

**Action Sheet
February 14, 2018**

At its February meeting the Forward Pinellas Board took the following official actions:

- **Retirement of Staff Member, Sarah Ward**
The chairman and executive director recognized Sarah Ward for her more than 32 years of service to Pinellas County, the metropolitan planning organization (MPO) and Forward Pinellas. Board members, former MPO Director Brian Smith, Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Chair Neil McMullen and others offered accolades. It was announced that there will be an open house to celebrate this event on February 26, 2018 from 3-5pm. Anyone wishing to attend is welcome to do so. Sarah's last day in the office will be March 2, 2018.
- **Recognition of Clearwater Police Department**
The executive director acknowledged the City of Clearwater's Police Department for being the winner of the 2017 School Crossing Guard Program of the Year.
- **Remembrance of Vivian Peters**
The executive director, chairman, CAC Chair Neil McMullen and others paid tribute to Vivian Peters for her many years of dedicated service.
- **Consent Agenda**
Approved to include the following:
 1. Approval of Minutes of the December 13, 2017 Meeting
 2. Approval of Minutes of the January 10, 2018 Meeting
 3. Map Adjustment – City of Safety Harbor – Official Acceptance
 4. Forward Pinellas 2017 Annual Report – Authorization for Distribution
 5. Acceptance of Quarter One Financial Report
 6. Countywide Plan Rule Interpretations Annual Update
 7. Approval of Committee Appointments
 8. Approval of Amendments to Internal Control Structure Policy Manual
- **Approval of Gateway/Mid-County Area Master Plan Interlocal Agreement**
This item was pulled from the consent agenda and handled separately to allow the executive director and board members to elaborate on this unprecedented collaboration between local governments and FDOT to prepare a visionary and strategic master plan for a key part of Pinellas County.
- **Proposed Amendment(s) to the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)**
Following a staff presentation, the board approved two amendments to the LRTP. One to adjust the project description and total project cost for the replacement of the Howard Frankland Bridge. The other to remove the planned grade-separated capacity improvements to US 19 from South of Lake Street to the Pasco County Line. This latter project is undergoing an evaluation and it will be reconsidered for possible inclusion in the 2045 LRTP.
- **Regular Countywide Plan Map Amendments**
One case was approved:
 1. CW 18-04 – City of Largo

- **Safety Performance and Targets**

Following a staff presentation, the board approved Option B to adopt an aspirational yet achievable set of safety targets, below the trend line condition.

- **Regional Transit Feasibility Plan Update**

Following a presentation by Scott Pringle of Jacobs Engineering, the board authorized the chairman to sign and distribute a letter to FDOT supporting the I-275 interstate modernization plans, including lane continuity improvements and extending managed express lanes to downtown St. Petersburg, and advancing the BRT project into the next phase.