

COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

February 21, 2019

9:00am – 11:00am

Mission Statement:

To work together across neighboring communities to consistently protect and improve the unique and relatively unspoiled character of the physical, economic and social worlds we share...for the benefit of our future generations.

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NEXT SWFRPC MEETING DATE: MARCH 21, 2019

**THERE WILL BE AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING AT 8:15,
IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE COUNCIL MEETING**

SOUTHWEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

OFFICERS

Mr. Thomas Perry, Chair

Commissioner Willie Shaw, Vice-Chair

Commissioner Donna Storter-Long, Secretary

Mr. Donald McCormick, Treasurer

CHARLOTTE COUNTY

Commissioner Joe Tiseo, Charlotte BCC

Commissioner Ken Doherty, Charlotte BCC

Councilman Gary Wein, City of Punta Gorda

Mr. Donald McCormick, Governor Appointee

Ms. Suzanne Graham, Governor Appointee

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Commissioner Bill McDaniel, Collier BCC

Commissioner Penny Taylor, Collier BCC

Councilman Reg Buxton, City of Naples

(City of Marco Island Vacancy)

(Governor Appointee Vacancy)

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GLADES COUNTY

Commissioner Donna Storter-Long, Glades BCC

Commissioner Donald Strenth, Glades BCC

(City of Moore Haven Vacancy)

Mr. Thomas Perry, Governor Appointee

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Commissioner Emma Byrd, Hendry BCC

Commissioner Mitchell Wills, Hendry BCC

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Commissioner Julie Wilkins, City of LaBelle

Mr. Mel Karau, Governor Appointee

LEE COUNTY

Commissioner Frank Mann, Lee BCC

Commissioner Cecil Pendergrass, Lee BCC

Councilman Fred Burson, City of Fort Myers

Councilmember Anita Cereceda, Town of Fort Myers Beach

Vice-Mayor Mick Denham, City of Sanibel

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Commissioner Mike Moran, Sarasota BCC

Commissioner Charles Hines, Sarasota BCC

Commissioner Willie Shaw, City of Sarasota

Councilmember Mitzie Fiedler, City of Venice

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EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

Jon Iglehart, FDEP

Phil Flood, SFWMD

Wayne Gather, FDOT

Dennis Ragosta, SWFWMD

STAFF

Margaret Wuerstle, Executive Director

Beth Nightingale, Legal Consultant

James Beever

Charles Kammerer

Sean McCabe

Rebekah Harp

Katelyn Kubasik

SWFRPC Attendance 2017-2019

Active Seats

	1/17	2/17	3/17	4/17	5/17	6/17	7/17	10/17	12/17	2/18	3/18	5/18	6/18	9/18	12/18	1/19
Anita Cereceda	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Bill McDaniel	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Cecil Pendergrass	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
Charles Hines	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Don McCormick	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Donald Strenth	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Donna Storter-Long	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Emma Byrd / Karson Turner	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Frank Mann / Brian Hamman / Frank Mann	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Fred Burson / Forrest Banks	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Gary Wein / Lynne Matthews	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Greg DeWitt	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
Joe Tiseo	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Julie Wilkins	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ken Doherty	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mel Karau	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Michael Atkinson	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No
Mick Denham	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Mike Moran	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
Mitchell Wills	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Mitzie Fiedler / Fred Fraize	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Penny Taylor	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Reg Buxton	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Suzanne Graham	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Thomas Perry	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Willie Shaw	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Vacated Seats

Al Reynolds	Yes															
Bob Mulhere	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	
Debbie McDowell	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes										
Felipe Colon	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Jessica Cosden / Jim Burch	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No				
Jim Wilson	No	No	No	Yes	No	No										
Laura Holquist	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No				
Pat Lucas	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	
Total	20	20	18	17	20	18	14	18	22	17	17	17	15	15	18	15

Bold/thick outlined boxes indicate when a new councilmember took over a seat



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Regional Planning Council Functions and Programs

March 4, 2011

- **Economic Development Districts:** Regional planning councils are designated as Economic Development Districts by the U. S. Economic Development Administration. From January 2003 to August 2010, the U. S. Economic Development Administration invested \$66 million in 60 projects in the State of Florida to create/retain 13,700 jobs and leverage \$1 billion in private capital investment. Regional planning councils provide technical support to businesses and economic developers to promote regional job creation strategies.
- **Emergency Preparedness and Statewide Regional Evacuation:** Regional planning councils have special expertise in emergency planning and were the first in the nation to prepare a Statewide Regional Evacuation Study using a uniform report format and transportation evacuation modeling program. Regional planning councils have been preparing regional evacuation plans since 1981. Products in addition to evacuation studies include Post Disaster Redevelopment Plans, Hazard Mitigation Plans, Continuity of Operations Plans and Business Disaster Planning Kits.
- **Local Emergency Planning:** Local Emergency Planning Committees are staffed by regional planning councils and provide a direct relationship between the State and local businesses. Regional planning councils provide thousands of hours of training to local first responders annually. Local businesses have developed a trusted working relationship with regional planning council staff.
- **Homeland Security:** Regional planning council staff is a source of low cost, high quality planning and training experts that support counties and State agencies when developing a training course or exercise. Regional planning councils provide cost effective training to first responders, both public and private, in the areas of Hazardous Materials, Hazardous Waste, Incident Command, Disaster Response, Pre- and Post-Disaster Planning, Continuity of Operations and Governance. Several regional planning councils house Regional Domestic Security Task Force planners.
- **Multipurpose Regional Organizations:** Regional planning councils are Florida's only multipurpose regional entities that plan for and coordinate intergovernmental solutions on multi-jurisdictional issues, support regional economic development and provide assistance to local governments.
- **Problem Solving Forum:** Issues of major importance are often the subject of regional planning council-sponsored workshops. Regional planning councils have convened regional summits and workshops on issues such as workforce housing, response to hurricanes, visioning and job creation.
- **Implementation of Community Planning:** Regional planning councils develop and maintain Strategic Regional Policy Plans to guide growth and development focusing on economic development, emergency preparedness, transportation, affordable housing and resources of regional significance. In addition, regional planning councils provide coordination and review of various programs such as Local Government Comprehensive Plans, Developments of Regional Impact and Power Plant Ten-year Siting Plans. Regional planning council reviewers have the local knowledge to conduct reviews efficiently and provide State agencies reliable local insight.

- **Local Government Assistance:** Regional planning councils are also a significant source of cost effective, high quality planning experts for communities, providing technical assistance in areas such as: grant writing, mapping, community planning, plan review, procurement, dispute resolution, economic development, marketing, statistical analysis, and information technology. Several regional planning councils provide staff for transportation planning organizations, natural resource planning and emergency preparedness planning.
- **Return on Investment:** Every dollar invested by the State through annual appropriation in regional planning councils generates 11 dollars in local, federal and private direct investment to meet regional needs.
- **Quality Communities Generate Economic Development:** Businesses and individuals choose locations based on the quality of life they offer. Regional planning councils help regions compete nationally and globally for investment and skilled personnel.
- **Multidisciplinary Viewpoint:** Regional planning councils provide a comprehensive, multidisciplinary view of issues and a forum to address regional issues cooperatively. Potential impacts on the community from development activities are vetted to achieve win-win solutions as council members represent business, government and citizen interests.
- **Coordinators and Conveners:** Regional planning councils provide a forum for regional collaboration to solve problems and reduce costly inter-jurisdictional disputes.
- **Federal Consistency Review:** Regional planning councils provide required Federal Consistency Review, ensuring access to hundreds of millions of federal infrastructure and economic development investment dollars annually.
- **Economies of Scale:** Regional planning councils provide a cost-effective source of technical assistance to local governments, small businesses and non-profits.
- **Regional Approach:** Cost savings are realized in transportation, land use and infrastructure when addressed regionally. A regional approach promotes vibrant economies while reducing unproductive competition among local communities.
- **Sustainable Communities:** Federal funding is targeted to regions that can demonstrate they have a strong framework for regional cooperation.
- **Economic Data and Analysis:** Regional planning councils are equipped with state of the art econometric software and have the ability to provide objective economic analysis on policy and investment decisions.
- **Small Quantity Hazardous Waste Generators:** The Small Quantity Generator program ensures the proper handling and disposal of hazardous waste generated at the county level. Often smaller counties cannot afford to maintain a program without imposing large fees on local businesses. Many counties have lowered or eliminated fees, because regional planning council programs realize economies of scale, provide businesses a local contact regarding compliance questions and assistance and provide training and information regarding management of hazardous waste.
- **Regional Visioning and Strategic Planning:** Regional planning councils are conveners of regional visions that link economic development, infrastructure, environment, land use and transportation into long term investment plans. Strategic planning for communities and organizations defines actions critical to successful change and resource investments.
- **Geographic Information Systems and Data Clearinghouse:** Regional planning councils are leaders in geographic information systems mapping and data support systems. Many local governments rely on regional planning councils for these services.

SOUTHWEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL (SWFRPC) ACRONYMS

ABM - Agency for Bay Management - Estero Bay Agency on Bay Management

ADA - Application for Development Approval

ADA - Americans with Disabilities Act

AMDA -Application for Master Development Approval

BEER - Bureau of Economic Business and Research at the University of Florida

BLID - Binding Letter of DRI Status

BLIM - Binding Letter of Modification to a DRI with Vested Rights

BLIVR -Binding Letter of Vested Rights Status

BPCC -Bicycle/Pedestrian Coordinating Committee

CAC - Citizens Advisory Committee

CAO - City/County Administrator Officers

CDBG - Community Development Block Grant

CDC - Certified Development Corporation (a.k.a. RDC)

CEDS - Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (a.k.a. OEDP)

CHNEP - Charlotte Harbor National Estuary Program

CTC - Community Transportation Coordinator

CTD - Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged

CUTR - Center for Urban Transportation Research

DEO - Department of Economic Opportunity

DEP - Department of Environmental Protection

DO - Development Order

DOPA - Designated Official Planning Agency (i.e. MPO, RPC, County, etc.)

EDA - Economic Development Administration

EDC - Economic Development Coalition

EDD - Economic Development District

EPA – Environmental Protection Agency

FAC - Florida Association of Counties

FACTS - Florida Association of CTCs

FAR - Florida Administrative Register (formerly Florida Administrative Weekly)

FCTS - Florida Coordinated Transportation System

FDC&F -Florida Department of Children and Families (a.k.a. HRS)

FDEA - Florida Department of Elder Affairs

FDLES - Florida Department of Labor and Employment Security

FDOT - Florida Department of Transportation

FHREDI - Florida Heartland Rural Economic Development Initiative

FIAM – Fiscal Impact Analysis Model

FLC - Florida League of Cities

FQD - Florida Quality Development

FRCA -Florida Regional Planning Councils Association

FTA - Florida Transit Association

IC&R - Intergovernmental Coordination and Review

IFAS - Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences at the University of Florida

JLCB - Joint Local Coordinating Boards of Glades & Hendry Counties

JPA - Joint Participation Agreement

JSA - Joint Service Area of Glades & Hendry Counties

LCB - Local Coordinating Board for the Transportation Disadvantaged

LEPC - Local Emergency Planning Committee

MOA - Memorandum of Agreement

MPO - Metropolitan Planning Organization

MPOAC - Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council

MPOCAC - Metropolitan Planning Organization Citizens Advisory Committee

MPOTAC - Metropolitan Planning Organization Technical Advisory Committee

NADO – National Association of Development Organizations

NARC -National Association of Regional Councils

NOPC -Notice of Proposed Change

OEDP - Overall Economic Development Program

PDA - Preliminary Development Agreement

REMI – Regional Economic Modeling Incorporated

RFB - Request for Bids

RFI – Request for Invitation

RFP - Request for Proposals

RPC - Regional Planning Council

SHIP -State Housing Initiatives Partnership

SRPP – Strategic Regional Policy Plan

TAC - Technical Advisory Committee

TDC - Transportation Disadvantaged Commission (a.k.a. CTD)

TDPN - Transportation Disadvantaged Planners Network

TDSP - Transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan

USDA - US Department of Agriculture

WMD - Water Management District (SFWMD and SWFWMD)

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**MINUTES OF THE
SOUTHWEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
DECEMBER 20, 2018 MEETING**

The meeting of the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council was held on December 20, 2018 at the offices of the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council—1400 Colonial Boulevard, Suite #1 in Fort Myers, Florida. Chair Perry called the meeting to order at 9:03 AM. Vice-Mayor Atkinson then gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Ms. Margaret Wuerstle conducted the roll call and announced that a quorum was present.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Charlotte County: Commissioner Ken Doherty, Commissioner Joe Tiseo, Councilman Gary Wein, Mr. Don McCormick

Collier County: Commissioner Bill McDaniel, Commissioner Penny Taylor

Glades County: Commissioner Donna Storter-Long, Commissioner Donald Strenth, Mr. Thomas Perry

Hendry County: Commissioner Julie Wilkins, Vice-Mayor Michael Atkinson, Mr. Mel Karau

Lee County: Commissioner Frank Mann, Vice-Mayor Mick Denham, Councilman Fred Burson

Sarasota County: Commissioner Charles Hines, Commissioner Willie Shaw, Councilmember Mitzie Fielder

Ex-Officio: Mr. Jon Iglehart—FDEP,

MEMBERS ABSENT

Charlotte County: Ms. Suzanne Graham

Collier County: Councilman Reg Buxton, Mr. Bob Mulhere

Glades County: Councilwoman Pat Lucas

Hendry County: Commissioner Emma Byrd, Commissioner Mitchell Wills,

Lee County: Commissioner Cecil Pendergrass, Councilman Greg DeWitt, Councilwoman Anita Cereceda

Sarasota County: Commissioner Michael Moran, Mr. Felipe Colón

Ex-Officio: Mr. Phil Flood–SFWMD, Mr. Dennis Ragosta– SWFWMD,
Mr. Wayne Gather, FDOT

**AGENDA ITEM #4
PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments were made at this time.

**AGENDA ITEM #5
AGENDA**

There were no changes made to the December 20, 2018 agenda.

**AGENDA ITEM #6
MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 20, 2018 MEETINGS**

A motion was made by Commissioner McDaniel to approve the September 20, 2018 minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Vice-Mayor Denham and passed unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM #7
CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Denham to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. McCormick and passed unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM #8
PRESENTATIONS**

**AGENDA ITEM #8(a)
Hendry/Glades Unmet Needs Coalition**

Ms. Margaret England and Mr. Greg Gunter gave a presentation on the Hendry/Glades Unmet Needs Coalition. Their mission is to partner with faith-based organizations, volunteer and social services agencies, government agencies, community-based organizations, businesses, and individual volunteers who seek to address the needs of disaster victims in Glades and Hendry Counties.

Vice-Mayor Denham asked for clarification on the primary function of the Coalition. Mr. Gunter answered that information gathering is their primary function. People send applications to them, they prioritize the applications, and they pair applicants up with case managers. The

group is still taking applications through their Facebook page and the United Way 211 referral help line.

Commissioner McDaniel added that Immokalee has a very successful unmet needs coalition and he invited the Hendry/Glades coalition to attend a meeting. The two organizations attending each other's meetings would open information sharing opportunities. He asked for more information on the 211 line. Mr. Gunter explained that the 211 line is for the entire State, if not the entire nation, and is for any social service, not just hurricane recovery.

Councilman Wein believed the stated recovery timeline is optimistic, based on Punta Gorda's recovery from Hurricane Charley. He cited business revenue and housing as two areas that still have not recovered.

Commissioner Mann asked about a grant the coalition received from the Red Cross. Ms. England explained that they received a \$500,000 grant from the American Red Cross to rebuild and repair and funding for construction consultants. About \$400,000 will be for direct assistance. Commissioner Mann noted that receiving a \$500,000 grant in their first year of operation is impressive.

Commissioner Wilkins thanked all the volunteers for their great work over the past year.

AGENDA ITEM #9 DIRECTOR'S REPORT

AGENDA ITEM #9(a) FY17-18 Budget Closeout

Ms. Wuerstle presented the budget amendment. She noted that there is an unaudited surplus of \$11,000.

A motion was made by Commissioner McDaniel to approve the budget amendment as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wein and passed unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM #9(b) August-October 2018 Financials

Ms. Wuerstle presented the financials. August and September were for the last fiscal year, which the Council closed with an unaudited \$11,000 surplus. There is a dip in October, but the Council didn't do any billing in October, so that will go up. The \$360,000 program development budget item is now down to about \$60,000 thanks to grants received by staff.

Vice-Mayor Denham asked about the anticipated revenue for this year. Ms. Wuerstle answered that it will be impacted by the loss of local assessments. The budget will be closed if the Council is able to bring in the extra \$60,000 in grants. Commissioner McDaniel expressed concern over

relying on grants to fund the RPC. Chair Perry added that costs and personnel have also been cut to help account for the loss of assessments. He also explained that the grants are not for general operations. They are for regional projects and initiatives the Council is performing.

Commissioner McDaniel asked when the big picture discussion about the future of the RPC will occur. Ms. Wuerstle stressed that the assessments have never fully funded the RPC. The assessments have only accounted for 25% of the budget. They have always needed grant funding, DRI fees, and service contracts. Chair Perry explained that the Relevancy Committee has met several times. At those meetings, Ms. Wuerstle was asked to meet with the Counties. The meetings were delayed by the elections. Ms. Wuerstle has met with Charlotte County and has meetings scheduled with Lee and Sarasota Counties in January. Commissioner McDaniel recalled that the Relevancy Committee meetings also included a desire for a discussion at a full Council meeting. Vice-Mayor Denham voiced concerns over the RPC's future. He asked if the change in the Governor will affect the role of the RPCs. Chair Perry was told that it is too soon to tell. Vice-Mayor Denham and Commissioner McDaniel asked to have a serious, open discussion about the RPC's future at an upcoming Council meeting.

Councilman Wein agreed that the Council needs to start moving forward based on the Relevancy Committee discussions. Mr. McCormick added that the counties and cities that have withdrawn funding have now had to live without the RPC and face the alternatives. Trying to implement regional concepts without the structure of the RPC becomes daunting. He mentioned a regional group on the Caloosahatchee River that failed after one meeting. Commissioner McDaniel cited changes at the State level as a cause for the relevancy issues. Vice-Mayor Denham added that Babcock Ranch would not be the success it is today without the RPC, but the RPC has been removed from that process. Mr. Beever added that although those days are gone legally, the developers associated with those projects still reach out to and work with the RPC. Vice-Mayor Denham pointed out that the RPC never had the authority to tell anyone what to do regarding development, it was always advisory.

Chair Perry shares the frustrations about the process moving slowly. He believes that the feedback gained from Ms. Wuerstle's meetings with the counties will help the Council move forward. Councilman Wein stressed the importance of return on investment, maintaining assets, employment, and quality of life as the Council looks to redefine its purpose. Councilman Burson pointed out that the Regional Planning Council had only one planning item on its agenda and it was on the consent agenda. Commissioner Mann added that he's been off the Council for a year and now they are having the same discussions.

A motion was made by Commissioner McDaniel to have the RPC's relevancy added as a discussion item to the January agenda. Chair Perry asked for time to determine a direction for that discussion before bringing it to the Council. He suggested bringing it to the February meeting. Commissioner McDaniel agreed to have the discussion in February and withdrew his motion.

AGENDA ITEM #9(c)
Nominating Committee

Chair Perry suggested the following Councilmembers to form a Nominating Committee for 2019's Executive Committee: Commissioner Tiseo, Mr. Mulhere, Councilman Burson, and Commissioner Wills.

A motion was made by Commissioner McDaniel to accept the Chair's suggestions for the Nominating Committee. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mann and passed unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM #9(d)
FRCA Policy Board Appointees

Ms. Wuerstle explained that the Council also needed to appoint FRCA Policy Board members. The Board requires one Governor Appointee and two elected officials for each region. Chair Perry is already serving as the Governor Appointee. The Board meets twice a year. Vice-Mayor Atkinson and Councilman Wein volunteered to join.

AGENDA ITEM #9(g)
Biosolids Resolution

Ms. Wuerstle explained that FRCA has asked all the RPCs to submit a resolution of support on the biosolids issue. This was on the September agenda and the Council advised staff to send the resolution out to the counties and cities for comment. All comments received were in the packet. Mr. Beever added that a letter from Collier County has supported the aspirational aspects of the resolution and many of our communities are already either already doing or planning to do the things listed in the resolution. This deals with water quality and better use of resources. The resolution recommends actions but does not require anything. DEP is already looking at these issues. The City of Venice has already passed the resolution and other communities have it on their upcoming agendas.

Commissioner Doherty explained that the Florida Association of Counties held a legislative policy conference in Tampa in November. The Growth, Agriculture, Transportation, and Environmental Policy Committee looked at this topic. They decided to take all water issues to a Water Policy Committee that is currently being formed. Commissioner Doherty requested membership on that Committee. He requested that the Council defer action on this until they see what comes out of this Committee. Commissioner McDaniel asked Commissioner Doherty to send any information about that meeting to Ms. Wuerstle, so she could send it out to the Council.

Commissioner Doherty, Commissioner Wilkins and Commissioner Starter-Long see this resolution potentially having negative effects on the rural counties.

A motion was made by Commissioner McDaniel to defer the resolution indefinitely. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Doherty and passed unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM #9(e)
Promise Zone Update**

Ms. Wuerstle introduced Ms. Tia Herman and Mr. Michael Bennett, the RPC's new VISTA volunteers working on the opioid issue. She reminded the Council that the opioid VISTAs cover the entire region, not just the Promise Zone. VISTA has also requested the creation of a regional opioid taskforce.

Ms. Herman and Mr. Bennett gave a presentation on their progress. Commissioner Shaw asked about class action suites against pharmaceutical companies. Mr. Bennett will get back to Commissioner Shaw after the meeting. Commissioner McDaniel asked if this information has been sent to county and city staff. Mr. Bennett will send the information out after the meeting after receiving input from the Council. Commissioner McDaniel would recommend pushing the date of their event back to give county and city staff more time. Ms. Wuerstle added that the Manatee Hospital suggested this date. Chair Perry has been told that Ms. Herman and Mr. Bennett have been doing great work.

Ms. Wuerstle is working to setup a meeting to refocus and reset the Promise Zone in March 2019. The March date allows the federal agency partners time to work it into their schedules. Ms. Wuerstle will be the new lead on the Promise Zone. Commissioner McDaniel asked for consideration to move the Promise Zone initiative out of the RPC. He is displeased with the performance of the Promised Zone and is concerned with the Executive Director taking on the program in addition to her existing duties. He would like to have that discussion before the proposed March meeting.

Ms. Wuerstle contacted the coalition of Promise Zones and the federal representatives and their position is that the contract is with the SWFRPC and that's where it stays. Commissioner McDaniel said that was contrary to the information he has. Chair Perry stated that this is a conversation that Commissioner McDaniel and Ms. Wuerstle need to have outside of the meeting. Commissioner Shaw asked to be involved in any conversation regarding the Promise Zone. Commissioner McDaniel would be glad to include Commissioner Shaw and suggested a meeting in January with the Councilmembers in the Promise Zone. Vice-Mayor Atkinson would also like to be involved.

**AGENDA ITEM #9(h)
FRCA Monthly Report**

This item was for informational purposes only.

**AGENDA ITEM #10
STAFF SUMMARIES**

**AGENDA ITEM #10(a)
Grant Activity Sheet**

This item was for informational purposes only.

**AGENDA ITEM #11
COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**AGENDA ITEM #11(a)
Executive Committee**

Chair Perry asked that the counties and cities send their legislative priorities to the RPC, so the RPC can support them.

**AGENDA ITEM #11(b)
Promise Zone Steering Committee**

No report was given at this time.

**AGENDA ITEM #11(c)
Estero Bay Agency on Bay Management (EBABM) Committee**

For the sake of brevity, Mr. Beever referred the Council to the written report in the packet.

**AGENDA ITEM #11(d)
Quality of Life & Safety Committee**

**AGENDA ITEM #11(e)
Regional Transportation Committee**

No report was given at this time.

**AGENDA ITEM #11(f)
Council Relevancy & Restructuring Committee**

No report was given at this time.

AGENDA ITEM #11(g)
Water Quality and Water Resources Management Committee

Vice-Mayor Denham sent a letter to 433 mayors in Florida regarding water quality best management practices (BMPs) in Sanibel with the goal of starting a dialogue. He has received about 60 responses so far and intends to follow up in January.

AGENDA ITEM #12
NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business brought to the Council.

AGENDA ITEM #13
STATE AGENCIES COMMENTS/REPORTS

No comments were made at this time.

AGENDA ITEM #14
COUNCIL LEGAL CONSULTANT'S COMMENTS

No comments were made at this time.

AGENDA ITEM #15
COUNCIL MEMBER'S COMMENTS

No comments were made at this time.

AGENDA ITEM #16
ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting will be on January 17, 2019. The meeting adjourned at 10:58 a.m.

Commissioner Donna Storter-Long, Secretary

The meeting was duly advertised in the December 3, 2018 issue of the FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE REGISTER, Volume 44, Number 233.

**MINUTES OF THE
SOUTHWEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
JANUARY 17, 2019 MEETING**

The meeting of the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council was held on January 17, 2019 at the offices of the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council–1400 Colonial Boulevard, Suite #1 in Fort Myers, Florida. Chair Perry called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM. Commissioner Shaw then gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Ms. Margaret Wuerstle conducted the roll call and announced that a quorum was present.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Charlotte County: Commissioner Ken Doherty, Commissioner Joe Tiseo, Councilman Gary Wein, Mr. Don McCormick

Collier County: Commissioner Penny Taylor

Glades County: Commissioner Donna Storter-Long, Commissioner Donald Strenth, Mr. Thomas Perry

Hendry County: Commissioner Emma Byrd, Commissioner Mitchell Wills, Commissioner Julie Wilkins, Mr. Mel Karau

Lee County: Commissioner Frank Mann

Sarasota County: Commissioner Willie Shaw, Councilmember Mitzie Fielder

Ex-Officio: Mr. Jon Iglehart–FDEP, Mr. Phil Flood–SFWMD, Mr. Dennis Ragosta– SWFWMD

MEMBERS ABSENT

Charlotte County: Ms. Suzanne Graham

Collier County: Commissioner Bill McDaniel, Councilman Reg Buxton

Glades County: None

Hendry County: Vice-Mayor Michael Atkinson

Lee County: Commissioner Cecil Pendergrass, Vice-Mayor Mick Denham, Councilman Fred Burson, Councilman Greg DeWitt, Councilwoman Anita Cereceda

Sarasota County: Commissioner Charles Hines, Commissioner Michael Moran,
Mr. Felipe Colón

Ex-Officio: Mr. Wayne Gather, FDOT

**AGENDA ITEM #4
PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments were made at this time.

**AGENDA ITEM #5
AGENDA**

There were no changes made to the January 17, 2019 agenda.

**AGENDA ITEM #6
MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 20, 2018 MEETINGS**

The minutes will be on the February 21, 2019 agenda.

**AGENDA ITEM #7
REGIONAL IMPACT**

**AGENDA ITEM #7(a)
Palmer Ranch Increment 29 Pre-App Checklist**

Mr. Dan Trescott presented the item.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shaw to approve the Palmer Ranch Increment 29 Pre-App Checklist as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wilkins and passed unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM #8
CONSENT AGENDA**

**AGENDA ITEM #8(a)
Intergovernmental Coordination and Review**

Commissioner Mann requested a brief explanation of the item. Mr. C.J. Kammerer explained that the RPC is required to review various grant requests in the region by State Statute. The six items on this month's agenda are FDOT and DEO-CDBG grant requests. All six projects were found regionally significant and consistent with the Strategic Regional Policy Plan.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mann to approve the IC&R projects as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Shaw and passed unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM #9 PRESENTATIONS

AGENDA ITEM #9(a) South Florida Water Management District

Mr. Flood gave a presentation on the projects and activities of the SFWMD. He stated that the Legislature was kind last year, they are guaranteed a minimum of \$200 million a year for Everglades restoration projects. The C-43 reservoir in Hendry County received a Lion's share of the funding. SWFMD will be awarding a construction contract for well over \$600 million to build a dam at the end of the month. The Lake Okeechobee regulation schedule will be revised. The schedule dictates when the US Army Corps of Engineers releases water from the Lake.

Chair Perry called the C-43 reservoir a victory for the region and pointed out that a lot of members of the SWFRPC board fought for it. Commissioner Mann joined Chair Perry in complementation Mr. Flood on an outstanding presentation. He was also pleased to see the "green stance" of our new Governor. The Governor wants to add a water quality component to the C-43 reservoir.

Councilman Wein asked if these projects will be enough to solve these problems or if this is just the first step. He also asked if the oil deposits are above or below the deep-water injection areas. Mr. Flood answered that the Everglades Restoration Plan will address 80% of Lake discharges. Mr. Flood and Mr. Beever explained that the oil deposits are above the injection areas.

Commissioner Storter-Long asked for more information on the nitrogen component of C-43. Mr. Flood gave a further explanation. A copy of the presentation will be sent out after the Council meeting.

Mr. McCormick pointed out that the Caloosahatchee River is still greatly impacted by the Caloosahatchee Watershed. Not all the pollution is coming in from the Lake. Mr. Flood agreed and provided data to support that. FDEP is working on those issues.

AGENDA ITEM #10(b) Nominating Committee

Members made it known that they had to drop off the call soon. The Council moved to voting items before a quorum was lost. Commissioner Wills reported that the Nominating Committee decided to suggest retaining the current Executive Board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wills to accept Nominating Committee's suggestion to retain the current Executive Board. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mann and passed unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM #10(a)
November 2018 Financials**

Ms. Wuerstle presented the November 2018 financials. The Council is currently in a \$71,000 hole. However, this is typical for the cyclical nature of the Council's revenues and the Council is doing better than it was at this time last year. The budget is on schedule. Monthly costs have been cut from roughly \$80,000 a month last year to roughly \$30,000 a month.

A motion was made by Commissioner Storter-Long to accept the November 2018 financials as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. McCormick and passed unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM #9(b)
Master Wetland Mitigation Strategy**

Mr. Jim Beever gave a presentation on an improved model watershed scale master wetland mitigation strategy for restoration, protection and public projects for local governments project he completed last month for Lee County. This project was fully funded by EPA and it couples local government public works projects with mitigation planning, so the mitigation can be done ahead of time. This saves the local community money, as the process would be more complex later. This project was done in a way that is replicable for other communities. The projects from the previous mitigation plan the RPC did for Lee County created an estimated mitigation value of \$23 million.

Mr. Beever also pointed out that the SWFRPC participated in all the projects Mr. Flood mentioned in his presentation that were in SWFL. Mr. Flood confirmed that statement.

Mr. McCormick asked what this kind of study would cost. Mr. Beever responded that it would take around \$40,000-50,000. He would be happy to help other communities with this type of work.

**AGENDA ITEM #9(c)
Disaster Recovery Coordinator Update**

Mr. Sean McCabe gave a presentation on recovery work, housing repair programs, and building resilience. He provided a list of volunteer organizations active in the region and highlighted the work of the Red Cross. The funds that have been allocated to this work is running out, so many of these organizations will be winding down soon. He also gave an overview of the CDBG funding.

Mr. McCabe confirmed information on reimburse for Mr. McCormick.

Councilman Wein added that Punta Gorda still hasn't received their first payment from FEMA. Punta Gorda has yet to recover commercially from Hurricane Charley in 2004.

Chair Perry still has not been able to have his roof repaired.

**AGENDA ITEM #10
DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

**AGENDA ITEM #10(c)
Promise Zone Update**

Ms. Wuerstle explained that a meeting has been scheduled for March 18 at 2pm at the RPC office to refocus the initiative. However, the government shutdown may affect the ability of federal partners to attend.

The VISTA program is still open and the new application has been submitted.

**AGENDA ITEM #10(d)
FRCA Update**

Chair Perry, Councilman Wein, and Vice-Mayor Atkinson attended the FRCA meeting. There was a presentation by the TBRPC on the economic effects of red tide. There has been an appropriations request by FRCA to fund disaster evacuation planning for each RPC. This is work the RPCs have done in the past. FRCA's priorities closely resemble the Florida League of Cities and Florida Association of Counties. There was discussion of an appropriation request for activities mandated by State Statute. The Board appears to be taking a more direct approach in providing direction to staff. Chair Perry asked that everyone read FRCA's annual report, which was distributed at the meeting. It shows comparisons between the Councils and program areas that other RPCs are working in. Councilman Wein pointed out that SWFL is the 5th largest geographic region but has the smallest staff. He thanked Ms. Wuerstle and the staff.

**AGENDA ITEM #10(e)
EDA Agricultural Sustainability Grant**

The RPC received a grant from EDA to create branding for SWFL agriculture products for small to mid-sized growers. FGCU has been awarded a contract to help expansion into new markets and Priority Marketing received the marketing contract. There has been a lot of interest from the small growers. UF/IFAS is the main partner on the grant.

**AGENDA ITEM #11
STAFF SUMMARIES**

**AGENDA ITEM #11(a)
Grant Activity Sheet**

This item was for informational purposes only.

**AGENDA ITEM #12
COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**AGENDA ITEM #12(a)
Executive Committee**

Chair Perry informed everyone that the Executive Committee met before this meeting but does not have a report.

**AGENDA ITEM #12(b)
Estero Bay Agency on Bay Management (EBABM) Committee**

No report was given at this time.

**AGENDA ITEM #12(c)
Quality of Life & Safety Committee**

Commissioner Shaw is excited to take on the opioid epidemic with the VISTA team. This issue effects crime, the economy, and family structure. There is still a lot of denial with this issue. The VISTA's are working to create a regional task force on this issue. There are many organizations in the regions that are ready to work together with the RPC.

Mr. Michael Bennett and Ms. Tia Herman, the RPC's opioid VISTA members, gave an update on their progress. Ms. Katelyn Kubasik introduced herself as the new VISTA supervisor at the RPC.

**AGENDA ITEM #12(d)
Regional Transportation Committee**

Ms. Wuerstle announced that Commissioner McDaniel has agreed to chair the Committee and they will meet after the March Council meeting.

**AGENDA ITEM #12(e)
Council Relevancy & Restructuring Committee**

Chair Perry announced that there will be a discussion on Council relevancy at the February meeting. Presentations are being prepared and he encourages everyone to attend in person.

AGENDA ITEM #12(f)
Water Quality and Water Resources Management Committee

No report was given at this time.

AGENDA ITEM #13
NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business brought to the Council.

AGENDA ITEM #14
STATE AGENCIES COMMENTS/REPORTS

Mr. Iglehart stated that the Fort Myers FDEP office issued 6,300 permits last year. About half of those qualified for State Programmatic Federal Permits. They are holding a forum in February to help people work through this process.

Mr. Flood reminded everyone that we are in the dry season.

AGENDA ITEM #15
COUNCIL LEGAL CONSULTANT'S COMMENTS

No comments were made at this time.

AGENDA ITEM #16
COUNCIL MEMBER'S COMMENTS

Commissioner Storter-Long echoed Mr. Flood's comment on the dry season and water conservation.

Commissioner Wilkins announced that the Cabbage Festival is next month.

Councilman Wein clarified that the TBRPC red tied presentation was on economic effects and not scientific causes. He has the presentation on the City of Punta Gorda website.

Mr. McCormick saw the Governor present on his priorities, which include water quality.

**AGENDA ITEM #17
ADJOURNMENT**

The next meeting will be on February 21, 2019. The meeting adjourned at 10:58 a.m.

Commissioner Donna Storter-Long, Secretary

The meeting was duly advertised in the January 3, 2019 issue of the FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE REGISTER, Volume 45, Number 02.

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Financials

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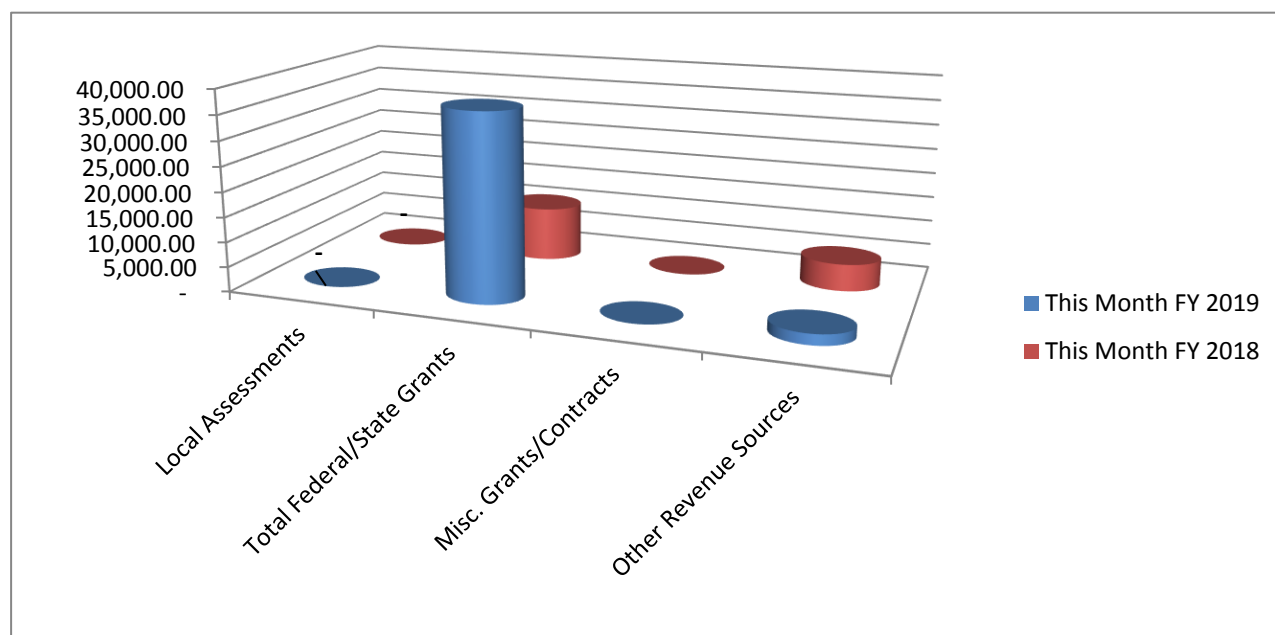
2018 - 2019 Workplan & Budget Financial Snapshot

Dec-19

Revenues

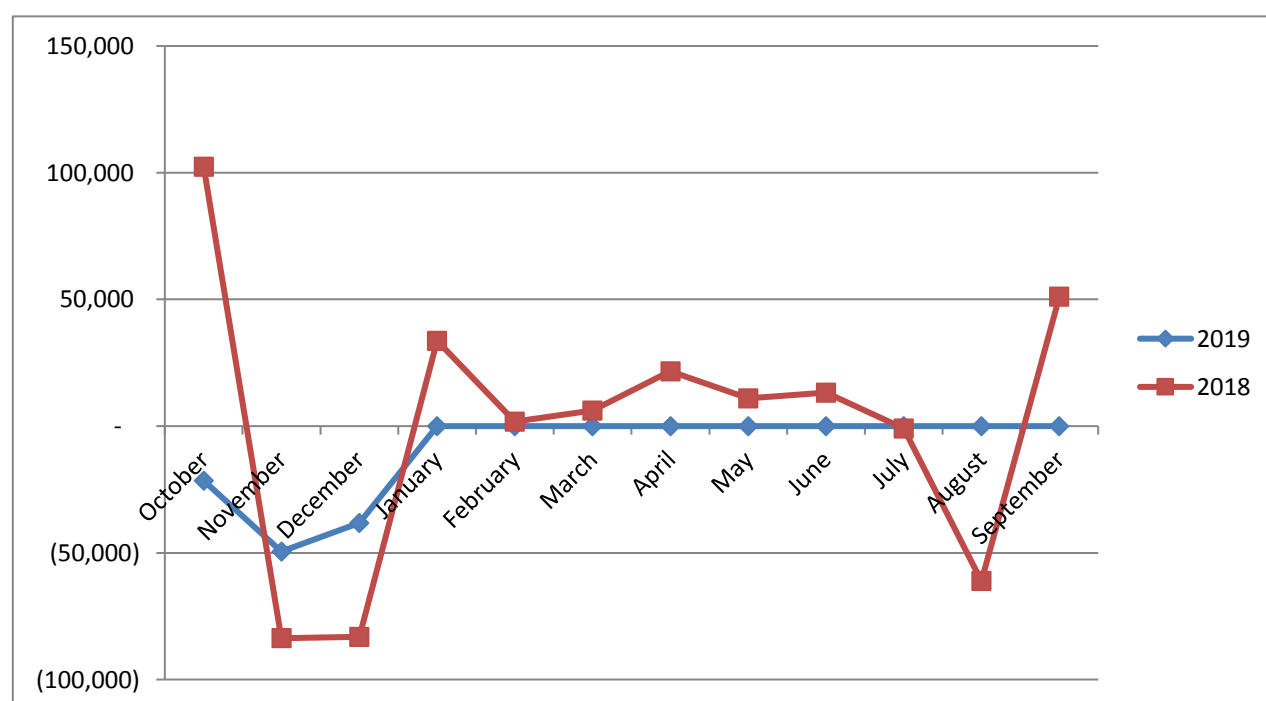
Local Assessments
Total Federal/State Grants
Misc. Grants/Contracts
Other Revenue Sources

Monthly Revenues



Notes: Local Assessments billed at the beginning of each quarter: October, January, April and July
State/Federal Grants billed quarterly: LEPC, HMEP, and EPA
Federal Grants billed Semi Annually: Economic Development
Misc. Grants/Contracts billed by deliverable: SQG, Interagency PO'S
Other(DRI) billed /recorded monthly as cost reimbursement

Monthly Net Income (Loss)



YTD: Net Income (\$109,216) Unaudited

SWFRPC

Detail of Reserve

As of DECEMBER 31, 2018

Cash and Cash Equivalents:

Petty Cash	\$ 200
FineMark Operating Funds	55,870
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<i>Total Cash and Cash Equivalents</i>	\$ 56,070

Investments:

FineMark Money Market	\$ 514,171
Local government Surplus Trust Fund Investment Pool (Fund A)	141,296
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<i>Total Investments</i>	\$ 655,467

Total Reserves	<hr/>
	\$ 711,537
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**SWFRPC INCOME STATEMENT
COMPARED WITH BUDGET**

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FOR THE ONE MONTH ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2018

	Current Month	Year to Date A	FY 2018-2019 Approved Budget B	% Of Budget Year to Date	Budget Remaining
REVENUES					
LOCAL ASSESSMENTS					
COLLIER COUNTY	-	26,810	107,241	25%	\$ 80,431
GLADES COUNTY	-	982	3,926	25%	\$ 2,944
HENDRY COUNTY	-	2,929	11,717	25%	\$ 8,788
CITY OF FORT MYERS	-	5,933	23,732	25%	\$ 17,799
TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH INC	-	475	1,898	25%	\$ 1,423
BONITA SPRINGS	-	3,760	15,041	25%	\$ 11,281
CITY OF SANIBEL	-	499	1,998	25%	\$ 1,499
TOTAL LOCAL ASSESSMENTS	\$ -	\$ 41,388	\$ 165,553	25%	\$ 124,165
FEDERAL / STATE GRANTS					
DEM - LEPC 18/19	-	-	80,000	N/A	80,000
DEM - HMEP 18/19	-	-	65,161	0%	65,161
DEM - Collier Hazard Analysis 18/19	7,846	7,846	20,844	38%	12,998
Promise Zone	-	-	-	N/A	-
Disaster Recovery Coordinator	21,095	21,095	100,000	21%	78,905
Economic Development Planning 17/19	-	-	70,000	0%	70,000
Brownfields - EPA	8,292	8,292	57,000	15%	48,708
TOTAL FEDERAL / STATE GRANTS	\$ 37,232	\$ 37,232	\$ 393,005	9%	\$ 355,773
MISC. GRANTS / CONTRACTS/CONTRACTUAL					
GLADES SQG	-	-	4,500	0%	4,500
TOTAL MISC. GRANTS/CONTRACTS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,500	0%	\$ 4,500
DRIS/NOPCS/MONITORING					
DRI MONITORING FEES	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-
DRIS/NOPCS INCOME	1,437	1,437	-	\$ -	1,437
TOTAL	\$ 1,437	\$ 1,437	\$ -	\$ -	1,437
Program Development (Unsecured Grants/Contract)					
*Program Development (Unsecured	-	-	369,633	0%	-
TOTAL PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 369,633	N/A	\$ -
OTHER REVENUE SOURCES					
ABM SPONSORSHIPS	-	-	-	N/A	-
CELA TEGA SPONSORSHIPS	-	-	-	N/A	-
Misc. Income	-	866	6,000	14%	(5,134)
INTEREST INCOME - Money Market	391	691	-	N/A	691
Fund A Investment Income	307	871	-	N/A	871
TOTAL OTHER REVENUE SOURCES	\$ 698	\$ 2,428	\$ 6,000	40%	\$ (3,572)

	Current Month	Year to Date A	FY 2018-2019 Approved Budget B	% Of Budget Year to Date	Budget Remaining
<i>Fund Balance</i>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 852,378		
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 39,367	\$ 82,486	\$ 1,791,069		\$ 482,303
EXPENSES					
PERSONNEL EXPENSES					
SALARIES EXPENSE	\$ 29,824	\$ 90,275	\$ 511,780	18%	421,505
FICA EXPENSE	2,189	6,715	39,151	17%	32,436
RETIREMENT EXPENSE	3,997	6,510	58,184	11%	51,674
HEALTH INSURANCE EXPENSE	6,836	15,235	83,330	18%	68,095
WORKERS COMP. EXPENSE	125	375	2,904	13%	2,529
UNEMPLOYMENT COMP. EXPENSE	-	-	-	N/A	-
TOTAL PERSONNEL EXPENSES	\$ 42,970	\$ 119,110	\$ 695,349	17%	576,239
OPERATIONAL EXPENSES					
CONSULTANTS	\$ 13,603	\$ 24,853	\$ 42,650	58%	17,798
GRANT/CONSULTING EXPENSE	-	-	-	N/A	0
AUDIT SERVICES EXPENSE	1,000	1,000	32,000	3%	31,000
TRAVEL EXPENSE	833	2,794	24,000	12%	21,206
TELEPHONE EXPENSE	511	983	4,600	21%	3,617
POSTAGE / SHIPPING EXPENSE	-	89	1,200	7%	1,111
EQUIPMENT RENTAL EXPENSE	313	1,189	6,695	18%	5,506
INSURANCE EXPENSE	4,960	6,048	11,612	52%	5,564
REPAIR/MAINT. EXPENSE	-	-	1,000	0%	1,000
PRINTING/REPRODUCTION EXPENSE	134	327	3,100	11%	2,773
UTILITIES (Elec, Internet)	546	1,942	21,100	9%	19,158
ADVERTISING/LEGAL NOTICES EXP	62	79	1,600	5%	1,521
OTHER MISC. EXPENSE	-	-	200	0%	200
BANK SERVICE CHARGES	-	-	-	N/A	N/A
OFFICE SUPPLIES EXPENSE	-	97	3,500	3%	3,403
COMPUTER RELATED EXPENSE	947	9,981	24,917	40%	14,936
DUES AND MEMBERSHIP	6,375	8,875	25,095	35%	16,220
PUBLICATION EXPENSE	-	-	-	N/A	0
PROF. DEVELOP.	-	-	1,000	0%	1,000
MEETINGS/EVENTS EXPENSE	1,240	2,392	7,000	34%	4,608
CAPITAL OUTLAY - OPERATIONS	-	-	-	N/A	0
LEASE LONG TERM	4,052	11,769	48,233	24%	36,464
UNCOLLECTABLE RECEIVABLES	-	-	-	N/A	N/A
FUND BALANCE			\$ 852,378		
OPERATIONAL EXP.	\$ 34,575	\$ 72,418	\$ 1,111,880	7%	187,084

Current Month	Year to Date A	FY 2018-2019 Approved Budget B	% Of Budget Year to Date	Budget Remaining
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ALLOCATION FOR FRINGE/INDIRECT (CAPTURED BY GRANTS)

TOTAL OPERATIONAL EXP.			\$	1,111,880		
TOTAL CASH OUTLAY	\$	77,545	\$	191,527	\$	1,807,229
					\$	763,324
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$	(38,178)	\$	(109,042)		

SWFRPC
Balance Sheet
December 31, 2018

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ASSETS

Current Assets		
Cash - Florida Prime	\$	141,296.02
Cash - FineMark Oper.		55,870.11
Cash - FineMark MM		514,171.19
Petty Cash		200.00
Accounts Receivable		65,168.81
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Total Current Assets		776,706.13
Property and Equipment		
Property, Furniture & Equip		237,172.31
Accumulated Depreciation		(197,201.57)
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Total Property and Equipment		39,970.74
Other Assets		
Amount t.b.p. for L.T.L.-Leave		40,634.44
FSA Deposit		2,881.29
Rental Deposits		3,500.00
Amt t.b.p. for L.T.Debt-OPEB		65,074.00
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Total Other Assets		112,089.73
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Total Assets	\$	928,766.60
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LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL

Current Liabilities		
Deferred NorthPoint NOPC_5328	\$	662.23
Deferred Commons NOPC_5337		1,500.00
Deferred Palmer Ranch 28_5349		13,117.64
Deferred PalmerRanch XXIX_5355		15,000.00
FICA Taxes Payable		209.60
Federal W/H Tax Payable		24.96
United way Payable		(470.00)
Deferred Compensation Payable		(300.00)
FSA Payable		(698.43)
LEPC Contingency Fund		305.25
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Total Current Liabilities		29,351.25
Long-Term Liabilities		
Accrued Annual Leave		40,634.44
Long Term Debt - OPEB		65,074.00
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Total Long-Term Liabilities		105,708.44
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Total Liabilities		135,059.69
Capital		
Fund Balance-Unassigned		348,952.42
Fund Balance-Assigned		514,000.00
FB-Non-Spendable/Fixed Assets		39,970.74
Net Income		(109,216.25)
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Total Capital		793,706.91
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Total Liabilities & Capital	\$	928,766.60
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Presentations

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SWFRPC Relevancy

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SOUTHWEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

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REQUIRED BY STATE STATUTE

UNFUNDED

01

*SRPP:
Strategic
Regional
Policy Plan*

02

*Regional
Data
Clearing-
house /
IC&R*

03

*Annual
Report /
Financial &
Audit
Reporting*

04

*Regional
Dispute
Resolution*

ONGOING PROGRAMS FUNDED BY FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

01

Local Emergency Planning Committee

- *Outreach, Education, & Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan*

02

Hazardous Material Emergency Planning

- *Training of first responders*

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Economic Development District

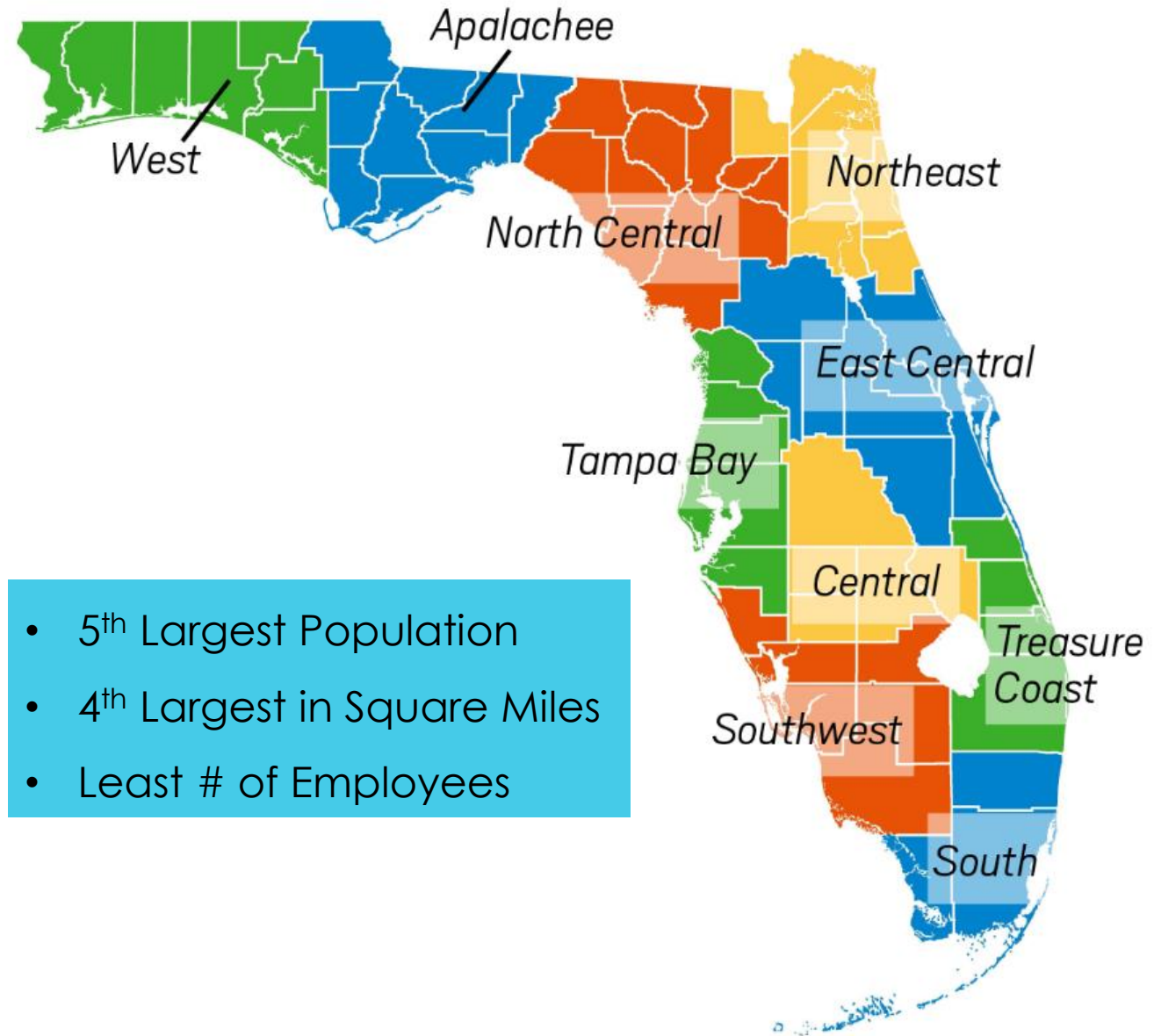
- *CEDS required for federal funding*
- *Impact modeling provided*

The Regional Planning Councils Are Delegated:

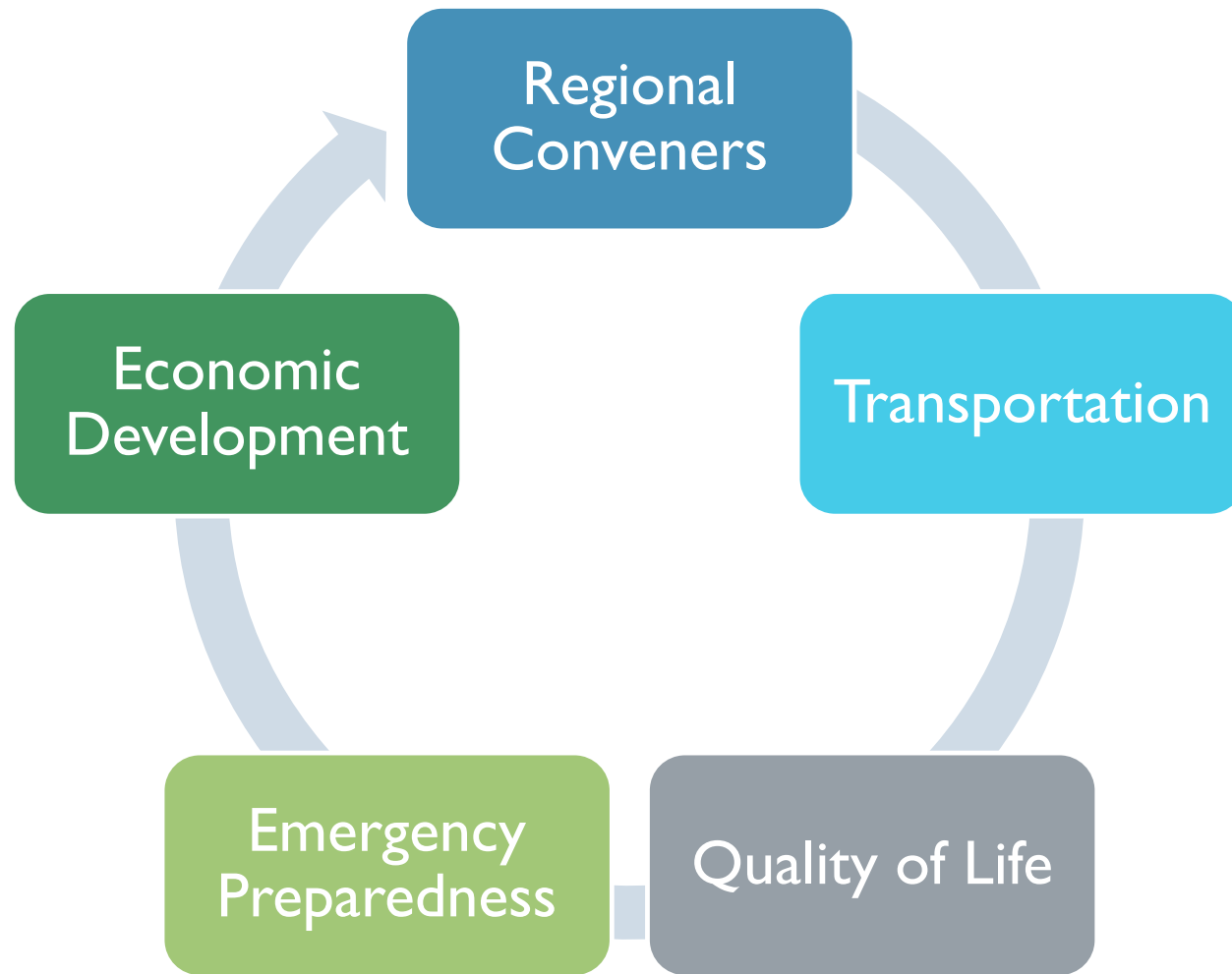
37 duties within **11** chapters:

- CHAPTER 129: ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT
- CHAPTER 163: INTERGOVERNMENTAL PROGRAMS
- CHAPTER 186: STATE & REGIONAL PLANNING
- CHAPTER 258: MYAKKA RIVER MANAGEMENT COORDINATING COUNCIL
- CHAPTER 260: FLORIDA GREENWAYS & TRAILS COUNCIL
- CHAPTER 288: COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT & CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS
- CHAPTER 339: TRANSPORTATION FINANCE & PLANNING
- CHAPTER 380: LAND AND WATER MANAGEMENT
- CHAPTER 403: ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL
- CHAPTER 420: HOUSING
- CHAPTER 1013: EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES

Regional Planning Councils	Date Established	2017 Regional Population	Governing Board Size	Staff Size FTE	Square Miles	Budget in millions
 Apalachee Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Jackson, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Wakulla	Aug. 1977	485,278	27	8	6,757	\$ 0.9
 Central Florida DeSoto, Hardee, Highlands, Okeechobee, Polk	Jul. 1974	867,970	18	18	5,287	\$ 3.5
 East Central Florida Brevard, Lake, Marion, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, Sumter, Volusia	Feb. 1962	4,006,558	35	12	9,244	\$ 1.6
 North Central Florida Alachua, Bradford, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Lafayette, Levy, Madison, Suwannee, Taylor, Union	May. 1969	557,004	44	11	8,660	\$ 2.1
 Northeast Florida Baker, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Nassau, Putnam, St. Johns	Apr. 1977	1,661,055	35	12	5,097	\$ 2.4
 South Florida Broward, Dade, Monroe	Jul. 1974	4,693,954	19	17	7,492	\$ 2.3
 Southwest Florida Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry, Lee, Sarasota	Nov. 1973	1,688,062	30	4	7,278	\$ 1.6
 Tampa Bay Citrus, Hernando, Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas	Feb. 1962	3,541,479	44	8.5	4,998	\$ 2.3
 Treasure Coast Indian River, Martin, Palm Beach, St. Lucie	Aug. 1976	2,013,762	28	9	4,441	\$ 2.4
 West Florida Bay, Escambia, Holmes, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Walton, Washington	Oct. 1964	969,020	33	35	6,509	\$ 3.5



- 5th Largest Population
- 4th Largest in Square Miles
- Least # of Employees



PRIMARY FOCUS AREAS

FOR ALL 10 REGIONAL
PLANNING COUNCILS:

THEN...

SWFRPC PROGRAMS



Economic Dev.
ED District,
CEDS



Water Quality



Estero Bay Agency on Bay Mgmt.



Local Emergency Planning Committee



Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning



Storm Resiliency & Climate Change Planning



Lee County MPO



Charlotte Harbor National Estuary Program



Trans. Disadv.



IC&R



DRI, NOPCs & Comp Plan Reviews

NOW...



Economic Dev.
ED District,
CEDS



Water Quality



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Local Emergency Planning Committee



Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning



Storm Resiliency & Climate Change Planning



Brownfields Assessment Program



SW Florida Promise Zone & VISTA Program



Disaster Planning Coordinator



IC&R



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BUDGET COMPARISON

THEN (2012 audit pg 8)...

REVENUES

ASSESSMENTS

\$459,517

GRANTS
CONTRACTS

\$1,993,894

\$2,453,411

EXPENSES

OPERATING

\$975,453

PERSONNEL

\$1,454,849

\$2,430,302

\$23,109

ANNUAL NET INCOME

NOW...

REVENUES

ASSESSMENTS

\$181,713

FULL
ASSMNTS
\$506,419

GRANTS
CONTRACTS

\$403,505

\$585,218

EXPENSES

OPERATING

\$259,502

PERSONNEL

\$695,349

SALARIES:
\$511,780
FRINGE:
\$183,569

\$954,852

-\$369,633

ANNUAL NET INCOME

2012
THEN...

2019
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Employees

Full Time Employees



Temporary/Contract Employees

VISTA
Program
Supervisor



Grant
contract

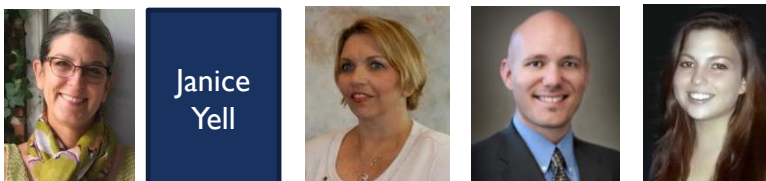
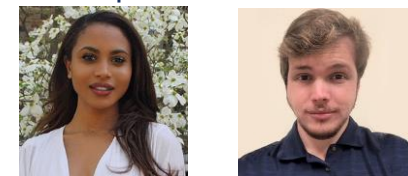


Legal
consultant



VISTAS

Opioid Task Force



Janice
Yell

FULL TIME EMPLOYEES



MARGARET WUERSTLE Executive Director

Grant Research, Preparation, Implementation and Oversight, Promise Zone Coordinator, Hazardous Materials Planning and Prevention Program Grant, EDA Agriculture Grant for New Markets, Branding and Marketing, Bonita Springs Affordable Housing Study, Clewiston Revitalization Plan, MLK Corridor Study, LaBelle Day Trip project, LaBelle Farm Tours project, Regional Plan for Agriculture Sustainability, Hendry County Education Vision and Implementation Plan, Veterans Transportation and Community Living Initiative, Annual Budget and Workplan



JAMES BEEVER, III Planner IV/Environmental Planner

Planning, environmental review, technical assistance in natural resources, restoration, land acquisition, wildlife resource inventory, fish and wildlife, wildlife habitat planning, flood protection, wastewater treatment, ecosystem services evaluations, climate change planning, and project review of water, wetlands and natural resources. Review/Planning of Comprehensive Everglades Restoration and SW Florida Watershed Study Projects, review of clearinghouse projects. Serves on 17 committees: Estero Bay ABM, CREW, and Myakka River Coordinating Council.



REBEKAH HARP Business Operations Manager/Grants Manager/Digital Designer

Operations Management, Accounting/ Financials/ Budget/ Audit/ Purchasing/ Accounts Receivable/ Accounts Payable, Grants Management, Grant Deliverable/Research Support, Human Resources/Employee Benefits, Records Management Liaison Officer, IT Administrator, Website Administrator, Digital Designer



CJ KAMMERER Planner I/Operations Analyst

CEDS/Economic Development District Coordinator, LEPC/HMEP Coordinator, Brownfield Coalition Assessment Grant Manager, Grant Writer, RPC Meeting Coordinator, Hazardous Facilities Analysis, Economic Impact Modeling, Checks and Check Requests, Data Analyst, DRI & Comp Plan Amendment Records Management

CONTRACT EMPLOYEES

TERM ENDS: 12/31/2019



SEAN MCCABE Disaster Recovery Coordinator

Recovery, Resilience and Preparation from potential disasters, Assist with natural disaster mitigation and recovery, Increase economic resiliency, including resilience to the effects of natural disasters and climate change, Work with communities to find innovative ways to solve the region's disaster recovery and economic resiliency issues.

TERM ENDS: 03/31/2020 – REVOLVING GRANT



KATELYN KUBASIK VISTA Supervisor

Supervisor for 10 VISTA members at 8 sub-sites, Responsible for Member Recruitment, Onboarding and On-site Orientation Training, Sub-site Supervisor Training, Monthly Progress Reports, Records of Attendance, and Development of Sub-site MOUs

CONSULTANT

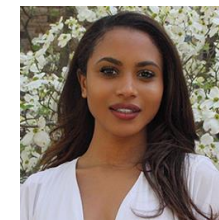


BETH NIGHTINGALE Legal Consultant

Conducts Research, Prepares Resolutions, Memos, and Correspondence, Attends Council meetings, Coordinates and presides over meetings, Performs document reviews, Conducts Interviews and Reference Checks of Prospective Employees/ Contractors, Weekly Grant Research for Promise Zone, Grant Writing

VISTAS

Opioid Task Force



RELEVANCY:

This Is What We Heard...



*Where we are in
these areas...*

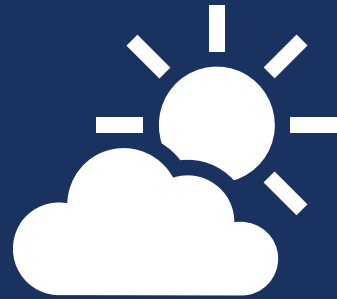


Water Quality



- Growth Management Regulation, Public Investment and Resource Implications for the Estero Bay Watershed
- A Watershed Analysis of Permitted Coastal Wetland Impacts and Mitigation Methods within the Charlotte Harbor National Estuary Program Study Area
- State of the Bay Update
- Spring Creek Vulnerability and Restoration Opportunity Assessment
- A rapid functional assessment method for designed freshwater and brackish water filter marsh ecosystems used for water quality treatment
- Filter Marsh Functional Assessment Method (FMFAM) Plant Identification Guide
- Total Ecosystem Services Values (TEV) in Southwest Florida: The ECOSERVE Method
- Spring Creek Restoration Plan
- Developing and applying a method to use ecosystem services measurement to quantify wetland restoration successes
- City of Bonita Springs Flood Reduction and Watershed Restoration Plan

Storm Resiliency & Climate Change



- Comprehensive Southwest Florida/ Charlotte Harbor Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment
- **Adaptation Plan for the City of Punta Gorda**
- Lee County Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment
- Lee County Climate Change Resiliency Strategy
- Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment and Adaptation Opportunities for Salt Marsh Types in Southwest Florida
- Estimating and Forecasting Ecosystem Services within Pine Island Sound, Sanibel Island, Captiva Island, North Captiva Island, Cayo Costa Island, Useppa Island, Other Islands of the Sound, and the Nearshore Gulf of Mexico
- City of Cape Coral Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment
- Pelican Cove Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment & Plan
- City of Cape Coral Climate Change Resiliency Strategy
- Identifying and Diagnosing Locations of Ongoing and Future Saltwater Wetland Loss and Death From the Hydrologic and Biogeochemical Impacts of Climate Change and Human Impoundment With A Treatment Protocol for Restoration of Afflicted Areas



Affordable Housing



- Bonita Springs Affordable Housing Study
- Affordable Housing Conference



Quality of Life



- Opioid Research & Regional Task Force
- Lee County Active Shooter Meeting
- Brownfields Assessment
- HazMat Inspections
- Local Emergency Planning Committee
- Small Quantity Generator Inspections



Regional Transportation



- GIS Transportation Map
- Veterans Transportation and Community Living Study
- Rail Corridor — Study of Strategic Regional Transportation Corridor for long term multi-modal transportation uses

**There are many more projects
completed over the years...**

**Moving
Forward**





Water Quality



- Assist Local Jurisdictions with implementing resolutions of the SWFRPC with regards to water quality
 - Res. #2007-01 SWFRPC Fertilizer Resolution
 - Res. #2007-03 SWFRPC Wastewater Resolution
 - Res. #2007-05 SWFRPC Wastewater Package Plant Resolution – Plant with Less than 100,000 GRD Capacity
 - Res. #2008-11 SWFRPC Stormwater Resolution for New Development and Re-Development
 - Res. #2008-12 SWFRPC Stormwater Resolution for Retrofit Development

Storm Resiliency & Climate Change



- Adaptation Planning for Communities
- Update Vulnerability Assessment
- Flood Reduction Planning for Communities
- Update of the Evacuation Study
- Critical Infrastructure Placement



Affordable Housing



- Collaborate with Agencies & Partners to Identify Needs and Funding
- Advocate Infrastructure
- Recruit Affordable Housing Builders



Quality of Life



- Healthy Futures
 - Regional Opioid Task Force
 - Mental Health
- Food Deserts
- Encourage Product Development in Underserved Communities
- Collaborate with Agencies & Partners to Identify Needs and Funding



Regional Transportation



- Planning for a Changing Future
 - Electric and Autonomous Vehicles
 - High Speed Rail
 - Advocate for the Repair of Failing Infrastructure
 - Ride Services
 - Electronic Traffic Control Timing to Ease Traffic Congestion



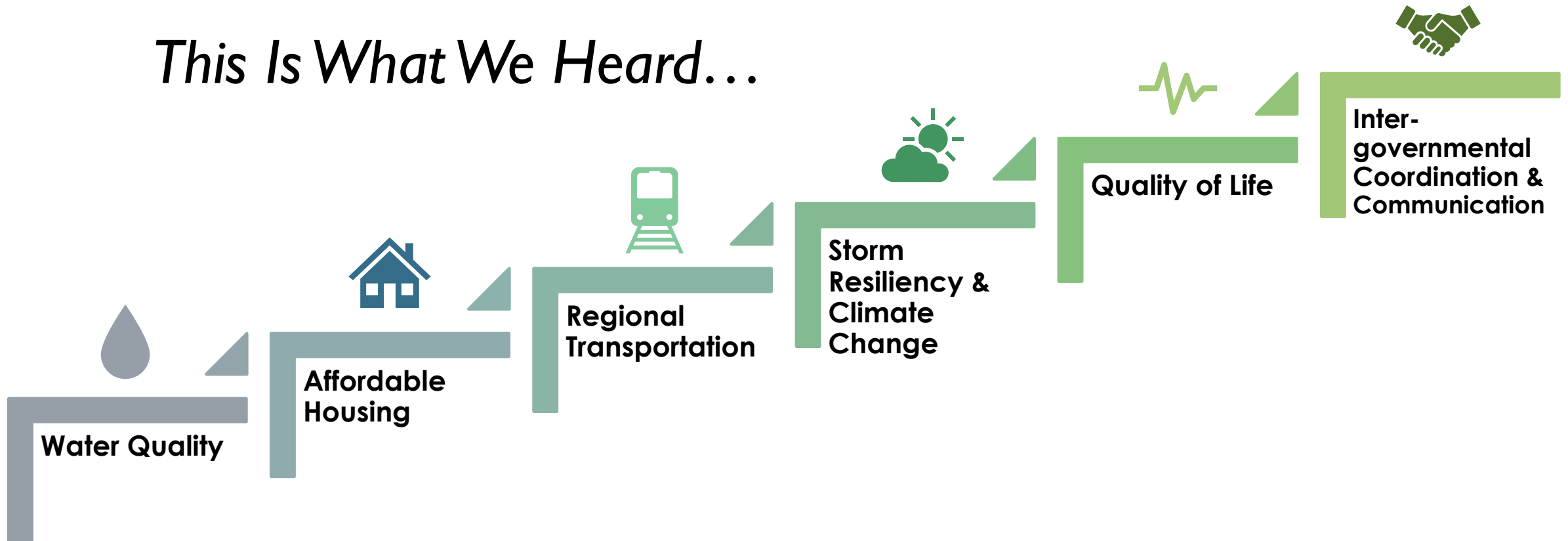
Intergovernmental Coordination & Communication



- Provide Assistance With Intergovernmental Communication
- Grant Writing
- Collaborate with Agencies & Partners to Identify Needs and Funding

AREAS OF RELEVANCY:

This Is What We Heard...



CHAPTER 129: ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT

- When an administrative law judge presides over a matter involving RPC, RPC shall reimburse administrative law judge's travel expenses.

CHAPTER 163: INTERGOVERNMENTAL PROGRAMS

- Review and comment on regional resources or facilities identified in the SRPP.
- Review proposed plans or plan amendments under the State Coordinated Review
- Conduct scoping meetings upon request, to identify relevant planning issues.

CHAPTER 186: STATE & REGIONAL PLANNING

- Act as a regional data clearinghouse.
- Designated as the primary organization to address problems and plan solutions that are of greater-than-local concern.
- Florida's only multipurpose regional entity to plan for and coordinate intergovernmental solutions to growth-related problems; provide technical assistance to local governments; and, meet other needs of the communities in each region.
- Provide technical assistance to local governments on growth management matters.
- Assist local governments with activities designed to promote and facilitate economic development.
- Meet statutory requirements regarding membership for a regional planning council.
- Conduct business to run the organization.
- Provide advice to constituent local governments on regional, metropolitan, county, and municipal planning matters.
- Cooperate with federal and state agencies in planning for emergency management.
- Coordinate with other regional entities in preparing and assuring regular review of the Strategic Regional Policy Plan.
- Coordinate land development and transportation policies that foster region-wide transportation systems.
- Review plans of independent transportation authorities and metropolitan planning organizations to identify inconsistencies between those agencies' plans and applicable local government plans.
- Provide consulting services to a private developer or landowner under certain circumstances.
- Prepare and adopt by rule a Strategic Regional Policy Plan (SRPP). SRPP shall be prepared at least every 5 years.
- Establish by rule a dispute resolution process to reconcile differences on planning and growth management issues between local governments, regional agencies, and private interests.
- Provide annual report of activities.

CHAPTER 186: STATE & REGIONAL PLANNING

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- Statute provides protection for regional planning councils created pursuant to Chapter 163, F.S.
- Must take into account that the accuracy and reliability of maps and data for GIS may be limited to various factors.
- Submit an audit report and an annual financial report for the previous fiscal year.

CHAPTER 258: MYAKKA RIVER MANAGEMENT COORDINATING COUNCIL

- Required to serve on Myakka River Management Coordinating Council

CHAPTER 260: FLORIDA GREENWAYS & TRAILS COUNCIL

- Serve on the Florida Greenways and Trails Council. Membership rotates among the 7 RPCs.

CHAPTER 288: COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT & CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

- An appointed representative by FRCA shall serve on the Rural Economic Development Initiative.
- Participate in a pre-submission workshop concerning a military base reuse plan.

CHAPTER 339: TRANSPORTATION FINANCE & PLANNING

- Develop transportation goals and policies as part of the SRPP.

CHAPTER 380: LAND AND WATER MANAGEMENT

- Serve on Resource Planning and Management Committees as designated by the Governor prior to an area being designated as an Area of Critical State Concern.
- Provide technical assistance to local governments in the preparation of land development regulations and local comprehensive plans in Areas of Critical State Concern.

CHAPTER 403: ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

- Serve on Ecosystem Management Advisory Teams.
- Perform local hazardous waste management assessments and provide technical expertise.
- Follow the local hazardous waste management assessment guidelines to properly implement the assessments.
- Designate sites for regional hazardous waste storage or treatment facility could be constructed.
- Participate in regional permit action teams.

CHAPTER 420: HOUSING

- One representative from RPCs shall serve on the Affordable Housing Study Commission, as appointed by Governor.

CHAPTER 1013: EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES

- Review Campus Master Plans prior to adoption and provide comments.

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