MINUTES OF THE
SOUTHWEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
OCTOBER 16, 2008

The regular meeting of the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council was held on October 16, 2008 in the Fete Ballroom at the Polo Grill and Bar located at 10670 Boardwalk Loop in Lakewood Ranch, Florida. The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Chairman Andrea Messina. Mayor Jim Humphrey led the Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. Administrative Services Specialist Nichole Gwinnett conducted the roll call.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Charlotte County: Commissioner Adam Cummings, Commissioner Tom Moore, Councilmember Marilyn Smith-Mooney, Ms. Andrea Messina, Mr. Alan LeBeau

Collier County: Commissioner Jim Coletta, Commissioner Frank Halas, Councilwoman Teresa Heitmann

Glades County: None

Hendry County: Mr. Melvin Karau

Lee County: Mayor Mick Denham, Mayor Jim Humphrey, Councilman John Spear, Mayor Eric Feichthaler, Councilman Tom Babcock

Sarasota County: Commissioner Jon Thaxton alt. for Commissioner Shannon Staub Commissioner Jim Blucher, Councilman Ernie Zavodnyik

Ex-Officio Members: Ms. Dianne Davies - SWFWMD

MEMBERS ABSENT

Charlotte County: None

Collier County: Councilman Charles Kiester, Ms. Laura Holquist

Glades County: Commissioner Paul Beck, Commissioner Kenneth “Butch” Jones, Councilman Michael Brantley, Dr. Edward Elkowitz

Hendry County: Mayor Paul Puletti, Commissioner Janet Taylor, Commissioner Bill Maddox, Mayor Mali Chamness

Lee County: Commissioner Bob Janes, Commissioner Brian Bigelow

Sarasota County: Commissioner Paul Mercier, Mr. David Farley, Mr. George Mazzarantani
Ex-Officio Membership: Mr. Johnny Limbaugh - FDOT, Mr. Jon Iglehart - FDEP, Mr. Phil Flood - SFWMD, Ms. Janet Watermeier – Watermeier Consulting & Property Services, Ms. Tammie Nemecek – EDC of Collier County

AGENDA ITEM #1
AGENDA

Mr. Heatherington asked for a moment of silence for Mr. Johnny Limbaugh who had been hospitalized due to major surgery.

Chairman Messina announced that there was a walk-on item entitled Agenda Item #3(g) Florida Gulf Coast Technology and Research Park Request for Sufficiency Response Extension. She also noted that the back-up material for Agenda Item #3(d) Jetport Interstate Commerce Park – NOPC was distributed as a handout.

Mayor Humphrey moved and Commissioner Blucher seconded to approve the amended agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM #2
MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 18, 2008

Mr. LeBeau moved and Commissioner Halas seconded to approve the minutes of September 18, 2008 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM #3
CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Humphrey moved and Commissioner Cummings seconded to approve the consent agenda as amended: Agenda Item #3(a) Intergovernmental Coordination and Review; Agenda Item #3(b) Financial Statement for September 30, 2008; Agenda Item #3(c) Babcock Ranch Increment I - Preapplication Questionnaire Checklist; Agenda Item #3(d) Jetport DRI – NOPC; Agenda Item #3(e) North Port Gardens DRI – Extension to Sufficiency Response Period; Agenda Item #3(f) Toll-Rattlesnake DRI – Extension to Sufficiency Response Period; and Agenda Item #3(g) Florida Gulf Coast Technology and Research Park Request for Sufficiency Response Extension The motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM #4(a)
Lower West Coast Watersheds Subcommittee Report – Mayor Mick Denham

Mayor Denham gave an overview of the Water Congress in which he was the Council’s representative. He explained that he will prepare a report for the November meeting.
AGENDA ITEM #4(b)
Presentation of Awards to Outgoing Councilmembers

Chairman Messina presented an award of appreciation to Councilmember Marilyn Smith-Mooney for her service to the Council from 1999 to 2008.

Chairman Messina presented an award of appreciation to Mayor Eric Feichthaler for his service to the Council from 2007 to 2008.

AGENDA ITEM #5
PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments at this time.

AGENDA ITEM #6
DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

Mr. Heatherington had no comments at this time.

AGENDA ITEM #7
STATE AGENCIES COMMENTS/REPORTS

No state agencies comments or reports were given at this time.

AGENDA ITEM #8
COUNCIL ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS

Ms. Donley announced that a workshop is scheduled for Friday, October 17th at 10:00 a.m. at the Council's offices for the suggested rule changes.

AGENDA ITEM #9
COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMENTS

Mayor Feichthaler announced that he was very proud to have been a member of the Council.

Mayor Denham announced that he had decided to run again for City Council.

Councilmember Smith-Mooney stated how much of a wonderful experience it had been for her being a member of the Council.

AGENDA ITEM #11
ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 9:17 am.
The meeting was duly advertised in the October 3, 2008 issue of the FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE WEEKLY, Volume 34, Number 40.