Proceedings of a regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) of St. Johns County, Florida, held in the auditorium at the County Administration Building, 500 San Sebastian View, St. Augustine, Florida.

Present: Jeb Smith, District 2, Chair
James K. Johns, District 1, Vice Chair
William A. McClure, District 3
Rachael L. Bennett, District 5
Michael Wanchick, County Administrator
Patrick McCormack, County Attorney
Sindy Wiseman, Deputy Clerk

Also present: Darrell Locklear, Assistant County Administrator; Joy Andrews, Assistant County Administrator; Regina Ross, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Paolo Soria, Assistant County Attorney; Rebecca Lavie, Assistant County Attorney.

Absent: Jay Morris, District 4

CALL TO ORDER

SMITH called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

The clerk called the roll: All Board members were present, with the exception of Morris.

INVOCATION

Johns gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATION RECOGNIZING SHEILA GREENLEAF FOR HER 40 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE ST. JOHNS COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE

Sheriff David Shoar recognized the many accomplishments of Sheila Greenleaf during her 43 years of service, including her dedication to the Sheriff’s office and the community. Greenleaf thanked Shoar, Wanchick, the commissioners, and Manila Clough, artist, for the mosaic; and the opportunity to serve the citizens of St. Johns County.
McCormack spoke on practicing civility and quoted the English Writer, Mary Montague, who said, “Civility costs nothing, but it can gain everything.” Bennett commented on speaking with civility; also quoting, “Do unto others as you would have them do unto you” and “Speak your truth quietly and clearly and listen to others, even the dull and ignorant, for they too have their story”.

McClure presented the proclamation to Judy Wiseman, President of St. Johns Foster Parent Association, who expressed her appreciation to the Board and spoke on the foster care program.

Johns presented the proclamation and spoke on the duties of the Public Works Department. Shinkre acknowledged the departments of Public Works that were in attendance and spoke on the services of Public Works departments. He recognized Brian Collins, who would be retiring, and thanked him for his service to the County.

Motion by Bennett, seconded by McClure, carried 4/0, with Morris absent, to accept the proclamations.

McCormack reviewed the Board’s rules on decorum.

Tom Reynolds, 880 A1A Beach Boulevard, spoke on civility. He requested to reconsider Agenda Items 6 and 7, from the May 3, 2016, BCC meeting, regarding appointments to Tourist Development Council (TDC) and the Planning and Zoning Board. He noted that he was investigating Bill Jones for law enforcement, criminal check system violation, Exhibit A.

Imel Sole, 1535 Drury Court, spoke on the billboard that displayed “Islam Bloody Islam” and requested the Board to choose unity, over division, of the community.

Rasha Mubarak, 5219 Timber View Terrace, Orlando, FL 32819, expressed appreciation for the proclamation on civility, Exhibit B. She suggested removing the word “toleration” as there should be an embracement of each other, not just toleration. She motioned to have a specific proclamation for the Muslim Community.

Ron Rawls, Pastor of St. Paul AME Church, 85 Martin Luther King Avenue, was pleased for the proclamation on civility and encouraged putting one’s faith above politics.
(9:47 a.m.) BJ Kalaidi, 8 Newcomb Street, stated that she could not stay for the entire meeting and provided a list of concerns that she would like discussed, Exhibit C.

(05/17/16 - 3 - 9:50 a.m.)

DELETIONS TO CONSENT AGENDA

McClure requested that Consent Agenda Items 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 be placed at the end of the Regular Agenda as Items 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16.

(9:53 a.m.) Wanchick requested that Consent Agenda Item 13 be pulled and McCormack requested rescheduling it to June 7, 2016, at 9:00 a.m.

(05/17/16 - 3 - 9:54 a.m.)

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by McClure, seconded by Johns, carried 4/0, with Morris absent, to approve the Consent Agenda, as amended.

1. Motion to approve the Cash Requirement Report

2. Motion to declare items as surplus and authorize the county administrator, or his designee, to dispose of same in accordance with the Purchasing Policy 308 and Florida Statute 274

(Consent Item 3 was pulled and placed on the Regular Agenda as Item 12.)

3. Motion to approve the final plat for Preserve at Palm Valley

(Consent Item 4 was pulled and placed on the Regular Agenda as Item 13.)

4. Motion to approve the final plat for Deer Chase

(Consent Item 5 was pulled and placed on the Regular Agenda as Item 14.)

5. Motion to approve the final plat for Gran Lake, Phase 1A

(Consent Item 6 was pulled and placed on the Regular Agenda as Item 15.)

6. Motion to approve the final plat for Mill Creek Plantation North, Phase 1

(Consent Item 7 was pulled and placed on the Regular Agenda as Item 16.)

7. Motion to approve the final plat for Marshall Creek, DRI, Unit 9

8. Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2016-127, setting a public hearing date of June 21, 2016, at 9:00 a.m., to hear a request for the vacation of a portion of Oak Street

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-127

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING DATE OF JUNE 21, 2016, AT 9:00 A.M., TO HEAR A REQUEST FOR THE VACATION OF A PORTION OF OAK STREET

9. Motion to authorize County staff to submit a grant application to the Department of Economic Opportunity for a Technical Assistance Grant to update the St. Johns County Affordable Housing Study

10. Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2016-128, approving the appropriation of FY 2015 library donations, in the amount of $10,838, from General Fund Reserves;
and the recognition and appropriation of FY 2016 library donations in the amount of $9,111

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-128

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2016 GENERAL FUND TO INCLUDE CERTAIN UNANTICIPATED REVENUE; AND AUTHORIZE ITS EXPENDITURE BY THE LIBRARY SYSTEM

11. Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2016-129, approving the terms, conditions, and requirements of the Agreement for the Master Trust Administration between St. Johns County, Florida, and Family Support Services of North Florida, Inc.; and authorizing the county administrator, or designee, to execute the Agreement on behalf of the County

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-129

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE TERMS, PROVISIONS, CONDITIONS, AND REQUIREMENTS OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES OF NORTH FLORIDA, INC.; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT EXTENSION AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY

12. Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2016-130, approving the terms, conditions, and requirements of the Contract Extension Agreement for adoption recruitment services, in conjunction with the Heart Gallery of North Florida, between St. Johns County, Florida, and Family Support Services of North Florida, Inc.; and authorizing the county administrator, or designee, to execute the Contract Extension Agreement on behalf of the County

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-130

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE TERMS, PROVISIONS, CONDITIONS, AND REQUIREMENTS OF A CONTRACT EXTENSION AGREEMENT BETWEEN ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES OF NORTH FLORIDA, INC.; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT EXTENSION AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY

(Consent Item 13 was rescheduled to June 7, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.)

13. Motion to approve an exchange of real property, pursuant to Section 125.37, Florida Statutes

14. Approval of Minutes:
   • April 5, 2016, Regular Meeting
April 19, 2016, Regular Meeting

(05/17/16 - 5 - 9:55 a.m.)

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO REGULAR AGENDA

Wanchick requested Regular Agenda Item 2 be pulled from the Agenda. McCormack requested to hear Item 10 earlier in the meeting

(05/17/16 - 5 - 9:56 a.m.)

APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA

Motion by Bennett, seconded by Johns, carried 4/0, with Morris absent, to approve the Regular Agenda, as amended.

(05/17/16 - 5 - 9:56 a.m.)

1. PRESENTATION ON NORTH FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION (TPO) TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) FY 2016/17 - 2020/21. THE TIP IDENTIFIES ALL PUBLICLY FUNDED HIGHWAY, TRANSIT, AND AVIATION PROJECTS, WITHIN THE NORTH FLORIDA TPO AREA. THIS AREA INCLUDES ALL OF DUVAL COUNTY; AND SIGNIFICANT PORTIONS OF CLAY, ST. JOHNS, AND NASSAU COUNTIES. THIS REPORT WILL COVER PROJECTS SIGNIFICANT TO ST. JOHNS COUNTY

Wanda Forrest, North Florida Transportation Planning Organization (TPO), Transportation Planning Manager, presented details of the TPO Improvement Program, via PowerPoint presentation, highlighting upcoming roadway projects.

(10:01 a.m.) McClure inquired whether the First Coast Expressway’s two phases had finished construction. Discussion ensued on the Expressway project.

(10:09 a.m.) Tom Reynolds, 880 A1A Beach Boulevard, requested a copy of the handout that was given to the Board by a staff member.

The Board moved the meeting to Regular Item 10.

(Agenda Item 2 was pulled from the agenda)

(05/17/16 - 5 - 9:55 a.m.)

2. PUBLIC HEARING, CPA (SS) 2015-05, ST. JOHNS COMMERCIAL VILLAGE. ADOPTION HEARING FOR CPA (SS) 2015-05, ST. JOHNS COMMERCIAL VILLAGE, A SMALL SCALE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT, TO AMEND APPROXIMATELY 7.7 ACRES OF LAND FROM RESIDENTIAL-B TO COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL (CC), WITH A TEXT AMENDMENT TO LIMIT COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT TO THOSE USES ALLOWED IN COMMERCIAL GENERAL ZONING: CAR WASH AS AN ACCESSORY TO A GAS STATION AND CONVENIENCE STORE; AND LIMITED TO 45,000 SQUARE FEET OR 5,800 SQUARE FEET/ACRE, TO ALLOW A REDUCTION IN THE SCENIC EDGE, TO 30 FEET, ALONG SR 13; PROVIDE INTERNAL CONNECTIVITY BETWEEN THE PARCELS OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; TO PROVIDE THAT NO DEVELOPMENT EDGE SHALL BE REQUIRED WHERE THE PROPERTY ABUTS NONRESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT; AND TO PROVIDE FOR TREE PRESERVATION AND TREE PLANTINGS. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT 600 SR 13. THE PLANNING AND ZONING AGENCY RECOMMENDED DENIAL AT ITS APRIL 21, 2016, MEETING, WITH A 4-1 VOTE
Proof of publication for the notice of public hearing on CPA (SS) 2015-05, St. Johns Commercial Village, was received, having been published in *The St. Augustine Record* on March 23, 2016.

(05/17/16 - 6 - 10:15 a.m.)

3. **PUBLIC HEARING, COMPAMD 2015-07, NOCATEE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TEXT AMENDMENT. ADOPTION HEARING FOR COMPAMD 2015-07, NOCATEE NEW TOWN TEXT AMENDMENT, TO MODIFY OBJECTIVE A.1.19, AS APPROVED BY ORDINANCE NO. 2001-18; AND TO ADD OBJECTIVE A.1.23, FOR THE NEW TOWN FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION, AS IT APPLIES TO THE NOCATEE DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL IMPACT (DRI); MODIFY THE MIXED USE PERCENTAGES; AND ELIMINATE THE TOWN CENTER VILLAGE MIXED USE CORE. NOCATEE IS LOCATED EAST OF US 1 NORTH, WEST OF THE INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY. THE PLANNING AND ZONING AGENCY RECOMMENDED APPROVAL WITH A 4-1 VOTE

Proof of publication for the notice of public hearing on COMPAMD 2015-07, Nocatee DRI, was received, having been published in *The St. Augustine Record* on March 23, 2016.

Teresa Bishop, AICP, Planning Division Manager, stated that Item Numbers 3, 4, and 5 would be presented together.

(10:16 a.m.) Bennett disclosed ex parte communication stating she attended the Planning and Zoning Agency (PZA) hearing, spoke with the speakers from at the PZA hearing, and spoke to the applicants about the project. Johns stated he spoke with the applicant.

(10:16 a.m.) Bishop presented details of the Nocatee DRI, via PowerPoint presentation, including the objectives, litigation, and modifications to the DRI. She noted a revision in the legal description that needed to be incorporated with Item 5, Exhibit A; and a typo in the Ordinance.

(10:22 a.m.) McClure asked whether the purpose of the modification of commercial credit was to shift the non-residential along 9B. Bishop responded.

Lavie left the meeting at 10:22 a.m.

(10:23 a.m.) Bishop continued with the presentation on the DRI and PUD modifications, the Affordable Housing obligation, and the 20 acres to be donated for a higher education facility. Discussion ensued on the 20 acres.

(10:34 a.m.) Ray Spofford, 14775 Old St. Augustine Road, Sonoc Company, gave a presentation on the changes to the Nocatee DRI, PUD, and COMPAMD amendments. He spoke on the mixed uses in the Nocatee Town Village Center, the modification of the school location, reducing the required office use percentage, and getting credit for retail and work place space. He also noted the changes in roadway improvements and development projects over the past 15 years.

(10:50 a.m.) Bennett noted that Pine Island Road would not be eliminated. Spofford also noted that a portion of Pine Island Road would be paved.

(10:51 a.m.) Johns inquired about the acres of wetland versus developed area. Spofford stated it was 50% of the total acreage. Johns also asked about the net present value of the 20 acres. Discussion ensued.

(10:53 a.m.) McClure clarified the Pine Island Road paving and the benefit analysis on the 20 acres. Discussion ensued.
Ellen Whitmer, 1178 Natures Hammock Road South, voiced her concerns with releasing previously approved obligations. She suggested proceeding cautiously when changing a DRI and urged the Board to deny the motions.

BJ Kalaidi, 8 Newcomb Street, spoke in opposition of the changes due to the lack of affordable housing.

Tom Reynolds, 880 A1A Beach Boulevard, spoke on the affordable housing in the Nocatee community, Exhibit B.

Alia Reimer, 7 Hopkins Street, Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity, spoke on affordable housing.

Johns noted that he had spoken with Reimer and Bill Lazar, St. Johns Housing Partnership.

Bennett inquired as to when the County received the 10 acres for affordable housing, suggested developing the property, and spoke on market conditions.

McClure commented on affordable housing placement so that it is affordable and the benefit of the 20 acres.

Greg Barbour, The Park Group, explained the agreement, in regards to the 20 acres. Discussion ensued.

Motion by Bennett, seconded by McClure, carried 4/0, with Morris absent, to enact Ordinance No. 2016-23, COMPAMD 2015-07, Nocatee New Town Text Amendment, adopting Findings of Fact 1-3.

McCormack requested the Board incorporate the observations of the commissioners as findings of the Board. Bennett noted that the Board’s discussion was a matter of record, which would become part of the decision.

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-23

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF ST. JOHNS, STATE OF FLORIDA, AMENDING THE 2025 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, ORDINANCE NO. 2010-38, AS AMENDED, TO MODIFY OBJECTIVE A.1.19, AS APPROVED BY ORDINANCE NO. 2001-18, AND ADD OBJECTIVE A.1.23, FOR THE NEW TOWN FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION, AS IT APPLIES TO THE NOCATEE DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL IMPACT (DRI); PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT; FINDINGS OF CONSISTENCY; SEVERABILITY; AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

4. PUBLIC HEARING, DRI MOD 2015-05, NOCATEE. REQUEST TO MODIFY THE NOCATEE DRI TO MODIFY THE LAND USE CONVERSION TABLE, MODIFY THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING CONDITIONS, ADD A PROVISION FOR A POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION FACILITY, REMOVE ROAD CONNECTIONS TO THE LAND SOUTH OF NOCATEE, AND CLARIFY THE PAVING STANDARD FOR PINE ISLAND ROAD. NOCATEE IS LOCATED EAST OF US 1 NORTH, AND WEST OF THE INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY. THE PLANNING AND ZONING AGENCY RECOMMENDED APPROVAL AT
ITS APRIL 7, 2016, MEETING WITH A 4-1 VOTE. AFTER THE PLANNING AND ZONING AGENCY MEETING, THE APPLICANT REVISED THE EDUCATION SPECIAL CONDITION

Proof of publication for the notice of public hearing on DRI MOD 2015-05, Nocatee DRI, was received, having been published in The St. Augustine Record on March 23, 2016.

Discussion occurred with Regular Agenda Item 3.

(11:33 a.m.) Motion by Bennett, seconded by McClure, carried 4/0, with Morris absent, to adopt Resolution No. 2016-133, DRIMOD 2015-05, Nocatee, adopting Findings of Fact 1.4.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-133

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA, MODIFYING THE NOCATEE DRI DEVELOPMENT ORDER, AS PREVIOUSLY APPROVED BY ST JOHNS COUNTY BY RESOLUTION 2001-30, DATED FEBRUARY 23, 2001, AND AS PREVIOUSLY MODIFIED BY RESOLUTION 2006-95, DATED MARCH 21, 2006; RESOLUTION 2007-127, DATED MAY 1, 2007; RESOLUTION 2007-305, DATED OCTOBER 16, 2007; RESOLUTION 2009-87, DATED APRIL 7, 2009; RESOLUTION 2009-356, DATED DECEMBER 1, 2009; RESOLUTION 2010-163, DATED AUGUST 3, 2010; RESOLUTION 2012-77, DATED MARCH 6, 2012; AND RESOLUTION 2015-307, DATED OCTOBER 6, 2015, WHICH RESOLUTION AMENDED AND RESTATED THE NOCATEE DRI DEVELOPMENT ORDER, TO MODIFY THE NOCATEE DRI DEVELOPMENT ORDER AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND SOUTHERN ACCESS REQUIREMENTS; ADD NEW DRI DEVELOPMENT ORDER SPECIAL CONDITION 32(C), EDUCATION; MODIFY MAP H-1 (MASTER PLAN) AND MAP H-2 (MASTER CIRCULATION PLAN); MODIFY DRI DEVELOPMENT ORDER, EXHIBIT 4 (CONVERSION TABLE); AND ADD NEW DRI DEVELOPMENT ORDER, EXHIBITS 23 AND 24 (RELATED TO PINE ISLAND ROAD); FINDING THE MODIFICATION DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A SUBSTANTIAL DEVIATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

(05/17/16 - 8 - 10:15 a.m.)

Proof of publication for the notice of public hearing on MAJMOD 2015-18, Nocatee PUD, was received, having been published in The St. Augustine Record on March 23, 2016.

Discussion occurred with Regular Agenda Item 2.

(11:34 a.m.) Motion by Bennett, seconded by McClure, carried 4/0, with Morris absent, to enact Ordinance No. 2016-24, MAJMOD 2015-18, Nocatee, adopting Findings of Fact 1-6, with the amended legal description and the correction in the Ordinance text.

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-24

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF ST. JOHNS, STATE OF FLORIDA, APPROVING A MAJOR MODIFICATION TO THE NOCATEE PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (PUD), ORDINANCE NO. 2002-46, AS AMENDED; MAKING FINDINGS OF FACT; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; REQUIRING RECORDATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

The meeting recessed at 11:35 a.m. and reconvened at 11:50 a.m.

(05/17/16 - 9 - 11:34 a.m.)

6. PUBLIC HEARING, CPA(SS) 2016-01, FLORA PARK. ADOPTION OF CPA (SS) 2016-01, FLORA PARK, A REQUEST TO AMEND THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FUTURE LAND USE MAP DESIGNATION FROM RESIDENTIAL-B (RES-B) TO RESIDENTIAL-C (RES-C) AND TO ADD A TEXTUAL POLICY TO LIMIT RESIDENTIAL-C USES TO ONE RESTAURANT WITH A DRIVE-THROUGH. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS APPROXIMATELY 9.36 ACRES IN AREA AND IS LOCATED SOUTH OF RACE TRACK ROAD AND WEST OF FLORA BRANCH BOULEVARD. THE PLANNING AND ZONING AGENCY RECOMMENDED APPROVAL ON APRIL 21, 2016, WITH A 5-0 VOTE

Proof of publication for the notice of public hearing on CPA (SS) 2016-01, Flora Park, was received, having been published in The St. Augustine Record on April 7, 2016.

Danielle Handy, AICP, Chief Planner, presented details of the requested changes to the Future Land Use Map Designation, via PowerPoint presentation. She stated that the Planning and Zoning Agency recommended approval, with a 5-0 vote, and that there had been no correspondence with the application.

(11:54 a.m.) Bennett questioned the need for an amendment without the drive-thru and spoke about the standards no longer being applicable with today’s business demands.

(11:57 a.m.) Johns clarified that there would not be an issue with noise and light radiating to the neighborhoods.

(11:59 a.m.) Ellen Avery-Smith, Rogers Towers, 100 Whetstone Place, spoke on how vital the drive-thru was for the business and stated she was available for questions.

(12:03 p.m.) Motion by Johns, seconded by Bennett, carried 4/0, with Morris absent, to enact Ordinance No. 2016-25, CPA (SS) 2016-01, Flora Park, adopting Findings of Fact 1-3 to support the motion.
ORDINANCE NO. 2016-25

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF ST. JOHNS, STATE OF FLORIDA, AMENDING THE 2025 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, ORDINANCE NO. 2010-38, AS AMENDED, TO CHANGE THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP DESIGNATION FROM RESIDENTIAL-B TO RESIDENTIAL-C AND ADD A TEXTUAL POLICY TO LIMIT RESIDENTIAL-C USES TO ONE RESTAURANT, WITH A DRIVE-THROUGH, FOR APPROXIMATELY 9.36 ACRES OF LAND, LOCATED SOUTH OF RACE TRACK ROAD AND WEST OF FLORA BRANCH BOULEVARD; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT; FINDINGS OF CONSISTENCY; SEVERABILITY; AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

(05/17/16 - 10 - 12:03 p.m.)

7. PUBLIC HEARING, MAJMOD 2015-17, MARSH HARBOR SOUTH PRD. REQUEST A MAJOR MODIFICATION TO THE MARSH HARBOR SOUTH PLANNED RURAL DEVELOPMENT (PRD) TO RECONFIGURE THE INTERNAL ROAD AND LOT LAYOUT; ADD A PROVISION TO ALLOW LIMITED TRIMMING, IN UPLAND BUFFERS, FOR SCENIC VISTAS; ADD A TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION ACCESS ALONG THE FIND PIPELINE EASEMENT FROM DAVIS PARK ROAD; ADD A FIVE ACRE POND, IN THE RESERVE AREA, TO UTILIZE FILL ONSITE FOR LOT DEVELOPMENT; AND TO UPDATE TIMING TO A SINGLE TEN YEAR PHASE FOR DEVELOPMENT. THE PLANNING AND ZONING AGENCY UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMEND APPROVAL, BY A 5-0 VOTE

Proof of publication for the notice of public hearing on MAJMOD 2015000017, Marsh Harbor South, was received, having been published in The St. Augustine Record on April 7, 2016.

Beverly Frazier, Planner, presented the MAJMOD for Marsh Harbor South PRD, via PowerPoint presentation. She highlighted the two requested waivers: to allow trimming of vegetation, in the upland buffers, for scenic vistas and to allow reduced second front yard setbacks on corner lots.

(12:09 p.m.) Bennett noted that she had met with the applicant’s engineer.

(12:10 p.m.) McClure inquired whether the setback waiver affected the length of the driveway.

(12:11 p.m.) Ray Spofford, 14775 Old St. Augustine Road, presented details of the project, via PowerPoint presentation. He stated that the landowners had met with the adjoining subdivision, to work through concerns.

(12:15 p.m.) Motion by Bennett, seconded by McClure, carried 4/0, with Morris absent, to enact Ordinance No. 2016-26, MAJMOD 2015-17, Marsh Harbor South PRD, adopting Findings of Fact 1-6.

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-26

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF ST. JOHNS, STATE OF FLORIDA, APPROVING A MAJOR MODIFICATION TO THE MARSH HARBOR SOUTH PLANNED RURAL DEVELOPMENT (PRD),
8. DISCUSSION OF A POSSIBLE AMENDMENT TO SECTION 4.01.05.E.3, OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, TO PROVIDE CLARITY AND PENALTIES FOR UNPERMITTED, PROTECTED TREE REMOVAL. THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE SECTION 4.01.05.E.3, TITLED “REMEDIES FOR PROTECTED TREE REMOVAL WITHOUT A PERMIT”, IS INTENDED TO PROVIDE A PROCESS TO CORRECT FOR THE UNPERMITTED REMOVAL OF PROTECTED TREES. WHEN APPLYING THIS PROVISION OF THE CODE, IT WAS REALIZED THAT THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE RESTORATION OF THE PROTECTED TREES WAS NOT AS CLEAR AS DESIRED. ADDITIONALLY, SEVERAL CITIZENS AND CIVIC GROUPS HAVE BEEN IN PUBLIC DISCUSSIONS, RECENTLY, TO REQUEST AMENDING THE CODE, TO INCLUDE PENALTIES FOR UNPERMITTED, PROTECTED TREE REMOVAL. THEREFORE, THIS AGENDA ITEM IS TO SEEK GUIDANCE FROM THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, CONCERNING THE REVISION OF SECTION 4.01.05.E.3, OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, TO PROVIDE CLARITY AND PENALTIES FOR UNPERMITTED TREE REMOVAL

Jan Brewer, Environmental Division Manager, discussed the possible amendment, pertaining to tree removal and fines for unpermitted, protected tree removal.

(12:21 p.m.) Bennett questioned the payments to the tree fund. Brewer stated the quote was for the installment cost. Bennett asked about the exemptions. Brewer stated the fines did not pertain to single family homes or within the 40 tree inches per acre requirement, with new development.

(12:23 p.m.) McClure questioned who would be held responsible for the fines. Soria stated that a lien could be placed against the violator, which would be determined by the courts.

(12:28 p.m.) Johns questioned the repercussions if a tree of the same size was not available and what the time frame was for a repeated offense. Brewer responded.

(12:30 p.m.) Smith questioned the four year rule for agriculture and silviculture to be able to develop. Brewer responded that the four year rule only applies if an 80 tree inches per acre was not observed. Smith also questioned how a tree was designated as a specimen or historic tree. Brewer stated that only the Board could designate historic trees and that specimen trees were defined at the time of a development. Smith stated that there needed to be protection for the landowner when a tree was removed without his knowledge.

(12:35 p.m.) Dr. Virginia Quelch, 158 Lawn Avenue, St. Johns County Citizens for a New Tree Ordinance, spoke in support of the amendment to the Land Development Code (LDC) and requested the Board to permit public input, for further changes to the LDC, to protect the tree canopy.

(12:36 p.m.) Jesse Spredly, Northeast Builders Association, 103 Century 21 Drive, Jacksonville, FL, suggested offering incentives to landowners, to encourage the preservation of the trees.
(12:38 p.m.) Bennett encouraged Quelch and others to continue to meet with staff to share their thoughts on the Tree Code. She also stated that creating a fine schedule would be one way to show value of the tree canopy.

(12:40 p.m.) Soria spoke on the fines and repeat violations. Discussion ensued on preserving the tree canopy.

(12:44 p.m.) McClure spoke on using permitted, removed trees, from building subdivisions, to supplement the unpermitted tree removals.

(12:47 p.m.) Bennett concurred with McClure; however, specified that the intent was to prevent circumventing the mitigation requirements. She suggested directing staff to consider all aspects of tree protection. Discussion ensued.

(12:51 p.m.) Smith directed staff to research the salvage or maintaining of the tree canopy, at a greater extent, from roads and road development, fill levels, incentives, and engineering.

(12:53 p.m.) Johns suggested having a community meeting to receive public input, concerning the issue.

(12:54 p.m.) McCormack clarified the direction of the Board. Smith restated that they were to review the protected tree ordinances without a permit and secondly review protection of trees, in general. Consensus was given by the Board.

(12:57 p.m.) Deputy Clerk Wiseman left the meeting and Deputy Clerk McGee entered the meeting.

(05/17/16 - 12 - 12:57 p.m.)

9. PRESENTATION OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICES FIRST QUARTER REPORT AND SECOND QUARTER CALENDAR OF EVENTS. THIS PRESENTATION WILL PROVIDE AN OVERVIEW OF THE ST. JOHNS COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE FACULTY AND STAFF ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE, A BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE FIRST QUARTER 2016 OUTCOMES AND IMPACTS, THAT WE HAVE REPORTED IN OUR "WORKING TOGETHER" DOCUMENT, AND A BRIEF DISCUSSION RELATED TO OUR UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tim Wilson, St. Johns County Agricultural Center Extension Director, provided an overview of the St. Johns County Extension Office faculty and staff organizational structure; first quarter 2016 outcomes and impacts; and upcoming calendar of events, via PowerPoint; and introduced the “St. Johns County Today: Annual Potato Field Day” video, Exhibit A.

(1:15 p.m.) Bennett thanked Wilson for his presentation and spoke on honey bees.

(1:16 p.m.) McClure thanked Wilson for the presentation and questioned Wilson on the Sea grant program, partnering efforts with Whitney Laboratory, program evaluation, and the Master Gardener program.

(1:20 p.m.) Johns thanked Wilson for his presentation and questioned the availability of the “St. Johns County Today: Annual Potato Field Day” video.

(1:21 p.m.) Smith thanked Wilson for his presentation. He noted agricultural education was not provided in the public school system; however, the 4-H program met education needs.

(1:23 p.m.) The Board moved to Regular Agenda Item 11. Lavie left the meeting.

Rebecca Lavie, Assistant County Attorney, presented the request to the Board.

(10:12 a.m.) Greg West, of Bryant, Miller, Olive and Bond Council for borrower; Jeff Dobson, on behalf of IDA, 16 Palmetto Avenue; Candi Bowling, Live Care Ponte Vedra; Robert Gall, HJ Sims, advisor for Live Care Ponte Vedra, introduced themselves and were available for questions.

(10:12 a.m.) McClure questioned whether the request was a true refinancing or was it in addition to the 2014 bond issue. Gall stated the County would save 500,000 in debt service.

(10:14 p.m.) Motion by Johns, seconded by McClure, carried 4/0, with Morris absent, to adopt Resolution No. 2016-132, approving the issuance by Industrial Development Authority of Health Care Revenue and Revenue Refunding 2016 Bonds (Vicar's Landing Project), Series 2016, in an amount, not to exceed $15,725,000.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-132

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE ISSUANCE BY THE ST. JOHNS...
COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
OF ITS, NOT TO EXCEED, $15,725,000 HEALTH CARE
REVENUE AND REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS
(VICAR’S LANDING PROJECT), SERIES 2016, TO
PROVIDE FUNDS, TO REFUND ALL OF THE ST. JOHNS
COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
HEALTH CARE REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS
(VICAR’S LANDING PROJECT), SERIES 2007; IN
ORDER TO ACHIEVE DEBT SERVICE SAVINGS TO
LIFE CARE PONTE VEDRA, INC.; AND TO FINANCE
THE ACQUISITION, RENOVATION, CONSTRUCTION,
EXPANSION, IMPROVEMENT, AND EQUIPPING OF
CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO HEALTH
CARE FACILITIES, FOR THE VICAR’S LANDING
CONTINUING CARE COMMUNITY, OPERATED BY
THE BORROWER; PROVIDING FOR A LOAN TO LIFE
CARE PONTE VEDRA, INC., TO PAY THE COSTS FOR
SUCH PURPOSES, PURSUANT TO CHAPTERS 125 AND
159, FLORIDA STATUTES, AS AMENDED, AND
SECTION 147(f), OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE
OF 1986, AS AMENDED; AND PROVIDING AND
EFFECTIVE DATE

The Board moved the meeting to Item 3.

(05/17/16 - 14 - 1:23 p.m.)

11. MAIN LIBRARY / DAVENPORT PARK PARKING AND ACCESS.
MODIFYING / RELOCATING THE DRIVEWAY FOR DAVENPORT PARK
AND THE MAIN LIBRARY HAS BEEN THE SUBJECT OF RECENT
DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN THE CITY, FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
(FDOT) AND COUNTY; AND WAS DISCUSSED AT A CONCEPTUAL LEVEL
BY THE CITY COMMISSION AT THEIR BOARD MEETING ON APRIL 25,
2016. DRIVEWAY MODIFICATIONS ARE NEEDED IN RESPONSE TO THE
LARGER IMPROVEMENTS AT THE MAY STREET/SAN CARLOS/SAN
MARCO INTERSECTION TO BETTER FACILITATE THE THROUGH
MOVEMENT OF TRAFFIC. THE CITY OWNS PROPERTY ON THREE SIDES
OF THE LIBRARY; THUS, COORDINATION WITH THE CITY IS NECESSARY
TO FIND A SOLUTION THAT ALSO ACCOMMODATES THE LIBRARY. AT
THE CITY COMMISSION MEETING ON APRIL 25, 2016, THE COMMISSION
GAVE THEIR CONSENSUS FOR STAFF TO MOVE FORWARD, AS
NECESSARY, WITH THE ATTACHED CONCEPTUAL SITE/ACCESS PLAN.
SUBSEQUENTLY, THE ATTACHED INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT HAS BEEN
PREPARED IN COORDINATION WITH THE CITY AND OUTLINES HOW
THE CITY AND COUNTY MOVE FORWARD IN MAKING IMPROVEMENTS
TO PARKING AND ACCESS FOR THE COUNTY’S MAIN LIBRARY AND THE
CITY’S DAVENPORT PARK. IN SUMMARY, THE DRIVEWAY ACCESS ON
SAN CARLOS WILL BE ELIMINATED AFTER DRIVEWAYS ARE PROVIDED
OFF US1, PARKING IS EXPANDED, AND A RIGHT-OUT ONLY DRIVEWAY
TO SAN MARCO IS PROVIDED. THE IMPROVEMENTS ARE TO BE FUNDED
BY THE CITY AND FDOT

Darrell M. Locklear, P.E., Assistant County Administrator of Operations, summarized
the request and Interlocal Agreement, and gave an overview of the proposed
conceptual site plan maps, Exhibit A. He noted that the proposed site plan
accommodated storage, parking needs, facilitated access, and laid out an agreement
that allowed the County to work with both the City of St. Augustine and the Florida
Department of Transportation (FDOT). He also defined County and City owned property related to the project.

(1:32 p.m.) McClure referenced the site plan map and questioned Locklear and Tim Burchfield, Assistant City Manager, on how to access the site from a southbound movement. Discussion ensued on accessing the site and accommodating the Council on Aging’s (COA) bus routes.

(1:39 p.m.) Johns questioned Locklear and Burchfield on how service trucks would enter the site, signage to access the J & S Carousel, FDOT funding for driveways and other usage, maintaining the improved infrastructure, and plans for the drive aisle. Burchfield noted that the improvements were to be funded by the City and FDOT.

(1:43 p.m.) Discussion ensued on the library reverter clause.

(1:44 p.m.) Valerie Mull, Main Library Branch Manager, spoke on maximizing parking for both the library and the park. Locklear noted, that based on final design, there would be 40 additional parking spaces.

(1:45 p.m.) Discussion ensued on dedicated parking, building access from the north, and on the right-out only driveway to San Marco.

(1:52 p.m.) Ross referenced BJ Kalaidi’s public comment notes. She stated that Kalaidi was opposed to anything that would reduce the amount of parking available for library patrons and employees.

(1:54 p.m.) Motion by Bennett, seconded by Johns, carried 4/0, with Morris absent, to adopt Resolution 2016-131, authorizing the county administrator, or designee, to execute an Interlocal Agreement on behalf of the County, in substantially the same form and format, as attached, providing for the County and the City to collaborate in accommodating replacement access and parking for the St. Johns County Library and Davenport Park.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-131

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE TERMS, PROVISIONS, CONDITIONS, AND REQUIREMENTS OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND THE CITY OF ST. AUGUSTINE, FLORIDA, TO COOPERATIVELY PROVIDE PARKING FOR THE ST. JOHNS COUNTY LIBRARY AND DAVENPORT PARK

(Formerly Consent Agenda Item 3.) (Items 12-16 were presented together.)
(05/17/16 - 15 - 1:55 p.m.)
12. MOTION TO APPROVE THE FINAL PLAT FOR PRESERVE AT PALM VALLEY

McClure noted that he had requested Consent Agenda Items 3-7 be pulled regarding private versus public road dedications.

(2:00 p.m.) Suzanne Konchan, Director of Growth Management, summarized the plats’ roadway dedications. She noted that items 12 and 13 were single phase plats proposed to be dedicated to the County; items 14 and 15 were both larger subdivisions, the first of
many plats, and proposed to be dedicated to the County; and item 16 was proposed to be dedicated to the Community Development District (CDD).

(2:02 p.m.) Konchan noted that there was a presentation scheduled on June 7, 2016, to discuss on various elements related to the local road dedication process.

(2:02 p.m.) Discussion ensued on the approval of Regular Agenda Items 12-16 and on changes to County regulations regarding private versus public road dedications.

(2:13 p.m.) Ellen-Avery Smith, Rogers Towers, 100 Whetstone Place, on behalf of the developers of Grand Lake, spoke on equity regarding the revision of County regulations.

(2:18 p.m.) **Motion by McClure, seconded by Bennett, carried 4/0, with Morris absent, to adopt Resolution No. 2016-134, approving the final plat for Preserve at Palm Valley.**

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-134

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING A PLAT FOR PRESERVE AT PALM VALLEY

(Formerly Consent Agenda Item 4.) (Items 12-16 were presented together.)

(05/17/16 - 16 - 1:55 p.m.)

13. MOTION TO APPROVE THE FINAL PLAT FOR DEER CHASE

Discussion occurred with Regular Agenda Item 12.

(2:19 p.m.) **Motion by McClure, seconded by Bennett, carried 4/0, with Morris absent, to adopt Resolution No. 2016-135, approving the final plat for Deer Chase.**

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-135

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING A PLAT FOR DEER CHASE

(Formerly Consent Agenda Item 5.) (Items 12-16 were presented together.)

(05/17/16 - 16 - 1:55 p.m.)

14. MOTION TO APPROVE THE FINAL PLAT FOR GRAN LAKE, PHASE 1A

Discussion occurred with Regular Agenda Item 12.

(2:19 p.m.) **Motion by McClure, seconded by Bennett, carried 4/0, with Morris absent, to adopt Resolution No. 2016-136, approving the final plat for Gran Lake, Phase 1A.**

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-136

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING A PLAT FOR GRAN LAKE, PHASE 1A
15. MOTION TO APPROVE THE FINAL PLAT FOR MILL CREEK PLANTATION, NORTH, PHASE 1

Discussion occurred with Regular Agenda Item 12.

(2:19 p.m.) Motion by McClure, seconded by Bennett, carried 4/0, with Morris absent, to adopt Resolution No. 2016-137, approving the final plat for Mill Creek Plantation, North, Phase 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-137

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING A PLAT FOR MILL CREEK PLANTATION, NORTH PHASE 1

16. MOTION TO APPROVE THE FINAL PLAT FOR MARSHALL CREEK DRI, UNIT 9A

Discussion occurred with Regular Agenda Item 12.

(2:20 p.m.) Motion by McClure, seconded by Bennett, carried 4/0, with Morris absent, to adopt Resolution No. 2016-138, approving the final plat for Marshall Creek DRI, Unit 9A.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-138

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING A PLAT FOR MARSHALL CREEK DRI, UNIT 9A

COMMISSIONERS’ REPORTS

Commissioner Bennett

Bennett reported that the Ponte Vedra Traffic Study results would be presented at the Ponte Vedra Library on May 17, 2016, at 6:30 p.m.

Commissioner Johns

(2:21 p.m.) Johns reported that he would host a District 4: Meet and Greet, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., on Thursday, May 19, 2016, at the Ponte Vedra Community Center. He invited residents of the County to attend and participate in the informal question-and-answer session.

Commissioner McClure

(2:21 p.m.) McClure reported that the St. Johns County Fiscal Year 2017 Budget Hearings would commence on Wednesday, May 19, 2016. Wanchick noted that the hearings would not be televised and that budget materials could be accessed online. He also reported on the National Association of Counties (NACo) Resilient Counties...
Initiative and on a recent law passed to extend eligibility of Medicaid funds for incarcerated individuals.

**Commissioner Smith**

(2:25 p.m.) Smith reported on the election of Chairman Ron Rawls to the West Augustine Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Steering Committee, attending the 2016 THE PLAYERS Championship (TPC) Governor’s Reception, and agriculture in the Town of Hastings. He noted that he received a letter from the St. Augustine Beach City Commission requesting a County-wide ban on the sale of helium-filled balloons for the protection of wildlife, Exhibit A.

(05/17/16 - 18 - 2:30 p.m.)
**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT**

Andrews noted that the St. Augustine Lighthouse and Maritime Museum had requested a letter of support regarding an operational grant application that would provide educational programs to the underserved children population.

(2:31 p.m.) **Motion by Bennett, seconded by Johns, carried 4/0, for the Chair to write a letter of support for the St. Augustine Lighthouse and Maritime Museum’s grant application.**

(2:31 p.m.) Wanchick offered an update on the letters, drafted to each city, requesting assistance with subsidizing the Council on Aging’s (COA) Sunshine Bus services. He noted the St. Johns County Fiscal Year 2017 Administrator’s Budget Hearings would commence on Wednesday, May 19, 2016, at the Health and Human Services Building, and that the budget workbook and hearings schedule were online. He requested the cancellation of the July 5, 2016, Board of County Commissioners meeting.

(2:35 p.m.) **Motion by Bennett, seconded by Johns, carried 4/0, to recommend the cancellation of the July 5, 2016, Board of County Commissioners meeting.**

(2:35 p.m.) Andrews gave an overview of the request received from United Way of St. Johns County regarding the Tools for School donation program. She noted that the financial implication to the County would be $10,000. Discussion ensued on financial implications.

(2:43 p.m.) **Bennett called for a motion regarding supporting the Tools for School Donation program. There was no motion.**

(05/17/16 - 18 - 2:45 p.m.)
**COUNTY ATTORNEY’S REPORT**

McCormack expressed appreciation to the Board for adopting the Civility Proclamation. He reported on an email, sent to the Commission, regarding the Continuum of Care (CoC) Program. Discussion ensued on the use of “St. Johns County” and the County seal by entities not part of or affiliated with County government. He also commented on the previous conversation regarding affordable housing.

(05/17/16 - 18 - 2:49 p.m.)
**CLERK OF COURT’S REPORT**

No report.
ADJOURN

With there being no further business to come before the Board, Smith adjourned the meeting at 2:49 p.m.

REPORTS:

1. St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners Check Register, Check Nos. 532380-532591, totaling $1,522,651.01 and Voucher Register, Voucher Nos. 24571-24621, totaling $949,513.16 (5/3/16)

2. St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners Check Register, Check Nos. 532592-532621, totaling $50,634.15 and Voucher Register, Voucher Nos. 24622-24634, totaling $22,285.45 (5/4/16)

3. St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners Check Register, Check No. 532622, totaling $645.01 (5/5/16)

4. St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners Check Register, Check Nos. 532623-532827, totaling $1,052,003.73 and Voucher Nos. 24635-24686, totaling $481,720.62 (5/10/16)

5. St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners Check Register, Check Nos. 532828-532831, totaling $197,815.81 (5/10/16)

6. St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners Check Register, Check Nos. 532832-532835, totaling $2,511 and Voucher Nos. 24687-24696, totaling $7,531.15 (5/11/16)

7. St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners Check Register, Check Nos. 532836-532838, totaling $1,456.16 (5/11/16)

8. St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners Check Register, Check Nos. 532839-532852, totaling $4,542.17 (5/12/16)

9. St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners Voucher Register, Voucher Nos. 24697-24698, totaling $10,423.70 (5/12/16)

CORRESPONDENCE:

There was none.

Approved _______June 21________, 2016

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: _______Jeb S. Smith, Chair

ATTEST: HUNTER S. CONRAD, CLERK

By: _______Deputy Clerk