Little Manatee South Working Group Meeting

Thursday, August 22, 2019 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.
SouthShore Regional Library - Community Rooms 1 and 2
15816 Beth Shields Way
Ruskin, FL 33573

Meeting Agenda

1) Call to Order and Introductions

2) Approval of Meeting Minutes from June 27, 2019

3) Public Comment

4) Requested Presentations:
   a. What does job development look like in the area?
   b. Where will people shop and work?
   c. Discuss the issue of developing a downtown Ruskin north of the river.

5) Other Business

6) Future Meeting: Thursday, October 24, 2019

7) Adjournment
The Little Manatee South Community Working Group met in Regular Meeting, scheduled for Thursday, June 27, 2019, at 6:00 p.m., in Community Room 2, SouthShore Regional Library, Ruskin, Florida.

The following members were present: Commissioners Stacy White and Mariella Smith and citizen members Ralph Groonloc and J.D. Humphorys.

The following member was absent: Scott Buzbee.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

Mr. Rick Van Arsdall, Chief Deputy, Finance and Budget, Clerk of the Circuit Court, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and asked the working group members to introduce themselves.

2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mr. Van Arsdall sought nominations for chairman. Commissioner Smith nominated Commissioner White for chair, seconded by Mr. Greenlee. Hearing no further nominations, Commissioner White was duly elected chairman. (Mr. Buzbee was absent). Chairman White assumed the chair and opened the floor for vice chairman nominations. Commissioner Smith nominated Ralph Greenlee, seconded by Mr. Humphreys. Hearing no further nominations, Mr. Greenlee was duly elected vice chairman. (Mr. Buzbee was absent.)

3. RULES OF ORDER CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL

Chairman White called for a motion to approve the rules of order. Commissioner Smith so moved, seconded by Mr. Humphreys, and carried four to zero. (Mr. Buzbee was absent.)

4. PUBLIC COMMENT - None.

5. SUNSHINE LAW PRIMER

Deputy County Attorney Mary Helen Farris gave a presentation. Chairman White added remarks.

6. GOALS OF THE WORKGROUP

Following comments from Mr. Brandon Wagner, Operations and Legislative Affairs, Chairman White requested feedback for the working group’s goals. Talks ensued on transportation challenges and future area development.
7. LITTLE MANATEE SOUTH COMMUNITY PLAN OVERVIEW

Mr. Pedro Parra, Planning Commission, expounded on a presentation and referenced distributed material. Commissioner Smith asked about the wildlife corridors. Chairman White and Mr. Humpherys commented on possible corridor opportunities. Discussion occurred on the long-term community plans, regulatory language implementation, and potential conflicts for wildlife corridors/trails and enhanced infrastructure.

8. FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL

Chairman White sought topics for future meetings/considerations. Mr. Humpherys pondered transportation challenges/solutions to preserve the area development lifestyle. Mr. Greenlee pointed to the area growth in regard to the trucking routes. Dialogue ensued on unified oversight, development inside/outside urban service areas, infill development area acreage data, intensive development timeline, and transportation consultant estimates. Subsequent to discussion with Mr. Parra and Senior Assistant County Attorney Johanna Lundgren on usage of the term “average” in the comprehensive plan, Chairman White wanted the group to receive a primer on density calculations, contemplated the idea of a form-based code and Palm Bay/Cortez Fishing Village standards, touched on economic opportunity/commerce, considered the tools available to preserve scenic/upland corridors, and opined on transit hub/oriented development for communities in south county. Mr. Greenlee mentioned colocating schools and fire/police stations for efficiency and bus usage. Chairman White relayed the group’s action process. Following review of the group’s meeting schedule, Chairman White entertained a motion the group adopt those dates, minus July 2019. Commissioner Smith so moved, seconded by Mr. Greenlee, and carried four to zero. (Mr. Buzbee was absent.)
9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

READ AND APPROVED: ____________________________

CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:
PAT FRANK, CLERK

By: ____________________________
   Deputy Clerk

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Future Meeting Topics – Little Manatee South Working Group

August 22, 2019

• What does job development look like in the area? (Smith) Economic Opportunity and Commerce
• Where will people shop and work? (White) Economic Opportunity and Commerce
• Discuss the issue of developing a downtown Ruskin north of the river. (White) Growth

October 3, 2019

• How is density calculated for developments per the Comprehensive Plan? (White) Growth
• Infill and growth numbers for Little Manatee South area? (White) Growth

November 7, 2019

• Form Based Code (White) Growth
• Colocation of resources like schools, parks, law enforcement HQ’s, etc. (Greenlee) Growth

December 5, 2019

• Who has ownership of/responsibility for Little Manatee River? (Humpherys) Environmental
• Tools to preserve scenic corridors, and ecologically pristine areas and waterways? (White) Environmental
• How can upland wildlife corridors be protected? (White) Environmental

2020 Dates TBD

• What is the transportation solution that protects Sundance’s lifestyle, etc.? Transportation planning, impacts, and potential mitigation. (Humpherys) Transportation
• Enforcement of truck route provisions, etc. (Greenlee) Transportation
• Can transit oriented development vs. rural be blended? (White) Growth
• How are recommended changes codified? (White) Legal