



**AGENDA**  
**February 12, 2020 - 1:00 p.m.**  
315 Court Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Board Assembly Room  
Clearwater, FL 33756

**THE PLANNING COUNCIL AND METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR PINELLAS COUNTY**

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1. **CALL TO ORDER** (1:00)
2. **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE** (1:05)
3. **CITIZENS TO BE HEARD** (1:10)  
Citizen comments to the board are invited on items or concerns not already scheduled for public hearing on today's agenda. Please limit comments to three minutes.
4. **RECOGNITIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** (1:15)
  - A. Welcome New Planning Analyst (Nousheen Rahman)
  - B. Staff Service Award (Tina Jablon)
5. **CONSENT AGENDA** (1:20)
  - A. Approval of Minutes of the January 8, 2020 Meeting
  - B. Approval of Committee Appointments
  - C. Acceptance of Quarter One Financial Report
  - D. Approval of Additional Waterborne Transportation Subcommittee Member
  - E. Approval of Procurement #20-01 Planning Consultants
6. **PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS** – To begin at 1:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as agenda permits  
**METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION** (1:20)
  - A. Annual Adoption of Regional Transportation Priorities  
**PINELLAS PLANNING COUNCIL** (1:30)
  - B. Countywide Plan Map Amendment(s)
    1. Case CW 20-04 – Pinellas County
7. **PRESENTATION AND/OR ACTION ITEMS** (1:45)
  - A. PSTA Activities Report
  - B. TBARTA Activities Report
  - C. Safety Performance Measures and Targets – Action
  - D. Advantage Pinellas Final Documentation – Action
  - E. Adoption of the Active Transportation Plan – Action
  - F. US 19 Interchanges Design Alternatives
8. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT** (3:15)
  - A. SPOTlight Update
  - B. "The Kennedy Report" on Regional Transit Funding
  - C. Forward Pinellas Legislative Committee Update
  - D. Forward Pinellas Board Work Session Follow Up
9. **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS** (3:30)
  - A. Summary of Public Outreach and Stakeholder Meetings
  - B. CPA Actions and Tier I Countywide Plan Map Amendments
  - C. Correspondence of Interest
  - D. Fatalities Map
  - E. Pinellas Trail Data

- F. [Draft PAC Action Sheet](#)
- G. [FDOT District Seven Bi-Weekly Traffic Fatalities Report for December 16-31, 2019](#)
- H. [FDOT District Seven Bi-Weekly Traffic Fatalities Report for January 1-16, 2020](#)
- I. [Committee Vacancies](#)
- J. [Forward Pinellas Grant Programs Update](#)
- K. [Florida Transportation Plan – FDOT](#)
- L. [Quarterly Report on Executive Director Approvals](#)
- M. [Other](#)

10. **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- A. March 13th – [Bike Your City](#)
- B. March 24th –Waterborne Transportation Subcommittee Meeting – 10:30 a.m. – Noon - PSTA
- C. March 31st – [Safe Streets Pinellas Summit](#)
- D. April 20-22nd – [Transplex](#)

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

*Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact the Office of Human Rights, 400 South Fort Harrison Avenue, Suite 300, Clearwater, Florida 33756; [(727) 464-4062 (V/TDD)] at least seven days prior to the meeting.*

*Persons are advised that, if they decide to appeal any decision made at this meeting/hearing, they will need a record of the proceedings and, for such purpose, they may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.*

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**5. Consent Agenda**



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**SUMMARY**

It is approved board procedure to place routine items under the Consent Agenda for approval with no discussion.

The Consent Agenda has been expanded to include those routine report items identified below. If an item requires discussion, that item may be removed from the Consent Agenda at the request of any member of the board, discussed, and acted upon separately.

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**5A. Approval of Minutes of the January 8, 2020 Meeting**

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**SUMMARY**

The minutes from the January 8, 2020 meeting are attached for the board's review and approval.

**ATTACHMENT(S):** Minutes of the January 8, 2020 Forward Pinellas meeting

**ACTION:** Board to review and approve the January 8, 2020 meeting minutes.



**THE PLANNING COUNCIL AND METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR PINELLAS COUNTY**

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**The Forward Pinellas Board met in regular session in the County Commission Assembly Room, Pinellas County Courthouse, 315 Court Street, Clearwater, Florida at 1:01 P.M. on this date with the following members present:**

Dave Eggers, Chair, Pinellas County Commissioner  
Darden Rice, Vice-Chair, City of St. Petersburg Councilmember (late arrival 1:20 p.m.)  
Joanne “Cookie” Kennedy, Treasurer, City of Indian Rocks Beach Mayor  
*Representing Beach Communities*  
David Allbritton, City of Clearwater Councilmember  
Sandra Bradbury, City of Pinellas Park Mayor  
Julie Ward Bujalski, City of Dunedin Mayor  
Brandi Gabbard, City of St. Petersburg Councilmember  
Karen Seel, Pinellas County Commissioner  
Michael Smith, City of Largo Commissioner  
Suzy Sofer, City of Belleair Bluffs Commissioner  
*Representing Inland Communities*  
Kenneth T. Welch, Pinellas County Commissioner

Not Present

Janet C. Long, Secretary, Pinellas County Commissioner  
*Representing Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority (PSTA)*  
Townsend Tarapani, City of Tarpon Springs Vice Mayor  
*Representing Oldsmar, Safety Harbor, and Tarpon Springs*

Also Present

Whit Blanton, Executive Director, Forward Pinellas  
Jared Austin, Al Bartolotta, Sarah Caper, Linda Fisher, Tina Jablon, Hilary Lehman, and Angela Ryan,  
Forward Pinellas Staff  
Chelsea D. Hardy, Assistant County Attorney  
Other interested individuals

**The Forward Pinellas Executive Director gave a presentation on evolving regional partnerships and the new direction for the MPO Chairs Coordinating Committee**

- The eight county MPOs are taking back administration of the CCC, previously under TBARTA’s purview, in order to have a more hands-on approach to regional coordination
  - The MPOs will rotate staff service responsibilities quarterly
- CCC responsibilities include coordinated project selection, regional public involvement, regional conflict resolution, and regional air quality planning
- The change also includes incorporating the tri-county Tampa Bay Transportation Management Area Leadership Group as a subcommittee of the CCC
  - This change lends statutory heft to the TMA Leadership Group and allows for the already-existing interlocal agreements to be updated and applied

- The change also includes a voting structure for the TMA and a yearly chair so that there might be a regional point person on transportation issues
- In future, the governing CCC statute may be amended to remove the CCC from the TBARTA structure entirely; TBARTA is still providing some staff services and meeting space for the CCC
- The board approved the recommendations unanimously

**The board formed a subcommittee to centralize the conversation about efforts regarding waterborne transportation**

- Five board members were appointed to the committee: Clearwater Councilmember David Allbritton, Dunedin Mayor Julie Ward Bujalski, St. Petersburg Councilmember Brandi Gabbard, Indian Rocks Beach Mayor Cookie Kennedy, and Belleair Bluffs Commissioner Suzy Sofer
- The subcommittee was formed due to efforts to discuss countywide waterborne transportation in the past being piecemeal and somewhat ineffective
- The board also discussed the need for countywide continuity on other issues, such as consistency in trail signage and crossing design and scooter regulation

**Forward Pinellas staff unveiled Safe Streets Pinellas, the Forward Pinellas Vision Zero effort**

- Safe Streets Pinellas is a Vision Zero effort coordinated by Forward Pinellas and launching this spring
  - Vision Zero is a safety philosophy that originated in Sweden that holds that traffic deaths and severe crashes are preventable and should not be accepted
  - The logo for Safe Streets Pinellas incorporates Pinellas County's assets of sunshine and water and reflects all modes of transportation because all modes are affected by safety issues
- Safe Streets Pinellas will develop an action plan to look at fatal and severe injury collisions and present a plan for addressing them
  - To that end, Forward Pinellas staff members are currently putting together a task force of 15-20 people from various agencies and municipalities countywide
  - There will also be an ambassadors program, where community members are integrated into the effort to help spread the word about the program
- Board members had questions about the effort and were excited to begin the program
  - Members suggested coordinating with schools on education efforts, developing a series of short video PSAs, and brainstorming innovative ideas so that people might realize the enormity of the safety issue in Pinellas County
- Forward Pinellas will host a Safe Streets Pinellas kickoff summit in the coming months

**FDOT District Seven staff presented an update on the SR 693 Pasadena Avenue Corridor Study from Shore Drive South to 66th Street**

- When FDOT reached out to the public, safety was the number one concern for community members
  - Crashes are highest in the eastern section of the corridor near 66th Street North
- The study yielded several concepts for improving safety and traffic flow in the corridor
  - One concept to decrease the left turn crashes included protected left turns at Central Avenue, a closed median and increased median width, as well as new crosswalks and road design modifications to decrease speeding
- Adding wide sidewalks, bike lanes, and maintaining lane width would require obtaining new right-of-way
  - One option for decreasing the need for ROW is to have a shared bus and bike lane, with the anticipated arrival of the Central Avenue BRT project and accompanying dedicated bus lanes
- Some of these options are linked with improvements to Alternate US 19, but are not the majority of improvements
  - The construction phase of the Pasadena Avenue Study remains unfunded, and improvements could take five years or more to come to fruition

### **A consultant presented an update on the concept plan for 54th Avenue North in Lealman in unincorporated Pinellas County**

- The plan was awarded funding in the first round of the Forward Pinellas Complete Streets program in March 2017
  - The concept plan was developed in coordination with the Linking Lealman Action Plan developed by Pinellas County
  - The wider Lealman CRA study area had 19 fatalities from 2012-2017
  - Both projects undertook an extensive public involvement effort, with multiple surveys, community meetings and events
- The 54th Avenue study area spanned from 49th Street North to 34th Street North
  - The goals of the project were to improve safety, look at whether 54th Avenue could be a viable “Main Street,” and prepare for future, incremental redevelopment
  - Three scenarios were presented - no-build, road diet, and wider roadway with new right of way, with no consensus yet on a preferred alternative
- The overall Linking Lealman plan endeavored to gain traction with quick wins, such as focusing on closing sidewalk gaps in areas of activity, such as near schools
  - Many projects are underway, such sidewalk improvement projects on 16th, 54th, 58th, and 62nd Avenues, resurfacing on 34th Street North, and new sidewalks on 46th and 42nd Avenues

### **The Forward Pinellas Executive Director presented an update on several ongoing items**

- FDOT will be bringing back the updated analysis of interchange options for US 19 north of Tampa Road to the board in February
- The Gateway Master Plan is being reviewed with local governments and the MOU with a list of guiding principles will come back to the board for approval in late spring/early summer

### **The board unanimously approved three land use amendments to the Countywide Plan:**

- An amendment brought forward by Pinellas County to amend a property at Walsingham Road and 113th Street North from Residential Low Medium to Residential Medium in order for the Assisted Living Facility on the property to expand the number of beds
- An amendment brought forward by Pinellas County to amend a property at Alternate US 19 north of Crystal Beach Avenue from Residential Low Medium to Retail & Services in order to pair it with a neighboring parcel for an envisioned future retail and townhome development
- An amendment brought forward by Pinellas Park to amend a property at US 19 and 126th Avenue North from Retail & Services and Target Employment Center Overlay to Employment and Target Employment Center Overlay in order to develop the vacant parcel into a storage facility.

### **The board approved an amendment to the Transportation Improvement Program**

- The board had previously approved the addition of the project, a bridge replacement over Placido Bayou, for construction in the current year; however, the project cost was corrected and required amendment to \$5.5M

### **Other Items**

- The executive director introduced new Principal Planner Angela Ryan, who began in December as an active transportation planner with Forward Pinellas after a 12 year career with the Army Corps of Engineers
- Clearwater resident Mike Riordon came before the board to ask that FDOT lower the speed limits on Drew Street while Complete Streets improvements are in the works
- The board recognized outgoing Citizens Advisory Committee Member Neil McMullen, as well as outgoing member Becky Afonso, who was not able to attend
- Belleair Bluffs Commissioner Joe Barkley is PSTA’s new chair, filling the role previously held by County Commissioner Janet Long

- The TBARTA board is considering moving its meetings to every other month rather than monthly

**Action Sheet**  
**January 8, 2020**

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

- **Consent Agenda** (vote: 9-0; Mayor Kennedy had stepped out and Councilmember Rice had not yet arrived)  
Approved to include the following:
  - A. Approval of Minutes of the November 13, 2019 Meeting
  - B. Approval of Committee Appointments (CAC, LCB and TCC)
  - C. Authorization to Distribute Annual Report
  - D. Approval of Community Transportation Coordinator Annual Evaluation
  - E. Map Adjustment – City of Gulfport – Official Acceptance
  - F. Auditor Governance Letter – Receive and File
  - G. Approval of Agreement with Media Relations Group
- **Proposed Amendment to the FY 2019/20 – FY 2023/24 Transportation Improvement Program**  
Following a description of the amendment by FDOT staff and public hearing, the board, in its role as the metropolitan planning organization, approved the amendment to the TIP amendment by roll call vote to:
  - Corrected the previously approved cost of the bridge replacement project at 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue North east over Placido Bayou to a total cost of \$5,488,352. (vote: 9-0; Mayor Kennedy had stepped out and Councilmember Rice had not yet arrived)
- **Countywide Plan Map Amendment(s)**  
Three cases were recommended for approval:
  - 1. CW 20-01 – Pinellas County (vote: 11-0)
  - 2. CW 20-02 – Pinellas County (vote: 11-0)
  - 3. CW 20-03 – City of Pinellas Park (vote: 11-0)
- **Evolution of Regional Partnerships**  
Following a presentation by Forward Pinellas staff, the board approved the changes to the Chairs Coordinating Committee Interlocal Agreement and Operating Procedures. (vote: 11-0)
- **SPOTlight Update**  
Following an update to the board by the Executive Director, the board approved the formation of a waterborne transportation subcommittee and appointed Mayor Bujalski, Mayor Kennedy, Commissioner Sofer, Councilmember Allbritton and Councilmember Gabbard to sit on the committee. (vote: 11-0)

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Chair

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**5B. Approval of Committee Appointments**



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**SUMMARY**

- **CAC**

Mr. Tracey Schofield submitted an application to the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) for an At Large opening. Mr. Schofield is a graduate of St. Leo University with a BA in Criminal Justice and passionate about giving back to the community. He currently runs a children’s charity and has worked in public government for over 30 years.

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

- CAC Membership Listing
- CAC Application for Mr. Tracey Schofield

**ACTION:** Board, in its role as the metropolitan planning organization, to approve the appointment of Mr. Tracey Schofield as an At Large Representative on the CAC.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends the board approve the appointments as outlined above.

## CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP LIST

### St. Petersburg Area

1. Dylan Carlson (02/13/19)
2. R. Lee Allen (10/10/12)
3. Vacant
4. Kimberly Connor-Savoretti (02/14/18)

### Clearwater Area

5. Luis Serna (06/14/17)
6. Bill Jonson (06/13/18)

### Dunedin Area

7. Karen Mullins (Chair) (07/09/14)
8. Bob Henion (01/08/20)

### Pinellas Park and Mid-County Area

9. Geneva Waters (02/08/17)
10. Brian Scott (09/11/19)

### Largo Area

11. Paul Wallace (03/14/18)
12. Vacant

### Beaches Area

13. Terri Novitsky (12/09/15)
14. Dimitri Karides (02/13/19)

### Gulfport, Kenneth City, Seminole, Belleair, So. Pasadena, Belleair Bluffs Area

15. Caron Schwartz (02/14/18)

### Tarpon Springs, Oldsmar, Safety Harbor Area

16. Tammy Vrana (05/13/15)
17. Vacant

### At Large

18. John Estok (Vice-Chair) (11/01/16) (Safety Harbor)
19. Gary Benjamin (01/08/20) (Clearwater)
20. Gloria Lepik-Corrigan (01/09/19) (Clearwater)
21. Alayna Delgado (01/09/19) (Palm Harbor)
22. Axl David (09/11/19) (Clearwater)
23. Tracey Schofield (02/12/20) (Pinellas Park)
24. Michael Mannino (02/13/19) (Clearwater)
25. Matthew Foster (11/13/19) (Tarpon Spring)
26. Thomas (Tommy) Frain (02/13/19) (Tarpon Springs)

### TRAC

27. Duncan Kovar (07/12/17)



**ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER APPLICATION**

Name: Schofield Tracey Glen  
Last First Middle

Home Address: 9981 58th St Pinellas Park, Fla 33782  
Street (Apt.) City, State Zip

Work Address: 201 Highlands Largo, Fla 33773  
Street (Apt.) City, State Zip

5876799 6470175 tschofield126@gmail.com  
Home Telephone Work Telephone Mobile Telephone E-mail Address

Do you prefer to be contacted/receive documents at your home or work address? Home  Work

Date of Birth: 03/28/1965

Advisory committee you're interested in serving on: At-Largo: Citizen Advisory Committee

Why are you interested in serving on this committee? (you may add an attachment if you need additional space)  
I have lived in Pinellas County most of my life and just love giving back. I run a children's charity and have worked in public government for over 30 years.

| Education                                    | Name and Location                                 | Degree | Major/Subjects of Study |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|--------|-------------------------|
| High School                                  | Northeast High School                             |        | General                 |
| College or University                        | St. Leo University                                | BA     | Criminal Justice        |
| Specialized Training, License or Certificate | Cert. police & code officer                       |        |                         |
| Other Education                              | Over 3000 of advance training in many disciplines | NA     |                         |

If you are appointed, do you know of any reason whatsoever why you will not be able to attend regularly scheduled meetings or otherwise fulfill the duties of the membership to which you have been appointed?  
 Yes No  If "Yes", please explain:

**The following information will only be used to satisfy Equal Opportunity reporting and research requirements.**

Gender: Male  Female

Race: White  Hispanic  African American  American Indian/Alaskan Native

Asian/Pacific Islander  Other

\* Applications may be submitted by electronic mail, FAX or mail. E-mail address: info@forwardpinellas.org

Fax: (727) 464-8212 - Mailing Address: Forward Pinellas, 310 Court St., Clearwater, FL 33756.

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**5C. Acceptance of Quarter One Financial Report**

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**SUMMARY**

The first quarter of FY20 ended December 31, 2019. The financial report through the end of that period is attached for the board's review.

**ATTACHMENT(S):** Financial Report through Quarter One FY20

**ACTION:** Board to receive and accept the financial report.



**PINELLAS PLANNING COUNCIL**  
**October 2019 thru December 2019 (Qtr 1)**  
**UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT**



| REVENUES                                                                                  | Dec-19         | Oct '19 thru Dec '19 | FY20 BUDGET      | VARIANCE         | % Of Anticipated<br>REVENUES<br>Received |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------------------------|
| <i>Projected Fund Balance Carryforward</i>                                                |                |                      | 872,670.00       |                  |                                          |
| Interest                                                                                  | 212            | 212                  | 2,600            | 2,388            | 8%                                       |
| Tax Revenue                                                                               | 813,681        | 813,681              | 1,215,890        | 402,209          | 67%                                      |
| Local Assistance Contract Services                                                        | -              | -                    | 15,000           | 15,000           | 0%                                       |
| MPO Charges for Services (Revenue)                                                        | -              | -                    | 1,549,490        | 1,549,490        | 0%                                       |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                                                                             | <b>813,893</b> | <b>813,893</b>       | <b>3,655,650</b> | <b>2,841,757</b> | <b>22%</b>                               |
|                                                                                           |                |                      |                  |                  |                                          |
| EXPENDITURES                                                                              | Dec-19         | Oct '19 thru Dec '19 | FY20 BUDGET      | VARIANCE         | % OF BUDGETED<br>Expenses<br>Allocated   |
| Salaries & Wages                                                                          | 965            | 198,732              | 1,432,580        | 1,233,848        | 14%                                      |
| FICA & Benefits                                                                           | 26,133         | 119,894              | 758,340          | 638,446          | 16%                                      |
| <i>Personal Services</i>                                                                  | 27,097         | 318,625              | 2,190,920        | 1,872,295        | 15%                                      |
| Contractual Support Services ( <i>Prof Svcs (\$103K); Otr Contractual Svcs (\$120K)</i> ) | 13,159         | 22,980               | 476,640          | 453,660          | 5%                                       |
| Rent                                                                                      | 6,722          | 20,166               | 78,000           | 57,834           | 26%                                      |
| Equip. & Furn.                                                                            | -              | -                    | 18,000           | 18,000           | 0%                                       |
| Telephone ( <i>Comm Svcs</i> )                                                            | 288            | 864                  | 3,600            | 2,736            | 24%                                      |
| Mail (Postage)                                                                            | 176            | 351                  | 2,700            | 2,349            | 13%                                      |
| Advertising Notice ( <i>Otr Chgs Legal Adv</i> )                                          | -              | 3,885                | 30,000           | 26,115           | 13%                                      |
| Printing/Reproduction                                                                     | 356            | 1,112                | 5,000            | 3,888            | 22%                                      |
| Office Supplies                                                                           | -              | 710                  | 15,000           | 14,290           | 5%                                       |
| PAO/Tax Coll Commissions                                                                  | 18,238         | 22,240               | 35,830           | 13,590           | 62%                                      |
| Intergovernmental Services                                                                | -              | -                    | 267,770          | 267,770          | 0%                                       |
| Risk Management                                                                           | 681            | 2,042                | 8,170            | 6,128            | 25%                                      |
| Travel                                                                                    | 8              | 573                  | 10,000           | 9,427            | 6%                                       |
| Fleet O&M                                                                                 | -              | -                    | -                | -                | 0%                                       |
| Communications, Advocacy, & Educ                                                          | -              | 2,355                | 20,000           | 17,645           | 12%                                      |
| Audit                                                                                     | -              | 1,974                | 25,000           | 23,026           | 8%                                       |
| Council Activities                                                                        | -              | 319                  | 10,000           | 9,681            | 3%                                       |
| Contingency ( <i>PC Purchases under \$1,000; Otr Current Chgs &amp; Obligations</i> )     | 169            | 2,009                | 459,020          | 457,011          | 0%                                       |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                                                                             | <b>66,895</b>  | <b>400,204</b>       | <b>3,655,650</b> | <b>3,255,446</b> | <b>11%</b>                               |

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**5D. Approval of Additional Waterborne Transportation Subcommittee Member**

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**SUMMARY**

At its January 8, 2020 meeting, the Forward Pinellas Board formed a subcommittee to look at waterborne transportation issues and options for Pinellas County. At that time, the board approved the membership of the subcommittee to include Councilmember Brandi Gabbard, Mayor Julie Bujalski, Mayor Cookie Kennedy, Councilmember David Allbritton, and Commissioner Suzy Sofer. Commissioner Janet Long was not present at the January board meeting, but has expressed an interest in being a member of this subcommittee. Official action of the board is required to add to the originally approved membership.

**ATTACHMENT(S):** None

**ACTION:** Board to approve the addition of Commissioner Janet Long as a member of the Forward Pinellas Waterborne Transportation Subcommittee.

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**5E. Approval of Procurement #20-01 Planning Consultants**



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**SUMMARY**

Forward Pinellas uses a list of pre-qualified on-call planning consultants to assist the staff in performing various technical activities and policy analysis. These consultants are selected through a competitive procurement process and are issued task assignments through work orders. Work orders include a cost and scope of services, and are authorized by the board or executive director based on the cost, following the Internal Control Structure Policy Manual. Forward Pinellas last issued a procurement for planning consultants in 2016.

Forward Pinellas is planning to conduct a procurement for planning consultants (#20-01) this spring. The planning consultants will be on-call for services to be determined, and no minimum amount of work is guaranteed. Forward Pinellas anticipates selecting multiple planning consultants to assist with a range of planning activities and functions. A selection committee of Forward Pinellas staff and partner agency staff will provide a recommendation to the board for consideration at its May meeting.

**ATTACHMENT(S):** Procurement #20-01 Forward Pinellas Planning Consultants

**ACTION:** Board to approve procurement #20-01 and authorize staff to conduct a competitive procurement process for planning consultants.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends the board approve procurement #20-01 and authorize staff to conduct a competitive procurement for planning consultants.



**Procurement by Competitive Proposals**

**FORWARD PINELLAS PLANNING CONSULTANTS  
#20-01**

Information on all Forward Pinellas procurements is available online at [forwardpinellas.org](http://forwardpinellas.org).

1. **Purpose and Services.** Forward Pinellas is requesting proposals from qualified firms to provide planning support. The full scope of services is available in Exhibit A (Scope of Services).

Forward Pinellas anticipates selecting multiple planning consultants to assist with a range of planning activities and functions as outlined in Exhibit A. Proposals may include the entire Scope of Services, or a portion thereof. Specialized firms are encouraged to apply, and are preferred over firms utilizing subconsultants for completion of the Scope of Services.

No minimum amount of work resulting from this solicitation is guaranteed. Work will be performed on a work order/assignment basis, with a negotiated scope of service based upon Exhibit A, price and schedule.

Forward Pinellas planning consultants may also be used by partner agencies, including local governments.

2. **Background.** Forward Pinellas is the fictitious name for the Pinellas Planning Council (PPC) and Pinellas County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). The PPC and MPO governing board memberships are the same and the unified agency has a shared Executive Director.

The MPO receives federal and state grant funding to conduct transportation planning efforts. This funding is detailed in the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), a two-year document that is the basis for work conducted under MPO tasks. The PPC is primarily funded through local property tax and has an established budget that is adopted annually.

Forward Pinellas is focused on the integration of land use and transportation planning throughout Pinellas County. The agency works closely with its partners throughout the county and region. In 2019, the Forward Pinellas Board adopted Advantage Pinellas, an integrated land use and transportation plan for Pinellas County through 2045.

3. **Proposal Requirements.** Each respondent must contain and/or address:
  - Name and address of the submitting firm;
  - Email address and phone number for the proposed project manager;
  - Letter addressing:

- Key personnel, including titles and/or classifications with qualifications and overall roles and responsibilities;
- Narrative demonstrating the firm’s understanding of Forward Pinellas’s needs;
- Examples of relevant experience, including innovative planning projects, techniques and/or applications;
- Minimum of three references for whom you have performed similar work;
- Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) certification and participation status, or other MBE, SBE participating status and supporting certificate;
- Complete rate structure (Exhibit B); and
- Certificate of Insurance.

No more than 10 single-sided pages may be submitted. Resumes shall be limited to a two-page maximum, and will not count towards the page limit, and may be included as part of an appendix. Certificates may also be included as part of an appendix. Lengthy appendices are highly discouraged.

**4. Selection Schedule.**

Forward Pinellas reserves the right to change the schedule below as necessary. Any changes will be posted to the Forward Pinellas website.

|                                                                   |                           |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Procurement issued                                                | February 13, 2020         |
| Questions due*                                                    | February 28, 2020, 2 p.m. |
| Responses to questions posted                                     | March 4, 2020, 2 p.m.     |
| Proposals due to Forward Pinellas                                 | March 19, 2020, 1 p.m.    |
| Selection committee meeting to shortlist firms for presentation** | April 6, 2020, 1 p.m.     |
| Presentations                                                     | April 23 – May 1, 2020    |
| Selection committee meeting                                       | May 1, 2020, 2 p.m.       |
| Recommendation to Forward Pinellas Board                          | May 13, 2020              |

\*Questions must be submitted via email to [scaper@forwardpinellas.org](mailto:scaper@forwardpinellas.org).

\*\*Forward Pinellas reserves the right to shortlist firms if necessary.

**5. Response Evaluation.** Respondents must be licensed by the State to do business in Florida and be qualified to perform the advertised work requirements.

A selection committee of Forward Pinellas staff and representatives from partner agencies shall review and rank the proposals. Proposals are to remain in effect for 120 calendar days from the date of submission. Forward Pinellas reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, or negotiate changes to the proposals whenever such rejection, waiver or negotiations is in the best interest of Forward Pinellas.

Forward Pinellas staff will negotiate contracts with the highest ranked and qualified firms. Forward Pinellas anticipates selecting multiple planning consultants. Notwithstanding, Forward Pinellas reserves the right but not the obligation to reject any or all proposals for any reason, including but not limited to if the procurement does not elicit at least three competitive solicitations from qualified sources. The contract shall be in substantial compliance with the contract attached hereto as Exhibit C.

The award shall be made to a responsible firm whose proposal is most advantageous to Forward Pinellas, taking into consideration price and other relevant factors, listed below along with total possible points. Disadvantaged Business participation is automatically assigned based on the use of appropriately certified DBEs, MBEs, or SBEs. All proposals must address the factors used in the evaluation process.

Evaluation of all firms:

- Demonstrated understanding of the portion of the Scope of Services relative to the firm's expertise in the proposal and Forward Pinellas's needs (0-40 points)
- Approach and project management (0-30 points)
- Experience and ability (0-40 points)
- Price (0-3 points)
- Participation by Certified Disadvantaged Businesses (e.g. DBE, MBE, SBE) (0 or 7 points)
- Completeness of Proposal (0 or 5 points)

Forward Pinellas reserves the right to shortlist firms. Presentations will be required of shortlisted firms and will contribute towards the evaluation of firms. Specific guidance regarding presentations may be provided by the selection committee at its first meeting and will conveyed to all firms through a memorandum issued after the meeting.

Presentations will be evaluated on:

- Presentation quality and demonstrated ability (0-25 points)
- Project management (0-20 points)
- Understanding, approach and experience (0-20 points)
- Innovative concepts and/or ideas (0-10 points)

The award shall take into account all of the evaluation factors, for a possible total of 200 points per selection committee member. The total points from each selection committee member will be added together for a final score.

6. **Contact and Submittal Information.** All correspondence concerning this procurement must be submitted to:

Sarah Caper, AICP  
310 Court Street  
Clearwater, Florida 33756  
[scaper@forwardpinellas.org](mailto:scaper@forwardpinellas.org)  
727-464-5695

Questions are allowed and all responses will be posted to the Forward Pinellas website. All questions and corresponding responses will follow the schedule on page 2.

Interested firms must mail two hard copy responses and one electronic copy (flash drive or CD) in pdf format to arrive no later than the scheduled due date and time. Proposals may also be hand delivered.

## 7. Additional Requirements.

**Funding and Agreement:** This effort may be funded by federal grants that Forward Pinellas receives as the MPO and also with local funding that Forward Pinellas receives as the PPC. The following requirements are required of proposers and are reflected in the draft agreement (Exhibit C). **Proposers are strongly encouraged to notify Forward Pinellas in advance of the deadline with any proposed changes to the Exhibit C.** Proposed changes shall not be taken into account during the selection process, but may not be accepted by Forward Pinellas.

**Notification of Crime Conviction:** Each applicant shall notify Forward Pinellas within 30 days after a conviction of a contract crime applicable to it or any officers, directors, executive, shareholders active in management, employees, or agents of its affiliates. Under Section 337.164, F.S., the privilege of conducting business with Forward Pinellas shall be denied to applicants so convicted until such applicant is properly reinstated pursuant to Section 337.165, F.S., and Rule 14-75, F.A.C.

**Federal Debarment:** By signing and submitting a Proposal, the firm certifies that no principal (which includes officers, directors, or executives) is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation on this transaction by any federal department or agency.

**Equal Opportunity and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program Statement:** Forward Pinellas, as the metropolitan planning organization for Pinellas County, does not discriminate on any basis, as required by 49 USC 5332 (which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex or age in employment or business opportunity), Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended 42 USC 2000d to 2000d-4, and Title 49 CFR, Part 21. Forward Pinellas ensures, in accordance with 49 CFR Part 26, that certified Florida Department of Transportation DBE participants have an equal opportunity to receive and participate in FDOT assisted contracts. More information on the MPO's DBE Program may be found on the Forward Pinellas website.

**Lobbying.** Lobbying of Forward Pinellas employees and elected officials regarding this procurement by any member of a proposer's staff, or those people who are members of, or employed by, any legal entity affiliated with an organization that is responding to the procurement is strictly prohibited. The purpose of this prohibition is to protect the integrity of the procurement process by shielding it from undue influences prior to the contract award, or the competitive selection process is otherwise concluded. Such actions shall cause your proposal, or the proposal you are supporting, to be rejected.

**Truth in Negotiations:** The firm certifies to the truth-in-negotiation and that wage rates and other factual unit costs supporting the compensation are accurate, complete and current at the time of contracting. Further, the original contract amount and any additions thereto shall be adjusted to exclude any significant sums where the Forward Pinellas determines that costs were increased due to inaccurate, incomplete or non-current wage rates and other factual unit costs.

8. **Dispute Resolution.** The following procedures apply to protests and the resolution of disputes, based on the [Forward Pinellas Internal Control Structure Policy Manual](#).

**Applicability.** Any actual or prospective bidder or proposer, or contractual party, who is allegedly aggrieved in connection with the issuance of a bid/proposal or pending award or validly executed contract may protest to the Executive Director.

**Filing.** A formal written protest shall be filed no later than 5:00pm on the fifth (5th) full business day after issuance of the bid or proposal, or alleged violation of a contract, unless altered by the specific provisions in the bid/request for proposal or contract. Written protest shall be addressed to the Forward Pinellas Executive Director. A protest is considered filed when the Executive Director actually receives it. Failure to file a formal written protest within the time period specified shall constitute a waiver of the right to protest. If the deadline to file falls on a County or legal holiday, the deadline shall be extended to 5:00pm of the next full business day.

**Written protest requirements.** The formal written protest shall identify the protesting party and the solicitation involved; include a clear statement of the grounds on which the protest is based; refer to the statutes, laws, ordinances, or other legal authorities which the protesting party deems applicable to such grounds.

**Authority to resolve.** The Executive Director shall have authority to resolve the protest in a fair and equitable manner and shall render a written decision stating the reason for the action with a copy furnished to the protesting party and all substantially affected persons no later than 5:00pm on the fifth (5th) full business day after the filing thereof. If the deadline to respond falls on a County or legal holiday, the deadline shall be extended to 5:00pm of the next full business day.

If it is determined that the solicitation or award is in violation of law or regulations and procedures of the bid/proposal package, the Executive Director shall immediately cancel or revise the solicitation or award as deemed appropriate. If the Executive Director determines that the contract has been breached, the Executive Director shall take immediate steps to cure said breach.

If it is determined that the solicitation or award shall be upheld, or that the contract at issue has not been breached, the Executive Director shall issue a decision in writing pursuant to the requirements herein, which shall be final and conclusive as to Forward Pinellas, unless any further action is taken with the appropriate Federal entity or the protester commences an action in court.

The Executive Director shall inform the Board of the protest, at a minimum, but may seek Board approval or guidance in the resolution process.

**Sole remedy/exhaustion of administrative remedies.** These procedures shall be the sole remedy for challenging an award of bid and the terms of the final contract. A protestor must seek a remedy pursuant to these procedures before pursuing a protest with the applicable Federal agency.

**Stay of procurement and performance during protests.** There shall be no stay of procurement or contract performance during protests.



**Exhibit A**

**Forward Pinellas  
Planning Consultants  
Scope of Services**

Forward Pinellas is looking for planning consultants to support the agency's planning functions, which generally fall into five related categories: multimodal transportation planning and analysis, economic analysis, communications and public involvement, urban design and land use and redevelopment. Firms that are specialized are encouraged, as are firms with the ability to perform a range of services. Forward Pinellas is not looking to select teams.

Anticipated planning efforts may include, but are not limited to:

- Multi-modal corridor studies
- Site planning and area master plans
- Feasibility studies
- Market assessments
- Complete Streets concept plans
- Bicycle, pedestrian, trail and micro-mobility planning
- Design and implementation of Vision Zero efforts
- Community outreach, engagement and facilitation
- Storytelling
- Visualization
- Land use analysis
- Transportation plans
- Transit oriented development
- Performance and trend measurement and reporting
- Historic preservation & development review

Forward Pinellas held a webinar on February 4, 2020 that reviewed the agency's goals and anticipated work. The webinar is available online at <http://forwardpinellas.org/public-notice/forward-pinellas-to-hold-information-session-for-planning-consultant-procurement/>. Questions are encouraged and may be submitted as outlined in the procurement materials.

Exhibit B

Proposed Rate Schedule

Hourly Rates (ranges)

| <b>Classification</b>               | <b>Low</b> | <b>High</b> |
|-------------------------------------|------------|-------------|
| Chief Professional/Project Director | \$         | \$          |
| Project Manager                     | \$         | \$          |
| Senior Professional                 | \$         | \$          |
| Project Professional                | \$         | \$          |
| Professional                        | \$         | \$          |
| Senior Specialist                   | \$         | \$          |
| Specialist                          | \$         | \$          |
| Senior Technician                   | \$         | \$          |
| Technician/Analyst                  | \$         | \$          |
| Secretary/Clerical                  | \$         | \$          |
| Other: _____                        | \$         | \$          |

1. These rates are loaded (includes overhead, fringe benefits, facility capital costs, operating margin or out-of-pocket expenses).
2. The hourly rate structure may be negotiated by Forward Pinellas after the selection of consultants and agreed-upon rates will be included in the agreement between the Forward Pinellas and the consultant.
3. The agreed-upon hourly rate structure may be re-negotiated at renewal periods of the agreement, or at the discretion of Forward Pinellas.
4. The hourly rate structure applies to the consultant and any sub-consultants.
5. Individual rates will be determined at the time of each work order and/or scope of services and must fall within this rate structure.

Exhibit C

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Agreement for Planning Consultants

This agreement (AGREEMENT) is made and entered into this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019, between Forward Pinellas, in its role as the Pinellas County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and the Pinellas Planning Council (PPC) and \_\_\_\_\_ (CONSULTANT), collectively referred to as the "Parties."

Witnesseth:

Whereas, Forward Pinellas wishes to engage the services of CONSULTANT to assist with planning efforts; and

Whereas, Forward Pinellas solicited competitive proposals to assist with such efforts, and selected CONSULTANT as a successful applicant; and

Whereas, the CONSULTANT is qualified and has express willingness and ability to provide aforementioned services.

Now, therefore, in consideration of the mutual covenants and promises contained hereinafter, the Parties agree as follows:

1. Services to be Furnished by the CONSULTANT

The services described and provided for in Exhibit A (Scope of Services), attached hereto and incorporated herein, which are based on Forward Pinellas competitive proposal solicitation #20-01, constitutes the Scope of Services to be performed by CONSULTANT under this AGREEMENT. Materials or services requested by Forward Pinellas shall be provided by the CONSULTANT in a timely manner.

The CONSULTANT shall maintain and adequate and competent professional staff so as to enable the CONSULTANT to timely perform work under this AGREEMENT. The CONSULTANT agrees that whenever, for any reason, one or more of the key personnel are unavailable for performance under this AGREEMENT, Forward Pinellas may require the CONSULTANT to replace such individual(s) with an individual(s) of substantially equal abilities and qualifications. Forward Pinellas may require the CONSULTANT to submit a resume giving the full name, title, qualifications and experience for all successors and/or new persons assigned to perform work under this AGREEMENT. Prior written consent of Forward Pinellas may be required before the CONSULTANT may utilize said new personnel to perform work associated with this AGREEMENT.

The CONSULTANT agrees to acquire and maintain sufficient legal, financial, technical and managerial capacity to plan, manage and complete the work under this AGREEMENT. The CONSULTANT may associate with specialists for the purpose of its services hereunder without additional cost to Forward Pinellas other than those costs negotiated within the limits and terms of this AGREEMENT. The CONSULTANT is fully responsible for the satisfactory completion of all subcontracted work and must require in all of its subcontracts that subcontractors are bound by all the terms of this AGREEMENT.

Assignments shall be made through work task orders negotiated between Forward Pinellas and the CONSULTANT.

## 2. Term

This AGREEMENT shall be effective July 1, 2020 upon proper execution by both Parties and shall remain in effect until June 30, 2022. Two two-year extensions may be executed if agreed upon in writing by all Parties.

## 3. Services to be Furnished by Forward Pinellas

Forward Pinellas shall provide the CONSULTANT copies of all existing and previously prepared files/documents pertinent to the AGREEMENT, which Forward Pinellas may have in its possession, when available. However, the onus is on the CONSULTANT to research, design, implement, hire or acquire any component or any part of the project thereof deemed to be requisite for the satisfactory completion of the Agreement.

Under no circumstances will Forward Pinellas be held liable or negligent for the perceived inability of any of its employees to locate, retrieve, furnish, supply or provide any of the requested files needed by the CONSULTANT.

Forward Pinellas personnel shall coordinate all releases of information to the public or other outside agencies, unless otherwise discussed and documented by both parties. The CONSULTANT agrees that it shall make no statements, press releases, or publicity releases concerning this AGREEMENT or its subject matter or otherwise disclose or permit to be disclosed any of the data or other information obtained or furnished in compliance with this AGREEMENT, or any particulars thereof, during the period of this AGREEMENT without first notifying Forward Pinellas and securing its prior written consent.

## 4. Invoice Requirements

The CONSULTANT shall be compensated on a reimbursement basis. The CONSULTANT shall submit electronic invoices on a monthly basis. All invoices must include a progress report showing the actual tasks performed and their relationship to the fee claimed. All progress reports and invoices shall be emailed to the attention of the Forward Pinellas Executive Director, [wblanton@forwardpinellas.org](mailto:wblanton@forwardpinellas.org), or his Forward Pinellas staff designee. Forward Pinellas may request additional information and evidence to support any and all invoices for fees claimed to be earned by the CONSULTANT before Forward Pinellas processes the invoices for payment. Invoices for fees or other compensation for services and expenses shall be submitted to Forward Pinellas in detail sufficient for a proper pre-audit and post-audit.

Invoice submittals including a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) shall include a DBE utilization schedule, DBE usage and payments to a DBE as a separate line item and must be supported with the DBE's original invoice.

All services to be provided by the CONSULTANT under the provisions of this AGREEMENT shall be performed to the reasonable satisfaction of the Forward Pinellas Executive Director. If the services provided are not performed to the reasonable satisfaction of the Forward Pinellas Executive Director, the Parties will agree upon steps to reach reasonable satisfaction. If this cannot be reached, this AGREEMENT may be terminated.

Forward Pinellas shall not approve payment for work done in order to correct errors or omissions on the part of the CONSULTANT. Forward Pinellas in no way obligates itself to check or be liable for the CONSULTANT's work.

Within 60 calendar days of the AGREEMENT's completion date or termination, the CONSULTANT agrees to submit a final invoice, progress report, a certification of AGREEMENT expenses and third party audit reports, as applicable.

#### 5. Compensation

Upon Executive Director or designee approval of submitted invoices, Forward Pinellas shall make payments as invoiced to the CONSULTANT in accordance with the following terms. These terms are applicable to all fees incurred.

A variety of reimbursement payment methods may be used, such as Time & Materials, Upset Limit Fee or Lump Sum Fee, due to nature of the work task order. The payment method for an individual work task order will be agreed upon between Forward Pinellas and the CONSULTANT and will be clearly identified before the work begins.

Forward Pinellas agrees to reimburse CONSULTANT for the performance of authorized services, which will be conducted on a work task order basis. Authorized services shall be billed based on percent complete of tasks, as shown in Exhibit B, attached hereto and incorporated herein. Reasonable business expenses for requested travel incurred for the services performed by the CONSULTANT must be pre-approved and follow Forward Pinellas' travel guidelines.

The general cost principles and procedures for negotiation and administration, and the determination or allowance of costs under this AGREEMENT, shall be as set forth in the Code of Federal Regulations, Titles 23, 48 and 49; and other pertinent federal, state, and local regulations, as applicable. In the event there is a conflict between federal, state, and local regulations, the more restrictive of the applicable regulations will govern.

#### 6. Records

The CONSULTANT agrees to establish and maintain a set of accounts within the framework of an established accounting system and procedures that can be identified with the AGREEMENT, in accordance with applicable federal and state regulations and other requirements that FDOT and FHWA may impose.

The CONSULTANT agrees that all checks, payrolls, invoices, contracts, vendors, expenses, orders, or other accounting documents related in whole or in part to the AGREEMENT shall be clearly identified, readily accessible, and available to Forward Pinellas upon its request and, to the extent feasible, kept separate from documents not related to the AGREEMENT. All costs charged to the AGREEMENT, including any approved services contributed by the CONSULTANT or others, shall be supported by properly executed payrolls, time records, invoices, contracts or vouchers describing the detail in nature and propriety of the charges.



The CONSULTANT agrees to refrain from drawing checks, drafts, or orders for goods or services to be charged against the AGREEMENT until the CONSULTANT has received and filed in its records a properly signed voucher describing in proper detail the purpose for the expenditure.

#### 7. Reporting, Record Retention and Access

The CONSULTANT agrees to maintain intact and readily accessible all data, documents, reports, accounting records, contracts, change order files (including documentation covering negotiated settlements), and supporting materials relating to the AGREEMENT that the federal government, the state government or Forward Pinellas may require during the course of the AGREEMENT and for five years thereafter. Upon request, the CONSULTANT agrees to permit Forward Pinellas, the Secretary of Transportation; the Comptroller General of the United States; and, if appropriate, the State of Florida or their authorized representatives to inspect all AGREEMENT work, materials, payrolls, and other data, and to audit the books, records, and accounts of the CONSULTANT pertaining to the AGREEMENT as required by 49 U.S.C. § 5325(g).

For the purpose of such audits, inspections, examinations and evaluations, Forward Pinellas's agent or authorized representative shall have access to said records from the effective date of the AGREEMENT, for the duration of work, and until five (5) years after the date of final payment by Forward Pinellas to the CONSULTANT pursuant to this AGREEMENT, or for the State of Florida's applicable public records retention schedule, whichever is longer.

Forward Pinellas' agent or authorized representative shall have access to the CONSULTANT's facilities and all necessary records in order to conduct audits in compliance with this Section. Forward Pinellas' agent or authorized representative shall give the CONSULTANT reasonable advance notice of intended inspections, examinations, and/or audits.

The CONSULTANT agrees that all reports and other documents or information intended for public availability developed under this AGREEMENT and required to be submitted to Forward Pinellas must be prepared and submitted in the original electronic format and in accordance with requirements that Forward Pinellas may specify, understanding that Forward Pinellas reserves the right to request records in other formats.

#### 8. Ownership of Documents

All records, electronic files, documents, plans, specifications, evaluations, reports and other technical data, other than working papers, prepared or developed by the CONSULTANT under this AGREEMENT are the property of Forward Pinellas without restriction or limitation on their use and shall be made available upon request to Forward Pinellas at any time. All such documents shall be delivered to Forward Pinellas upon completion or termination of this AGREEMENT. The CONSULTANT, at its own expense, may retain copies for its files and internal use.

Any and all reports, documents provided or created in connection with this AGREEMENT are and shall remain the property of Forward Pinellas. In the event of termination of this AGREEMENT, any reports, documents and other data prepared by the CONSULTANT, whether finished or unfinished, shall become the property of Forward Pinellas and shall be delivered to Forward Pinellas' Executive Director within seven (7) days of termination of the AGREEMENT by either party.

## 9. Indemnification

The CONSULTANT shall indemnify and hold harmless Forward Pinellas from all suits, actions, or claims of any character brought on account of any injuries or damages received or sustained by any person, persons, or property by, or in consequences of any neglect in safeguarding the work; or by on account of any act or omission, neglect, or misconduct of the CONSULTANT; or by, or on account of any claim or amounts recovered under the “Workers’ Compensation Law” or a law, bylaws, ordinance, order, or decree.

The CONSULTANT shall pay Forward Pinellas all losses, damages, expenses, and costs that Forward Pinellas sustains by reason of any default, any negligent act, error or omission, including patent infringements on the part of the CONSULTANT, in connection with the performance of this AGREEMENT.

Nothing herein shall be construed as a waiver of Forward Pinellas’ sovereign immunity or further limitation thereof beyond §768.28, Florida Statutes.

## 10. Required Certifications

The CONSULTANT shall obtain, execute and comply with the following certifications:

**Insurance.** The CONSULTANT shall obtain adequate insurance and provide a certificate of said insurance pursuant to Exhibit C.

**Truth-In-Negotiation and Public Entity Crimes Certification.** The CONSULTANT agrees to execute the Truth-In-Negotiations Certificate as required by Section 11.45, Florida Statutes, attached to this AGREEMENT as Exhibit, as well as a Public Entity Crimes Certificate, as required by Section 287.133(3)(a), Florida Statutes, and attached to this AGREEMENT as Exhibit D. The original AGREEMENT price and any additions thereto shall be adjusted to exclude any significant sums by which Forward Pinellas determines the AGREEMENT price was increased due to inaccurate or incomplete factual unit costs. All such AGREEMENT adjustments shall be made within one (1) year following the end of the AGREEMENT.

**Lobbying.** In connection with this AGREEMENT, the CONSULTANT is required to complete Exhibit E “Certification Regarding Lobbying.”

**Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters.** In connection with this AGREEMENT, the CONSULTANT is required to complete Exhibit F “Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters – Primary Covered Transactions.”

## 11. Prohibition Against Contingent Fee

The CONSULTANT warrants that he has not employed or retained any company or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the CONSULTANT, to solicit or secure this AGREEMENT and that he has not paid or agreed to pay any person, company, corporation, individual, or firm other than a bona fide employee working solely for the CONSULTANT, any fee, commission, percentage, gift or any other consideration, contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this AGREEMENT.

## 12. Default and Termination

If the CONSULTANT fails to keep or perform any of the terms, covenants, conditions or provisions in this Agreement that the Auditor is required to keep or perform, then within fifteen (15) days of Forward Pinellas becoming aware of the default, Forward Pinellas shall notify the CONSULTANT of the default and demand the default to be cured. Upon receipt of said notice, the CONSULTANT shall have fifteen (15) days from the date of the receipt to cure said default. Forward Pinellas shall have the right to temporarily withhold payment pending correction of any identified deficiencies or disallow funding for all or part of an activity not in compliance with this AGREEMENT. All defaults shall be cured at the sole cost of the CONSULTANT.

Upon the CONSULTANT's failure to cure such default, Forward Pinellas may terminate this AGREEMENT and may seek any and all such other remedies available in law or equity. Failure to elect any of the available remedies upon the occurrence of any default shall not operate as a waiver of any further election of remedies.

### 13. Title VI and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program

The CONSULTANT, including its subconsultants, will not discriminate on any basis, as required by 49 USC 5332 (which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex or age in employment or business opportunity), Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 USC 2000d through 2000d-4, and Title 49 CFR, Part 21, or any other protected class as defined by state or federal law.

If utilizing subconsultants, the CONSULTANT agrees, in accordance with 49 CFR Part 26 that certified Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Disadvantaged Enterprise Program (DBE) participants have an equal opportunity to receive and participate in FDOT assisted contracts.

### 14. Assignment

The CONSULTANT shall not assign or transfer its interest in this AGREEMENT without the written consent of Forward Pinellas.

### 15. Fiscal Funding

Forward Pinellas, in both its roles as the MPO and PPC, is a bona fide agency of the State of Florida with its fiscal year ending on September 30 of each calendar. If Forward Pinellas does not have appropriate sufficient funds to continue making the payments required under this AGREEMENT or any of its agreements for any fiscal year subsequent to the one in which this AGREEMENT is executed or entered into, including but not limited to the result of the receipt of insufficient funds from the Florida Department of Transportation or Federal Highway Administration, then this AGREEMENT shall be terminated effective upon expiration of the fiscal year in which sufficient funds were last appropriated, without penalty or expense to Forward Pinellas. In this event, Forward Pinellas shall not be obligated to make any further payments due beyond said fiscal year.

### 16. Prohibition Against Contingency Fees

The CONSULTANT warrants that they have not employed or retained any company or person other than a bona fide employee working solely for the CONSULTANT to solicit or secure this AGREEMENT and that the CONSULTANT has not paid or agreed to pay any person, company, corporation, individual, or firm

other than a bona fide employee working for the CONSULTANT any fee, commission, percentage, gift, or any other considerations, contingent upon or resulting from this award or making of this AGREEMENT.

#### 17. Observance of Laws

The CONSULTANT agrees to observe, comply with and execute promptly at its expense during the term hereof, all laws, rules, requirements, orders, directives, codes ordinances, and regulations of any and all governmental authorities or agencies, of all municipal departments, bureaus, boards and officials, of all County, State, and Federal boards and agencies, and of insurance carriers. The CONSULTANT specifically acknowledges that it is responsible for complying with the provisions of the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, located at 8 U.S.C. Section 1324, et. seq, and regulations relating thereto. Failure to comply with this provision of this AGREEMENT shall be considered a material breach and shall be grounds for immediate termination of this AGREEMENT. If a dispute arises regarding this AGREEMENT, the Laws of Florida shall govern. Proper venue shall be in Pinellas County, Florida.

#### 18. Independent Consultant

The CONSULTANT acknowledges that it is functioning as an independent consultant in performing under the terms of this AGREEMENT, and it is not acting as an employee or agent of Forward Pinellas.

#### 19. Severability

If any provision of this AGREEMENT is held invalid, the remainder of the AGREEMENT will not be affected thereby, and all other parts of this AGREEMENT will remain in full force and effect.

#### 20. Waiver

Waiver of one or more covenants or conditions of this AGREEMENT by Forward Pinellas shall not be construed as a waiver of a subsequent breach of the same covenant or conditions, and the consent or approval by Forward Pinellas to or if any act by the CONSULTANT requiring Forward Pinellas' consent or approval shall not be construed as consent or approval to or of any subsequent similar act by the CONSULTANT.

#### 21. Entire Agreement

This AGREEMENT represents, together with all Exhibits, the entire written AGREEMENT between Forward Pinellas and supersedes all prior communications and proposals, whether electronic, oral, or written between Forward Pinellas and the CONSULTANT with respect to this AGREEMENT. This AGREEMENT may be amended only by written instrument signed by both Forward Pinellas and the CONSULTANT.

#### 22. Notice and Contacts

All notices required by law and by this AGREEMENT to be given by one party to the other shall be in writing and shall be sent to the following respective addressees:

Forward Pinellas:  
Whit Blanton, FAICP, Executive Director  
310 Court Street  
Clearwater, Florida 33756  
[Wblanton@forwardpinellas.org](mailto:Wblanton@forwardpinellas.org)

CONSULTANT:

If a different representative is designated after the execution of this AGREEMENT, notice of the new addresses will be made in writing.

23. Conflict of Interest

By accepting award of this AGREEMENT, the CONSULTANT, which shall include its Executive Directors, officers and employees, represents that it presently has no interest in and shall acquire no interest, either directly or indirectly, in any business or activity which would conflict in any manner with the performance of services required hereunder, including as described in the CONSULTANT's own professional ethical requirements. An interest in a business or activity which shall be deemed a conflict includes, but is not limited to, any direct or indirect financial interest in any of the material and equipment manufacturers, suppliers, distributors, or consultants who will be eligible to supply material and equipment for the AGREEMENT for which furnishing its services is required hereunder.

The CONSULTANT further covenants and agrees that, when a former Forward Pinellas employee is employed by the CONSULTANT, the CONSULTANT will require that strict adherence by the former employee of, Section 112.3185, Florida Statutes, is a condition of employment of said former employee. These Statutes will by reference be made a part of this AGREEMENT as though set forth in full. The CONSULTANT agrees to incorporate the provisions of this paragraph in any subcontract into which it might enter with reference to the work performed pursuant to this AGREEMENT.

If, in the sole discretion of Forward Pinellas's Executive Director or designee, a conflict of interest is deemed to exist or arise during the term of the AGREEMENT, Forward Pinellas's Executive Director or designee may cancel this AGREEMENT, effective upon the date so stated in the Written Notice of Cancellation, without penalty to Forward Pinellas.

24. Final Closeout

Forward Pinellas may perform a final audit of the records of the CONSULTANT to support the compensation paid to the CONSULTANT under this AGREEMENT. The audit would be performed as soon as practical after completion and acceptance of all contracted services. The final payment to the CONSULTANT may be adjusted for audit results.

25. Governing Law and Agreement Execution

The laws of the federal government and the State of Florida shall govern this AGREEMENT.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused these presents to be executed, the day and year first written above.

PINELLAS PLANNING COUNCIL AND PINELLAS COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

Attest:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Whit Blanton, FAICP  
Forward Pinellas Executive Director

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dave Eggers  
Forward Pinellas Chair

Approved as to form:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chelsea Hardy  
Assistant County Attorney

CONSULTANT

Attest:

Exhibit A: Scope of Services

(The remainder of this exhibit is intentionally left blank and will be completed based on the procurement.)

Exhibit B: Rate Schedule

(The remained of this exhibit is intentionally left blank and will be completed based on the procurement.)



(This exhibit will be required of selected planning consultants, but does not need to be submitted with proposals.)

Exhibit C: Certificate of Insurance and Insurance Requirements, Minimum Insurance Requirements

Prior to the time the CONSULTANT is entitled to commence any part of the project, work, or service under this agreement, the CONSULTANT shall procure, pay for and maintain at least the insurance coverage limits specified below. Said insurance shall be evidenced by delivery to Forward Pinellas of: 1) a Certificate of Insurance executed by the insurers listing coverages and limits, expiration dates, and terms of policies and all endorsements whether or not required by Forward Pinellas, and listing all carriers issuing said policy; 2) a copy of each policy, including all endorsements listed below. The insurance requirement shall remain in effect throughout the term of this agreement.

1. Workers' compensation limits are required by law; employers' liability insurance of not less than \$500,000 for each accident.
2. Comprehensive general liability insurance including, but not limited to, independent contractor, contractual, premises/operations, products/completed operations, and personal injury covering the liability assumed under indemnification provisions of this Agreement, with limits for liability for personal injury and/or bodily injury, including death, of not less than \$1,000,000 combined single limits. Coverage shall be on an "occurrence" basis.
3. Professional liability insurance from management consultant errors and omissions liability insurance including but not limited to, general accounting, feasibility analysis, cost analysis with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 per occurrence if Occurrence Form is available; or Claims Made Form with "tale coverage" extending three (3) years beyond completion and acceptance of the project with proof of "tale coverage" to be submitted with the invoice for final payment. In lieu of "tale coverage," the CONSULTANT may submit annually to Forward Pinellas current Certificate of Insurance proving claims made insurance remains in force throughout the same (3) years. Any failure to comply with the provisions of this paragraph will be considered a material breach of this Agreement.
4. Comprehensive automobile and truck liability covering owned, hired, and non-owned vehicles with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 each occurrence, and property damage of not less than \$1,000,000 each occurrence. (Combined single limits of not less than \$1,000,000, each occurrence, will be acceptable unless otherwise stated.) Coverage shall be on an-occurrence basis, such insurance to include coverage for loading and unloading hazard. Each insurance policy shall include the following conditions by endorsement to the policy:
  - a. Companies issuing the insurance policy, or policies, shall have no recourse against Forward Pinellas for payment of premiums or assessments for any deductibles which all are at the sole responsibility and risk of the CONSULTANT.
  - b. The term Forward Pinellas shall include all authorities, boards, bureaus, commissions, divisions, departments, committees, and offices of Forward Pinellas and individual members, employees thereof in their official capacities, and/or while acting on behalf of Forward Pinellas.
  - c. Forward Pinellas shall be endorsed to the required policy or policies as an additional insured exclusive of professional liability insurance and workers' compensation insurance.
  - d. The policy clause "other insurance" shall not apply to any insurance coverage currently held by Forward Pinellas to any such future coverage or to Forward Pinellas' self-insured retention or whatever nature.
5. The CONSULTANT hereby waives subrogation rights for loss or damage against Forward Pinellas.

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Exhibit D. Truth in Negotiation Certificate

In compliance with this Agreement dated \_\_\_\_\_, between Forward Pinellas and the CONSULTANT, the CONSULTANT herewith certifies that:

1. The rates of compensation and other factual unit costs supporting the compensation are accurate, complete, and correct at the time of contracting.
2. Any and all limitations on current or future years' contract fees, including any arrangements under which fixed limits on fees will not be subject to reconsideration if unexpected accounting issues are encountered, are disclosed herein.
3. Any and all services to be provided under the above-referenced AGREEMENT at rates or terms that are not customary are described herein.

Annual maximum compensation rate is as specified this AGREEMENT.  
Standard compensation rate for this type engagement is as negotiated.

\_\_\_\_\_  
CONSULTANT

By:

Date:

(This exhibit will be required of selected planning consultants, but does not need to be submitted with proposals.)

Exhibit E. Public Entity Crimes Certificate

SWORN STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 287.133(3)(A). FLORIDA STATUTES ON PUBLIC ENTITY CRIME

THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED AND SWORN TO IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC OR OTHER OFFICIAL AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS.

1. This sworn statement is submitted to \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(print this individual's name and title)

For: \_\_\_\_\_  
(print name of entity submitting statements)

whose business address is: \_\_\_\_\_

and if applicable whose Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) is: \_\_\_\_\_

If the entity has no FEIN, include the Social Security Number of the individual signing this sworn Statement:

2. I understand that a "public entity crime" as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(a), Florida Statutes, means a violation of any state or federal law by a person with respect to and directly related to the transactions of business with any public entity or with an agency or political subdivision of any other state or with the United States including, but not limited to any bid or contract for goods or services to be provided to any public entity or any agency or political subdivision of any other state or of the United States and involving antitrust, fraud, theft, bribery, collusion, racketeering, conspiracy, or material misrepresentation.

3. I understand that "convicted" or "conviction" as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(b), Florida Statutes means a finding of guilt or a conviction of a public entity crime, with or without adjudication of guilt, in any federal or state trial court of record relating to charges brought by indictment or information after July 1, 1989, as a result of a Jury verdict, nonjury trial, or entry of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere.

4. I understand that an "affiliate" as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(a), Florida Statutes, means:

- A. A predecessor or successor of a person convicted of public entity crime; or
- B. An entity under the control of any natural person who is active in the management of the entity and who has been convicted of a public entity crime. The term "affiliate" includes those officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, and agents who are active in the management of an affiliate. The ownership by one person of shares constituting a controlling interest in another person, or a pooling of equipment or income among persons when not for fair market value under an arm's length agreement, shall be a prima facie case that one person controls another person. A person who knowingly enters into a joint venture with a person who has been convicted of a public entity crime in Florida during the preceding 36 months shall be considered an affiliate.

5. I understand that a "person" as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(e), Florida Statutes, means any natural person or entity organized under the laws of any state or of the United States with the legal power to enter into a binding contract and which bids or applies to bid on contracts for the provision of goods or services let by a public entity, or which otherwise transacts or applies to transact business with a public entity. The term "person" includes those officers, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, and agents who are active in management of an entity.

6. Based on information and belief, the statement which I have marked below is true in relation to the entity submitting this sworn statement. (Please indicate which statement applies).

\_\_\_\_\_ Neither the entity submitting this sworn statement, nor any of its officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, or agents who are active in the management of the entity, or any affiliate of the entity has been charged with and convicted of a public entity crime within the past 36 months.

\_\_\_\_\_ The entity submitting this sworn statement, or one or more of its officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, or agents who are active in the management of the entity, or an affiliate of the entity has been charged with and convicted of a public entity crime within the past 36 months.

AND (Please indicate which additional statement applies).

\_\_\_\_\_ The entity submitting this sworn statement, or one or more of its officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, or agents who are active in the management of the entity, or agents who are active in the management of the entity, or an affiliate of the entity has been charged with and convicted of a public entity crime within the past 36 months. However, there has been a subsequent proceeding before a Hearing Officers of the State of Florida, Division of Administrative Hearings and the Final Order by the Hearing Officer determined that it was not in the public interest to place the entity submitting this sworn statement on the convicted vendor list. (Attached is a copy of the final order).

I UNDERSTAND THAT THE SUBMISSION OF THIS FORM TO THE CONTRACTING OFFICER FOR THE PUBLIC ENTITY IDENTIFIED IN PARAGRAPH 1 (ONE) ABOVE IS FOR THE PUBLIC ENTITY ONLY AND, THAT THIS FORM IS VALID THROUGH DECEMBER 31 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR IN WHICH IT IS FILED AND FOR THE PERIOD OF THE CONTRACT ENTERED INTO, WHICHEVER PERIOD IS LONGER. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT I AM REQUIRED TO INFORM THE PUBLIC ENTITY PRIOR TO ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT IN EXCESS OF THE THRESHOLD AMOUNT PROVIDED IN SECTION 287.017, FLORIDA STATUTES, FOR CATEGORY TWO OF ANY CHANGE IN THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS FORM.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

City of \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF FLORIDA

Sworn and subscribed before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019 by

\_\_\_\_\_ Who is Personally known to me

\_\_\_\_\_ Or who produced identification  
(Type of Identification)

(Signature) Notary Public—State of Florida

(Printed, typed or stamped commissioned name of notary public)

My commission expires

(SEAL)

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Exhibit F: Certificate Regarding Lobbying

49 CFR PART 20--CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements (To be submitted with each bid or offer exceeding \$100,000)

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

(1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

(2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for making lobbying contacts to an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form--LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions [as amended by "Government wide Guidance for New Restrictions on Lobbying," 61 Fed. Reg. 1413 (1/19/96). Note: Language in paragraph (2) herein has been modified in accordance with Section 10 of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (P.L. 104-65, to be codified at 2 U.S.C. 1601, et seq .)]

(3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31, U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995). Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

[Note: Pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 1352(c)(1)-(2)(A), any person who makes a prohibited expenditure or fails to file or amend a required certification or disclosure form shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such expenditure or failure.]

The CONSULTANT, (name), certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Consultant understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. A 3801, et seq., apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

\_\_\_\_\_ (signature)

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(This exhibit will be required of selected planning consultants, but does not need to be submitted with proposals.)

Exhibit G: Certificate Regarding Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters – Primary Covered Transactions

(1) The prospective primary participant hereby certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:

(a) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any federal department or agency;

(b) Have not, within a three-year period preceding this proposal, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction, violation of federal or state antitrust statutes; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

(c) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (federal, state or local) with commission of any of the offenses listed in paragraph (b) of this certification; and

(d) Have not, within a three-year period preceding this certification, had one or more public transactions (federal, state or local) terminated for cause or default.

(2) The prospective primary participant also hereby certifies that if, later, it becomes aware of any information contradicting the statements of paragraphs (a) through (d) above, it will promptly provide that information to the U.S.D.O.T.

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Signature/Authorized Certifying Official Typed Name and Title

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Applicant/Organization

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Date Signed

**February 12, 2020**

**6A. Annual Adoption of Regional Transportation Priorities**



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**SUMMARY**

At its meeting on December 13, 2019, the West Central Florida MPO Chairs Coordinating Committee (CCC) approved the 2020 Regional Transportation Priority Projects list. The CCC is comprised of elected officials from each of the MPOs within an eight-county Tampa Bay region, including Hernando, Citrus, Hillsborough, Pasco, Polk, Sarasota, Manatee and Pinellas counties. The CCC membership also includes representatives of the area’s regional planning councils, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Districts 1 and 7 and the Florida Turnpike Enterprise.

The Transportation Management Area (TMA) Leadership Group serves as a subcommittee of the CCC. It has a focus on transportation priorities and coordination among the three MPOs for the urbanized area that comprises nearly all of Pinellas County and the urbanized portions of Hillsborough and Pasco counties. The TMA Leadership Group voted to recommend the 2020 Top Priorities list for the Tampa Bay TMA on November 8, 2019. These priorities are consistent with those approved by the CCC.

As FDOT looks to the MPOs for priorities to advance for funding, the regional projects approved by the CCC and the TMA are being brought to the board for final approval. These priorities will then be forward to FDOT for consideration in the development of the Five-Year Work Program.

Forward Pinellas staff will provide an overview of the projects included in the attached priority lists and seek board adoption of the regional priorities.

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

- Transportation Management Area 2020 Top Priorities
- CCC 2020 Regional Transportation Priority Projects

**ACTION:** Board, in its role as the metropolitan planning organization, to approve the 2020 Regional Transportation Priority Project List recommended by the TMA Leadership Group.

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION(S):** The Technical Coordinating Committee met on January 22, 2020 to review the proposed regional priorities and provided no comments, unanimously recommending approval. The Citizens Advisory Committee also reviewed the proposed regional priorities at its January 23, 2020 meeting and offered no comments and recommended approval by a vote of 19-3.





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## Tampa Bay Transportation Management Area (TMA) Leadership Group

### 2020 Top Priorities

Approved on November 8, 2019

### Funded Priorities

- ❖ **Howard Frankland Bridge Replacement**
- ❖ **Gateway Expressway**
- ❖ **I-75 interchange at Overpass (Phase I)**
- ❖ **I-275 Express Lanes from I-375 to Gandy Blvd.**
- ❖ **I-75 Interchange at Big Bend Road**
- ❖ **I-275/SR 60/Westshore Interchange**
- ❖ **I-275 Operational Improvements north of downtown Tampa**

### Top Priorities for the Tampa Bay Region

- ❖ **I-75 Interchange at Gibsonton**
- ❖ **I-75 Interchange at Overpass (Phase II)**
- ❖ **Central Avenue Bus Rapid Transit**
- ❖ **Regional Rapid Transit in the I-275 Corridor**
- ❖ **Support HART's exploration and negotiation for use of the CSX right-of-way for passenger transportation**



## *Metropolitan Planning Organizations*

### *Chairs Coordinating Committee*

## 2020 Regional Transportation Priority Projects

Hernando/Citrus MPO | Hillsborough MPO | Forward Pinellas

Pasco County MPO | Polk TPO | Sarasota/Manatee MPO

### Funded Regional Priorities

- ❖ Howard Frankland Bridge Replacement
- ❖ Gateway Expressway
- ❖ I-75 interchange at Overpass (Phase I)
- ❖ I-275 Express Lanes from I-375 to Gandy Blvd.
- ❖ I-75 Interchange at Big Bend Road
- ❖ Suncoast Parkway 2 Expansion
- ❖ TBARTA Regional Transit Development Plan
- ❖ I-275/SR 60/Westshore Interchange
- ❖ I-275 Operational Improvements north of downtown Tampa

### Top Priorities for the Greater Tampa Bay Region

- ❖ I-75 Interchange at Gibsonton
- ❖ I-75 Interchange at Overpass (Phase II)
- ❖ Central Avenue Bus Rapid Transit
- ❖ Central Polk Parkway Segment 1
- ❖ US 41 from SR 44 to SR 200
- ❖ Desoto Bridge Replacement
- ❖ Bradenton-Palmetto Connector
- ❖ CR 557 from US 17/92 to I-4
- ❖ Regional Rapid Transit in the I-275 Corridor
- ❖ Support HART's exploration and negotiation for use of the CSX right-of-way for passenger transportation

**February 12, 2020**

**6B1. Case CW 20-04 – Pinellas County**



**SUMMARY**

From: Residential Low Medium  
To: Residential Medium  
Area: 1.69 acres more or less  
Location: 4700 46th Avenue North

This proposed amendment is submitted by Pinellas County and seeks to amend property totaling approximately 1.69 acres from Residential Low Medium (used to depict areas that are now developed, or appropriate to be developed, in a suburban, low density or moderately dense residential manner; and to recognize such areas as primarily well-suited for residential uses that are consistent with the suburban qualities, transportation facilities, including transit, and natural resources of such areas) to Residential Medium (used to depict those areas of the county that are now developed, or appropriate to be developed, in a medium-density residential manner; and to recognize such areas as primarily well-suited for residential uses that are consistent with the urban qualities, transportation facilities, including transit, and natural resources of such areas).

The proposed amendment would allow for the development of additional multi-family units on the property that are currently not supported by the local future land use designation that falls under the Residential Low Medium category. The proposed change would allow for 13 additional units in addition to the 12 that currently exist. The property is surrounded by residential and commercial uses.

**FINDINGS**

Staff submits the following findings in support of the recommendation for approval:

- A. The Residential Medium category is appropriate for the proposed use of the property and is consistent with the criteria for utilization of this category.
- B. The proposed amendment either does not involve, or will not significantly impact, the remaining relevant countywide considerations.

Please see accompanying attachments and documents in explanation and support of these findings.

**LIST OF MAPS & ATTACHMENTS:**

- Map 1 Location Map
- Map 2 Jurisdictional Map
- Map 3 Aerial Map
- Map 4 Current Countywide Plan Map
- Map 5 Proposed Countywide Plan Map

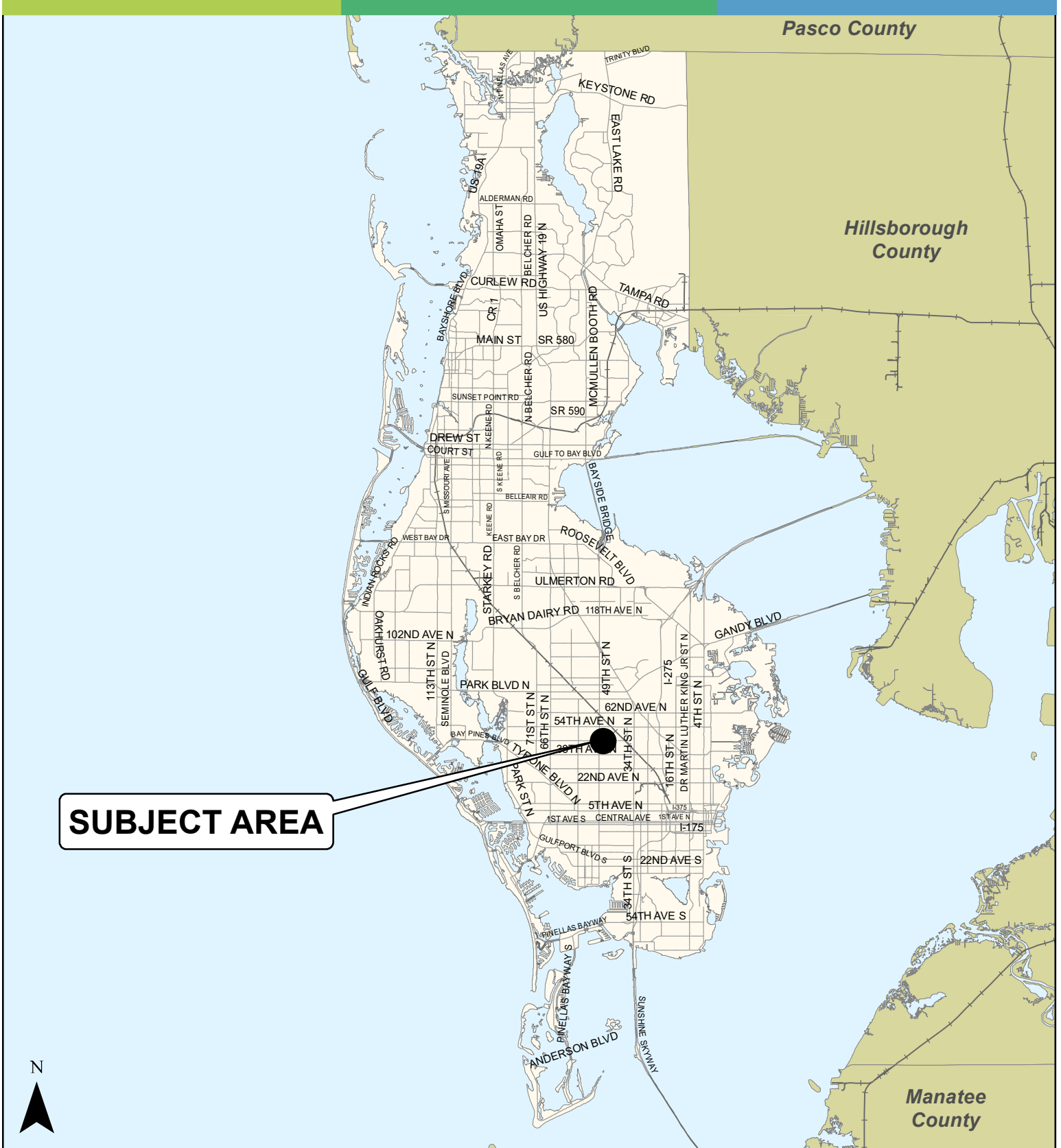
Attachment 1 Forward Pinellas Staff Analysis

[Presentation](#)

**MEETING DATES:**

Planners Advisory Committee, February 3, 2020 at 1:30 p.m.  
Forward Pinellas, February 12, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.  
Countywide Planning Authority, March 10, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.

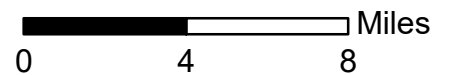
**ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:** At its February 3, 2020 meeting, the Planners Advisory Committee voted 14-0 to recommend approval of this amendment.



**SUBJECT AREA**

**JURISDICTION:** Pinellas County **FROM:** Residential Low Medium

**AREA:** 1.69 Acres **TO:** Residential Medium







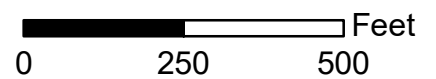
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## Map 3: Aerial Map

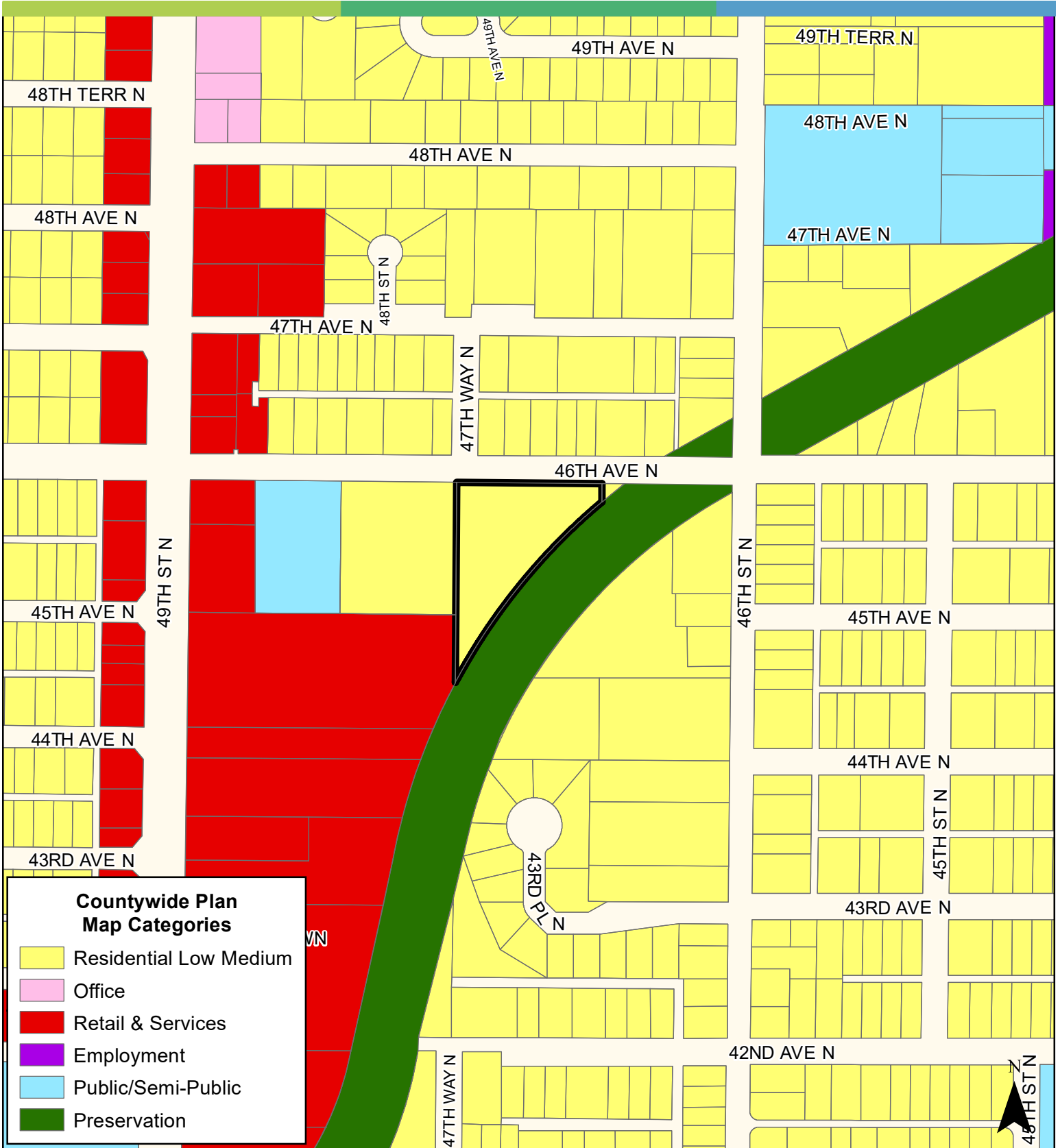


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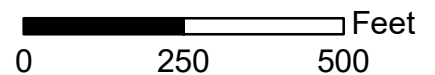




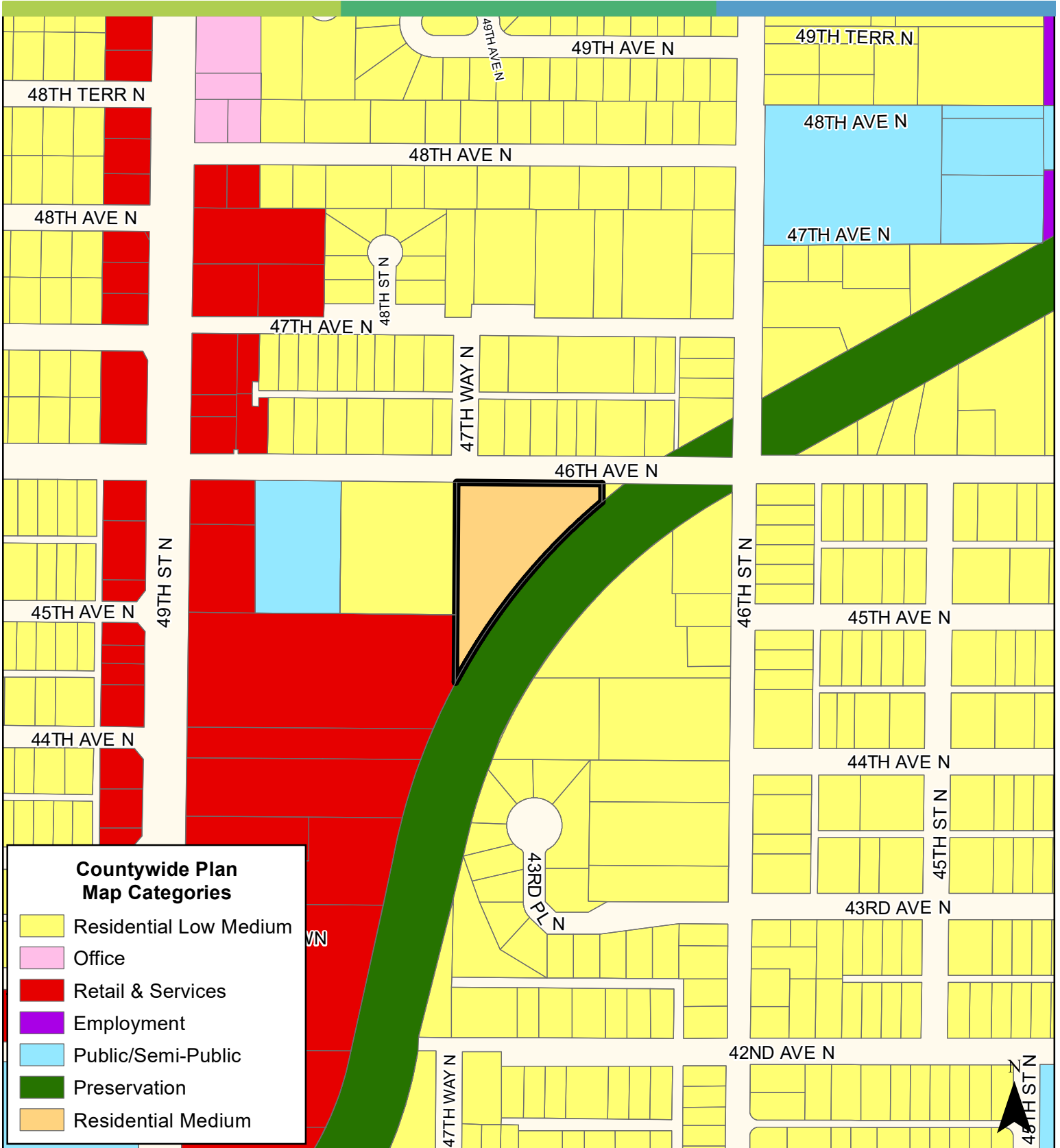


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**AREA:** 1.69 Acres **TO:** Residential Medium

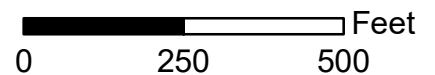






**JURISDICTION:** Pinellas County    **FROM:** Residential Low Medium

**AREA:** 1.69 Acres    **TO:** Residential Medium



**CW 20-04**  
**Forward Pinellas Staff Analysis**

**RELEVANT COUNTYWIDE CONSIDERATIONS:**

- 1) **Consistency with the Countywide Rules** – This proposed amendment is submitted by Pinellas County and seeks to amend the designation of approximately 1.69 acres of property from Residential Low Medium to Residential Medium.

The Countywide Rules state that the Residential Medium category is "...used to depict those areas of the county that are now developed, or appropriate to be developed, in a medium-density residential manner; and to recognize such areas as primarily well-suited for residential uses that are consistent with the urban qualities, transportation facilities, including transit, and natural resources of such areas"

The proposed amendment would allow for the development of up to 13 additional multi-family units on the property in addition to the 12 that currently exist. Currently, the local future land use designation that falls under the Residential Low Medium category does not support the intended redevelopment of the property, hence the proposed change to the Residential Medium Category. Any proposed development would be subject to a site plan review at the local level. The uses surrounding the subject property are primarily a mix of residential and commercial uses

This amendment can be deemed consistent with this Relevant Countywide Consideration.

- 2) **Adopted Roadway Level of Service (LOS) Standard** – The amendment area is located near a roadway segment where the existing Level of Service is operating at a LOS "D" or better, therefore those policies are not applicable.
- 3) **Location on a Scenic/Noncommercial Corridor (SNCC)** – The amendment area is not located on a SNCC; therefore, those policies are not applicable.
- 4) **Coastal High Hazard Areas (CHHA)** – The amendment area is not located within CHHA; therefore, those policies are not applicable.
- 5) **Designated Development/Redevelopment Areas** – The subject property is located within the Lealman Community Redevelopment Area (CRA) and this proposed amendment is consistent with the objectives of the CRA plan
- 6) **Adjacent to or Impacting an Adjoining Jurisdiction or Public Educational Facility** – The proposed amendment area is not adjacent to another jurisdiction nor is it adjacent to a public educational facility, therefore those standards are not applicable.
- 7) **Reservation of Industrial Land** – The proposed amendment area does not involve the reduction of land designated as Industrial or Employment.

**Conclusion:**

On balance, it can be concluded that the proposed amendment is deemed consistent with the Relevant Countywide Considerations found in the Countywide Rules.

**February 12, 2020**

**7A. PSTA Activities Report**



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**SUMMARY**

This item includes a report from the board member representing the Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority (PSTA). This report will provide an opportunity for the PSTA representative to share information concerning planning initiatives, partnerships and collaboration and other relevant matters with the board.

**ATTACHMENT(S):** None

**ACTION:** None required; informational item only

**February 12, 2020**

**7B. TBARTA Activities Report**



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**SUMMARY**

This item will include a report from a TBARTA representative regarding regional transit planning and development activities. The report will provide an opportunity to share information concerning planning initiatives, partnerships, collaboration and other relevant matters.

**ATTACHMENT(S):** None

**ACTION:** None required; informational item only

**February 12, 2020**

## **7C. Safety Performance Measures and Targets**



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### **SUMMARY**

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) requires a performance-based, outcome-driven planning process for developing transportation projects and monitoring infrastructure performance. States and metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) must adopt targets for defined performance measures, including safety targets, and demonstrate progress towards achieving those targets on an annual basis. The implementation of projects identified in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is central to the effort necessary to meet defined targets.

In February 2019, the board adopted a series of targets for each of the safety-related performance measures, each slightly aspirational in nature. MPOs are required to review these targets on an annual basis to evaluate progress towards meeting each one. Crash data statistics for 2018 have been provided by the state and Forward Pinellas staff has evaluated the data and will provide an overview of the progress made towards each target and seek a recommendation regarding updating these targets as appropriate.

### **ATTACHMENT(S):**

- Safety Performance Measures and Targets
- [Presentation](#)

**ACTION:** Board, in its role as the metropolitan planning organization, to approve the Safety Performance Targets.

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION(S):** The Technical Coordinating Committee met on January 22, 2020 to review the suggested Safety Performance Measures and Targets. The committee unanimously recommended approval with the caveat that the ultimate of transportation related deaths should be zero. The Citizens Advisory Committee also reviewed the proposed Safety Performance Measures and Targets at its January 23, 2020 meeting and offered no comments.

## Safety Performance Measures and Targets

### 5-Year Average Time Period

| Performance Measures                                                    | 2009-2013 | 2010-2014 | 2011-2015 | 2012-2016 | 2013-2017 | 2014-2018 | % change<br>from 2013-<br>2017 average | % change<br>from 2009-<br>2013 average | 2019 actual target<br>(RECOMMENDED<br>2020 TARGET) | % diff between<br>2014-2018<br>actual and<br>target |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| Average Annual Fatalities                                               | 99        | 101       | 103       | 106       | 109.4     | 116.8     | 6.34%                                  | 15.24%                                 | 97.4                                               | -19.92%                                             |
| Average Annual Serious Injuries                                         | 1,270     | 1,218     | 1,195     | 1,175     | 1,120.0   | 1,074.0   | -4.28%                                 | -18.25%                                | 895.14                                             | -19.98%                                             |
| Average Annual Fatality Rates                                           | 1.2290    | 1.2720    | 1.2960    | 1.3080    | 1.330     | 1.398     | 4.86%                                  | 12.09%                                 | 1.182                                              | -18.27%                                             |
| Average Annual Serious Injury Rates                                     | 15.7460   | 15.2580   | 15.0680   | 14.5910   | 13.667    | 12.891    | -6.02%                                 | -22.15%                                | 10.553                                             | -22.15%                                             |
| Average Annual Pedestrian and Bicyclist Fatalities and Serious Injuries | 212       | 214       | 217       | 221       | 215.0     | 218.6     | 1.65%                                  | 2.84%                                  | 206.6                                              | -5.81%                                              |

All numbers are in 5 year rolling averages.

Data availability lags by one full calendar year. Targets set in 2019 were for the 2013-2017 reporting period

Source: Florida Department of Transportation Safety Office

**February 12, 2020**

**7D. Advantage Pinellas Final Documentation**



**SUMMARY**

“Advantage Pinellas” is the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) for Pinellas County. It is the first countywide transportation plan developed since the merger of the Pinellas County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and the Pinellas Planning Council (PPC) and seeks to further align and reinforce land use/redevelopment and transportation policy and decision-making through Forward Pinellas. The plan reinforces the land use vision, goals and strategies outlined in the Countywide Plan, as adopted in 2015 and amended by the Countywide Planning Authority in October 2019.

Advantage Pinellas has been developed in partnership with other initiatives, including the Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority’s (PSTA) Community Bus Plan, It’s TIME Tampa Bay regional surveys conducted in Hillsborough, Pasco and Pinellas Counties, the Pinellas Countywide Active Transportation Plan, and a climate hazard assessment of the tri-county regional transportation system. The Tampa Bay Next initiative by the Florida Department of Transportation and regional transit planning efforts of the Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority (TBARTA) have also played a key role in shaping Advantage Pinellas.

At the November 2019 meeting, the board adopted the Cost Feasible Advantage Pinellas Plan, which aligns projected revenues through 2045 with the estimated costs of needed transportation projects. Following that meeting, staff has been working with its consulting team to develop final documentation to support how the plan was developed and highlight the various components of the plan, including how the results of the extensive public outreach efforts contributed to the development of Advantage Pinellas. This documentation must demonstrate compliance with federal and state requirements with development of the Long Range Transportation Plan, which is the foundation of MPO activities.

The Advantage Pinellas Plan Summary Document that includes the cost feasible project information and the initial support appendices is available at the link below. Full documentation will be available by the date of the board meeting and will also be available at the link below.

**ATTACHMENT(S):** <http://forwardpinellas.org/guiding-plans/long-range-transportation-plan/>

**ACTION:** Board, in its role as the metropolitan planning organization, to accept the Advantage Pinellas final documentation.

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## **7E. Active Transportation Plan**



### **SUMMARY**

Advantage Pinellas, the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) for Pinellas County, was adopted by the Forward Pinellas Board in November 2019. This LRTP was developed in concert with other supporting planning initiatives, including a regional vulnerability assessment of the transportation network, refinements to the Countywide Plan, the Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority's (PSTA) Community Bus Plan, and a new bicycle pedestrian master plan for Pinellas County.

The new bicycle pedestrian master plan, Advantage Pinellas: Active Transportation, is a planning and policy document that will guide the county's investments in bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure and programs. The plan considered community and local agency input, Level of Traffic Stress (LTS), equity, safety, accessibility, and other factors to identify 14 strategic bicycle and pedestrian investments, including four overpasses, that will be prioritized, programmed, and constructed over the next 25 years. The types of projects are varied, including multiuse trails, bike boulevards, and other types of bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure based on the context and characteristics of the roadway or neighborhood. When complete, these routes will substantially further efforts to develop a countrywide network of safe and accessible bicycle and pedestrian facilities that connect people to the places they want to go.

A draft of the Advantage Pinellas: Active Transportation Plan is provided at the link below.

<http://forwardpinellas.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/Active-Transportation-Plan-r.pdf>

**ATTACHMENT(S):** [Presentation](#)

**ACTION:** Board, in its role as the metropolitan planning organization, to adopt the Active Transportation Plan.

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION(S):** The Technical Coordinating Committee met on January 22, 2020 to review the Advantage Pinellas: Active Transportation Plan and supported its adoption by a unanimous vote. The Citizens Advisory Committee met on January 23, 2020 to review the Advantage Pinellas: Active Transportation Plan and supported its adoption by a vote of 29 – 2. The Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee met on January 27, 2020 to review the Advantage Pinellas: Active Transportation Plan and supported its adoption by a unanimous vote.



**February 12, 2020**

**7F. US 19 Interchanges Design Alternatives**



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**SUMMARY**

One of the three emphasis areas of Forward Pinellas' SPOTlight initiative launched in 2015 aimed to develop a coordinated vision for the US Highway 19 corridor. This was intended to develop land use and transportation strategies designed to increase the mobility, safety and accessibility of vulnerable transportation users while improving the economic viability of the corridor. This visioning effort included a re-evaluation of the US 19 North intersection improvements identified in the Long Range Transportation Plan to address concerns regarding the safety and access of pedestrians, bicyclists and transit users, as well as to support existing businesses and redevelopment adjacent to the roadway.

The Advantage Pinellas Plan approved by the Forward Pinellas Board in November 2019 identified partially controlled access improvements on the section of US Highway 19 North from south of Curlew Road to south of Klosterman Road. This included interchanges at Curlew Road, Tampa Road, Nebraska Avenue, Alderman Road and Klosterman Road. The Curlew Road interchange project is currently in design and scheduled for construction in 2021. The planned interchanges at Tampa Road and Nebraska Avenue are currently under design with construction planned for 2026 - 2030.

Forward Pinellas has been working with FDOT to identify at-grade improvement options at the intersections north of Nebraska Avenue, including Alderman Road and Klosterman Road, where there is less demand for east-west mobility. This is intended to provide lower cost alternatives to the planned interchange improvements that maintain business visibility and access, and address the safety and mobility needs of vulnerable users. Preliminary feasibility analyses and concept plans have been developed by FDOT's consultant team and will be presented for consideration by the board for feedback and additional guidance.

**ATTACHMENTS:** [Presentation](#)

**ACTION:** None Required, Informational Item Only

**February 12, 2020**

**8. Director's Report**



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The Executive Director will update and/or seek input from board members on the following items:

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- A. SPOTlight Update
- B. "The Kennedy Report" on Regional Transit Funding
- C. Forward Pinellas Legislative Committee Update
- D. Forward Pinellas Board Work Session Follow Up

**ATTACHMENT(S):** None

**ACTION:** None required; informational items only

**February 12, 2020**

**8A. Pinellas SPOTlight Emphasis Areas Update**



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**SUMMARY**

The Executive Director will provide a brief update on the status of the activities related to the three SPOTlight Emphasis Areas which are Enhancing Beach Access, US 19 and the Gateway/Mid-County Area.

Topics this month will include:

**Dunedin Causeway – Transportation Systems Management & Operations (TSMO) Pilot Project**

Forward Pinellas is coordinating a multi-agency partnership between the City of Dunedin, Pinellas County, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and the Florida Department of Transportation to enhance multimodal mobility, access and safety along this corridor of statewide significance.

**Gateway Master Plan – Draft Final Report and Development of a Memorandum of Agreement**

Forward Pinellas has distributed a draft of the final report to stakeholder agencies for review and is scheduling individual meetings with the respective city and county planning/community development directors to discuss an outline for a draft Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the local government partners to implement the plan around a set of guiding principles. A Study Management Team meeting will occur in the next several weeks to be followed by presentations to all the stakeholder partners as part of the request to sign the MOA.

**US 19 Corridor – Update on Continuing Planning/Project Development Activities**

In addition to the presentation this month, Forward Pinellas is working with FDOT and stakeholder partners to advance other TSMO and safety projects on 34<sup>th</sup> Street S (US 19) in St. Petersburg, and is working with adjacent property owners to address issues related to design and accessibility for the section of the corridor from Gandy Blvd north to Curlew Road.

**ATTACHMENT(S):** None

**ACTION:** None required; informational item only

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**8B. “The Kennedy Report” on Transit Funding**



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**SUMMARY**

This is a standing agenda item to keep the board updated on discussions between Pinellas County, Hillsborough County and Pasco County representatives regarding steps needed to reach agreement on a local funding commitment in support of improved transit service.

The executive director will provide an update and next steps on those discussions.

**ATTACHMENT(S):** None

**ACTION:** None required; informational item only

**February 12, 2020**

**8C. Forward Pinellas Legislative Committee Update**



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**SUMMARY**

The Forward Pinellas Legislative Committee will meet just before the board meeting on February 12, 2020 to discuss Pinellas Day in Tallahassee, the latest information on bills of interest, and staff action related to the Florida Legislative Session. The Executive Director will update the board on recent activities, including a trip this past week to Tallahassee with Commissioner Suzy Sofer in partnership with the Suncoast League of Cities.

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

- [MPOAC Legislative Newsletter](#)
- [APA Florida Bill Tracking Report](#)
- Letter from Forward Pinellas to the Legislature on Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons

**ACTION:** None required; informational item only



January 28, 2020

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Finally, the Pinellas Crash Data Management System we maintain shows far higher rates of pedestrian and bicyclist injuries and fatalities at fully signalized intersections than at mid-block crossings with RRFBs. Signalized intersections are prone to crashes involving pedestrians when drivers fail to yield while turning. We also have a high rate of red light running throughout Florida, leading to a significant problem for pedestrian safety at our intersections, not the mid-block crosswalks. The current design and implementation of RRFBs saves lives by physically highlighting the existing legal requirements for cars to yield for people in crosswalks.

Forward Pinellas is committed to safety for all roadway users in Pinellas County, and RRFBs are a key part of the solution. I urge you to consider the negative consequences, both direct and indirect, of this proposed bill. This legislation will reduce safety for pedestrians and bicyclists. It will force the costly removal or conversion of **nearly 400 RRFBs** in Pinellas County alone with neither funding nor commensurate replacement designs options, and it reinforces a culture of speed that is a principal factor in Florida's dangerous roadways. A much more effective approach would be to increase funding for education and enforcement of traffic laws, such as making High Visibility Enforcement a year-round activity.

Please contact me at 727-464-8712 if you would like clarification on the Forward Pinellas policy position.

Respectfully,



Whit Blanton, FAICP  
Executive Director

cc: Pinellas County Legislative Delegation  
Forward Pinellas Board

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**8D. Forward Pinellas Board Work Session Follow Up**



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**SUMMARY**

The Forward Pinellas Board met on January 24, 2020 in a work session to provide guidance on the development of the MPO's Unified Planning Work Program and Pinellas Planning Council budget priorities for the next 2-3 years. Board members participated in an interactive exercise to prioritize issues and projects for the agency's consideration in development of its budget and work plans. Since the work session, board members who were not in attendance have submitted their worksheets for inclusion in the summary data of preferences. The results of those rankings have been summarized and are attached for reference. The Executive Director will provide an overview of the outcomes of the work session and next steps.

**ATTACHMENT(S):** Interactive Exercise Results Graph

**ACTION:** None required; informational item only





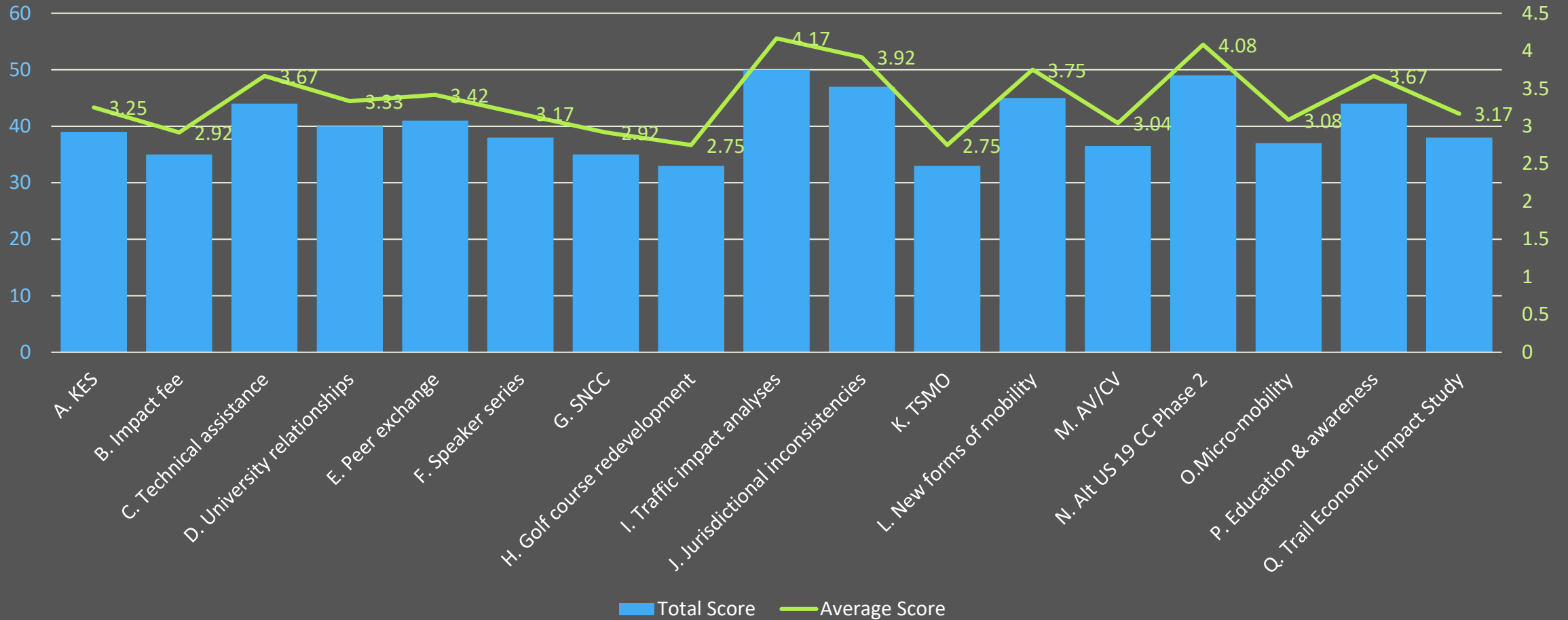
**FORWARD  
PINELLAS**  
Integrating Land Use & Transportation

# Interactive Exercise

Forward Pinellas Board Work Session  
January 24, 2020



# Results



**Other: waterborne transportation (twice), tourism impact on traffic & how to address it, advanced training for elected on transit, leadership**



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**9. Informational Items**



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Staff and/or board members will provide information and updates on the following items:

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

- A. Summary of Public Outreach and Stakeholder Meetings
- B. CPA Actions and Tier I Countywide Plan Map Amendments
- C. Correspondence of Interest
- D. Fatalities Map
- E. Pinellas Trail Data
- F. Draft PAC Action Sheet
- G. FDOT District Seven Bi-Weekly Traffic Fatalities Report for December 16-31, 2019
- H. FDOT District Seven Bi-Weekly Traffic Fatalities Report for January 1-16, 2020
- I. Committee Vacancies
- J. Forward Pinellas Grant Programs Update
- K. Florida Transportation Plan – FDOT
- L. Quarterly Report on Executive Director Approvals
- M. Other

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

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**9A. Summary of Public Outreach and Stakeholders Meetings**



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**SUMMARY**

Each month the board will be informed of any meetings staff members are actively participating in that involve citizens, business groups or other agencies. The goal of this item is to provide a more comprehensive view of the conversations that Forward Pinellas staff are a part of, and the ways in which they act as resources for the wider community.

**ATTACHMENT(S):** Public Outreach and Stakeholders Meetings Summary

**ACTION:** None required; informational item only

| Meeting Date | Organization                            | Location                        | Description                                                                                                                 | Staff members in attendance                 |
|--------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| 1/7/2020     | Forward Pinellas, FDOT                  | Teleconference                  | Monthly coordination meeting                                                                                                | Whit Blanton, Chelsea Favero, Al Bartolotta |
| 1/9/2020     | Tampa Bay Partnership, USF              | USF Marshall Center             | 2020 State of the Region Community Luncheon, hosted by the Tampa Bay Partnership and USF Muma College of Business           | Whit Blanton                                |
| 1/9/2020     | Upper Tampa Bay Chamber                 | Upper Tampa Bay Chamber         | Presentation on Safe Streets Pinellas                                                                                       | Sarah Caper                                 |
| 1/10/2020    | FDOT                                    | District 7 Offices              | Meeting with FDOT and fellow MPOs to discuss collaboration in the year ahead                                                | Whit Blanton, Chelsea Favero, Al Bartolotta |
| 1/13/2020    | PSTA                                    | PSTA                            | Central Avenue BRT Project Management Team meeting                                                                          | Sarah Caper                                 |
| 1/13/2020    | TBARTA                                  | Forward Pinellas offices        | Meeting with TBARTA staff to discuss vanpool program                                                                        | Whit Blanton, Chelsea Favero                |
| 1/14/2020    | PSTA, FDOT, Forward Pinellas            | PSTA                            | Monthly transit coordination meeting                                                                                        | Whit Blanton, Sarah Caper                   |
| 1/15/2020    | Bay Area Legislative Delegation         | Tallahassee                     | Going to Tallahassee for Pinellas Day to meet with legislators and FDOT officials and share priorities for the coming year. | Whit Blanton                                |
| 1/15/2020    | St. Petersburg                          | Shuffleboard Club               | St. Pete BPAC                                                                                                               | Al Bartolotta                               |
| 1/16/2020    | St. Petersburg Area Chamber of Commerce | Chamber offices                 | Attending the monthly meeting of the Chamber's transportation committee                                                     | Hilary Lehman                               |
| 1/17/2020    | CC Scenic Hwy Committee                 | AECOM                           | Courtney Campbell Scenic Highway Committee Meeting                                                                          | Angela Ryan, Al Bartolotta                  |
| 1/17/2020    | TBARTA                                  | Manatee County                  | Regular meeting of the TBARTA Board.                                                                                        | Chelsea Favero                              |
| 1/17/2020    | MPOs CCC Staff Directors                | Teleconference                  | Monthly meeting of the staff directors of the CCC and TMA                                                                   | Whit Blanton, Chelsea Favero                |
| 1/17/2020    | Suncoast League of Cities               | Belleair Beach Community Center | Attending Suncoast League of Cities business meeting                                                                        | Whit Blanton                                |
| 1/21/2020    | SPC                                     | SPC                             | SPCCP (Kresge Foundation Grant) Team Meeting                                                                                | Sarah Caper                                 |
| 1/21/2020    | St. Petersburg                          | Shuffleboard Club               | St. Petersburg Complete Streets Committee                                                                                   | Al Bartolotta                               |
| 1/22/2020    | USF                                     | Plan Hillsborough               | Participating in USF Masters In Urban and Regional Planning Advisory Committee meeting                                      | Whit Blanton                                |
| 1/24/2020    | Forward Pinellas                        | PSTA                            | Forward Pinellas board work session                                                                                         | multiple                                    |



| Meeting Date | Organization                            | Location                      | Description                                                                                                              | Staff members in attendance                     |
|--------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| 2/3/2020     | American Planning Association, Florida  | Tallahassee                   | Attending APA Policy Conference and the APA Legislative Policy Committee Meeting                                         | Whit Blanton                                    |
| 2/4/2020     | Forward Pinellas, FDOT                  | Teleconference                | Monthly coordination meeting                                                                                             | Whit Blanton, Chelsea Favero, Al Bartolotta     |
| 2/4/2020     | Forward Pinellas                        | Virtual                       | Holding virtual information session for upcoming planning consultant procurement.                                        | Multiple                                        |
| 2/5/2020     | Forward Pinellas                        | Forward Pinellas              | Meeting of TCC and PAC subcommittee to review complete streets grant applications and make a recommendation for funding. | Chelsea Favero, Christina Mendoza, Jared Austin |
| 2/6/2020     | UNITE Pinellas                          | JWB boardroom                 | Attending monthly meeting of the UNITE Pinellas Collective.                                                              | Whit Blanton                                    |
| 2/6/2020     | Tampa Bay Beaches Chamber of Commerce   | Tradewinds                    | Speaking on panel at Tampa Bay Beaches Chamber annual dinner.                                                            | Whit Blanton                                    |
| 2/6/2020     | FDOT                                    | Pinellas Park Public Works    | Coordination meeting for the upcoming Gandy Blvd. project                                                                | Chelsea Favero                                  |
| 2/7/2020     | Cross-Bay Ferry                         | Forward Pinellas offices      | Meeting with Ed Turanchik to discuss cross-bay ferry                                                                     | Whit Blanton                                    |
| 2/7/2020     | Forward Pinellas                        | Forward Pinellas              | Bike Your City Planning Meeting with Safety Harbor, Clearwater, Sherriff's Office reps.                                  | Angela Ryan, Al Bartolotta                      |
| 2/10/2020    | Representative Charlie Crist            | District office               | Meeting with Congressman Charlie Crist to discuss issues of importance to Pinellas County                                | Whit Blanton                                    |
| 2/10/2020    | Pinellas County, PSTA, Forward Pinellas | County administrator's office | Meeting with PSTA and Pinellas County administrators to discuss transportation funding                                   | Whit Blanton                                    |
| 2/10/2020    | PSTA                                    | PSTA                          | Central Ave BRT PM Team meeting                                                                                          | Sarah Caper                                     |
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| 2/11/2020    | St. Petersburg Area Chamber of Commerce | Chamber offices               | Attending the monthly meeting of the Chamber's transportation committee                                                  | Whit Blanton                                    |





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**9B. CPA Actions and Tier I Countywide Plan Map Amendments**



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**SUMMARY**

This information is presented in order to better, and more systematically, apprise the Forward Pinellas Board of final action(s) by the Board of County Commissioners, in their role as the Countywide Planning Authority (CPA) on matters that have been previously considered. This summary also includes the Tier I Countywide Plan Map Amendments that have been administratively reviewed by Forward Pinellas staff.

**CPA Actions January 2020:**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

There were no Public Hearings before the CPA in January.

**REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no Regular Agenda Items before the CPA in January.

**Tier I Countywide Plan Map Amendments January 2020:**

- FLUM 20-01, City of Clearwater, satisfies the Tier I provisions of Section 6.1.2.1 of the Countywide Rules
- FLUM 20-02, Pinellas County, satisfies the Tier I provisions of Section 6.1.2.1 of the Countywide Rules
- FLUM 20-03, City of Largo, satisfies the Tier I provisions of Section 6.1.2.1 of the Countywide Rules

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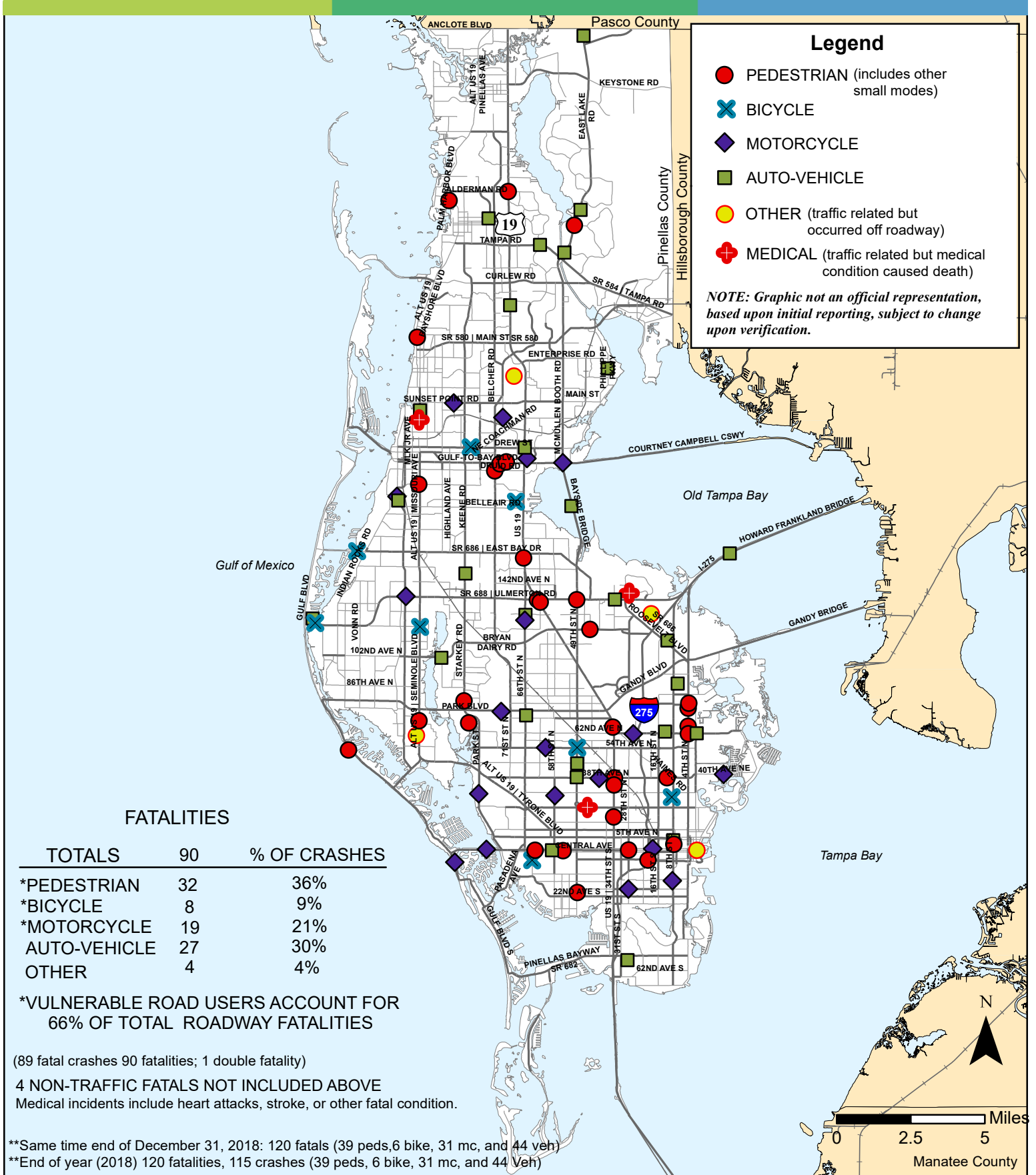
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# Locations of Reported Traffic Fatalities



**FATALITIES**

| TOTALS       | 90 | % OF CRASHES |
|--------------|----|--------------|
| *PEDESTRIAN  | 32 | 36%          |
| *BICYCLE     | 8  | 9%           |
| *MOTORCYCLE  | 19 | 21%          |
| AUTO-VEHICLE | 27 | 30%          |
| OTHER        | 4  | 4%           |

**\*VULNERABLE ROAD USERS ACCOUNT FOR 66% OF TOTAL ROADWAY FATALITIES**

(89 fatal crashes 90 fatalities; 1 double fatality)

4 NON-TRAFFIC FATALS NOT INCLUDED ABOVE  
Medical incidents include heart attacks, stroke, or other fatal condition.

\*\*Same time end of December 31, 2018: 120 fatals (39 peds, 6 bike, 31 mc, and 44 veh)

\*\*End of year (2018) 120 fatalities, 115 crashes (39 peds, 6 bike, 31 mc, and 44 Veh)



| # CRASHES | DATAID  | ON STREET                | CROSS STREET                 | MODE                | DATE       | # FATAL | APPROX TIME | DHSMV         | LEO        | SEX/AGE   |
|-----------|---------|--------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|------------|---------|-------------|---------------|------------|-----------|
| 1         | 004F19  | 34TH ST N                | 14TH AVE N                   | PED/DELAY           | 1/18/2019  | 1       | 11:20PM     | 88601721      | SP/SP      | M/49      |
| 1         | 005F19  | GULF BLVD                | AT 17120                     | PED                 | 1/25/2019  | 1       | 11:18PM     | ?             | PCSO/NRB   | M/61      |
| 1         | 011F19  | 4TH ST N                 | NE LINCOLN CIR N             | PED                 | 2/8/2019   | 1       | 8:18PM      | 88602248      | SP/SP      | F/58      |
| 1         | 017F19  | 4TH ST N                 | 62ND AVE N                   | PED/DELAY           | 2/18/2019  | 1       | 11:53PM     | 88602393      | SP/SP      | M/27      |
| 1         | 019F19  | CR 296 / 118TH AVE N     | 457FT WEST OF 44TH ST N      | PED                 | 2/23/2019  | 1       | 7:48PM      | 87788720      | PP/PP      | M/61      |
| 1         | 021F19  | 76TH AVE                 | 4TH ST                       | PED/DELAY           | 3/6/2019   | 1       | 6:42PM      | 88602788      | SP/SP      | F/78      |
| 1         | 022F19  | BAYSHORE BLVD            | CEDAR ST                     | PED                 | 3/6/2019   | 1       | 7:22PM      | 88803900      | PCSO/DUN   | M/75      |
| 1         | 024F19  | US HWY 19                | 800 FT S OF 70TH AVE         | PED                 | 3/11/2019  | 1       | 6:30AM      | 87788832      | PP/PP      | M/71      |
| 1         | 026F19  | CENTRAL AVE              | 28TH ST N                    | PED/DELAY           | 3/16/2019  | 1       | 8:27PM      | 88603095      | SP/SP      | M/74      |
| 1         | 027F19  | STARKEY RD               | 583FT S OF 78TH AVE N        | PED                 | 3/17/2019  | 1       | 1:23AM      | 88804035      | PCSO/UNINC | M/41      |
| 1         | 029F19  | SR688/ULMERTON RD        | US HWY 19                    | PED/DELAY           | 3/21/2019  | 1       | 8:50PM      | 88087558      | FHP/UNINC  | M/54      |
| 1         | 031F19  | SOUTH BELCHER RD         | DRUID RD                     | PED                 | 4/7/2019   | 1       | 9:22PM      | ?             | CLW/CLW    | M/61      |
| 1         | 033F19  | 49TH ST N                | ULMERTON RD                  | PED/DELAY           | 4/18/2019  | 1       | 5:28PM      | ?             | FHP/UNINC  | M/36      |
| 1         | 037F19  | GULF TO BAY BLVD         | AT 2275 BLOCK                | PED                 | 5/10/2019  | 1       | 9:50PM      | ?             | CLW/CLW    | M/57      |
| 1         | 040F19  | CENTRAL AVE              | 6400 BLOCK                   | PED/DELAY           | 5/25/2019  | 1       | 9:18PM      | 88604856      | SP/SP      | F/43      |
| 1         | 044F19  | 38TH AVE N               | 34TH ST N                    | PED                 | 6/14/2019  | 1       | FRI NIGHT   | ?             | SP/SP      | F/?       |
| 1         | 045F19  | US HIGHWAY 19            | ALDERMAN RD                  | PED                 | 6/15/2019  | 1       | 3:05PM      | ?             | FHP/UNINC  | F/76      |
| 1         | 047F19  | CENTRAL AVE              | NEAR 58TH ST                 | PED                 | 6/26/2019  | 1       | 3:56PM      | 88605699      | SP/SP      | F/70      |
| 1         | 053F19  | EAST LAKE RD             | WOODLANDS BLVD               | PED                 | 7/4/2019   | 1       | 3:09AM      | ?             | FHP/UNINC  | M/34      |
| 1         | 054F19  | SEMINOLE BLVD            | NORTH OF 66TH AVE N          | PED                 | 7/9/2019   | 1       | 9:23PM      | ?             | PCSO/UNINC | F/50      |
| 1         | 056F19  | DR MLK JR ST N           | 3400 BLOCK                   | PED                 | 7/15/2019  | 1       | 12:18AM     | 88606112      | SP/SP      | F/26      |
| 1         | 058F19  | 5TH AVE N                | 20TH ST N                    | PED                 | 7/18/2019  | 1       | 9:30PM      | ?             | PCSO/UNINC | F/30      |
| 1         | 061F19  | SOUTH MISSOURI AVE       | 1300 BLOCK                   | PED                 | 8/2/2019   | 1       | FRI MORNING | ?             | CLW/CLW    | M/54      |
| 1         | 063F19  | 4TH ST N                 | 7600 BLOCK                   | PED/DELAY           | 8/22/2019  | 1       | 8:29PM      | 88607042      | SP/SP      | F/67      |
| 1         | 064F19  | SOUTHBOUND FRONTAGE RD   | SO OF EAST BAY DR            | PED                 | 8/23/2019  | 1       | 8:44PM      | ?             | LA/LA      | M/?       |
| 1         | 073F19  | 34TH ST N                | 3400 BLOCK                   | PED/DELAY           | 10/17/2019 | 1       | 7:37PM      | 88608405      | SP/SP      | M/89      |
| 1         | 079F19  | SR 688                   | 34TH ST NORTH                | PED                 | 11/20/2019 | 1       | 9:16PM      | ??            | FHP/UNINC  | F/23      |
| 1         | 082F19  | PINEHURST DR             | 40FT W OF BURNING TREE       | PED                 | 12/7/2019  | 1       | 10:21PM     | ??            | PCSO/SEM?  | M/66      |
| 1         | 085F19  | GULF TO BAY BLVD         | NEAR FERNWOOD AVE            | PED                 | 12/18/2019 | 1       | WED MORN    | ??            | CLW/CLW    | M/80      |
| 1         | 088F19  | 49TH ST S                | 20TH AVE S                   | PED                 | 12/22/2019 | 1       | 6:52PM      | ??            | PCSO/GP    | F/60      |
| 1         | 089F19  | 3RD AVE N                | DR MLK JR ST N               | PED                 | 12/23/2019 | 1       | 4:42PM      | 89378882      | SP/SP      | F/17      |
| 1         | 090F19  | PALM HARBOR BLVD         | S OF MARYLAND AVE            | PED                 | 12/24/2019 | 1       | 8:07PM      | ??            | FHP/UNINC  | M/59      |
| 1         | 003F19  | 64TH ST S                | 500 BLOCK                    | BIC                 | 1/10/2019  | 1       | 07:22AM     | 88601552      | SP/SP      | M/64      |
| 1         | 012F19  | SB 49TH ST N             | 54TH AVE N                   | BIC                 | 2/9/2019   | 1       | 12:41AM     | ?             | FHP/UNINC  | F/28      |
| 1         | 016F19  | WEST BAY DR              | HARBOR VIEW LN               | BIC                 | 2/17/2019  | 1       | 8:42PM      | 88803733      | PCSO/BB    | M/56      |
| 1         | 036F19  | NURSERY ROAD             | AT DUKE ENERGY TRAIL/PINELLA | BIC                 | 5/8/2019   | 1       | 8:26PM      | ?             | CLW/CLW    | F/49      |
| 1         | 047AF19 | DREW ST                  | AREA BY 1873                 | BIC/DELAY           | 6/23/2019  | 1       | 2:13PM      | ?             | CLW/CLW    | M/81      |
| 1         | 049F19  | INDIAN ROCKS CSWY BRIDGE | WEST BOUND SIDE              | BIC                 | 6/28/2019  | 1       | FRI NIGHT   | ?             | PCSO/UNINC | F/17      |
| 1         | 069F19  | DR MLK JR ST N           | 2800 BLOCK                   | BIC                 | 9/19/2019  | 1       | 12:06PM     | 88607700      | SP/SP      | F/25      |
| 1         | 078F19  | SEMINOLE BLVD            | 117TH DR N                   | BIC/DELAY           | 11/19/2019 | 1       | 10:19AM     | ??            | FHP/UNINC  | M/82      |
| 1         | 002F19  | MELROSE AVE S            | DR MLK JR ST S               | MC/INTOW            | 1/7/2019   | 1       | 10:01PM     | 88601549      | SP/SP      | M/30      |
| 1         | 015F19  | CENTRAL AVE              | TREASURE ISL. CSWY.          | MC                  | 2/16/2019  | 1       | 4:50PM      | 88602423      | SP/SP      | M/20      |
| 1         | 018F19  | OLD COACHMAN RD          | WETHERINGTON RD              | MC                  | 2/23/2019  | 1       | 9:36AM      | 88060699      | FHP/CLW    | M/66      |
| 1         | 030F19  | SERVICE RD / US HWY 19   | JUST N OF GULF TO BAY BLVD   | MC                  | 3/30/2019  | 1       | 5:45AM      | 88757796      | CLW/CLW    | M/31      |
| 1         | 032AF19 | 62ND AVE                 | 25TH ST                      | MC                  | 4/11/2019  | 1       | 7:34PM      | ?             | FHP/UNINC  | M/58      |
| 1         | 034F19  | GULF TO BAY BLVD         | MCMULLEN BOOTH RD            | MC/DELAY            | 4/18/2019  | 1       | 9:04PM      | ?             | CLW/CLW    | M/76      |
| 1         | 035F19  | I 275                    | AT MILE MARKER 23            | MC                  | 5/3/2019   | 1       | 10:02PM     | ?             | FHP/UNINC  | M/27      |
| 1         | 038F19  | US HIGHWAY 19            | JUST SOUTH OF 126TH AVE      | MC                  | 5/12/2019  | 1       | MORNING     | ?             | PP/PP      | M/22      |
| 1         | 039F19  | SUNSET POINT ROAD        | SHARONDALE DR/WEST OF KEEN   | MC                  | 5/17/2019  | 1       | 5:50PM      | ?             | CLW/CLW    | M/20      |
| 1         | 041F19  | S FT HARRISON AVE        | BELLEVUE BLVD                | MC                  | 6/1/2019   | 1       | 5:02PM      | ?             | CLW/CLW    | M/56      |
| 1         | 046F19  | 40TH AVE NE              | 1100 BLOCK                   | MC                  | 6/22/2019  | 1       | 8:30PM      | 88605654      | SP/SP      | M/26      |
| 1         | 050F19  | GULF BLVD                | IN FRONT OF 10601            | MC                  | 6/29/2019  | 1       | 8:11PM      | ?             | PCSO/UNINC | M/62      |
| 1         | 052F19  | 54TH AVE                 | WEST OF 58 ST N              | MC                  | 7/1/2019   | 1       | 1:30PM      | ?             | KC/KC      | F/?       |
| 1         | 055F19  | 29TH AVE N               | 58TH ST N                    | MC                  | 7/13/2019  | 1       | 9:51PM      | 88606092      | SP/SP      | M/31      |
| 1         | 059F19  | 18TH AVE S               | 28TH ST S                    | MC/DELAY            | 7/19/2019  | 1       | 11:03PM     | 88606237      | SP/SP      | M/49      |
| 1         | 062F19  | 113TH AVE N              | ULMERTON RD                  | MC/DELAY            | 8/18/2019  | 1       | 9:08PM      | ?             | LA/LA      | M/?       |
| 1         | 067F19  | PARK BLVD                | 7300 BLOCK                   | MC                  | 9/2/2019   | 1       | 7:26PM      | ?             | PP/PP      | M/32      |
| 1         | 071F19  | PARK ST                  | 28TH AVE N                   | MC                  | 10/2/2019  | 1       | 5:49PM      | ?             | SP/SP      | M/60      |
| 1         | 087F19  | 38TH AVE N               | 40TH ST N                    | MC/DR/DELAY         | 12/20/2019 | 1       | 11:49PM     | 89378881      | SP/SP      | M/23      |
| 1         | 001F19  | 49TH ST N                | 46TH AVE N                   | VEH                 | 1/5/2019   | 1       | 2:33PM      | 88020751      | FHP/UNINC  | M/69      |
| 1         | 006F19  | EAST LAKE RD             | PASADO RD                    | VEH/PASS            | 1/27/2019  | 1       | 4:47AM      | ?             | FHP/UNINC  | M/37      |
| 1         | 007F19  | 49TH ST N                | 3800 BLOCK                   | VEH/PASS            | 1/27/2019  | 1       | 11:55AM     | 88601903      | SP/SP      | F/40      |
| 1         | 008F19  | STARKEY RD               | 1100 BLOCK                   | VEH/PASS            | 1/27/2019  | 1       | 7:00PM      | ?             | LA/LA      | F/?       |
| 1         | 013F19  | 5TH AVE (IRB)            | 271FT EAST OF E GULF AVE     | VEH                 | 2/9/2019   | 1       | 8:22PM      | 88803691      | PCSO/UNINC | M/75      |
| 1         | 014F19  | CR 611/MCMULLEN BOOTH RD | TAMPA RD                     | VEH                 | 2/15/2019  | 1       | 8:50PM      | MED? 85278840 | FHP/UNINC  | M/79      |
| 1         | 020F19  | DOUGLAS AVE              | 28FT N OF OVERBROOK AVE      | VEH                 | 3/3/2019   | 1       | 4:15PM      | 88757608      | CLW/CLW    | M/57      |
| 1         | 023F19  | ULMERTON RD              | 34TH ST N                    | VEH                 | 3/10/2019  | 1       | 3:54PM      | 87276289      | FHP/UNINC  | M/60      |
| 1         | 025F19  | 66TH ST N                | 126TH AVE N                  | VEH                 | 3/14/2019  | 1       | 3:09AM      | 88804056      | PCSO/UNINC | F/28      |
| 1         | 042F19  | US HIGHWAY 19            | DREW ST                      | VEH                 | 6/2/2019   | 1       | 5:04PM      | ?             | CLW/CLW    | F/57      |
| 1         | 043F19  | EAST LAKE RD             | GREY OAKS BLVD               | VEH                 | 6/7/2019   | 1       | 6:09AM      | ?             | FHP/UNINC  | M/53      |
| 1         | 048F19  | PHILIPPE PARKWAY         | N OF AVON DR                 | VEH                 | 6/26/2019  | 1       | 6:39PM      | ?             | PCSO/UNINC | M/62      |
| 1         | 057F19  | DR MLK JR ST N           | 110TH AVE N                  | VEH/PASS/DELAY      | 7/18/2019  | 1       | 5:30PM      | 88606203      | SP/SP      | F/58      |
| 1         | 060F19  | DR MLK JR ST N           | 6300 BLOCK                   | VEH                 | 7/24/2019  | 1       | 11:41PM     | 88606338      | SP/SP      | M/37      |
| 1         | 065F19  | HOWARD FRANKLIN BRIDGE   | SOUTHBOUND                   | VEH                 | 8/28/2019  | 1       | 7:30AM      | ?             | FHP/UNINC  | M/?       |
| 1         | 066F19  | WESTLAKE BLVD            | NORTH OF NEBRASKA AVE        | VEH                 | 8/31/2019  | 1       | 2:29AM      | ?             | FHP/UNINC  | M/33      |
| 1         | 067AF19 | 4TH AVE N                | 8TH ST N                     | VEH/DELAY           | 9/2/2019   | 1       | 12:16PM     | 88607290      | SP/SP      | M/90      |
| 1         | 070F19  | BAYSIDE BRIDGE           | SOUTHBOUND                   | VEH                 | 9/21/2019  | 1       | 8:20PM      | ?             | FHP/UNINC  | F/37      |
| 1         | 072F19  | 102ND AVE N              | 97TH ST N                    | VEH                 | 10/7/2019  | 1       | 12:15AM     | ?             | FHP/UNINC  | F/37      |
| 1         | 074F19  | TAMPA RD                 | W OF LAKE ST GEORGE          | VEH                 | 10/18/2019 | 1       | 11:25AM     | ??            | FHP/UNINC  | F43       |
| 1         | 075F19  | 66TH ST N                | 70TH AVE N                   | VEH                 | 10/19/2019 | 1       | 10:15AM     | ??            | PP/PP      | F/53      |
| 1         | 076F19  | 62ND AVE N               | 1ST ST N                     | VEH/DELAY           | 10/20/2019 | 1       | 6:10PM      | 89377268      | SP/SP      | M/90      |
| 1         | 077F19  | SOUTH FT HARRISON AVE    | 60 FT S OF WOODLAWN ST       | VEH                 | 11/11/2019 | 1       | 11:54AM     | ??            | CLW/CLW    | F/70      |
| 1         | 080F19  | US HIGHWAY 19            | ROYAL BLVD                   | VEH/DR&PASS         | 12/1/2019  | 2       | 6:02PM      | ??            | FHP/UNINC  | F/84 F/69 |
| 1         | 083F19  | 54TH AVE S               | 3000 BLOCK                   | VEH/DR              | 12/10/2019 | 1       | 8:38PM      | 89378498      | SP/SP      | F/71      |
| 1         | 084F19  | CENTRAL AVE              | 5900 BLOCK                   | VEH/DR/DELAY        | 12/16/2019 | 1       | 4:08PM      | 89378669      | SP/SP      | M/18      |
| 1         | 009F19  | 2410 FRANCISCAN DRIVE    | PARKING LOT                  | OTHER/PED/DELAY     | 1/27/2019  | 1       | 7:14PM      | ?             | FHP/UNINC  | M/94      |
| 1         | 028F19  | 196 VALENCIA CIRCLE      | PRIVATE                      | OTHER/PED           | 3/20/2019  | 1       | 4:37AM      | 88603124      | SP/SP      | F/47      |
| 1         | 032F19  | 5885 SEMINOLE BLVD       | PARKING LOT                  | OTHER/PED/DELAY     | 4/18/2019  | 1       | 12:15PM     | 88804264      | PCSO/UNINC | M/87      |
| 1         | 051F19  | 1 BEACH DRIVE SE         | PRIVATE PARKING GARAGE       | OTHER/VEH/PASS/DELA | 7/1/2019   | 1       | 1:23PM      | 88605793      | SP/SP      | M/95      |
| 1         | 010F19  | FEATHER SOUND DR         | VIZCAYA DR                   | MED/PED             | 2/4/2019   | 0       | 5:02PM      | MEDICAL       | FHP/UNINC  | M/67      |
| 1         | 068F19  | 820 87TH AVE N           | PRIVATE                      | MED/VEH/DELAY       | 9/8/2019   | 0       | 10:35AM     | MED/88607426  | SP/SP      | M/61      |
| 1         | 081F19  | EB ON MARSHALL ST        | 1605 HARBOR DR               | MED/VEH/DR/DELAY    | 12/4/2019  | 0       | 11:39AM     | ??            | CLW/CLW    | M/82      |
| 1         | 086F19  | 22ND AVE N               | 4700 BLOCK                   | MED/VEH/DR/DELAY    | 12/19/2019 | 0       | 12:34PM     | 89378751      | SP/SP      | M/63      |
| 93        |         |                          |                              |                     |            | 90      |             |               |            |           |

# CRASHES

# FATALS

# Pinellas Trail User Count Data Summary

Automated Trail Counter Data Collection Period:  
November 1 – November 30, 2019 (30 days)

## Total Usage – November 2019

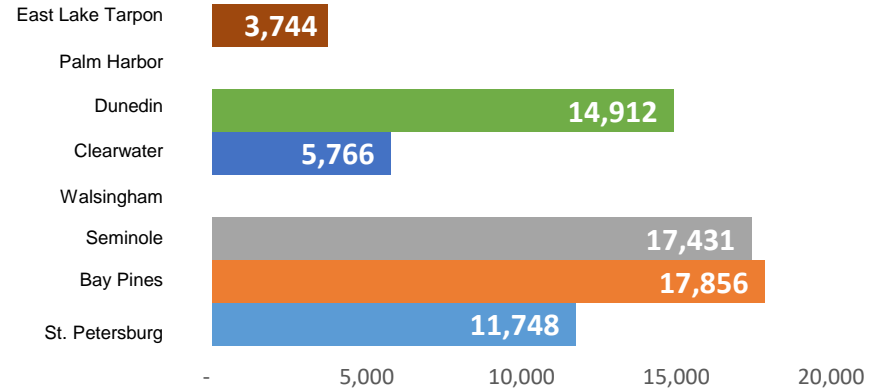
30-Day Count Total: 71,457  
Daily Average Users: 2,382

Highest Daily Totals:

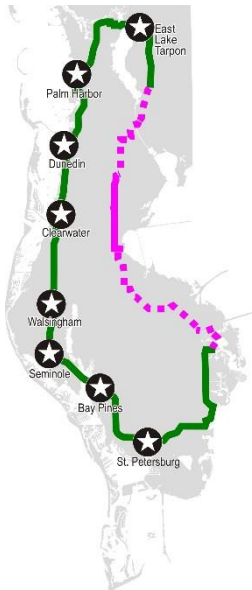
- #1 – Saturday, November 23rd (Dunedin - 1,654)
- #2 – Saturday, November 23rd (Bay Pines - 985)
- #3 – Sunday, November 03rd (Seminole - 939)

\* Technical issues with the Palm Harbor & Walsingham Counters resulting in several missing days of data during November 2019.

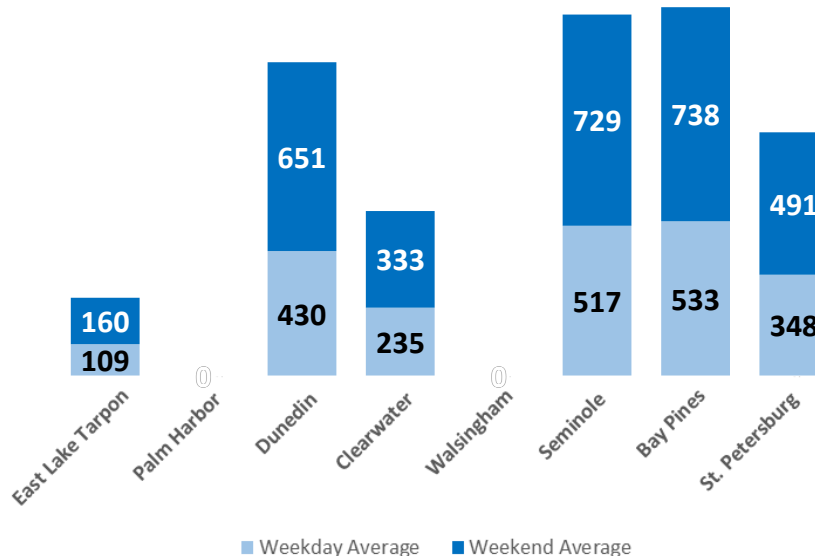
## November Trail Users by Counter Location



## Counter Locations



## Weekday & Weekend Profile

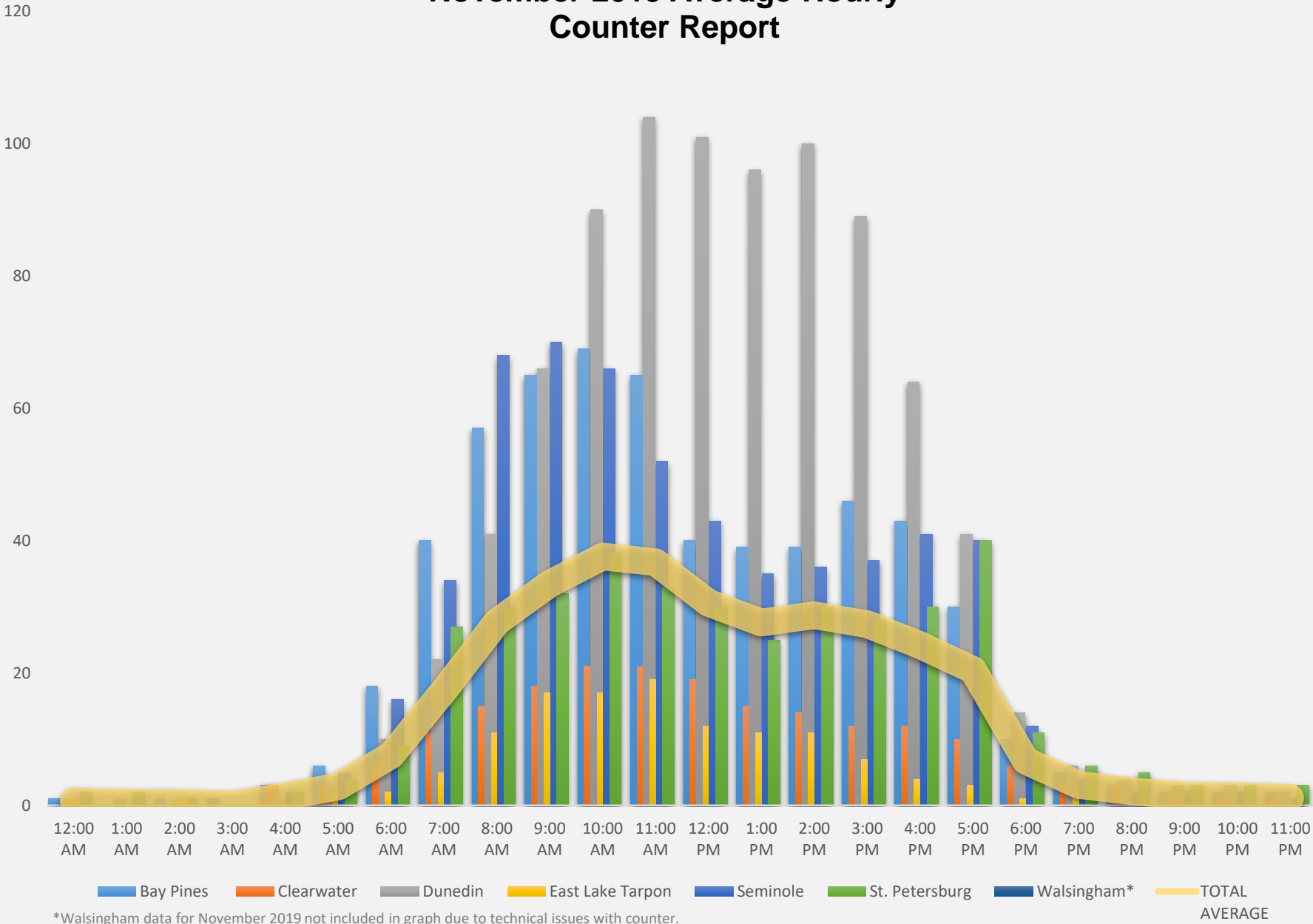


## Trail User Mode Split

| Counter Location  | Walking (Icon) | Bicycling (Icon) | Other |
|-------------------|----------------|------------------|-------|
| East Lake Tarpon: | 14%            | -                | 84%   |
| Palm Harbor:      | -              | -                | -     |
| Dunedin:          | 4%             | -                | 84%   |
| Clearwater:       | 22%            | -                | 78%   |
| Walsingham:       | -              | -                | -     |
| Seminole:         | 26%            | -                | 73%   |
| Bay Pines:        | 14%            | -                | 83%   |
| St. Petersburg:   | 19%            | -                | 80%   |

Source: Forward Pinellas November 2019  
National Weather Service: [November 2019](#)

# November 2019 Average Hourly Counter Report



# Pinellas Trail User Count Data Summary

Automated Trail Counter Data Collection Period:  
December 1 – December 31, 2019 (31 days)

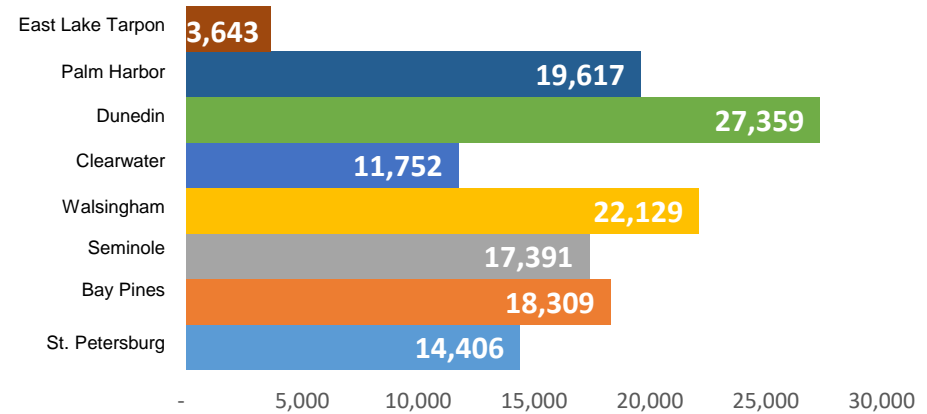
## Total Usage – December 2019

31-Day Count Total: 134,606  
Daily Average Users: 4,342

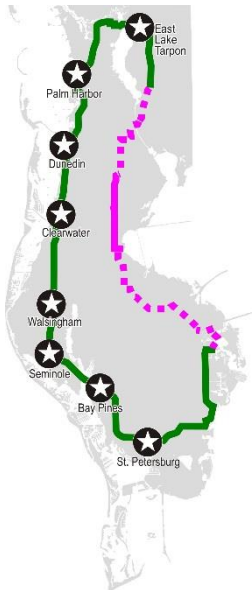
Highest Daily Totals:

- #1 - Sunday, December 29<sup>th</sup> (Dunedin - 1,987)
- #2 - Sunday, December 29<sup>th</sup> (Palm Harbor - 1229)
- #3 - Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> (Bay Pines - 963)

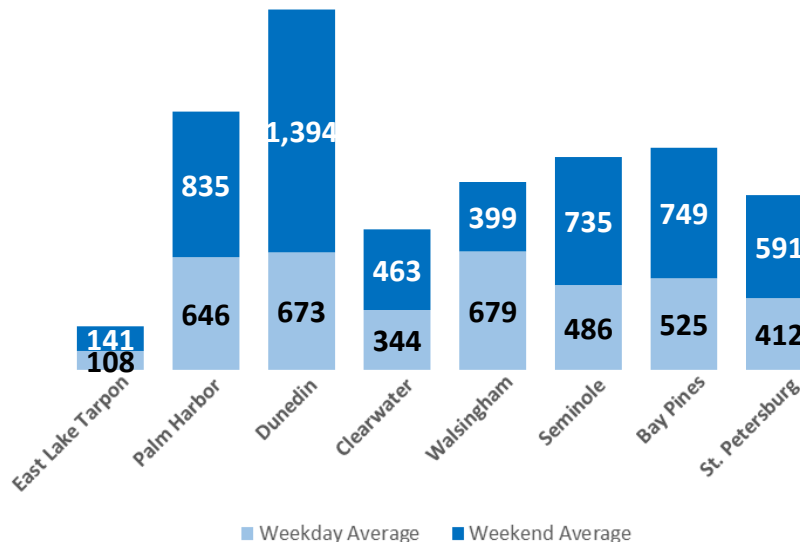
## December Trail Users by Counter Location



## Counter Locations



## Weekday & Weekend Profile



## Trail User Mode Split

| Counter Location  | Walking (Pedestrian Icon) | Bicycling (Bicycle Icon) |
|-------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| East Lake Tarpon: | 20%                       | 80%                      |
| Palm Harbor:      | 18%                       | 82%                      |
| Dunedin:          | 23%                       | 77%                      |
| Clearwater:       | 32%                       | 68%                      |
| Walsingham:       | 58%                       | 42%                      |
| Seminole:         | 34%                       | 66%                      |
| Bay Pines:        | 23%                       | 77%                      |
| St. Petersburg:   | 26%                       | 74%                      |

Source: Forward Pinellas December 2019  
National Weather Service: [December 2019](#)





# Pinellas Trail User Count Data Summary

Automated Trail Counter Data Collection

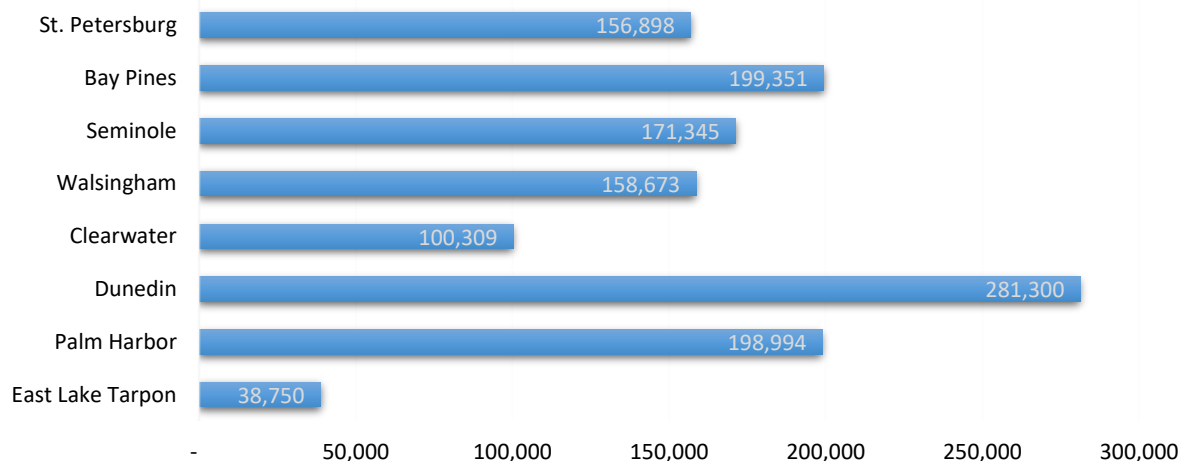
Period: January – December, 2019 Data\*



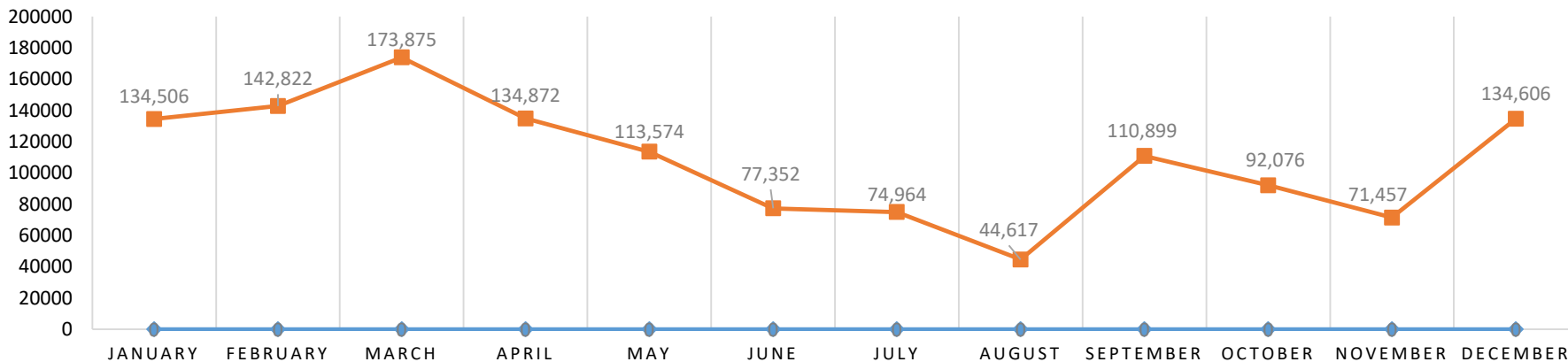
**Jan-Dec, 2019 Total Count:  
1,305,620**

*\* Technical issues with the Palm Harbor, Dunedin and Walsingham Counters resulting in several missing days of data during 2019.*

## 2019 Trail Count Per Location



## 2019 Trail Count Per Month



**PAC AGENDA – SUMMARY AGENDA ACTION SHEET**  
**DATE: FEBRUARY 3, 2020**

| ITEM                                                                                                                                                                  | ACTION TAKEN                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | VOTE |
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| 1. <u>CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS</u>                                                                                                                             | The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |      |
| 2. <u>MINUTES OF REGULAR PAC MEETING OF DECEMBER 30, 2019</u>                                                                                                         | Motion: Mark Ely<br>Second: Marshall Touchton                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 14-0 |
| 3. <u>REVIEW OF FORWARD PINELLAS AGENDA FOR FEBRUARY 12, 2020 MEETING PUBLIC HEARINGS</u><br><u>Countywide Plan Map Amendment(s)</u><br>A. CW 20-04 – Pinellas County | Motion: Marie Dauphinais<br>Second: Marshall Touchton                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 14-0 |
| <u>REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS</u><br>B. CPA Actions and Tier, I Countywide Plan Map Amendments January 2020                                                                 | None required; informational item only                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |      |
| 4. <u>PLANNING TOPICS OF INTEREST</u><br>A. Resilient Tampa Bay: Transportation                                                                                       | Rodney Chatman shared a presentation which covered the results of a regional vulnerability assessment of the transportation network. Staff was fortunate to work with partner MPO's in Pasco and Hillsborough Counties and received a Federal Highway Administration grant (FHA) to study resiliency of the regional transportation network. Rodney discussed the presence of two tide-gauge stations in Pinellas County, which have been monitoring sea levels since the 1940's, and the data shows that Pinellas County has experienced four inches of sea level rise in the last 34 years and the rate of increase has accelerated faster than the previous 34 years. The project approach looked at three climate stressors; sea-level rise in 2045, based on the NOAA high- and intermediate-low curves, increased precipitation for two rainfall events, 9-inches in 24 hours and 33-inches in 72 hours, storm surge for Categories one, three and five hurricanes. The Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council also conducted an economic analysis to determine the impacts to the Gross Regional Product. The study team then developed various adaptation and mitigation strategies for the identified climate hazards. Each county identified two corridors where specific adaptation and mitigation strategies were applied to specific road segments. Pinellas County selected a portion of Gulf Boulevard in Madeira Beach and Roosevelt Boulevard from Ulmerton Road to Gandy |      |

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|                                                                            | Boulevard, Questions were taken and appropriately answered.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  |
| B. Self-Storage Subcommittee Update                                        | Linda Fisher shared that this item is a follow up to the self-storage subcommittee held about 18 months ago, that staff from several local governments participated in. After the meetings, a guide of best practices was created and included in the agenda packets. Mr. Gerald Ripo, BRB Development, who shared a private sector point of view with the subcommittee, asked if he could get a follow up to the meetings on if there were any changes to self-storage regulations within the different municipalities. After brief discussions with those members who were a part of the subcommittee, Ms. Fisher received good feedback and will take a summary of the discussion to Mr. Ripo.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |  |
| C. Board of County Commissioners Request to Add Residential Rural Category | Linda Fisher alerted the PAC members that the Board of County Commissioners is considering a request to add a Residential Rural (RR) category to the Countywide Plan, at a density of .5 units per acre. Rene Vincent, Pinellas County Planning Director, clarified that the request is in response to future land use map (FLUM) amendments on annexed parcels in the East Lake Tarpon area. The County has a community overlay in that area that limits density to .5 units per acre, but property owners who annex into a municipality are no longer subject to it, and since the lowest-density category in the Countywide Plan allows 1 unit per acre, local FLUM amendments from .5 to 1 unit per acre do not have to come before the Board of County Commissioners in their capacity as the Countywide Planning Authority. Adding the RR category to the Countywide Plan and applying it to the unincorporated parcels would change that. Ms. Vincent added that the map that was included with the agenda item is not up to date, as they had not taken out the annexed 44-acre piece up in Tarpon Springs yet. The PAC members discussed potential scenarios and implications of the proposed amendment. |  |
| D. Legislative Update                                                      | Linda Fisher alerted the PAC members that the legislative session begins this week. She advised that the majority of noteworthy bills relate in some way to local preemption and cited a few of relevance as examples, including bills prohibiting design requirements for residential buildings, making the Bert Harris Act more favorable to citizen challengers, and imposing further limitations on local regulation of vacation rentals. The City of St. Petersburg distributed a                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |  |

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|                                                                                                                | position paper on one pair of bills. Forward Pinellas staff will continue to provide updates throughout the session.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                  |
| 5. <u>OTHER PAC BUSINESS/PAC DISCUSSION AND UPCOMING AGENDA</u><br>A. Pinellas SPOTlight Emphasis Areas Update | Rodney Chatman updated the PAC members on the latest information concerning the Forward Pinellas SPOTlight Emphasis Areas.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                  |
| B. Forward Pinellas Planning & Placemaking Grant Review Subcommittee Volunteers                                | Rodney Chatman introduced Laura Canary with Pinellas Park CRA, who shared a presentation on their Planning & Placemaking Grant application for the development of a master plan and construction documents for the City Center District. Mr. Chatman then introduced Kyle Simpson with the City of St. Petersburg who shared a presentation on their Planning & Placemaking Grant application to develop two Demonstration and Pilot Program Guides. Upon conclusion of the presentations, Mr. Chatman called for volunteers to assist in reviewing the applications with staff to make a recommendation. Rick Perez from Largo, Marcie Stenmark from Safety Harbor and Marie Dauphinais from Oldsmar volunteered. Mark Ely suggested reaching out to Jan Norsoph with Seminole as well. This item will come back to the PAC in March with the recommendation. |                                  |
| C. Election of New PAC Chair                                                                                   | Rodney Chatman called for nominations for PAC Chair for 2020. Kyle Brotherton was nominated for Chair and accepted.<br><br>Motion: Frances Leong Sharp<br>Second: Marie Dauphinais<br><br>A call for nominations for PAC Vice-Chair was made. Britton Wilson was nominated and accepted.<br><br>Motion: Mark Ely<br>Second: Marie Dauphinais                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 14-0<br><br><br><br><br><br>14-0 |
| 6. <u>UPCOMING EVENTS</u>                                                                                      | The PAC members received and shared information regarding upcoming events of interest.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                  |
| 7. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>                                                                                          | The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                  |

Respectfully Submitted,

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PAC Chairman

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Date

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**December 16, 2019**



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**December 18, 2019**



[Shanda Lanae Cypress](#), [24, Riverview](#): Shanda was traveling eastbound on Lumsden Road at a high rate of speed when she struck a concrete barrier, hit an excavator, and then struck a motor-grader. Shanda died at the scene. Shanda is survived by her family and friends.



[Ernest LeBlanc](#), 80, Clearwater: Ernest was crossing Gulf-to-Bay Blvd. near Fernwood Avenue when he was struck by a vehicle. Ernest was taken to Mease Countryside Hospital where he later died from injuries sustained in the crash. Ernest is survived by his son, family and friends.

**December 20, 2019**



Uk Ethridge-Lucas, Unborn Fetus, Hudson: Uk was the unborn fetus of Makala Marie who was traveling north on US 19 just south of SR 52 when a driver in another vehicle failed to stop for slowing traffic and triggering a multicar collision. Sadly, Makala, underwent a cesarean section at a local hospital several weeks after the crash and her baby was pronounced deceased due to injuries sustained in the crash. Uk is survived by his mother, family and friends.

**December 21, 2019**



[Star "Michael" Rajdl](#), [38, Spring Hill](#): Michael had a green signal at US 19 and Applegate Drive when another vehicle failed to stop for the signal and struck his vehicle at a high rate of speed. Michael died at the scene of the crash. Michael was kind hearted, witty, intelligent, generous and honorable man. Michael is survived by his wife, daughter, mother, sister, family, and friends.

## December 22, 2019



[Name Withheld: \\*Due to Florida Statute 316.066 \(2\)\(d\)\\*](#): A pedestrian was attempting to cross 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue South and 49<sup>th</sup> Street South when she was struck by a vehicle. The woman was taken to Bayfront Health St. Petersburg, where she later died from injuries sustained in the crash. She is survived by her family and friends.

## December 23, 2019



[Name Withheld: \\*Due to Florida Statute 316.066 \(2\)\(d\)\\*](#): A pedestrian was attempting to cross E. Hillsborough Avenue near 15<sup>th</sup> Street when he was struck by a vehicle. The man was taken to a local hospital, where he later died from injuries sustained in the crash. He is survived by his family and friends.



[Name Withheld: \\*Due to Florida Statute 316.066 \(2\)\(d\)\\*](#): Two motorists were traveling southbound in a nine-passenger van on Mott Road approaching the intersection of Gavin Road. The van they were in failed to stop and collided with another vehicle before overturning. Both motorists died at the scene of the crash. Both motorists are survived by their families and friends.



[Liamar Matos-Gonzalez, 17, St. Petersburg](#): Liamar was walking on the sidewalk along 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue North near the intersection of Martin Luther King Junior Blvd. North, when two vehicles that collided drove onto the sidewalk and struck her. Liamar died at the scene of the crash. Liamar is survived by her family and friends.



[Yury Raul Sarria, Jr., 19, Tampa](#): Yury was traveling northbound on I-275 north of Fowler Avenue when for unknown reasons he lost control of his vehicle, collided with a barrier wall, and his vehicle overturned. Yury was not wearing a seatbelt and was ejected from the vehicle and died at the scene of the crash. Yury is survived by his mother, siblings, family, and friends.



[Michael Anthony Burroughs, 23, St. Petersburg](#): Michael was traveling west on 38<sup>th</sup> Avenue near 40<sup>th</sup> Street when he struck another vehicle and was ejected from his motorcycle. Michael was taken to Bayfront Health St. Petersburg, where he later died from injuries sustained in the crash. Michael is survived by his parents, sister, grandparents, family, and friends.

## December 24, 2019



[Amalia Gomara, 62, Hialeah, Clara Gorrin, 86, Hialeah, and Nilda Cordovi, 85, Pembroke Pines](#): Amalia, Clara and Nilda were traveling southbound on County Road 581 just south of E. Amy Lane when a vehicle entered their lane colliding with them head on. Amalia, Clara and Nilda died at the scene of the crash. Amalia is survived by her family and friends. Clara is survived by family and friends. Nilda is her survived by family and friends.



[Mark Dexter MacDonald](#), 59 Crystal Beach: Mark was attempting to cross Palm Harbor Boulevard near Maryland Avenue when a vehicle struck him. Mark was taken to Advent Health Hospital where he later died from injuries sustained in the crash. Mark is survived by his family and friends.

## December 25, 2019



[William Paul Rinestine](#), 64, Hernando: William was riding his bike east on East Spruce Drive attempting to cross SR 200, when he collided with a vehicle attempting to cross the same intersection. William died at the scene of the crash. William is survived by his family and friends.



[Meagan Thi Baytarian](#), 31, Tampa: Meagan was traveling west on SR 60 when another motorist from the eastbound lane lost control of their vehicle, crossed the median and collided with Meagan's vehicle. Meagan died at the scene of the crash. Meagan is survived by her family and friends.

## December 27, 2019



[Donn Mosier](#), 70, [Vandalia](#): Donn was traveling west on Lynbrook Drive near Old Lakeland Highway when his vehicle was struck by another vehicle that failed to yield at a stop sign. Upon impact, Donn's vehicle overturned and Donn was ejected from his vehicle. Donn was taken to Lakeland Regional Medical Center where he later died from injuries sustained in the crash. Donn proudly served in the U.S. Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. He was an avid golfer, loved deer hunting and fishing, but cherished his family most. Donn is survived by his wife, two daughters, grandchildren, great-grandson, sister, brother, family, and friends.



[Nora Anne Casson](#), 35, [Homosassa](#): Nora was traveling on US 19 near New York Avenue outside of a crosswalk when she was struck by a vehicle. Nora died at the scene of the crash. Nora is survived by her family and friends.



[Name Withheld](#): [\\*Due to Florida Statute 316.066 \(2\)\(d\)\\*](#): A motorcyclist was traveling south on N. 50<sup>th</sup> Street near the intersection of the Selmon Expressway at a high rate of speed when it struck a semi tractor-trailer as it was making a turn onto the Selmon Expressway. The motorcyclist died at the scene of the crash. The motorcyclist is survived by his family and friends.



[Name Withheld](#): [\\*Due to Florida Statute 316.066 \(2\)\(d\)\\*](#): A pedestrian was attempting to cross Gibsonton Drive near Gloria Street when he was struck by a vehicle. The pedestrian died at the scene of the crash. The pedestrian is survived by family and friends.





# Safety in Seven



## December 28, 2019



[Marissa Berry](#), [22, Coldwater, MI](#): Marissa was crossing Williams Road just north of Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. when she was struck by a Hillsborough County Sheriff's Deputy responding to a call. Marissa died at the scene of the crash. Marissa is survived by her family and friends.

## December 30, 2019



[Gregory Pierce Blackwell](#), 55, Spartanburg, SC: Gregory was traveling north on Dale Mabry Highway near County Line Road when he was struck from behind by a vehicle. Gregory was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital where he later died from injuries sustained in the crash. Gregory is survived by his family and friends.



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## January 3, 2020



[Lastarza D. Johnnies](#), 49, Tampa: Lastarza was crossing US 41 just south of Norvell Bryant Highway when he was struck by a vehicle. Following the collision with the first vehicle, Lastarza was struck by a second vehicle. Lastarza was transported to Citrus Memorial Hospital, where he later died from injuries sustained in the crash. Lastarza is survived by his family and friends.



Name Withheld: \*Due to Florida Statue 316.066 (2)(d)\*: A pedestrian was walking across the westbound lanes of SR 52 when they were struck by a vehicle. The pedestrian was transported to a local hospital, where they later died from injuries sustained in the crash. The pedestrian is survived by family and friends.

## January 4, 2020



[Robert Septor](#), 75, Land O' Lakes: Robert was driving northbound on Nebraska Avenue near Bearss Avenue when another vehicle attempted to overtake his at a high speed, colliding with the rear of his vehicle causing him to depart the roadway and collide with a traffic signal post. Robert died at the scene of the crash. Robert is survived by his family and friends.

## January 5, 2020



[Terry Martin](#), 16, Brandon: Terry was riding his bike across Parsons Avenue just south of Clemons Road when he was struck by a vehicle traveling northbound. Terry died at the scene of the crash. Terry is survived by his family and friends.

## January 7, 2020

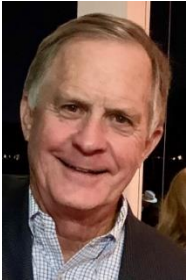


[Aviance M. Torres Guzman](#), 33, Brandon: Aviance was traveling northbound on I-75 just south of Bruce B. Downs Blvd. when she failed to yield for stopped traffic and collided with the rear of a box truck. Aviance was transported to Advent Health Hospital, where she later died from injuries sustained in the crash. Aviance is survived by her family and friends.



[Henry Strachel](#), 76, Holiday: Henry was driving southbound on US 19 when a car turning left from Darlington Road onto US 19 entered his path and collided with the front of his vehicle. Henry was transported to Advent Health Hospital, where he later died from injuries sustained in the crash. Henry, aka "Hawk," is survived by his brother, nephew, family, and friends.

## January 9, 2020



[George Williams Gage III, 70, Tampa](#): George was walking northbound on Bayshore Boulevard near W. Julia Street when a drunk driver traveling in the same direction on Bayshore Blvd., The vehicle left the roadway and struck him, the impact caused George to go over the balustrade and into the Hillsborough Bay. George was transported to Tampa General Hospital, where he later died from injuries sustained in the crash. George was a wealth manager by profession, and he spent his life serving his community. He served as the chairperson of the University of Tampa's Board of Counselors, he also served on the board of directors of the H.B. Plant Museum and the Child Abuse Council. He was an active volunteer at Ronald McDonald House, as well as, a Sunday School facilitator/usher at the Hyde Park United Methodist Church. In his spare time, George enjoyed hiking, playing golf, learning piano, swimming laps, and cooking. George is survived by his loving wife of 45 years, two daughters, grandchildren, family, and friends.

## January 10, 2020



[Name Withheld: \\*Due to Florida Statute 316.066 \(2\)\(d\)\\*](#): A pedestrian was walking along the side of Aripeka Road when the driver of the vehicle made a U-turn and purposefully struck the pedestrian. The pedestrian was a Vietnam War Veteran and he died at the scene of the crash. The pedestrian is survived by his family and friends.

## January 11, 2020



[Anthony F. Talotta, 26, New Port Richey](#): Anthony was attempting to cross Little Road south of Heritage Lakes Boulevard when he was struck by a vehicle traveling northbound on Little Road. The driver fled the scene of the crash. FHP are looking for the Hit and Run driver. Anthony died at the scene of the crash. Anthony is survived by his sons, parents, sister, family, and friends.



[Debra Beltramea, 46, Lutz](#): Debra was making a U-turn from US 41 northbound at Sunset Lane when she entered the path of another vehicle traveling southbound on US 41. Debra died at the scene of the crash. Debra is survived by her family and friends.



[Dwayne M. Bastress, 55, Largo](#): Dwayne was driving westbound on Ulmerton Road when a vehicle turned right off Coral Way and entered his path. Dwayne was transported to Bayfront Hospital, where he later died from injuries sustained in the crash. Dwayne is survived by his family and friends.

## January 12, 2020



[Name Withheld: \\*Due to Florida Statute 316.066 \(2\)\(d\)\\*](#): A motorcyclist was traveling westbound on County Line Road approaching the intersection of Farnsworth Boulevard when they failed to negotiate a lane change and collided with the center concrete median at high speed. The motorcyclist died at the scene of the crash. The motorcyclist is survived by their family and friends.

**January 15, 2020**



[Ernest Cwornover, 19, Eaton](#): Ernest was driving westbound on SR 52 approaching I-75 when for unknown reasons his vehicle left the roadway and collided with the entrance ramp sign to the interstate. Ernest died at the scene of the crash. Ernest was a graduate of Windsor High School and attended Saint Leo University where he was a lacrosse player. Ernest is survived by his parents, three sisters, brother, great grandfather, grandparents, family, and friends.



[Michael James Scott, 69, Crystal River](#): Michael was traveling northbound on Commercial Way behind a school bus when he failed to yield when the bus stopped at a crosswalk so a pedestrian could cross. Michael collided with the rear of the bus at the intersection of Commercial Way and Bourassa Boulevard. Michael died at the scene of the crash. Mike proudly served in the United States Marines and was a Vietnam Veteran. The founder of Mike Scott Plumbing, Scott has been an industry leader amongst small businesses in the state. Michael was known as a staunch supporter of youth programs for education, athletics, and was a committed member of the communities he served. Michael is survived by his wife of 51 years, three children, sister, brothers, grandchildren, great grandchildren, family, and friends.

**February 12, 2020**

**9I. Committee Vacancies**



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**SUMMARY**

- **Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)**

The CAC currently has three vacancies. One vacancy for St. Petersburg, one vacancy for Largo and one vacancy for Tarpon Springs/Oldsmar/Safety Harbor area.

- **Local Coordinating Board (LCB)**

The LCB currently has three openings. An opening for a Citizen who is a TD rider and an opening for Public Education representative and Children At Risk representative.

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

- CAC Membership Listing ([5Ba](#))
- LCB Membership Listing

**ACTION:** None required; informational item only

**LOCAL COORDINATING BOARD  
FOR THE TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED**

**Chairman**

Patricia Johnson (Chair – 02/18/2014)

**Agency for Health Care Administration – Area 5 Medicaid Office**

Emily Hughart (01/08/2020) Ian Martin (Alternate- 10/09/2016)

**Citizens**

Loretta (Laura) Statsick (05/09/2018)  
Vacant (TD Rider)

**FL Dept. of Elder Affairs**

Jason Martino (reappointed in 01/09/2019) Tawnya Martino (Alternate)

**Persons with Disabilities**

Joseph DiDomenico (06/10/2015) Jody Armstrong (Alternate - 05/12/2017)

**Pinellas County Dept. of Veterans Services**

Zeffery Mims (11/08/2017) Mark Swonger (Alternate - 05/08/2019)

**Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority (Non-Voting)**

Ross Silvers (Alternate: Vacant)

**Transportation Provider for Profit**

Brian Scott (Vice Chair - 03/10/2010) (reappointed 03/14/2018)

**Community Action Agency**

Jane Walker (reconfirmed July 2011 MPO)

**Over 60**

Richard Hartman (09/12/2018)

**Public Education**

Vacant

**Department of Children and Families**

Ivonne Carmona (11/8/2017) Kitty Kelleher (Alternate: 02/8/2017)

**Children at Risk**

Vacant

**Division of Blind Services**

Amanda Honingford (03/14/2018) Mark Harshbarger (alternate: 4/11/2018)

**Career Source Pinellas**

Don Shepherd (03/12/2014) (reappointed 01/09/2019) Jennifer Brackney (Alternate - 05/12/2017)

**Local Medical Community**

Heath Kirby (03/13/2019)

**Regional Agency for Persons with Disabilities**

Michael Taylor (03/13/2019) (Alternates: Debra Noel and Brett Gottschalk 03/13/2019)

**Technical Support – Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)**

Dave Newell (Alternate: Katina Kavouklis / Chris Leffert (04/10/2019)

**February 12, 2020**

## **9J. Forward Pinellas Grant Programs Update**



### **SUMMARY**

Forward Pinellas provides funding to local government partners through a variety of competitive grant programs. The Complete Streets Grant provides up to \$100,000 for concept planning projects and up to \$1 million for construction projects annually. Transportation Alternatives is a federal funding program that can be used primarily for pedestrian and bicycle projects, as well as infrastructure to improve non-driver access to transit. The Planning & Place-Making Grant (PPM) Pilot Program makes \$100,000 available to fund planning projects that advance the goals and objectives of the Countywide Plan. Following review and ranking by a subcommittee of Forward Pinellas staff and other representatives, recommended awards will be brought to the board for approval in March 2020.

The submittal deadline for all three grant programs was December 13, 2019 and applications were received as follows:

#### **1. Complete Streets Grant**

##### **Concept Planning Applications:**

- City of Largo requests \$100K for 4<sup>th</sup> Ave NW from the Pinellas Trail to Missouri Ave.
- City of Pinellas Park requests \$100K for 78<sup>th</sup> Ave. N from 60<sup>th</sup> St. to US 19
- City of St Pete Beach requests \$70K for Boca Ciega and Gulf Winds Dr.
- City of St. Petersburg requests \$100K for 6<sup>th</sup> St. from Roser Park to Mirror Lake

##### **Construction Applications:**

- City of Dunedin requests \$1M for Skinner Blvd
- City of Largo requests \$1M for 1<sup>st</sup> Ave NE from Missouri to 4<sup>th</sup> St. NE
- City of St. Petersburg requests \$1M for 28<sup>th</sup> St. from Gandy to Roosevelt

#### **2. Transportation Alternatives Grant**

- City of St. Petersburg requests \$1,941,347.36 for 28<sup>th</sup> St from the Pinellas Trail to 1<sup>st</sup> Ave N
- City of St. Petersburg requests \$1,966,953.91 for 22<sup>nd</sup> St S from 5<sup>th</sup> Ave S to 1<sup>st</sup> Ave N
- City of St. Petersburg requests \$1,000,990.63 for Central Ave from 34<sup>th</sup> St. to 31<sup>st</sup> St
- City of Treasure Island requests \$557,698.00 for East Treasure Island Causeway Trail

#### **3. Planning & Place-Making Grant**

- City of Pinellas Park requests \$100,000 to prepare a master plan and construction documents for the City Center District to implement the vision as outlined in the Pinellas Park CRA Conceptual Master Plan.
- City of St. Petersburg requests \$100,000 to develop two Demonstration and Pilot Project Policy guides. The first guide would include processes and standards specific to the City of St. Petersburg that would streamline the process for developing a citizen-driven pilot project consistent with local engineering design standards and code requirements. The second guide would contain typical processes and best-practices for improving public spaces.

The applications received have been reviewed by Forward Pinellas staff, with assistance from the TCC and PAC, as appropriate. A recommendation for funding will be brought to the board for consideration at the March meeting.

Additional information about the Forward Pinellas grant programs can be found in a blog post at the following link: <http://forwardpinellas.org/blog/three-forward-pinellas-grant-programs-accepting-applications/>

**ATTACHMENT(S):** None

**ACTION:** None required; informational item only



**February 12, 2020**

**9K. Florida Transportation Plan**

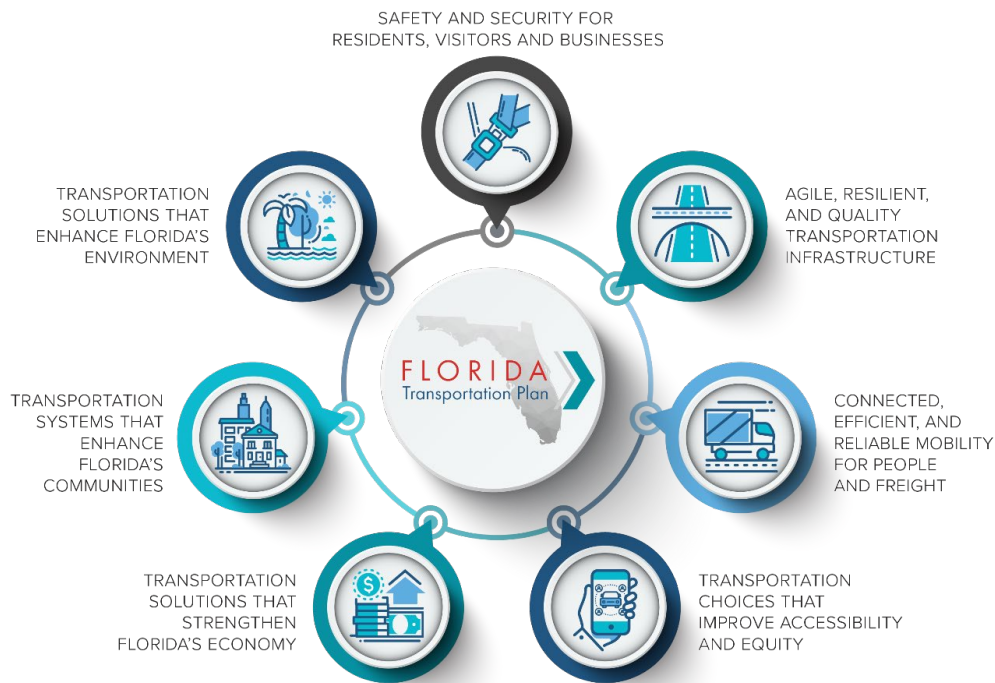


**SUMMARY**

The Florida Transportation Plan (FTP) is the overarching statewide plan guiding Florida’s transportation future. It is a plan for all of Florida created by, and providing direction to, the Florida Department of Transportation and all organizations that are involved in planning and managing Florida’s transportation system. The FTP provides policy guidance and establishes the policy framework for allocation of state and federal transportation funds that flow through FDOT’s 5-year Work Program.

The FTP update is being led by a diverse steering committee with members from the public, private and civic sectors (<http://www.floridatransportationplan.com/committee.htm>). It is focused on four cross-cutting topics: technology, resilience, state/interregional and regional/local.

The Policy Plan is scheduled to be drafted in the summer of 2020, available for comment in the fall of 2020 and published in December 2020. The public is being invited to participate in the statewide planning process for the FTP to provide guidance and feedback to FDOT as the plan is developed (see attachment).



**ATTACHMENT(S):** Florida Transportation Plan – Get Involved Flyer

**ACTION:** None required; informational item only

## GET INVOLVED!

### WHAT IS IT?

The **Florida Transportation Plan (FTP)** is the state's long-range plan guiding Florida's transportation future. The FTP is a plan for all of Florida—and affects every resident, business, and visitor. The FTP goals impact our quality of life and economic prosperity.

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and its partners are updating the FTP. Share your thoughts with us so we can ensure the FTP reflects the needs of Florida's communities.

### GOALS



**SAFETY** and **SECURITY**  
for residents, visitors, and businesses



Transportation solutions that  
**STRENGTHEN FLORIDA'S ECONOMY**



**AGILE, RESILIENT,** and **QUALITY**  
Transportation **INFRASTRUCTURE**



Transportation systems that  
**ENHANCE FLORIDA'S COMMUNITIES**



**CONNECTED, EFFICIENT,** and  
**RELIABLE MOBILITY** for people and freight



**TRANSPORTATION CHOICES**  
that improve accessibility and equity



Transportation solutions that  
**ENHANCE FLORIDA'S ENVIRONMENT**

### CROSS-CUTTING TOPICS

#### TECHNOLOGY

Will technology change how and when we travel?



#### RESILIENCE

How do we prepare our transportation system for, and recover from, weather, environmental, economic, and operational disruptions?



#### STATE/ INTERREGIONAL

How do we improve the state's most strategic transportation systems?



#### REGIONAL/ LOCAL

What regional or local needs should we consider?



## YOUR NEIGHBORS ARE SHARING THEIR TRANSPORTATION STORIES



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Help FDOT and its partners update the [Florida Transportation Plan](#). Go to:

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- ✓ **LEARN MORE** by listening to **PODCASTS**, watching **WEBINARS**, or **READING**
- ✓ Provide **YOUR IDEAS** online
- ✓ **REQUEST** a **PRESENTATION** to your organization or group
- ✓ Be on the lookout for **REGIONAL WORKSHOPS COMING IN 2020**



The Forward Pinellas Internal Control Structure Policy Manual authorizes the Executive Director the ability to approve certain instruments, such as contracts under \$25,000, amendments and extensions to contracts previously approved by the board, PPC Budget line item transfers not to exceed \$10,000, and invoice approvals and submittals. The full list of items is available on page 4 of the Internal Control Structure Policy Manual. The manual notes that documents and instruments approved by the Executive Director under this authority shall be placed as an informational item on the board agenda at least quarterly and aligned with quarterly financial reporting.

The board approved the Internal Control Structure Policy Manual on February 14, 2018. The first report was at the May 9, 2018 Board meeting. The manual includes references to the Federal Acquisition Thresholds, which have since been updated. The adjusted numbers were added for reference to the manual in July 2018.

The Florida Department of Transportation released a memorandum on July 22, 2019 recommending executive director time and travel for MPO activities be reviewed by the Board. This information has been added to this quarterly report.

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#### **Grant-Related Submittals**

- Quarterly invoice submitted to FDOT on 10/9/2019, FTA Section 5305 Funds, contract G1501 for period July – September 2019, request of \$6,408.90.
- Quarterly invoice submitted to FDOT on 12/2/2019, FHWA PL and STP Funds, contract G0W72 for period July – September 2019, request of \$288,545.22.
- Quarterly invoice submitted to the Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged on 12/17/2019 for TD Planning Grant Quarter 1, July – September 2019, request of \$7,539.96.

#### **Agreements and Contracts**

- Agreement with Fehr & Peers for Vision Zero Effort, total amount of \$225,363.
- Transit Oriented Development Strategic Plan Participation Agreement with the City of St. Petersburg and Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority.
- Public Transportation Grant Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation for Federal Transit Administration Section 5305 funds and state matching funds totaling \$490,301.
- Interlocal Agreement with the City of St. Petersburg for the Downtown St. Petersburg Mobility Study.

### **Work Authorizations**

- Project Title: Vision Zero Effort; Firm: Fehr & Peers; Total Project Cost: \$225,363, Work Authorization for \$25,363 in PL Funds; Date Submitted: 10/16/2019
- Project Title: Support for Forward Pinellas Documentation Completion; Firm: AECOM; Total Project Cost: \$24,980.46, Work Authorization for \$24,980.46 in PL Funds; Date Submitted: 11/21/2019

### **UPWP Revisions**

- UPWP modification to add text to include Vision Zero effort and to move funds to account for consulting work in multiple tasks. No additional funds were added. Modification approved by FDOT on October 10, 2019.
- UPWP amendment to reflect actual FTA Section 5305 FY20 allocation. Amendment approved by FDOT on October 24, 2019 and by FTA on November 19, 2019.

### **PPC Budget Line Item Transfers**

- None

### **Executive Director MPO Travel (beyond FDOT District 7)**

- Event: FMPP Statewide Collaboration Workshop; Date:12/5-12/6/2019; MPO Cost \$293.07

### **Executive Director Time**

- **Regular Time:** 444 hours (PPC: 198 hours, MPO: 246 hours)
- **Holiday:** 32 hours
- **Annual Leave/Leave with Pay-Other:** 44 hours

**February 12, 2020**

**10. Upcoming Events**



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Staff and/or board members will provide information on the following upcoming events as needed:

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- A. March 13th – [Bike Your City](#)
- B. March 24th – Waterborne Transportation Subcommittee Meeting – 10:30 a.m. – Noon - PSTA
- C. March 31st – [Safe Streets Pinellas Summit](#)
- D. April 20-22nd – [Transplex](#)

**ATTACHMENT(S):** None

**ACTION:** None required; informational item only