



## **Recap of the Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting**

**July 24, 2020**

The July 24, 2020 Hillsborough County Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting was called to order by Chair Eric Johnson at 8:30 a.m.

**Members Present:** Chair Eric Johnson, Vice Chair Jen McDonald, Barbara Aderhold, Kay Doughty, Linda Porter, Wendell Duggins, Noelle Licor, Tu Mai, Joseph Odda, Adam Elend, and Sean Baraoidan.

**Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, and Introductions:** The Pledge of Allegiance was held.

**Public Comment:** None.

**COVID-19 Brief Overview:** Dr. Douglas Holt, the Florida Department of Health Director, spoke briefly on testing and positivity rates, contact tracing, and the challenges of trying to reduce the number of new cases.

**CAC's Role During COVID-19 and Aftermath:** Chair Johnson opened the conversation about the CAC being a connection from the community to the Commissioners during these times. Due to the ongoing pandemic, the BOCC cannot be at events or in as close contact with the members of the community, so they are relying on the committee to communicate needs. Vice Chair Jen McDonald made a motion to research the number of pending evictions and what the implications of that will be once the Governor-issued moratorium has been lifted. Noelle Licor seconded; Motion carried 11-0.

**Discussion of 2020, 2021 Work Plans:** Adam Elend made a motion to send a letter to the BOCC to remind them that the CAC is here for them. Kay Doughty seconded; Motion carried 11-0. Sean Baraoidan made a motion to explore the county budget, specifically in regards to the amount allocated to the Sheriff's Office. Vice Chair McDonald made an amendment to the motion and asked for county staff to present the full budget at the upcoming meeting. Motion, as amended, carried 11-0. On this issue, Chair Johnson directed Lauren to invite Tom Fesler to the next meeting to discuss specific budget questions, which are to be sent to him in advance of the meeting. There was discussion on several items to be placed on the upcoming year's work plan, which is scheduled to be finalized during the next meeting. At that time, a letter will be composed to Chairman Miller for his information and feedback.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:13 a.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 28, 2020.