

SEMINOLE COUNTY

PARKS & PRESERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

September 23, 2020

ATTENDANCE:

Members Present: Nancy Dunn, Jason Sutton, Mark Brandenburg, Emily Hanna, Pasha Baker, L.A. Key, Bryce Gibson

Members Absent: Ashlee Woodard, Tom Boyko, Jim Buck, J. Reid Hilliard, Rocky Harrelson, Robert Bowden, Ed Ghiglieri

Staff Present: Rick Durr, Corey Warner, Sherry Williams, Bill Pandos, Michael Wirsing, Vasu Persaud Public Works,

Guests: Kevin Fischer Horizon Engineering Group, Scott Seck Horizon Engineering Group

Call to Order – Mark Brandenburg called the meeting to order at 6:32PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome/Introductions – Mark Brandenburg

Approval of August 26, 2020 Meeting Minutes – A motion was made by Jason Sutton to approve the minutes as they were presented. Pasha Baker seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

- 'Seminole Wekiva Trail Pedestrian Bridges Feasibility Study'
 - Over the years the PPAC has requested a safer way to commute the Cross Seminole Trail where it intersects with SR436 and SR434.
 - Public Works has done research into how this can be done and presented everything they had found.
 - Vasu Persaud presented multiple different bridge structures to allow for the safe crossing of SR434 and SR436.
 - There were also a couple of tunnel alternatives, but due to the water table of the area and utility conflicts these alternatives were rejected.
 - After presenting all of the possibilities, Vasu Persaud told the PPAC what Public Works' recommendations were.
 - The members of PPAC had a lengthy discussion about these possibilities, but ultimately decided they did not have enough information to make recommendations at this time.
 - Emily Hanna also stated that she wanted to see what at grade options there could be for this project.
 - PPAC asked Public Works to give them time to discuss and look over the information, as well as to give information for any at grade improvements that can be made, and at that point PPAC will give its recommendation.
- 'Central Seminole Trail' discussion
 - At the last PPAC meeting, the members of PPAC said that if they recommend something to go along US17/92 that they make it look like it is still part of a trail, and not part of a major roadway.
 - Public Works has been in contact with the Department of Transportation about this, and they said they are open to working with the County to change the ambiance of the road.
 - After this, discussion ensued between the PPAC members and it became obvious there was still much to discuss.

- Mark Brandenburg said that he wanted to have a full discussion about the 'Central Seminole Trail', as time for the night was running out.
- Due to time running out on the meeting, the Trails Master Plan, Trail Projects Updates, and the Rolling Hills Trails Master Plan and Website Review discussions would have to be pushed to later meetings.
- It was then decided that the October PPAC Meeting would consist of only the Rolling Hills Trails Master Plan and Website Review and the Trails Master Plan.
- The November PPAC Meeting will only consist of the 'Central Seminole Trail' and possibly the 'Seminole Wekiva Trail Pedestrian Bridges Feasibility Study'.

Old Business:

- Pushed back to the October PPAC Meeting

Other Business:

- None

Public Comment

- None

Adjourn – 8:10PM

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