

**MINUTES
LONGBOAT KEY TOWN COMMISSION
JOINT MEETING WITH SARASOTA COUNTY COMMISSION
OCTOBER 11, 2023
SARASOTA COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
1660 RINGLING BLVD
SARASOTA, FL 34236**

Town of Longboat Key

Present: Mayor Ken Schneier, Vice Mayor Mike Haycock, Commissioners B.J. Bishop, Gary Coffin, Penny Gold, Debbie Murphy, Debra Williams

Also Present: Town Manager Howard Tipton, Town Attorney Maggie Mooney, Deputy Town Clerk Savannah Cobb

Sarasota County

Present: Chair Ron Cutsinger, Vice Chair Mike Moran, and Commissioners Mark Smith, Neil Rainford, Joe Neunder

Also Present: County Administrator Jonathan R. Lewis, County Attorney Joshua Moye, Deputy Clerk Maria Bocci

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Sarasota County Chair Cutsinger called the October 11, 2023, Joint Meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. County Commissioner Rainford led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. AGENDA ITEMS

A. Town Center Update (Longboat Key)

Following comments by Town Manager Howard Tipton, Public Works Director Isaac Brownman provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Town Center update. Discussion ensued on using the North Port Library as a template for design.

B. Library Update (Sarasota County)

Sarasota County Libraries and Historical Resources Director Renee Di Pilato provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Longboat Key Library update. Discussion ensued on the following topics/issues:

- pop-up vehicle library services
- technology opportunities
- timeline of project
- capital/operational costs
- funding opportunities
- demographic data analysis.

C. St. Regis Update (Longboat Key)

Planning, Zoning, and Building Director Allen Parsons provided a PowerPoint presentation on the St. Regis update. Discussion ensued on the following topics/issues:

- little impact on traffic/residents
- still 300 fewer tourism units in tourism pool from when Colony closed
- public amenities.

D. Transit Update (Sarasota County)

Sarasota County Transit Area Director Jane Grogg provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Transit update. Discussion ensued on the following topics/issues:

- OnDemand services throughout island
- "zone-free" trips to airport
- future plans for transportation
- OnDemand cost per person (varies by zone)
- trolley sharing the bike lane.

E. Update on Sarasota County/City of Sarasota Stormwater on St. Armands (Sarasota County)

Sarasota County Public Works Director Spencer Anderson provided a PowerPoint presentation on Sarasota County/City of Sarasota Stormwater on St. Armands. Discussion ensued on the following topics/issues:

- impact of sea level rising/King Tides
- design criteria for rainfall
- height of seawall needed for surge protection.

Commissioner Bishop thanked and shared her appreciation to the County Commission for their support and joint efforts.

3. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

No items were presented.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

No items were presented.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Sarasota County Chair Cutsinger adjourned the October 11, 2023, Joint Meeting at 2:24 p.m.



Savannah Cobb, Deputy Town Clerk



Kenneth Schneier, Mayor

Minutes Approved: 11/6/2023

