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**BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY
COMMITTEE (BPAC) MEETING AGENDA**

March 20, 2023 – 8:30 a.m.

310 Court Street, 1st Floor Conference Room
Clearwater, FL 33756

THE PLANNING COUNCIL AND METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR PINELLAS COUNTY

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS** (8:30 – 8:35)
2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** – *Please limit comments to 3 minutes* (8:35 – 8:40)
3. **APPROVAL OF MEETING SUMMARY** (8:40 – 8:45)
4. **FORWARD PINELLAS UPDATES** (8:45 – 8:50)
 - A. **Forward Pinellas Board Summary**
 - B. **SPOTLight Emphasis Areas**
 - C. **Other**
5. **DRAFT TRANSPORTATION PRIORITIES** (8:50 – 9:10)
6. **ADVANTAGE PINELLAS UPDATE** (9:10 – 9:30)
7. **BPAC BUSINESS** (9:30 – 10:00)
 - A. Friends of the Pinellas Trail
 - B. Bike Your City Oldsmar Summary
 - C. BPAC Member Survey
 - D. Pinellas Trail User Survey
8. **AGENCY REPORTS** (10:00 – 10:10)
9. **OTHER BUSINESS** (10:10 – 10:30)
 - A. Pinellas Trail Signage and Markings
 - B. Membership
 - C. Correspondence, Publications, Articles of Interest
 - D. Suggestions for Future Agenda Topics
 - E. Other
10. **ADJOURNMENT**

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Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee – March 20, 2023

3. Approval of Minutes



SUMMARY

The meeting summary for the February 27, 2023, meeting is attached for review and approval.

ATTACHMENT(S): BPAC Meeting Summary – February 27, 2023

ACTION: Approval of Meeting Summary

**FORWARD PINELLAS
BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY
FEBRUARY 27, 2023**

The following is a summary of the Forward Pinellas Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) held on February 27, 2023 at 310 Court Street, 1st Floor Conference Room, Clearwater, FL.

BPAC Members Present

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| Brian Smith, Chairman | At Large Citizen Representative |
| Paul Zagami, Vice Chair | At Large Citizen Representative |
| Daniel Alejandro | Largo Citizen Representative |
| Ronnie Blackshear - Zoom | City of Oldsmar |
| Todd Bogner | At Large Citizen Representative |
| Darby Bryant - Zoom | City of Pinellas Park |
| Joseph Camera | Pinellas County Schools |
| Whitney Clark | City of Largo |
| Scott Daniels | Friends of the Pinellas Trail |
| Devan Deal | PSTA |
| Ron Englert | Dunedin Citizen Representative |
| Charlie Guy | At Large Citizen Representative |
| Gloria Lepik-Corrigan | Clearwater Citizen Representative |
| Donovan Nickell | Seminole Representative |
| Annette Sala - Phone | At Large Citizen Representative |
| Stuart Schwartzreich | St. Petersburg Citizen Representative |
| Eric Sorenson | At Large Citizen Representative |
| Elisabeth Staten | St. Petersburg Bicycle Pedestrian Coordinator |
| Heather Vernillo | At Large Citizen Representative |
| Lara Wojahn | At Large Citizen Representative |
| Peter Wray | St. Petersburg Citizen Representative |
| Avera Wynne | Clearwater Citizen Representative |

BPAC Members Absent

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| Julie Bond | CUTR |
| David Chase | At Large Citizen Representative |
| Fernando Gutierrez | Clearwater Citizen Representative |
| Frances Leong-Sharp | City of Dunedin |
| Lyle Fowler | PC Parks & Conservation Resources (PCR) |
| Caroline Lanford | City of Tarpon Springs |
| Jayne Lopko | City of Clearwater |
| Joan Rice | Pinellas County Public Works Traffic |
| Deputy C Snyder | Pinellas County Sheriff's Office |

Others Present

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| Jensen Hackett - Zoom | FDOT |
| Craig Fox | FDOT |
| Gina Harvey – Zoom | Pinellas County Public Works Traffic |
| John Reiman | Pinellas County Public Works Traffic |
| Jeff Gow | City of Dunedin Commissioner |
| James Phillips | PSTA |
| Sheila Schneider – Zoom | Pinellas County Air Quality |

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| Harry | Guest |
| Julie Rehbein | Guest |
| Wes Calhoun | Guest |
| Crissy Gerhart | Guest |
| Janet Miranda | Guest |
| Mike Campo | Guest |
| Mfran | Guest |
| Melanie Perry | Guest |
| George Hodgson | Guest |
| Josette Green | Guest |
| Keely Murphy | Guest |
| Steve Thomas | Guest |
| Bert Valery | Guest |
| Jim Wedlake | Friends of the Pinellas Trail |
| James Cunningham | City of Dunedin |
| Dana Santos - Zoom | Forward Pinellas Staff |
| Whit Blanton | Forward Pinellas Staff |
| Kyle Simpson | Forward Pinellas Staff |
| Chelsea Favero | Forward Pinellas Staff |
| Maria Kelly | Forward Pinellas Staff |

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Brian Smith called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and the attendees in the room introduced themselves.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Steve Thomas shared that he and his wife enjoy walking and biking on The Pinellas Trail. For the most part, people observe safety rules. There are a few bad ideas he feels need to change: Golfcarts on streets, electric bikes on the Pinellas Trail, painting bike paths on the streets, like Main Street in Dunedin and mixing pedestrians, bikers and Ebikes. Most of the Trail users seem to adhere to the “keep right, pass left”, but this does not seem work in the heavily congested parts in Dunedin. Mr. Thomas questioned what will be done with the extra 5-ft part of the path that splits off that was formerly designated for pedestrians, and how users- will be able to adhere to the “keep right, pass left”.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The summary from the January 23, 2023, meeting was approved with one correction to Agency Reports regarding the next PTSTF meeting being on April 11, 2023.

4. FORWARD PINELLAS ACTIONS & SPOTLIGHT

Kyle Simpson, Forward Pinellas staff, reviewed the February 8, 2023, Forward Pinellas Board meeting summary. The Board approved the Regional Transportation Priority List, developed by the Sun Coast Transportation Planning Alliance (SCTPA). The Board also approved the Safety Performance Measures and Targets for next year. The Board approved amendments to the FY 2022/23 – 2026/27 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The Board also received a presentation on a draft version of the Apportionment Plan. The Board received a presentation on the Pinellas Planning Council FY24 Budget Development.

For SPOTLight, in regard to Beach Access, staff is currently working with St. Pete Beach and Treasure Island on the Gulf Boulevard Safety Study. A meeting was held on February 15, 2023, in St. Pete Beach to review the study plans with FDOT, St. Pete Beach staff and the consultants. The TEILS Study continues to look at land in the county and how to best utilize for current needs while retaining the importance of land for employment centers.

5. GANDY PD&E STUDY

Craig Fox, FDOT, shared a presentation with the committee on the Gandy Boulevard (US 92/ SR 600) Project Development & Environment (PD&E) Study, evaluating capacity, bicycle, and pedestrian improvement along the study corridor. The study limits are from 4th St. North in Pinellas County to West Shore Blvd (CR 587) in Hillsborough County. The purpose of this project is to reduce traffic congestion and improve bicycle and pedestrian accommodations by reconstructing Gandy Boulevard to provide an elevated controlled access 4-lane to 6-lane roadway mainline separated from local traffic with frontage roads and multiuse trails on both sides of the corridor for bicyclists and pedestrians. The proposed project will also widen the existing westbound Gandy bridge to accommodate a third travel lane and construct a new bridge to provide a wider structure for three travel lanes and a multiuse trail. The study is divided into three segments: 1) the Pinellas segment from 4th Street to the west end of the Gandy Bridge; 2) the Bay segment includes both Gandy Bridges over Old Tampa Bay and 3) the final segment is in Hillsborough County. Mr. Fox reviewed the preferred typical sections, the project schedule and project cost with the committee. An Open House is scheduled for February 28, 2023, at the Pinellas Park Performing Arts Center to share information and answer questions. Questions were taken and appropriately answered.

6. SAFE STREETS AND ROADS FOR ALL GRANT

Chelsea Favero, Forward Pinellas staff, shared information on the Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant. Forward Pinellas approved a Safe Streets Action Plan that was sent out to all of the local governments, asking them to also sign on to. As of today, 22 out of 25 local governments have approved the Safe Streets Pinellas Resolution, a commitment to work together to improve safety. Through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Legislation, the Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant program was developed, to provide competitive grant funding to local governments to plan for, and implement, safety improvements. Forward Pinellas submitted a joint application for funding partnering with Pinellas County, Dunedin, Gulfport, Largo and Oldsmar for \$770,000 for safety projects. This grant requires a 20% match from the local governments. On February 1, 2023, Forward Pinellas was awarded a Safe Streets and Roads (SS4A) Grant by the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) with funds totaling \$559,074.00, to be allocated to Forward Pinellas' Safe Streets Pinellas Action Plan within five areas of the county with known road safety challenges. Forward Pinellas, in its role as the metropolitan planning organization, will use the grant funding to work cooperatively with Pinellas County and the cities of Dunedin, Gulfport, Largo, and Oldsmar, to define specific safety projects within each community that will be advanced into design and construction as soon as possible. Questions were taken and appropriately answered.

7. COAST-TO-COAST ALLIANCE MEETING SUMMARY

Mr. Simpson shared information on with the committee after attending the Coast-to-Coast Alliance Meeting. Also in attendance at that meeting was Chair Brian Smith. On February 14, 2023, in Orlando, a make-up meeting was held with planners, managers and operators for the Coast-to-Coast Trail. The Trail runs from St. Petersburg to the Kennedy Space Center. All segments of the trail should be under construction by 2027. The largest gap is through the

Green Swamp SR50. Aside from a short gap in Brooksville, a cyclist can get from St. Petersburg to the western side of Brooksville today. Most of the Orlando metro section is complete and the Canaveral National Seashore/Merritt Island National Wildlife Refuge is under design. Forward Pinellas presented at the meeting and shared information on the Pinellas Trail Security Task Force and the accomplishments the task force has had over the last 30 years. Working with Public Works and FDOT on improving wayfinding on the Trail. FDOT District Five shared information on the Orange Blossom Trail and the raised crosswalks with in-lane lights and pedestrian signals. This is under construction now and it will be interesting to see what kind of effects this will have. The Office of Greenways and Trails is working on a GIS story map of the Coast-to-Coast Trail. Questions were taken and appropriately answered.

8. BPAC BUSINESS

A. Friends of the Pinellas Trail

Scott Daniels gave a brief update on the Friends of the Pinellas Trail. It is important to share the information you hear in the meeting about the Pinellas Trail with your communities, especially about safety and security in the county as well as transportation and coordination between bicyclist, pedestrians, and people in vehicles. The green trail guidebook is continuing to do well. Friends is receiving many requests from all over the country for copies of the guidebook. An update to the guidebook will be coming shortly, to include the recently opened new Trail gaps in the north. Friends of The Pinellas Trail also has a Facebook page where people share events and pictures. Friends is currently looking for more citizen volunteers and if there are any questions or concerns to share, please send an email to friendsofthepinellastrail@gmail.com.

B. Bike Your City

Oldsmar is hosting this year's Bike Your City on March 10, 2023, at R.E. Olds Park.

C. BPAC Member Survey

Please take a moment and complete the member survey. The survey is asking members to weight their thoughts on the meeting time and date and should it be changed.

D. Pinellas Trail User Survey

Every four to five years staff works with Pinellas County and their trail partners to conduct a trail user survey. Forward Pinellas is looking for volunteers to assist with the Trail survey on March 24th and 25th from Tarpon Springs down to St. Petersburg.

9. AGENCY REPORTS

• Pinellas Trail Loop/Duke Energy Trail (North & South Gaps)

Mr. John Reiman, filling in for Joan Rice, shared information that Public Works will be running the Courtesy Campaign beginning in March, consisting of courtesy signs along the trail and through social media posts reminding everyone that the trails are for everyone. The Duke Energy Trail extension, south of Haines Bayshore continues in the design phase with construction scheduled in 2024.

• Clearwater Bicycle Pedestrian Program

Mr. Simpson received an update by email from the City of Clearwater. The city is on track to complete the streetscaping on Cleveland Street around the June/July time frame. The city is also currently working with FDOT on Drew Street.

- **St. Petersburg Bicycle Pedestrian Program**
Ms. Elisabeth Stanton, St. Petersburg Transportation, shared two main updates. The 71st Street Trail project is currently in design. The Northshore Elementary Schools Safe Routes to School is also about to go into the design phase, followed by construction by the end of the year. Regarding the city's bike share program, St. Petersburg is looking to make changes to the city's micromobility ordinance due to state code changes to reflect the various classes of Ebikes. The new bike vendor application will be going to council in March and will hopefully be operational by April.
- **Largo Bicycle Pedestrian Program**
Ms. Whitney Clark shared a change of order approved to greatly improve the south end of the multiuse trail path on 20th Street NW of Westbay Drive, beginning construction in early March and completing in May. The new City Hall location has broken ground. Daniel Alejandro added that the City of Largo has posted signs collecting information from the residents regarding the expansion of the sidewalk on the southside between Missouri Ave and Eagle Lake Park.
- **Pinellas Park Bicycle Pedestrian Program**
Ms. Darby Bryant shared that Pinellas Park has installed stop signs at 104th and 107th Avenue on Oak Avenue, all ways stop at 102nd and Oak Avenues and four way stops at 60th Street and 90th Avenue.
- **Oldsmar Bicycle Pedestrian Program**
Mr. Ronnie Blackshear was in attendance but had no updates.
- **Dunedin Bicycle Pedestrian Program**
No one in attendance.
- **Tarpon Springs Bicycle Pedestrian Program**
No one in attendance
- **Pinellas County Schools (PCS)**
Mr. Joseph Camera shared there are 20 electric busses coming in. Spring break coming up in March.
- **FDOT District 7 Updates**
No one in attendance.
- **Pinellas Trail Security Task Force (PTSTF)**
The next meeting will be held April 11, 2023.

10. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Membership

B. Correspondence, Publications, Articles of Interest

There were no comments regarding this item.

C. Suggestions for Future Agenda Topics

D. Other

Mr. Simpson shared that the committee wanted to know which legislative bills would increase funding in the legislature: Senate Bill 106 and House Bill 915.

Donovan Nickell shared that on his ride from Seminole to Palm Harbor, he saw a lot of graffiti on the corner from 86th Avenue to 102nd Avenue and 102nd Avenue to Walsingham Road. He took pictures and send them into SeeClickFix. And Downtown Clearwater to Downtown Dunedin, he witnessed teenage kids speeding on the trail.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Smith adjourned the meeting at 10:33 am. The next BPAC meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 20, 2023.

4. Forward Pinellas Actions



A. Forward Pinellas Board Summary

The March 8, 2023 Executive Summaries will be provided for your information. A staff member will review the actions taken by the Forward Pinellas Board at those meetings.

ATTACHMENT: March 8, 2023 Board Meeting Summary

B. SPOTLight Emphasis Areas

Forward Pinellas staff will provide a brief update on the status of activities related to the three SPOTLight emphasis areas: Vision for U.S. Highway 19 Corridor, TIELS Study and Enhancing Beach Access

C. Other



Board Meeting Summary & Action Sheet

March 8, 2023

Please note that this summary has not been approved as the official minutes of the board.

THE PLANNING COUNCIL AND METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR PINELLAS COUNTY

The Forward Pinellas Board held this public meeting in person on March 8, 2023, at 1 p.m. in the Palm Room at the Pinellas County Communications Building.

The board unanimously approved the Complete Streets Funding Recommendations.

The Complete Streets Grant Program provides annual allocations of up to \$100,000 for concept planning projects and up to \$1 million for construction projects. Following a call for projects, Forward Pinellas reviewed three applications for concept planning funding and one application for construction funding. Upon review of the applications, three recommendations for funding were developed.

- \$65,000 to the City of Largo for the Clearwater-Largo Road Multimodal Safety Improvements Project.
- \$37,500 to the City of Pinellas Park for the 60th Street North Complete Street Concept Plan Project.
- \$460,755.17 to the City of St. Petersburg for construction of the 1st Avenue South Bikeway Improvements Project.

Kyle Simpson of Forward Pinellas presented the funding recommendations to the board and requested approval of the Complete Streets Grant Awards.

- Councilmember Floyd requested additional information on the \$1 million available for construction projects. Councilmember Floyd inquired as to what happens to the balance of the million dollars if not all is requested. Mr. Simpson responded that St. Petersburg was the only construction application with a specific amount requested and unused funds would later fund another project on the priority list. He said the money is not actually in an account, but is for future funding through the FDOT work program. Councilmember Floyd inquired as to why there were not more applications for this available funding, with Whit Blanton responding that the available funding does not cover much when it comes to constructing a project, and a local government must have local funding to construct a typical project. Councilmember Floyd shared that St. Petersburg did not request the full amount in order to allow for other local governments to also receive funding.

The board approved the Forward Pinellas Apportionment Plan.

Chelsea Favero presented recommended changes to the Forward Pinellas Apportionment Plan.

Per Section 339.175, F.S., in its capacity as the Metropolitan Planning Organization, Forward Pinellas staff recommended changing the voting structure of the board to account for the latest population data from the 2020 Census.

Based on the discussion following the presentation of this item in February, Forward Pinellas staff has modified the proposed changes to retain the single Dunedin seat and the seat shared by Oldsmar, Safety Harbor and Tarpon Springs. This proposal increases the number of seats on the Forward Pinellas Board from 13 to 15 voting members and restructures the shared seats to allow rotating members to have three-year terms.

- The motion passed for approval of the Forward Pinellas Apportionment Plan with a 7 -5 vote, with Councilmember Buchmann, Commissioner Scott, Councilmember Muhammad, Councilmember Reed, and Councilor Burke dissenting.
- Tarpon Springs Mayor Costa Vatikiotis provided public comment requesting consideration for Tarpon Springs to have its own seat on the Forward Pinellas Board.
- Tarpon Springs Vice Mayor Craig Lunt provided public comment with general comments and sharing that waiting six years for a seat on the board is not adequate.
- Commissioner Panagiotis “Peter” Koulias provided public comment noting that a representative from another city may not understand the issues happening in Tarpon Springs and advocated for the city to have its own seat.
- Commissioner Brian Scott noted he is in favor of staff recommendations to the Apportionment Plan and suggested that Forward Pinellas consider increasing the number of seats to 16 to allow Tarpon Springs to have its own seat.
- Councilmember Jarrod Buchman inquired if Forward Pinellas Board ever had an impasse. Whit Blanton shared that the Board has not experienced an impasse, however, the nominating committee has. The best practice would be to have an odd number of members on the board.
- Councilor Burke inquired as to whether non-voting members can be added to the board.
- Commissioner Janet Long suggested that since the conversations have begun regarding having one regional MPO, the board should accept the staff recommendations on the Apportionment Plan and look forward to what will happen with creating one regional MPO.
- A motion was made by Commissioner Long that the board accept the recommendations of the staff. This motion was seconded by Councilmember Driscoll. Mayor Bujalski mentioned a scrivener’s error that omitted Dunedin from a section of the draft Apportionment Plan. Commissioner Long accepted the change in the motion to include the correction to the scrivener’s error.

Appointment of Auditor Selection Committee Chair

The board appointed Councilor Chris Burke as the Auditor Selection Committee Chair.

Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) staff presented the Gandy Project Development & Environment Study.

Craig Fox, FDOT, shared a presentation with the board on the Gandy Boulevard (US 92/SR 600) Project Development & Environment (PD&E) Study, evaluating capacity, bicycle, and pedestrian improvements along the study corridor. The study limits are from 4th St. North in Pinellas County to West Shore Blvd (CR 587) in Hillsborough County. The purpose of this project is to reduce traffic congestion and improve bicycle and pedestrian accommodations by reconstructing Gandy Boulevard to provide an elevated controlled access 4-lane to 6-lane roadway mainline separated from local traffic with frontage roads and multiuse trails on both sides of the corridor for bicyclists and pedestrians. The proposed project will also widen the existing westbound Gandy Bridge to accommodate a third travel lane and construct a new bridge to provide a wider structure for three travel lanes and a multi-use trail. The study is divided into three segments: 1) the Pinellas segment from 4th Street to the west end of the Gandy Bridge; 2) the Bay segment includes both Gandy Bridges over Old Tampa Bay and 3) the final segment is in Hillsborough County. Mr. Fox reviewed the preferred typical sections, the project schedule and the project cost with the board. An Open House was held on February 28, 2023, at the Pinellas Park Performing Arts Center. Questions were taken and appropriately answered.

- Councilmember Floyd shared a concern with the traffic flow at 4th Street and the increasing capacity on Gandy Blvd. FDOT assured that the changes would allow a free flow of traffic at this location.

Forward Pinellas staff updated the board on the Advantage Alt. 19: Investing in People and Places Project.

Christina Mendoza of Forward Pinellas presented Advantage Alt. 19: Investing in People and Places, which is evaluating the corridor along Alternate US 19 (SR 595) from SR 60 to 58th Street North at 5th Avenue North, and 58th Street North from 5th Avenue North to Central Avenue. The project goal is to provide people with better access from housing that is affordable to jobs and job training opportunities, as well as other desired destinations via safe and reliable transportation options. A broad overview of the findings included in the corridor characteristics and opportunities analysis and a brief update on the next steps were provided.

- Mayor Bujalski suggested adding tourism considered in the statistics used to determine the location of new station areas.
- Mr. Blanton shared that this is a detailed study about redevelopment and how affordable housing can be a part of the redevelopment strategies. The Long Range Transportation Plan will include a Transit System Plan that will analyze the frequency of the Jolly Trolley and other transit services in key corridors and identify improvements to increase ridership.

SPOTlight Updates

- Executive Director Whit Blanton provided updates on
 - The Waterborne Transportation Committee will meet on March 15, 2023, at 1:00 pm in the Palm Room. This meeting is open to anyone who has an interest in waterborne transportation.
 - The Downtown St. Petersburg Mobility Study was completed last year, and Forward Pinellas has been working with FDOT on a conceptual analysis of the I-175 corridor to include possible modifications. A short memo was produced with an outline of the potential alternatives that could be evaluated as part of a PD&E study. A recommendation for adding this to the priority list of projects will be brought to the board later in the spring.

Other Items

- PSTA Report
 - The Board approved the extension of free fares on the SunRunner for an additional six-month period so that new users can continue to try the service without any barriers while the agency can obtain a full year of data for comparison.
 - The Board voted to approve a contract with Jarrett Walker and Associates to develop the Community Bus Plan, which forms the foundation of the Transit Development Plan and the transit component for the Forward Pinellas Long Range Transportation Plan.
 - The Board received a presentation on Spring Break services which have begun and includes the Clearwater Beach Park and Ride.
 - For next month's Forward Pinellas Board meeting, PSTA will give a comprehensive presentation on the first six months of the SunRunner.
- Regional Activities Report
 - The next meeting of the Transportation Management Area (TMA) Leadership Group will be on March 24, 2023, at 9:30 am, at the Starkey Ranch Theater Library. This meeting will consist of the Hillsborough, Pasco, and Pinellas County MPOs to discuss a possible consolidation or merger of the three MPOs.
 - The Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council Resiliency Summit will be held on May 4th & 5th, 2023.
 - Commission Janet Long shared that she recently returned from Washington DC and had a conversation with the USDOT Government Relations group. They shared that they have money to spend, and are interested in the types of projects we have that are potentially ready to go.
 - Brightline is currently under construction with high-speed rail from West Palm Beach to Orlando. They will be operating in September 2023, on the Florida East Coast Railroad and will tie into the Orlando International Airport in September. Brightline has committed to coming to Tampa in about four or five years at Union Station in Ybor City. Currently, there is no connection to Pinellas County; however, the St. Petersburg Chamber of Commerce Transportation Committee has taken action to request for FDOT to work with Forward Pinellas and all the stakeholders in Pinellas

County to identify and fund a project that will make that connection to Pinellas County.

- Legislative Committee Update
 - Due to a lack of a quorum, the Legislative Committee did not meet.
 - Proposed House Bill 1397 addresses regional transportation planning. This bill focuses on whether to merge or dissolve the Hillsborough Area Regional Transit Authority (HART) and PSTA. The House Bill directs FDOT to study whether both agencies should be dissolved, and the Senate Bill only directs FDOT to study the potential merger and focus on HART.
 - Proposed Senate Bill 588 and House Bill 657, filed by Representative Costar in the Oldsmar area would allow school districts to use speed enforcement mechanisms to ticket and warn drivers who are speeding through school zones.
 - An update on proposed Senate Bill 64, the cap placed on the number of public transportation dollars that could be spent from the state's public transportation trust fund has been removed.
 - Proposed Senate Bill 102 & House Bill 627, a preemption bill for housing, which would expand affordable housing funding while it would also restrict local government's ability to regulate density and height of buildings in the community. This is a priority of the senate president, and no amendments will be considered to this bill
 - Proposed Senate Bill 882 & House Bill 885 would broaden the local government infrastructure surtax, such as the Penny for Pinellas, and would allow funds to be spent on operations and maintenance costs instead of just capital costs.
 - Proposed Senate Bill 740 would create a Blue-Ribbon task force to look at county boundaries and potentially realign county boundaries statewide.

- Advantage Pinellas Housing Action Plan Summit to be held on April 28th
- Potential MPO Consolidation Legislation
- Forward Pinellas is hosting Bike Your City 2023 in Oldsmar for Florida Bicycle Month on March 10, 2023
- Forward Pinellas presented highlights from Community In-Service Day which was held on February 20, 2023.
- Citizen Comments:
There were no citizen comments

Action Sheet
March 8, 2023

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

- **Consent Agenda** (vote: 11-0; Commissioner Long had not yet arrived)
Approved to include the following:
 - A. Approval of Minutes of the February 8, 2023 Meeting
 - B. Approval of Committee Appointments
 - C. Acceptance of Community Transportation Coordinator Annual Evaluation

- **Complete Streets Funding Recommendations**
Following a presentation by Kyle Simpson, Forward Pinellas staff, the board approved the funding recommendations for the Complete Streets grants funding. (vote: 12-0)

- **Draft Forward Pinellas Apportionment Plan**
Following a presentation by Chelsea Favero, Forward Pinellas staff, the board approved the Draft Apportionment Plan. (vote: 7-5; Vice Mayor Buchman, Commissioner Brian Scott, Councilmember John Muhammad, Vice Mayor Patti Reed and Councilor Chris Burke dissenting)

- **Appointment of Auditor Selection Committee Chair**
Following an explanation by Whit Blanton, Forward Pinellas Executive Director, of the need for a board member volunteer to serve on the Auditor Selection Committee as Chair, Councilor Chris Burke volunteered. The board then approved his appointment to the committee. (vote: 10-0; Commissioners Long and Scott had stepped out of the meeting.)

SUMMARY

Forward Pinellas adopts project priority lists for its Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) on an annual basis. These lists are used for the allocation of federal funding. These lists include Multimodal Transportation Priority, Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program Projects, and Regional Transportation Priority Projects. The approved priority lists are used by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) in the development of its Five-Year Work Program. A description of these lists and proposed changes to each are provided in the discussions that follow. These lists are presented as drafts for review and comment only. Final lists will be brought back to the committee for final action in May.

A. Multimodal Priority List

Since the last update of this list in 2022, ten projects were allocated funding for implementation and are being moved from the 'Unfunded' section of the list and three funded projects have been completed and are being removed from the list. Staff is also proposing to add several projects, including one complete streets project and three projects that local governments applied for funding for through the annual call for projects. Several project descriptions of existing priorities are also being updated. Projects shaded in gray on the table indicate a change to the status or details of the project have been made. Forward Pinellas staff will provide an overview of proposed changes to the list.

ATTACHMENTS: Draft 2023 Multimodal Transportation Project Priorities

ACTION: Review and comment on the 2023 Multimodal Transportation Project Priorities

B. Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program Priority List

Since the last update to this list in 2022, three projects were allocated full funding and were moved from the 'unfunded' portion of the list to the 'programmed' portion. Staff is proposing to add five new projects for which applications were received during the Call for Projects issued in 2022. These project applications were evaluated and scored using a set of criteria approved by the Forward Pinellas Board. These projects are proposed to be added to the TA priority list according to the number of points they each received. These projects are being added to the bottom of the list, not to supersede the projects already on the list. Forward Pinellas will provide an overview of the proposed changes to the list.

ATTACHMENTS: Draft 2023 Transportation Alternatives Program Priority List

ACTION: Review and Comment on the 2023 Transportation Alternatives Program Priority List

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| PRIORITY PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION OR FUNDED FOR CONSTRUCTION/IMPLEMENTATION | | | | | | | | | | | |
| P | 433880-1 | FDOT | SR 686/Roosevelt Boulevard (CR 296 Connector) CR 296 (Future SR 690)/East-West 118th Avenue Expressway/Gateway Express | 49th Street North US 19 SR55 | I-275/SR 93 East of 40th Street | Construction of grade separated toll facility linking US 19 and the Bayside Bridge with I-275 | CST | 2017/18 | Underway | X | Long Range Transportation Plan |
| P | 256774-2 256774-3 | FDOT | US 19/SR 55 (including Republic Dr Overpass and Curlew Road Interchanges) Phase I – Boy Scout Overpass Phase II – Curlew Road Interchange | North of SR 580 Northside Drive | Northside Drive North of CR 95 | Construction of grade separated roadway improvements | CST CST | 2021/22 2021/22 | | X | Long Range Transportation Plan |
| P | 422904-2 | FDOT | I-275/SR 93/Howard Frankland Bridge Replacement | North of SR 687 (4th St. N.) | North of Howard Frankland Bridge | Bridge Replacement, addition of express lanes, and a multiuse trail. | Design-Build | 2019/20 | Underway | | Long Range Transportation Plan |
| P | 424501-2 | FDOT | I-275 Express Lanes | South of SR 694/Gandy Boulevard | North of 4th Street North | Construction of one managed lane in each direction providing interregional connectivity from Gateway Expy and south of Gandy Blvd to Howard Frankland Bridge | Design-Build | 2017/18 | Underway | | Long Range Transportation Plan |
| P | 4377362 | Pinellas County | Phase II - Park/Starkey Sidewalks Pinellas Trail Loop, Phase 2 North Gap (partially on Duke Energy ROW) | Ulmerton Road | East Bay Drive | Construction of continuous sidewalks along both sides of corridor | PE CST | 2019/20 2021/22 | Underway | | Pinellas County |
| P | 4400931 | Pinellas County | Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail Overpass | Enterprise Road | John Chesnut Sr. Park | Construction of Phase 2 of the Pinellas Trail Loop | Design-Build | 2016/17 | Underway | | Pinellas County |
| P | 437498-1 | FDOT | SR 60/Gulf-to-Bay Boulevard at Bayshore Boulevard | N/A | N/A | Construction of a bicycle/pedestrian overpass over SR 60 near Bayshore. | CST | 2023/24 | Design underway | X | Advantage Pinellas Active Transportation Plan |
| P | 440246-1 | FDOT | U.S. 19 | 54th Avenue South | 22nd Avenue North | \$1 million Complete Streets upgrade to FDOT resurfacing project to construct a wide sidewalk on west side of roadway | CST | 2021/2022 | Construction Underway | X | Forward Pinellas Complete Streets Program |
| P | 443928-1 | Oldsmar | St. Petersburg Drive | Dartmouth Avenue | Bayview Boulevard | \$1 million to supplement a City of Oldsmar Complete Streets project. | CST | 2023/24 | | | Forward Pinellas Complete Streets Program |
| P | 443929-1 | Largo | Rosery Road | Missouri Avenue | Eagle Lake Park | \$1 million to supplement a City of Largo Complete Streets project. | CST | 2023/24 | | | Forward Pinellas Complete Streets Program |
| P | 437710-1 | FDOT | Alt. US 19 | South of Curlew Place | North of Country Club | Add SB left turn lane | CST | 2023/24 | | | Forward Pinellas Congestion Management Process |
| P | 256881-5 | FDOT | Harn Boulevard Overpass | Harn Boulevard | North of 1st Street | Construction of a pedestrian overpass across US 19 | CST | 2020/21 | Construction Underway | | Long Range Transportation Plan |
| P | 440093-2 | Pinellas County | Pinellas Trail Loop | Ulmerton Road | Belleair Road | South Gap - Phase 2, 3, 4 | CST | 2023/24 | | | Pinellas County |
| P | 440093-3 | Pinellas County | Pinellas Trail Loop | 126th Ave N | Ulmerton Road | South Gap - Phase 1 | CST | 2023/24 | | | Pinellas County |
| P | 437807-2 | FDOT | 4th Street North and South | 5th Avenue S | 5th Avenue N | Urban corridor improvements including sidewalks, pedestrian signal modification and high emphasis crosswalks | CST | 2022/2023 | | X | Forward Pinellas Active Transportation Plan |
| P | 445649-1 | St. Petersburg | 22nd Street South | 9th Avenue S | 5th Avenue South | \$1 million for St. Petersburg Complete Streets Project | CST | 2027/28 | Construction funding deferred by request from City | | Forward Pinellas Complete Streets Program |
| P | 446142-1 | PSTA | Bus Replacement Capital Funding | N/A | N/A | Up to \$1.5 million of capital funding for PSTA Bus Replacements | Capital | 2024/25 | | | PSTA |
| P | 437636-1 | FDOT | Alt. US 19 | at Florida Avenue | N/A | Roundabout to improve intersection safety | PE ROW CST | Complete Complete Underway | | | Alt 19 Corridor Study |
| P | 447535-1 | Dunedin | Skinner Boulevard Complete Streets | Alt US 19 | SR 580 | \$1 million for complete streets project | CST | 2024/25 | | | Forward Pinellas Complete Streets Program |
| P | 437246-2 | PSTA | Central Ave Bus Rapid Transit | N/A | N/A | Limited stop transit service from downtown St. Petersburg to the beaches | GST | Underway | Complete | | PSTA |
| P | 448486-1 | FDOT | Alt US 19 and Bayshore Boulevard @ SR 536/Curlew/Causeway | | | Intersection improvements | DSB | 2023 | | | Alt 19 Corridor Study |
| P | 445681-1 | FDOT | Drew Street | Osceola Avenue | E. of US 19 | Operational and safety improvements along the corridor. | PE CST | 2022 2024 | Corridor study underway | X | Forward Pinellas Complete Streets |
| P | 449099-1 | St. Petersburg | St. Pete Complete Streets project on 22nd St S | 18th Ave S | 11th Ave S | \$1 million for complete streets project | CST | 2027/28 | Construction funding deferred by request from City | | Forward Pinellas Complete Streets Program |
| P | 440254-1 | FDOT | SR 693/Pasadena Ave/66th St N | Central Ave | N Tyrone Blvd | Operational improvements along the corridor | CST | 2022 | Underway | | FDOT Pasadena Ave Corridor Study |
| P | 440254-2 | FDOT | SR 693/Pasadena Ave/66th St N | Park St | Central Ave | Operational improvements along the corridor | CST | 2022 | Complete | | FDOT Pasadena Ave Corridor Study |
| P | 440254-3 | FDOT | SR 693/Pasadena Ave/66th St N | Matthews Rd | Park St | Operational improvements along the corridor | CST | 2022 | Complete | | FDOT Pasadena Ave Corridor Study |

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| P | 451073-1 | FDOT | Alt 19 Median Modifications | Wilson Rd. | Curlew Rd. | Construction of concrete medians and pedestrian crossings. | PE CST | 23/24 25/26 | N/A | X | FDOT Alt 19 Corridor Study |
| P | 451097-1 | FDOT | Alt 19 Intersection Improvements | Rosery Road | N/A | Intersection modifications to improve safety. | PE CST | 23/24 25/26 | N/A | X | FDOT Alt 19 Corridor Study |
| P | 451096-1 | FDOT | Alt 19 Intersection Improvements | East Bay | N/A | Intersection modifications to improve safety. | PE CST | 25/26 27/28 | N/A | X | FDOT Alt 19 Corridor Study |
| P | 451098-1 | FDOT | Alt 19 Intersection Improvements | Walsingham | N/A | Intersection modifications to improve safety. | PE CST | 24/25 27/28 | N/A | X | FDOT Alt 19 Corridor Study |
| P | 450689-1 | Pinellas County | 62nd Ave Complete Streets | 49th Street | 34th Street | Up to \$1M for the Pinellas County 62nd Ave N Complete Streets Project | CST | 27/28 | N/A | | Forward Pinellas Complete Streets Grant Program |
| P | 449125-1 | St. Petersburg | 18th Ave S | 37th St | 16th Street | Construction of separated bicycle lanes, trail, bike boulevard and pedestrian crossings | PE CST | 2023 27/28 | | | Forward Pinellas Active Transportation Plan |
| P | 449853-1 | TBARTA | TBARTA Vanpools | N/A | N/A | \$250,000 for additional vanpool services (not to fund existing services) | Operations | 27/28 | N/A | | Forward Pinellas Call for Projects |
| P | 444244-1 | FDOT | 4th Street Trail Connection | Gandy Boulevard | Big Island Gap Bridge | Trail connection to the Howard Frankland Bridge | CST | 22/26 | N/A | | Forward Pinellas Active Transportation Plan |
| P | 444243-1 | FDOT | Ulmerton Trail Connection | Fountain Parkway North | I-275 | Trail connection to the Howard Frankland Bridge | CST | 24/25 | N/A | X | Forward Pinellas Active Transportation Plan |
| P | 448807-1 | PSTA | Downtown Clearwater Intermodal Center | N/A | N/A | PSTA Intermodal Center for the downtown Clearwater area. | Capital | 23/24 | Planning estimate cost of \$29M | | PSTA |

UNFUNDED MULTIMODAL TRANSPORTATION PRIORITY PROJECTS

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| 1 | 439338-3 | Forward Pinellas | Systems and Operations Planning Funds | N/A | N/A | \$600,000 annually for planning activities | N/A | N/A | Annual request | | N/A |
| 2 | 438747-2 | FDOT | Pinellas County Model Studies | N/A | N/A | \$148,000 annually to conduct surveys to update planning models | N/A | N/A | Annual request | | N/A |
| 3 | 446142-1 | PSTA | Bus Replacement Capital Funding, including Associated Charging Infrastructure | N/A | N/A | Up to \$1.5 million of capital funding for PSTA Bus Replacements and associated charging infrastructure, including Solar PV, battery storage and chargers. | N/A | N/A | Annual Request | | PSTA |
| 4 | N/A | St. Petersburg | 1st Avenue Intersection Improvements | | | | N/A | N/A | New Priority | | Forward Pinellas Complete Streets Program |
| 5 | N/A | St. Petersburg | Salt Creek Trail Ext | 18th Ave S | 26th Ave S | Construction of separated bike lanes, trail, bike boulevard and pedestrian crossings | N/A | N/A | N/A | | Forward Pinellas Active Transportation Plan |
| 6 | N/A | Pinellas County | Duke Energy Trail Crossing | SR 60 | N/A | Construction of a bicycle/pedestrian overpass or enhanced trail crossing. | CST | Underway | N/A | X | Forward Pinellas Active Transportation Plan |
| 7 | N/A | PSTA | 34th St Transit Capital | N/A | N/A | Capital funding for transit station enhancements | | | N/A | X | 34th St Corridor Study |
| 8 | N/A | Pinellas County | 28th Street North | 30th Ave N | Roosevelt Boulevard | Construction of a separated multiuse trail, in conjunction with a section of bike boulevard. | N/A | N/A | Initial funding needed for alignment study | | Forward Pinellas Active Transportation Plan |
| 9 | N/A | St. Petersburg | Duke Energy Trail Overpass | Roosevelt Blvd./Carillon | N/A | Construction of a bicycle/pedestrian overpass at Roosevelt Blvd near Carillon | N/A | N/A | Initial funding needed for alignment study | | Forward Pinellas Active Transportation Plan |
| 10 | 424501-5 | FDOT | I-275 | South of 54th Avenue South | North of 4th St N | Lane continuity improvements throughout the corridor. And two express lanes in each direction from I-375 to S. of Roosevelt. Adding one additional from Roosevelt to N of 4th St. | ROW Design | 2020/21 Underway | N/A | | Long Range Transportation Plan |
| 11 | 448513-1 | FDEP | Dunedin Causeway Operational Improvements | Honeymoon Island State Park | Alt US 19 | Operational improvements to mitigate congestion on the Dunedin Causeway | N/A | N/A | Funding for improvements at park entrance needed | | Congestion Management Process |
| 12 | N/A | FDOT | Gulf Boulevard Sidewalk Improvements | 195th Street | Walsingham Road | Construction of sidewalk with drainage improvements | PE | 23/24 | | | Town of Indian Shores |
| 13 | N/A | Pinellas County/Safety Harbor | Sunset Point Rd./Main St | Alt US 19 | Phillippe Parkway | Construction of a separated multiuse trail, in conjunction with a section of bike boulevard. | N/A | N/A | Initial funding needed for alignment study | | Forward Pinellas Active Transportation Plan |
| 14 | N/A | Pinellas County | Duke Energy Trail Overpass | 4th Street | Gandy Blvd | Construction of a bicycle/pedestrian overpass at 4th/Gandy to connect to Gandy Bridge/Loop | N/A | N/A | Initial funding needed for alignment study | X | Forward Pinellas Active Transportation Plan |

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| 15 | 256931-4 | FDOT | SR 694/ Gandy Boulevard | East of 4th Street | West of Gandy Bridge | Construction of grade separated overpass at Brighton Bay Blvd. and a trail facility crossing Tampa Bay in the corridor. | PE | 2024/25 | ROW and CST unfunded | X | Long Range Transportation Plan |
| | 441250-2 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 16 | 433799-1 | FDOT | US 19/SR 55 (including Tampa and Nebraska Interchanges) | South of CR 95 | South of Pine Ridge Way West | Construction of grade separated roadway interchanges with frontage roads and pedestrian crossings every 1/4 mile. | Design | Underway | CST unfunded | X | Long Range Transportation Plan |
| | | | | | | | ROW | 2026 | | | |
| 17 | 256998-1 | FDOT | SR 686/Roosevelt Boulevard | I-275/SR 93 | West of 9 th Street North/Dr Martin Luther King Jr Street North | Construction of a connection between the Gateway Express and Roosevelt Blvd. | Design | Underway | CST unfunded | X | Long Range Transportation Plan |
| 18 | 257086-1 | FDOT | SR 694/Gandy Boulevard | 40th Street | East of I-275 (SR 93) | Construction of frontage roads and a ramp from NB I-275 to WB Gandy Blvd. | ENV | 2021/22 | CST unfunded | X | Long Range Transportation Plan |
| 19 | 445376-2 | Pinellas County | Pinellas Trail Loop (South Gap) Phase 5 | 126th Avenue North | Roosevelt Boulevard | Shared Use Bike Path/Trail | PE | 24/25 | | | Pinellas County |
| 20 | 445376-3 | Pinellas County | 126th Avenue North | US 19/SR 55 | 34th Street | Construction of 2 lane divided continuous roadway | N/A | N/A | PDE Underway | | Pinellas County |
| 21 | N/A | Pinellas County | Duke Energy Trail Crossing | SR 580 | N/A | Construction of a bicycle/pedestrian overpass or enhanced trail crossing. | N/A | N/A | N/A | X | Forward Pinellas Active Transportation Plan |
| 22 | 433797-1 | FDOT | US 19/SR 55 (including Alderman Interchange) | North of Nebraska Avenue | South of Timberlane Road | Capacity, operational and safety improvements with pedestrian crossings every 1/4 mile. | Design | Underway | CST unfunded | X | Long Range Transportation Plan |
| | | | | | | | ROW | 2026 | | | |
| 23 | 433796-1 | FDOT | US 19/SR 55 (including Klosterman Interchange) | South of Timberlane Road | South of Lake Street | Capacity, operational and safety improvements with pedestrian | Design | Underway | ROW and CST unfunded | X | Long Range Transportation Plan |
| 24 | 435914-2 | FDOT | U.S. 19 | 66th Avenue North | 118th Avenue North | Operational improvements along the corridor | ROW | 2023/24 | Corridor study underway; partial ROW funding in work program | X | FDOT US 19 SEIS |
| 25 | 445650-1 | FDOT | SR 60 Multiuse Accommodations | Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail | Druid Road Trail | Multiuse accommodations connecting the Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail to the Druid Road Trail per the SR 60 Multimodal Implementation Plan | N/A | N/A | | X | Forward Pinellas SR 60 Mobility Study |
| 26 | N/A | FDOT | Gateway Intermodal Center | Gateway Area of Pinellas County | N/A | ROW acquisition | N/A | N/A | | | Forward Pinellas Gateway Master Plan |
| 27 | 444064-1 | FDOT | SR 580 Corridor Study | Alt US 19 | SR 584 | Operational and safety improvements along the corridor. | Planning | 2019/20 | Corridor study underway | X | FDOT SR 580 Corridor Study |
| 28 | N/A | St. Petersburg | Cross Bay Ferry | N/A | N/A | Capital funding for Cross Bay Ferry services | N/A | N/A | N/A | | Forward Pinellas Call for Projects |
| 29 | N/A | St. Petersburg | Martin Luther King Jr St S | 30th Ave S | 7th Ave S | Multimodal corridor improvements to moderate traffic speeds and provide a separated bike lane | N/A | N/A | N/A | X | Forward Pinellas Call for Projects |
| 30 | N/A | PSTA | Integrated Waterborne Transportation System - Phase 1 | Clearwater Beach Maria | Dunedin Marina | NEPA Assessment, design and construction of 5 dock facilities and the acquisition of 5 vessels. | N/A | N/A | N/A | | Forward Pinellas Waterborne Transportation Subcommittee |
| 31 | N/A | Pinellas Park | 78th Avenue | 49th Street | US 19 | Multimodal corridor improvements | N/A | N/A | New Priority | | Forward Pinellas Call for Projects |
| 32 | N/A | St. Petersburg | 22nd Ave N. | 58th Street | 4th Street | Intersection modifications and signal timing enhancements | N/A | N/A | New Priority | | Forward Pinellas Call for Projects |
| 33 | N/A | Pinellas County | Belleair Rd | Kenne Road | US 19 | Multimodal corridor improvements | N/A | N/A | New Priority | | Forward Pinellas Call for Projects |

1) Project #1 is intended for recurring annual funding of \$600,000. This includes \$100,000 for Complete Streets planning projects. This annual allotment will be set aside as higher priority projects are considered in the development of the annual FDOT Work Program. A portion of this funding is intended to support annual survey efforts to support the regional travel demand model and other transportation planning initiatives.

2) DSB = Design-Build (combines construction and design/preliminary engineering phases to reduce costs and expedite construction); PD&E-Project Development and Environment; DGN-Design; ROW-Right of Way; CST-Construction; ENV-Environmental; FY-Fiscal Year; TIP-Transportation Improvement Program; LRTP-Long Range Transportation Plan; CMAQ-Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program; NEPA - National Environmental Policy Act

3) Projects on this priority list need not be limited to STP funds and may be funded by other available funding sources.

4) Future priorities may be drawn from the following completed corridor studies: SR 60, Alt US 19, Pasadena Ave and US 19 Frontage Roads. Corridor studies along Drew St, SR 580 and 5th Ave/Alt 19 are currently underway.

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| P | 4245647/2686A | Pinellas County | Hercules Ave/Greenbriar Blvd Sidewalk - Phase II | Sherwood St | Sunset Point Rd | Sidewalk | Construction | FY 2017/18 | Construction in FY 2021/22 |
| P | 4157387 | City of Oldsmar | Oldsmar Trail Phase 6 Extension | along Douglas Rd between Racetrack Rd and Tampa Rd | N/A | Shared Use Bike Path/Trail | Construction | FY 2018/19 | Construction in FY 2022/23 |
| P | 4107552 | City of St. Petersburg | Bayway South Trail Connection (Phase II) on the Pinellas Bayway South (SR 679) | South end of Boca Ciega Bridge | City limits south of Madonna Blvd | Shared Use Bike Path/Trail | Design-Build | FY 2021/22 | Construction in FY 2021/22 |
| P | 4377362 | Pinellas County | Starkey Rd Corridor Sidewalk Project | Bryan Dairy Rd | East Bay Dr | Sidewalk | Construction | FY 2021/22 | Construction in FY 2021/22 |
| P | 4400931/186A/186B | Pinellas County | Duke Energy Trail (North gap on the Duke Energy right-of-way) | the pedestrian overpass at US Hwy 19 ant Enterprise Rd | Chesnut Sr Park | Shared Use Bike Path/Trail | Construction (Design-Build) | FY 2016/17 | Construction underway |
| | 186A | | Phase 1 (North Gap) on the Duke Energy right-of-way | Sunset Point Rd | the pedestrian overpass at US Hwy 19 and Enterprise Rd | | Construction | FY 2016/17 | Completed |
| | 186B | | Phase 2 (North Gap) on the Duke Energy right-of-way | NE Coachman Rd/SR 590 | Sunset Point Rd | | Construction | FY 2016/17 | Construction underway |
| P | 4374981 | City of Clearwater/FDOT/SUNTrail | Courtney Campbell Causeway Recreational Trail Overpass | SR 60/Gulf-to-Bay Blvd at Bayshore Blvd | N/A | Pedestrian/Trail Overpass | Construction | FY 2023/24 | Construction in FY 2023/24 |
| P | 4400932 | Pinellas County | Pinellas Trail Loop (South Gap) | Ulmerton Rd | Belleair Rd | Shared Use Bike Path/Trail | CST | FY 2023/24 | Construction in FY 2023/24 |
| P | 4400933 | Pinellas County | Pinellas Trail Loop (South Gap) | 126th Ave N | Ulmerton Rd | Shared Use Bike Path/Trail | CST | FY 2023/24 | Construction in FY 2023/24 |
| P | 4429551 | Pinellas County | 42nd Ave N Sidewalk Project | 46th St N | 35th St N | Sidewalk | N/A | FY 2022/23 | Construction in FY 2022/23 |
| P | 4412151 | City of St. Petersburg | 71st St N Trail - Pinellas Trail Connector | Fred Marquis Pinellas Trail | 38th Ave N | Shared Use Bike Path/Trail | Design | FY 2023/24 | Construction in FY 2023/24 |
| P | 4473741 | City of St. Petersburg | 28th St Complete Streets | Fred Marquis Pinellas Trail | 1st Ave N | Complete Streets Treatments | CST | FY 2025/26 | Construction in FY 2025/26 |
| P | 447375-1 | City of St. Petersburg | Central Ave Complete Streets | 34th St | 31st St | Complete Streets Treatments | N/A | N/A | Construction in FY 2025/26 |
| P | 447376-1 | City of St. Petersburg | 22nd St S. Complete Streets | 5th Ave S | 1st Ave N | Complete Streets Treatments | N/A | N/A | Construction in FY 2024/25 |
| P | 449037-1 | Pinellas Park | North side of 118th Ave N | Belcher Rd | 62nd St N | 1.6 mile long 8 foot wide trail | N/A | N/A | Construction in FY 2024/25 |

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| P | 449035-1 | City of St. Petersburg | 28th St. | 1st Ave N | 13th Ave N | 0.9 mile long separated bike lanes | N/A | N/A | Construction in FY 2025/26 |
| P | 449036-1 | City of St. Petersburg | 62nd Av S | 22nd St S | Dr. MLK Jr St | 1 mile long bike lanes | N/A | N/A | Construction in FY 2026/27 |
| P | 442955-1 | Pinellas County | 46th St N | 54th Ave N | 38th Ave N | 1 mile long sidewalks | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| P | 450602-1 | City of St. Petersburg | 6th St | 4th Ave S | Mirror Lake Dr | 0.42 mile separated bike lane | N/A | N/A | Construction in FY 2027/28 |
| 1 | N/A | City of St. Petersburg | 28th St. S. | 5th Ave S. | 18th Ave. S. | 1 mile separated bike lane | N/A | N/A | Construction in FY 2027/28 |

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| 2 | N/A | Pinellas County | Joe's Creek Trail | 46 th Ave./Duval Park Blvd./ Main St./50 th Ave. | Joe's Creek Trail in Lealman | 0.9 mile trail | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| 3 | N/A | St Pete Beach | Sunset Way and Beach Plaza | Corey Ave. 71st Ave . | 67th Ave. | 0.64 mile ADA compliant sidewalks and bike lanes | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| 4 | N/A | City of St. Petersburg | Pinellas Trail Neighborhood Connections project | various locations | various locations | varies | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| 5 | N/A | City of Tarpon Springs | Sunset Connector W Klosterman Rd, Carlton Rd, W. Curlew PL., Florida Ave., Gulf Rd., Sunset Dr., Fred Howard Causeway | CR 880 at Alt US 19 | CR 880, CR 896, CR 369 | 4.4 mile bike/pedestrian infrastructure improvements | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| 6 | N/A | City of Tarpon Springs | Disston Ave. Complete Stgrees (Phase 1) | Klosterman Rd | Live Oak Blvd | 2.1 mile sidewalk & intersection improvements | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| 7 | N/A | City of St. Petersburg | 26th Ave S Trail Grand Central District | Skyway Trail at 38th St/Perry Bayou | 21st St | 1.45 mile shared use trail | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| 8 | N/A | City of St. Petersburg | Crossings (citywide at various intersections: 1st Ave N & S at 18th St; 1st Ave N, 1st Ave S...) | citywide | citywide | citywide | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| | | | | | | | | | |

FY = fiscal year; P = programmed

SUMMARY

Advantage Pinellas is the countywide long range transportation plan for Pinellas County that integrates future land use. Adopted by the Board in November 2019, the long-range transportation plan is required to be developed every five years to account for changes in transportation needs, land uses and shifting regional travel patterns and any demographic changes that may have occurred. As the metropolitan planning organization for Pinellas County, Forward Pinellas is responsible for this planning effort. The plan encompasses the Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority (PSTA) Community Bus Plan and other local transportation initiatives. Advantage Pinellas will identify future transportation needs and prioritize those needs for funding within a strategic planning framework that includes potential redevelopment areas, equitable economic growth, long-term housing needs and resilient infrastructure.

Forward Pinellas staff will provide an overview of Advantage Pinellas and discuss the early planning efforts that are underway.

ATTACHMENT(S): None

ACTION: None, information only

A. Friends of the Pinellas Trails (formerly Pinellas Trails, Inc.)

A representative from Friends of the Pinellas Trail may take this opportunity to provide an update. Information on the Friends of the Pinellas Trail is available at [FriendsOfThePinellasTrail.org](https://www.FriendsOfThePinellasTrail.org).

B. Bike Your City Oldsmar Summary

Forward Pinellas and the City of Oldsmar hosted Bike Your City Oldsmar on March 10, 2023. A summary of the event will be provided.

C. BPAC Member Survey

Forward Pinellas conducted a survey of BPAC members to gather their preferred time and day of week for the BPAC meeting to be held. A summary of the responses will be provided and discussed.

D. Pinellas Trail User Survey

In order to better understand how people use the Pinellas Trail, Forward Pinellas is conducting a survey of trail users online and in-person at eight locations along the Pinellas Trail from 8:00am-11:00am or 11:00am-2:00pm on Friday, March 24th and Saturday, March 25th. Forward Pinellas is seeking volunteers to assist with the in-person survey stations. Feedback from the surveys will be used to inform future trail planning decisions throughout Pinellas County. Please contact Kyle Simpson at ksimpson@forwardpinellas.org for additional information or to sign up.

8. Agency Reports



Updated information on the following programs or projects of interest to the BPAC will be provided at the meeting.

- Pinellas Trail Loop/Duke Energy Trail (North & South Gaps)
- Clearwater Bicycle Pedestrian Program
- St. Petersburg Bicycle Pedestrian Program
- Largo Bicycle Pedestrian Program
- Oldsmar Bicycle Pedestrian Program
- Pinellas Park Bicycle Pedestrian Program
- Dunedin Bicycle Pedestrian Program
- Tarpon Springs Bicycle Pedestrian Program
- Pinellas County Schools
- FDOT District 7

ATTACHMENT(S): None

ACTION: None required; informational item only

A. Pinellas Trail Signage and Markings

Pinellas County is currently implementing a capital project to update pavement markings and roadway crossings along the Pinellas Trail. A Pinellas County representative will provide an update on the project.

B. Membership

There are currently five vacancies on the BPAC membership list. Two for St. Petersburg, One for Largo, one for Pinellas Park/Mid-County, and one for At Large

ATTACHMENT: BPAC Membership List

C. Correspondence, Publications, Articles of Interest

Pinellas Trail Usage Report – January 23, 2023

Pinellas County Fatalities Report – February 21, 2023

D. Suggestions for Future Agenda Topics

This item is provided to allow Committee members to suggest topics for future BPAC agendas.

E. Other

If any member has other business to discuss, they may address it under this item.

BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP LIST**Voting****St. Petersburg Area (St. Pete/Gulfport/So Pasadena/Tierra Verde)**

1. Stuart Schwartzreich (05/11/22)
2. Keely Murphy (03/08/23)
3. Vacant
4. Charlie Guy (01/12/22)

Clearwater Area

5. Gloria Lepik-Corrigan (09/08/21)
6. Fernando Gutierrez (01/12/22)
7. William "Avera" Wynne (06/08/22)

Dunedin Area

8. Ron Englert (02/08/23)
9. Vacant

Pinellas Park and Mid-County

10. David Chase (03/09/22)
11. Vacant

Largo Area

12. Daniel Alejandro (10/12/16)
13. Vacant

North County Area (Tarpon Springs/Palm Harbor/Ozona/Oldsmar/Safety Harbor)

14. Heather Vernillo (08/10/22)
15. Brian Smith (Chairman) (12/12/12)

At Large Area

16. Vacant
17. Todd Bogner (11/10/21)
18. Lara Wojahn (02/08/23)
19. Vacant
20. Eric Sorenson (09/14/22)
21. Vacant
22. Annette Sala (03/12/14)

Seminole Area

23. Donovan Nickel (01/11/23)

Beach Communities

24. Peter Wray (02/08/23)
25. Paul Zagami (01/12/22)

Technical Support

1. County Traffic Department (Joan Rice – representative; Gina Harvey and John Reiman – alternates)
2. Pinellas County Planning Department (Scott Swearngen – representative)
3. PSTA (Devan Deal – representative; Heather Sobush and Reid Powers – alternates)
4. City of Clearwater (Jayme Lopko - representative, Lauren Matzke - representative)
5. City of St. Petersburg (Elisabeth Staten – representative; Cheryl Stacks - alternate)
6. City of Largo (Whitney Clark– representative; Diane Friel- alternate)
7. City of Oldsmar (Ronnie Blackshear – representative, Tatiana Childress – alternate)
8. City of Pinellas Park (Whitney Clark- representative, Derek Reeves – alternate)
9. City of Dunedin (Kathy Gademer – representative, Frances Leong-Sharp – alternate)
10. City of Tarpon Springs (Caroline Lanford – representative)
11. Pinellas County School System (Joseph Camera- representative, Autumn Westermann- alternate)
12. Friends of the Pinellas Trails (Scott Daniels – representative)
13. CUTR (Julie Bond - representative)

Sheriff's Office /Police/Law Enforcement Representatives

1. Pinellas Park Police Dept.
2. St Petersburg Police Dept.
3. Largo Police Dept.
4. Sheriff's Office – Deputy Eric Brown
5. Clearwater Police Dept.

Non-Voting Technical Support

14. FDOT (Jensen Hackett - representative)
15. County Parks and Conservation Resources (Lyle Fowler – representative; Spencer Curtis – alternate)

*Dates signify appointment

Pinellas Trail User Count Data Summary

Automated Trail Counter Data Collection Period:
January 1st-31st (31 days)

January 2023*

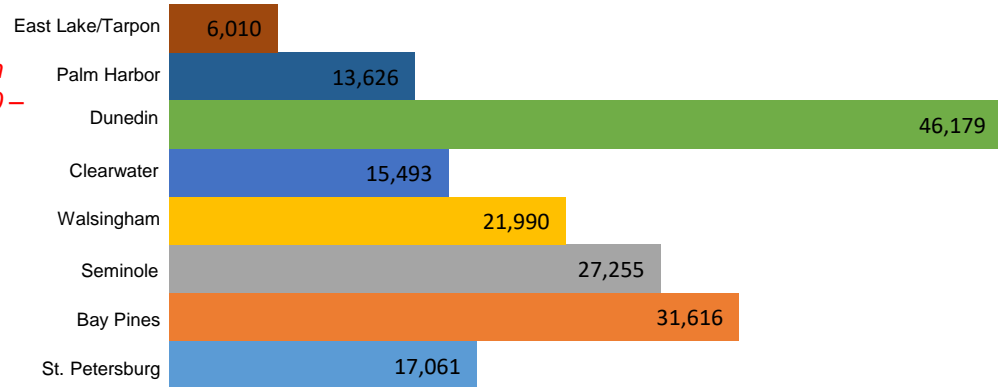
31-Day Count Total: 179,230
Daily Average Users: 5,782

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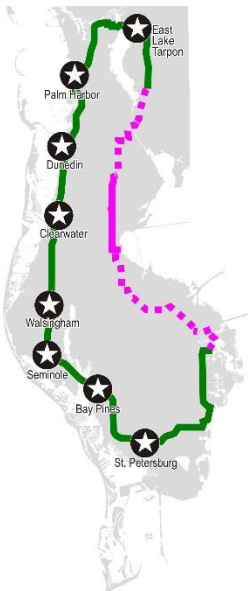
Highest Daily Totals:

- #1 – Sunday, January 29th (Dunedin – 2,874)
- #2 – Sunday, January 29th (Palm Harbor – 2,060)
- #3 – Sunday, January 29th (Bay Pines – 1,789)

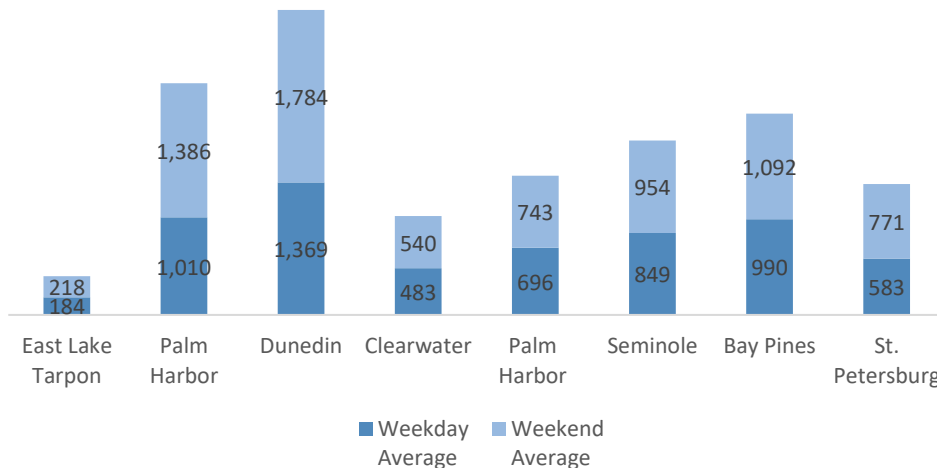
January Trail Users by Counter Location



Counter Locations



Weekday & Weekend Profile



Trail User Mode Split

| Counter Location | Walking (Pedestrian) | Bicycling (Bicycle) |
|------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Palm Harbor | 21% | 79% |
| Dunedin | 17% | 83% |
| Clearwater | 40% | 60% |
| Walsingham | 18% | 82% |
| Seminole | 31% | 69% |
| Bay Pines | 28% | 72% |
| St. Petersburg | 9% | 91% |
| East Lake/Tarpon | 17% | 83% |

Source: Forward Pinellas January 2023

Pinellas Trail User Count Data Summary

Automated Trail Counter Data Collection

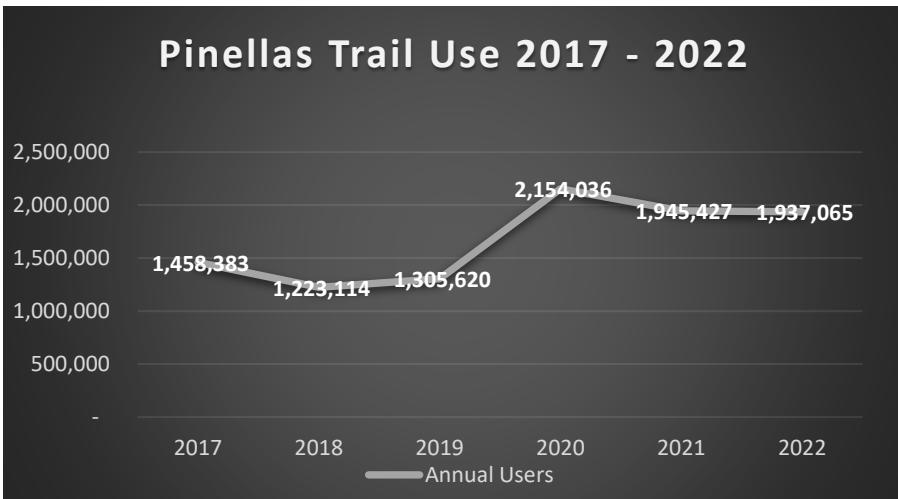
Period: January 2017 - January 2023 Data*



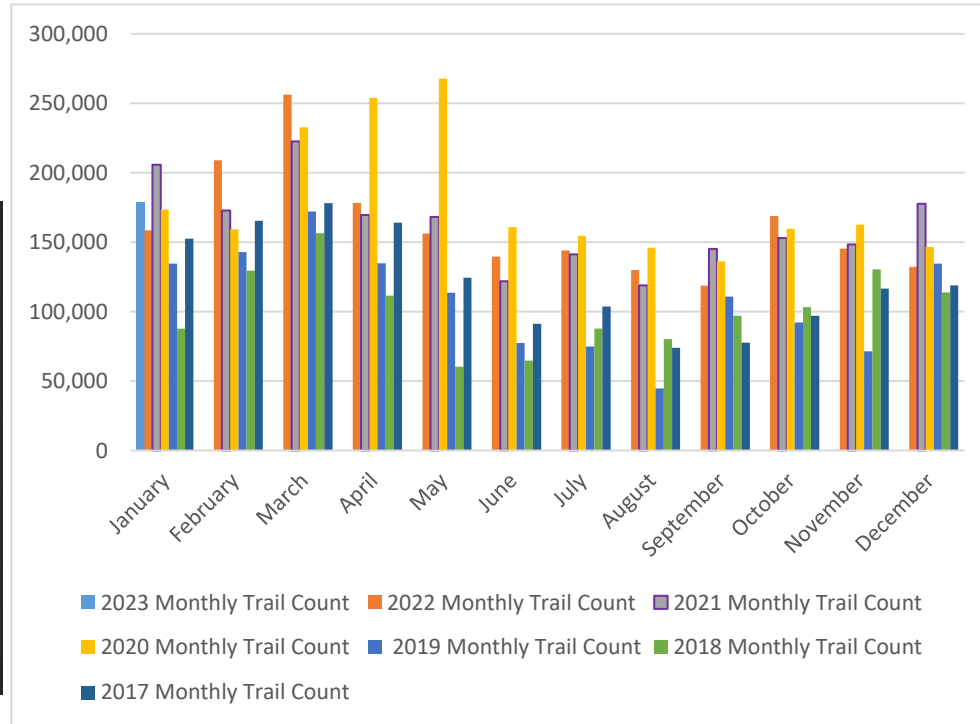
**January 2023 Total Count:
179,230***

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Pinellas Trail Use 2017 - 2022



Monthly Trail Counts 2017 - 2023



**Technical issues with counters result in periods of missing data. Numbers presented in this report are the raw data and have not been adjusted to account for missing data segments.*

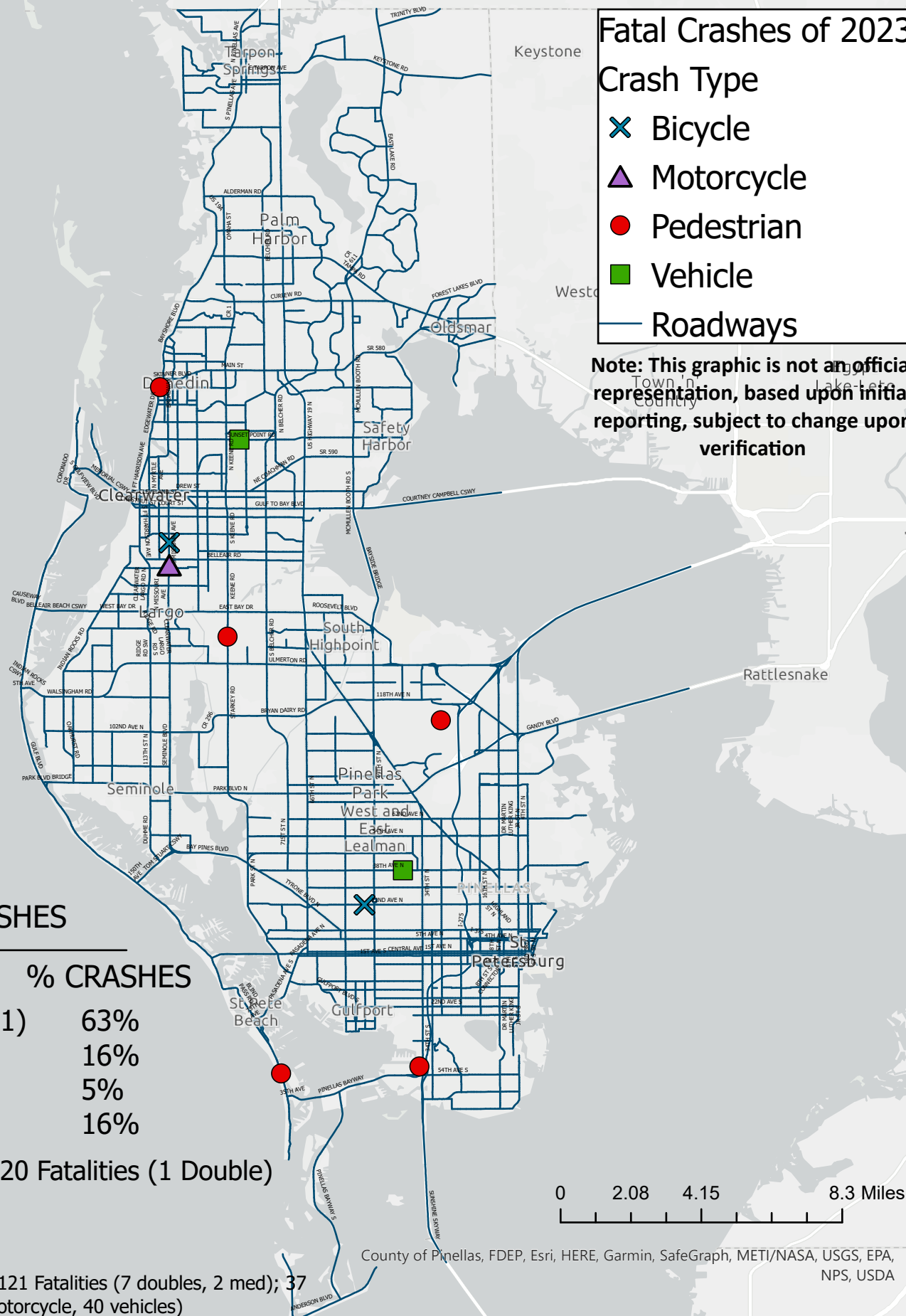


Fatal Crashes of 2023

Crash Type

- ✕ Bicycle
- ▲ Motorcycle
- Pedestrian
- Vehicle
- Roadways

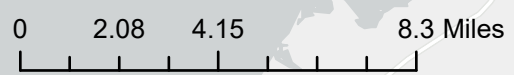
Note: This graphic is not an official representation, based upon initial reporting, subject to change upon verification



FATAL CRASHES

| TOTALS | 19 | % CRASHES |
|------------|-------|-----------|
| PEDESTRIAN | 12(1) | 63% |
| BIKE | 3 | 16% |
| MOTORCYCLE | 1 | 5% |
| VEHICLE | 3 | 16% |

19 Fatal Crashes; 20 Fatalities (1 Double)



County of Pinellas, FDEP, Esri, HERE, Garmin, SafeGraph, METI/NASA, USGS, EPA, NPS, USDA

End of 2022: 114 Crashes; 121 Fatalities (7 doubles, 2 med); 37 pedestrians, 13 bike, 31 motorcycle, 40 vehicles)

