueprint projects, if there was a change to a project or if a project was added to the list of projects that was inconsistent with the original Projects Definition Report that it would be vetted through two public hearings and a super-majority vote of the IA.

Commissioner Ziffer moved option 1; Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

There was one public speaker for the item. John Gibby stated that item 12 was to hold Blueprint accountable to the citizens tax dollars. The key seemed to be, what authority it took to move money that had been collected from the citizens. He determined that the confusion seemed to be around if it was real money or future money. Blueprint moved money via an email to the Accounting Department and made FDOT so angry that they pulled Blueprint from the list. The problem with the bylaws was that it was not clear if Blueprint was moving tax dollars that were previously collected.

The motion passed unanimously.

13. Proposed FY 2013 Blueprint Operating Budget

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Review and comment on the FY 2014 Operating Budget.

Action by the TCC and CAC: The CAC reviewed and discussed the operating budget but will not vote to accept the operating budget until the August 29th meeting. Members suggested including money for healthcare benefits for temporary employees as a result of the Affordable Healthcare Act. The TCC did not review this item.

Wayne Tedder gave a brief updated of the proposed changes to the operating budget. He noted that as projects were completed the Board would see reductions to the overall operating costs of Blueprint.

John Gibby stated that he was concerned that the discussions were what tax dollars would be spent on in 2019. They were so worried about extending the sales tax and paying for the next round of projects however Blueprint had not paid for the projects that were to have been completed on this round.

Mr. Tedder stated that the only unfunded Tier 1 projects were Capital Cascades Trail Segment 4 and Capital Circle Southwest. He estimated there would be \$37M available for the completion of Segment 4. However it was doubtful that CCSW would be funded out of the current round of sales tax dollars. It was the primary project for the sales tax extension however. Commissioner Desloge noted that it was purely because of the decline in tax revenues which could not have been predicted. Commissioner Miller suggested that the inclusion of Mahan Drive, which was a Tier 2 project, was part of that as well. Mr. Tedder stated that Blueprint's contribution to Mahan Drive was approximately \$5M.

Commissioner Desloge noted that Blueprint was audited annually. Mr. Tedder confirmed that and stated that the issues raised by Mr. Gibby had been reviewed through a comprehensive analysis by internal legal counsel as well as the Board Attorney, Maribel Nicholson-Choice with Greenburg Traurig. The corrections to the bylaws were to increase transparency. Commissioner Miller noted that Blueprint was recently audited by the IRS. Mr. Tedder stated that it was an exhaustive audit that produced three minor issues that staff was working with City staff to create establish new processes to correct them.

14. Fiscal Year 2013-2017 Blueprint Capital Improvement Plan and the FY 2013-2020 Net Sales Tax Allocation Plan

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Review and comment on the Capital Improvement Program and the Net Sales Tax Allocation Plan. The Intergovernmental Agency will conduct a Public Hearing and adopt the Budget in in the next regularly scheduled meeting on September 16, 2013.

Action By TCC and CAC:

The CAC reviewed and discussed the Capital Improvement Plan and the Net Sales Tax Allocation Plan in the May 30 meeting. The CAC asked Blueprint staff to bring back more information on the Centennial Field universal design concept so that they can consider adding it as a project in the FY 2014 CIP and NSTAP. Additionally, the CAC requested that Blueprint staff identify projects to use the remaining funds in the NFWFMD Partnership and Lake Lafayette Floodplain budgets before deallocating the funds. The CAC will receive a detailed update prior to the Final Budget Hearing in September.

Wayne Tedder gave a brief overview of the capital budget and explanation of the deallocation of unspecified funds. He reiterated the recommendation of the CAC to fund City or County stormwater projects that qualified under the Blueprint philosophy. Blueprint staff would review that possibility with a focus on the Headwaters of the St. Marks and Lake Lafayette Floodplain. Furthermore, Mr. Tedder stated, that tax revenue collections, interest, and reduction in operating costs allowed for funding to be allocated to Capital Cascades Trail Segment 3.

John Gibby stated that his concerns were not in whether IRS rules or Sunshine Laws were violated. His issue was that Blueprint delivered what was promised to the citizens. The record of bean counting was accurate however, the problem with Orange Avenue was that Blueprint took \$7M of real money and moved it to Capital Cascades Trail and angering FDOT to the point of withdrawing \$3M from the project. The reason CCSW was not complete was because they did not follow through on their promise.

Mr. Tedder stated that FDOT had not taken any funding away from Blueprint; it was their money and they were leading the design of the project, as discussed in the information items.

Commissioner Miller questioned if the 2014 allocations for the Headwaters of the St. Marks could be used to construct boardwalks. Mr. Tedder stated that the general response from the City and County was, could the funding be used for something other than stormwater projects? The funding was designated for greenways and stormwater enhancement. Staff was reviewing an exhaustive list of project descriptions. Anything within the Project Definitions Report was subject to the use of that funding. Projects outside of that would require two public hearings and a supermajority vote to allocate funds to them.

Commissioner Miller questioned if Lightsey Pond could be included. Mr. Tedder reiterated the two project areas: Headwaters of the St. Marks and Lake Lafayette Floodplain. He further stated that should the Board choose to deallocate funds they could, by simple majority, shift funds to another current Blueprint project. Commissioner Dozier stated that there was a proposal before the Sales Tax Committee for the Lake Lafayette and Headwaters of the St. Marks areas for greenway, trails, and water quality issues; including a floodplain study that was crucial to infrastructure improvements and reducing the flood insurance for residents of those areas. She was pleased with the recommendation by the CAC because it could allow the County to accomplish some of the floodwater issues, sooner rather than later.

Commissioner Miller stated that there were two trail heads funded at \$500K each. She was waiting on information from staff on them. Mr. Tedder stated that he might have allocated dollars and it was one of the things that had created confusion in the past, certainly by Mr. Gibby. The Master Plan, the old capital budget document, showed funding allocations throughout the lifetime of Blueprint. He stated that it was possible that funds were allocated with the general concept of having a trail head through that area.

Commissioner Miller clarified that they were a bicycle trailheads, like the St. Marks Trail, at Gaile Avenue and Tallahassee Junction. Mr. Tedder explained that Tallahassee Junction was acquired by the City, not through Blueprint with sales tax revenue. Furthermore, he stated that was what he referred to when he spoke about Blueprint working with Public Works and Parks & Recreation to see if the Segment 3 and Segment 4 designs could accommodate multiple interests and create synergy around them. Commissioner Miller stated that she was hearing that it was Blueprint dollars for Blueprint bicycle trailheads. Mr. Tedder confirmed that they were.

Autumn Calder stated that there was a FCT grant in, she thought, 2005. Commissioner Miller indicated that was not what she was referring to. Commissioner Dozier interjected to ask if staff could research it further and bring additional information back to the Board.

15. Maintenance Cost of Sales Tax Funded Projects

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Option 1: Accept status report on maintenance costs of sales tax funded projects.

Action by the TCC and CAC: This item was not presented to the CAC or TCC.

Commissioner Ziffer requested to defer the item to the September meeting given the time and that Commissioner Gillum, the requestor of the item, was out of the room. The Board concurred.

VI. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Bob Ippolito, President of Killearn Homes Association and resident at 2705 Killearny Way, distributed a nine-page document regarding the water quality of Killearny and Cantuck lakes and read the summary of the executive summary of that report to the Board.

Mayor Marks questioned if it was a project that could be considered under Blueprint. Mr. Tedder stated that it was a project that had been considered under the current sales tax. Commissioner Desloge noted that the Killearn Homes Association had presented to the Sales Tax Committee for inclusion in the project list of the tax extension.

VII. ITEMS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairman Dozier adjourned the meeting at 5:14 pm.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Kristin Dozier
Chair of Blueprint 2000 IA

Shelonda Meeks
Secretary to Blueprint 2000 IA