

VILLAGE OF ESTERO SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2020
9:30 A.M.

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09:30:04 >>Mayor Ribble: GOOD MORNING.
09:30:05 IT'S 9:30.
09:30:07 I WOULD LIKE TO CALL THE DECEMBER 9, VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
09:30:10 TO ORDER.
09:30:10 I'D LIKE TO REMIND EVERYONE TO PLEASE SILENCE THEIR CELL
09:30:13 PHONES.
09:30:14 BUT BEFORE WE GO INTO THIS MORNING'S INVOCATION, I JUST WANT
09:30:18 TO TAKE TIME OUT HERE FOR A SHORT ADVERTISEMENT ON COVID.
09:30:23 I THINK EVERYBODY HERE KNOWS WHAT COVID IS BY NOW HOPEFULLY.
09:30:27 IF YOU DON'T, YOU MIGHT WANT TO START OVER AT THE PUBLIX
09:30:30 SUPERMARKET HERE.
09:30:31 THEY'VE GOT A STACK OF THESE PAPERS FROM LAST SATURDAY.
09:30:35 I DON'T KNOW HOW MANY OF YOU FOLKS READ THE ARTICLE, BUT IF
09:30:38 YOU DON'T BELIEVE COVID IS A PROBLEM, I THINK YOU NEED TO
09:30:40 PICK UP THIS ARTICLE.
09:30:42 MARYANN BATTLES' TEAM DID AN OUTSTANDING JOB ADVERTISING
09:30:46 THIS.

09:30:47 THE SCARIEST THING IS KYLE GIVES US, AS YOU KNOW, HOPEFULLY
09:30:50 YOU FOLKS GET HIS E-MAILS EVERY DAY.
09:30:52 HOPEFULLY -- CAN EVERYBODY HEAR ME OKAY?
09:30:55 WE'RE REALLY DISCOURAGED BY THE GROWTH, PARTICULARLY HERE IN
09:31:03 ESTERO.
09:31:04 SINCE OCTOBER THE 26th, OUR CASES HAVE DOUBLED.
09:31:07 THEY WENT FROM 65 TO 138, AND NOW THEY ARE UP TO 183 NEW
09:31:14 CASES LAST WEEK.
09:31:15 SO THE TREND IS GOING THE WRONG WAY, MY FRIENDS.
09:31:18 IF THIS IS OUR BANK ACCOUNT, WE WOULD BE BROKE IN ANOTHER
09:31:21 COUPLE OF WEEKS.
09:31:22 SO WE REALLY NEED TO TAKE A LOOK AT WHAT WE'RE DOING HERE.
09:31:25 WE HAVE TO TAKE A LOOK AT BEHAVIOR.
09:31:27 WE'RE VERY FORTUNATE TO HAVE COUNCIL, BURT SAUNDERS, AS YOU
09:31:30 KNOW, CHAIRS THE COMMISSION DOWN IN COLLIER COUNTY.
09:31:35 I THINK THOSE FOLKS HAVE DONE A TREMENDOUS JOB WITH HIS
09:31:41 LEADERSHIP, INSISTING ON THE WEARING OF A MASK.
09:31:44 NOW, WE'RE NOT GOING TO GO TO THE MASK MANDATE.

09:31:47 I KNOW PEOPLE ARE SAYING, I STILL GET PHONE CALLS, WHY
09:31:50 AREN'T WE DOING A MASK MANDATE?
09:31:52 IT'S REAL EASY, WE DON'T HAVE A WAY OF ENFORCING IT.
09:31:57 WE'RE ENCOURAGING PEOPLE TO WEAR MASKS.
09:31:58 WHEN I'M OUT SHOPPING AROUND THE AREA, I THINK THE FOLKS
09:32:01 AROUND HERE DO A GREAT JOB WEARING MASKS.
09:32:04 I THINK THE PROBLEM WE GET INTO IS WE GET INTO A SITUATION

09:32:07 IN A RESTAURANT OR WE GO TO A SHOP OR A DRUGSTORE, AND WE
09:32:12 SEE SOMEONE THERE THAT WE'RE BUDDIES WITH AND WE KNOW, AND
09:32:15 THEN WE LET OUR GUARD DOWN WITH TAKING OFF THE MASK OR
09:32:18 LOWERING THE MASK SO THEY CAN SEE OUR BEAUTIFUL SMILE.
09:32:22 AND THE PROBLEM WHEN YOU DO THAT IS YOU DON'T KNOW WHERE
09:32:24 THAT PERSON WAS YESTERDAY OR THE DAY BEFORE OR AN HOUR
09:32:28 BEFORE.
09:32:28 IT ONLY TAKES A SECOND TO GET EXPOSED TO THE VIRUS?
09:32:32 AND PEOPLE ARE GETTING THIS THING.
09:32:34 IT'S REALLY SCARY.
09:32:35 WE KNOW SOME PEOPLE LOCALLY THAT HAVE IT.
09:32:38 AND GOT RID OF IT, AND WE'VE BEEN VERY FORTUNATE, MOST OF
09:32:42 THE FOLKS, EXCEPT FOR THE ONE GENTLEMAN, STEVE OVER AT THE
09:32:46 ELKS CLUB, MOST OF THE FOLKS HAVE RECOVERED FROM THIS.
09:32:49 WE PUT OUT THE HANDOUT ON CDC GUIDELINES.
09:32:53 WE'RE ALL ADULTS HERE.
09:32:55 I'M NOT GOING TO READ THIS THING LIKE WE DO IN KINDERGARTEN,
09:32:57 BUT TAKE A LOOK AT THIS THING.
09:32:59 ARE YOU WEARING YOUR MASK ALL THE TIME?
09:33:01 WE LIKE TO CARPOOL ALL OVER FLORIDA.
09:33:04 WE HAVE SENIORS THAT NEED A RIDE TO THE DOCTOR, TO THE
09:33:06 DENTIST TO GET THEIR EYES FIXED.
09:33:09 CAN YOU GIVE ME A RIDE, BILL?
09:33:11 I DON'T MIND GIVING THEM A RIDE IF I KNOW THEM.
09:33:14 BUT WHEN WE'RE IN THE CAR, THEY HAVE TO WEAR THEIR MASK AND

09:33:17 I WEAR MY MASK.
09:33:19 JUST LITTLE TIPS I WANT TO SHARE.
09:33:20 I'M NOT ENCOURAGING NOT TO GIVE YOUR NEIGHBOR A RIDE FOR A
09:33:24 DOCTOR APPOINTMENT, THAT'S NOT WHAT I'M SAYING.
09:33:26 I THINK HAND SANITIZERS FOR BOTH THE DRIVER AND THE
09:33:29 PASSENGER AND WEARING THE MASK GO A LONG WAY.
09:33:32 WHEN YOU GET A CHANCE -- KYLE, DO WE HAVE ANY MORE COPIES OF
09:33:35 THIS?
09:33:36 IF YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT, WE HAVE A FREE
09:33:38 HANDOUT.
09:33:39 IT'S PAID FOR BY YOUR TAX MONEY OUT OF OUR PRINTER.
09:33:42 DOES ANY OTHER COUNCIL MEMBER WANT TO SPEAK TO THIS ISSUE?
09:33:45 I KNOW WE HAD OUR HEAD-TO-HEADS WITH STEVE, IT WAS A HOT
09:33:50 TOPIC.

09:33:50 ONE OTHER THING.
09:33:52 I THINK WE'VE DONE A GREAT JOB ASKING FOLKS TO WEAR THEIR
09:33:54 MASK WHEN THEY COME TO COUNCIL, BUT WHEN WE GET TO THE
09:33:58 PODIUM, WE WANT YOU TO CONTINUE TO WEAR YOUR MASK.
09:34:01 IT'S NOT FAIR TO CAROL OR TO COUNSEL WHO IS SITTING CLOSE BY
09:34:06 TO THE PODIUM OR TAMMY WHO COMES UP AND SANITIZES THE PODIUM
09:34:09 IF YOU'RE UP THERE WITHOUT A MASK ON.
09:34:12 IF YOU'RE BOTHERED BY SPEAKING WITH THE MASK, RATHER THAN
09:34:16 SPEAK A HUNDRED MILES AN HOUR LIKE US GUYS IN PHILADELPHIA,
09:34:20 TAKE IT DOWN TO 25 MILES PER HOUR.
09:34:22 DON'T SPEAK SO FAST.

09:34:23 TAKE A PAUSE.
09:34:24 CATCH YOUR BREATH.
09:34:25 YOU'RE ALLOWED THREE MINUTES.
09:34:27 I WAS TELLING MY GOOD FRIEND JOE THIS MORNING, YOU DON'T
09:34:29 HAVE TO TAKE ALL THREE MINUTES.
09:34:31 YOU CAN DO IT IN A MINUTE OR A MINUTE AND A HALF, TOO.
09:34:33 I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU ALL TO PLEASE WEAR YOUR MASKS WHEN YOU
09:34:36 COME TO THE PODIUM.
09:34:37 I'LL GET OFF MY TANGENT NOW.
09:34:39 THEN I'LL TURN IT OVER TO PASTOR FRANK BRAND FROM THE FIRST
09:34:42 BAPTIST CHURCH THIS MORNING TO DO OUR INVOCATION.
09:34:50 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: BILL, I HAVE A COMMENT.
09:34:51 AS ALL OF YOU THERE SHOULD KNOW BY NOW, I WENT THROUGH THE
09:34:59 LINE -- GARTH AND I WENT THROUGH THE LINE AT HERTZ IN TWO
09:35:04 SEPARATE CARS, AT TWO SEPARATE TIMES, AND WE WERE TESTED,
09:35:07 AND WE TESTED POSITIVE.
09:35:09 I DID NOT -- WE DID NOT GET OUR TEST RESULTS BACK FOR -- IT
09:35:17 WAS A WEEK LATER.
09:35:19 BOTH OF US HAVE BEEN RETESTED.
09:35:22 WE'RE NEGATIVE, BUT I WANT TO TELL YOU THAT THIS IS A VERY
09:35:28 SERIOUS DISEASE, VIRUS.
09:35:29 AND WE HAVEN'T DONE ANYTHING BEYOND WHAT WE DO PRACTICING
09:35:37 THE PROPER FREQUENTLY WASHING YOUR HANDS AND THE MASK.
09:35:40 WE'VE DONE IT ALL, EATING HEALTHY, THE EXERCISING.
09:35:43 SO I DON'T KNOW WHERE WE PICKED THIS UP.

09:35:48 I HAD MAYBE SOME SUSPICIONS WHERE WHEREVER, BUT TAKE IT
09:35:57 SERIOUSLY.
09:35:57 AND WHAT WE HAVE LEARNED IS THAT WE WERE ASYMPTOMATIC.
09:35:58 SO THAT MEANS IF I HADN'T BEEN TESTED, NOBODY WOULD HAVE
09:36:01 KNOWN.
09:36:02 SO I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE BE TESTED BECAUSE JUST
09:36:06 THINK ABOUT THAT, WE HAD NO SYMPTOMS, STILL HAVE NO
09:36:10 SYMPTOMS.
09:36:11 THAT'S HOW SPOOKY THIS CORONAVIRUS IS.
09:36:18 SO TAKE IT SERIOUSLY.

09:36:21 I APPRECIATE YOUR BRINGING THAT UP, BILL, MR. MAYOR.
09:36:25 >>Mayor Ribble: THANK YOU FOR SHARING YOUR PERSONAL
09:36:27 EXPERIENCE.
09:36:28 THAT REALLY SUPPORTS EVERYTHING I JUST TALKED ABOUT.
09:36:30 IS PASTOR BRAND HERE THIS MORNING, CAROL?
09:36:42 >> I WANT TO THANK OUR COUNCIL AND TO THOSE OF YOU ONLINE,
09:36:46 THANK GOD FOR EACH OF YOU.
09:36:48 THANK YOU FOR THE HAND SANITIZER AND THE BEAUTIFUL MASK THAT
09:36:52 YOU'VE MADE AVAILABLE TO ALL OF OUR RESIDENTS HERE.
09:36:54 >>Mayor Ribble: LOOKS GREAT ON YOU.
09:36:56 >> I WAS GOING TO COMPLIMENT YOU, YOU'VE NEVER LOOKED
09:36:59 BETTER.
09:36:59 >>Mayor Ribble: THAT'S WHAT MY WIFE TOLD ME.
09:36:59 SHE WANTS ME TO WEAR IT AT HOME ALL THE TIME.
09:36:59 I GOT TO WEAR IT IN THE SHOWER EVEN.

09:36:59 ISN'T THAT SOMETHING?
09:36:59 IT'S WATERPROOF.
09:37:15 >> YOU'VE NEVER LOOKED BETTER.
09:37:15 I DO WANT TO EXTEND AND WISH EVERYONE A MERRY CHRISTMAS.
09:37:18 I'M THANKFUL FOR BEING HERE WITH YOU ON BEHALF OF THE
09:37:19 MEMBERS OF FIRST BAPTIST OF ESTERO.
09:37:23 THANK YOU FOR THE HARD WORK THAT YOU DO OFTENTIMES SERVING
09:37:24 IN THE CAPACITY THAT YOU'RE IN.
09:37:24 YOU DON'T HEAR "THANK YOU VERY MUCH."
09:37:26 YOU HEAR MAYBE JUST THE COMPLAINTS.
09:37:27 SO THANK YOU, AND LET ME ENCOURAGE YOU TO PERSEVERE,
09:37:27 ESPECIALLY IN TIMES SUCH AS THIS AS WE CONTINUE TO GUARD
09:37:27 AGAINST THE GERMS OF THE COVID.
09:37:43 LET US PRAY.
09:37:44 FATHER IN HEAVEN, WE THANK YOU FOR THE GIFT OF LIFE.
09:37:48 WE THANK YOU, FATHER GOD, THAT YOU ARE FAITHFUL AMIDST THE
09:37:53 HARDSHIPS THAT WE WALK THROUGH DAY TO DAY LORD, WE HAVE A
09:37:57 CHOICE TO MAKE, WHETHER TO LOOK TO YOU AND TRUST IN YOU AND
09:38:02 ALLOW YOU TO PROVE YOURSELF OVER AND AGAIN FATEFUL, FATEFUL.
09:38:11 WE PRAY THAT OUR HEARTS ARE OPEN AND RECEPTIVE TO YOU.
09:38:14 I PRAY, FATHER GOD, THAT WE WOULD NOT TURN AGAINST YOU.
09:38:17 GRANT US REPENTANCE, LORD, THAT TODAY WE WOULD TRUST FULLY
09:38:21 AND FOLLOW YOUR WAYS, ESPECIALLY IN TIMES OF DIFFICULTY,
09:38:26 LORD.
09:38:26 IT IS SAID THAT IN GOOD TIMES YOU WHISPER TO US AND IN

09:38:31 DIFFICULT TIMES YOU ARE YELLING TO US TO GET OUR ATTENTION
09:38:34 THAT, LORD, WE WOULD RECOGNIZE OUR NEED FOR YOU.
09:38:37 AND SO PRESUMPTUOUSLY, I PRAY, LORD ON BEHALF OF EACH AND
09:38:44 EVERY PERSON WITHIN THE SOUND OF MY VOICE, LORD, YOU HAVE
09:38:47 OUR ATTENTION.
09:38:48 MAY OUR ANSWER TO YOU ALREADY BE A YES IN WHATEVER IT IS

09:38:52 YOU'RE TELLING US AND INSTRUCTING US TO DO.
09:38:54 THANK YOU, FATHER GOD, AS WE CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS, EVEN
09:38:56 DURING THIS COVID SEASON, WE CAN REST ASSURED THAT, LORD,
09:39:00 THE GIFT OF YOUR SON JESUS IMPACTS US FULLY.
09:39:07 LORD, I PRAY THAT THIS YEAR WE WOULD FALL MORE IN LOVE WITH
09:39:10 YOU THAN WE EVER IMAGINED WE COULD, AND THAT WE WOULD BE
09:39:13 GOOD NEIGHBORS TO ONE ANOTHER, LORD.
09:39:15 IF IT'S WEARING MASKS OR IF IT'S DELIVERING MEALS, LORD, MAY
09:39:20 WE BE AWARE AND ATTENTIVE TO THE NEEDS OF OUR NEIGHBORS.
09:39:22 I DO THANK YOU FOR EACH AND EVERY PERSON THAT SERVES
09:39:27 FAITHFULLY IN THIS VILLAGE.
09:39:29 LORD, I PRAY THAT YOUR HAND WOULD REST UPON THEM, THAT YOUR
09:39:32 HAND OF PROTECTION ON THEM.
09:39:33 YOU GRANT US WISDOM EVEN AS WE GO THROUGH THIS TIME OF
09:39:37 MEETING THIS MORNING.
09:39:37 I PRAY, FATHER GOD, FOR UNITY, UNDERSTANDING, FLEXIBILITY,
09:39:42 AND, LORD, I PRAY MOST OF ALL, LORD, THAT YOU WOULD BRING TO
09:39:46 US AMIDST DIFFERENCES THAT WE HAVE FOR THE LEFT, FOR THE
09:39:50 RIGHT, THAT, LORD, WE WOULD JUST SEEK COMMON GROUND.

09:39:55 SO THANK YOU, JESUS.
09:39:56 THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO DO.
09:39:58 THANK YOU THAT IN THE FULLNESS OF TIME WHEN YOU CAME TO
09:40:01 OFFER YOURSELF AS A PERFECT SACRIFICE, LORD, THAT WE CAN
09:40:06 REST AND KNOW THAT WE ARE NOT CHILDREN OF WRATH, THAT WE
09:40:10 HAVE BEEN DELIVERED BY YOUR FATEFUL GIFT.
09:40:15 LORD, AGAIN, I DO PRAY THAT YOU WOULD SMILE DOWN UPON OUR
09:40:19 COUNCIL AS THEY SEEK TO GUIDE AND LEAD THIS COMMUNITY.
09:40:24 MAY THEY DO SO WITH WISDOM, WISDOM FROM YOU.
09:40:27 IN JESUS' NAME WE PRAY.
09:40:29 AMEN.

09:40:30 >>Mayor Ribble: AMEN.
09:40:31 PLEASE JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE TO THE FLAG.
09:40:33 I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF
09:40:36 AMERICA, AND TO THE REPUBLIC, FOR WHICH IT STANDS, ONE
09:40:39 NATION UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR
09:40:44 ALL.

09:40:49 >>Mayor Ribble: MADAM CLERK, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL?

09:40:52 >>Carol Sacco: COUNCIL MEMBER LEVITAN?

09:40:53 >>Howard Levitan: HERE.

09:40:55 >>Jon McLain: HERE.

09:40:56 >>Jim Boesch: HERE.

09:40:58 >>Nick Batos: HERE.

09:41:00 >>Jim Wilson: HERE.

09:41:02 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: HERE.

09:41:03 >>Mayor Ribble: HERE.

09:41:04 NEXT ON THE AGENDA IS APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.

09:41:07 DOES ANYONE HAVE ANY ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, OR CHANGES TO THE
09:41:10 AGENDA?
09:41:10 OKAY, MR. BOESCH.
09:41:16 SECONDED BY MR. BATOS.
09:41:18 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.
09:41:21 >>Carol Sacco: COUNCIL MEMBER LEVITAN?
09:41:23 >>Howard Levitan: AYE.
09:41:25 >>Jon McLain: AYE.
09:41:26 >>Jim Boesch: AYE.
09:41:28 >>Nick Batos: AYE.
09:41:29 >>Jim Wilson: AYE.
09:41:33 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: AYE.
09:41:33 >>Mayor Ribble: AYE.
09:41:35 WE'LL NOW TAKE PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS THAT ARE NOT ON THE
09:41:40 AGENDA.
09:41:42 MADAM CLERK, DO WE HAVE EVERYONE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON
09:41:46 NON-AGENDA ITEMS?
09:41:48 >>Carol Sacco: EXCUSE ME, MAYOR.
09:41:49 THE MINUTES HAVE TO BE DELETED OFF THE CONSENT AGENDA.
09:41:54 >>Mayor Ribble: WE'RE NOT THERE YET.
09:41:56 THAT'S NEXT.
09:41:56 ANYONE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK?
09:42:02 >>Carol Sacco: YES.

09:42:02 MR. JOE MICELI.
09:42:05 >>Mayor Ribble: MR. MICELI, ALWAYS A PLEASURE.
09:42:10 >> [NOT SPEAKING INTO A MICROPHONE]
09:42:13 GOOD MORNING, MR. MAYOR, COUNCIL MEMBERS, JOE MICELI.
09:42:17 20271 ROOKERY DRIVE IN WONDERFUL ESTERO.
09:42:23 OKAY.
09:42:25 FIRST, I HAVE TO DIVERGE FROM WHAT I REALLY WANTED TO SAY
09:42:28 WHICH IS MAYOR, I APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS.
09:42:32 VICE-MAYOR KATY, I APPRECIATE YOUR INPUT.
09:42:37 CORONAVIRUS IS SERIOUS STUFF.
09:42:41 WE HAVE A COUPLE OF OUTSTANDING VIROLOGISTS RIGHT HERE AT
09:42:45 FGCU, AND IF THIS COUNCIL IN THE FUTURE DECIDES OR DESIRES
09:42:52 TO HAVE THEM COME HERE AND MAKE A LITTLE PRESENTATION, I'M
09:42:55 SURE I COULD ARRANGE SOMETHING WITH THEM.
09:42:57 FORMER MAYOR BOESCH HAS MET THESE FOLKS AND HAS TOURED THEIR
09:43:05 WORLD-CLASS LABORATORY RIGHT HERE IN ESTERO.
09:43:07 OKAY.
09:43:08 LAST WEEK, I DIDN'T TIE EVERYTHING TOGETHER THAT I WANTED TO
09:43:13 TIE TOGETHER.
09:43:13 THIS IS PART TWO.
09:43:15 I RESPECT EVERYBODY HERE.
09:43:16 THIS WHOLE COUNCIL HAS BEEN VERY, VERY PROENVIRONMENTAL
09:43:24 ACTIVE.
09:43:25 I THINK YOU HAVE SLIPPED OFF A LITTLE BIT.

09:43:28 BUT WE'VE GOT TO TRY TO JUICE YOU GUYS AND GAL BACK UP.

09:43:33 FIRST OFF, I'M SURE EVERYBODY HAS SEEN IN SUNDAY'S PAPER THE
09:43:39 ARTICLE ABOUT THE MINING.
09:43:42 EXCEPT FOR FRANK MANN, THOSE FOLKS ON THE COUNTY COMMISSION
09:43:47 REALLY HAVE THEIR HEADS BURIED IN THE SAND.
09:43:51 THEY ARE EITHER IN DENIAL OR JUST TOTALLY IGNORANT ABOUT
09:43:54 WHAT'S GOING ON HERE.
09:43:55 I EVEN TRIED TO PRESENT MY CALCULATIONS ABOUT THIS, AND THEY
09:44:00 WOULD HAVE NONE OF IT.
09:44:01 I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO KEVIN RUANE, WHO MAYBE IS GOING TO
09:44:06 SHAKE UP THE TROOPS.
09:44:07 SO THAT TAKES CARE OF WHAT'S GOING ON.
09:44:10 ALL OF THIS GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OUT EAST OF HERE IS
09:44:14 REALLY UNTENABLE.
09:44:17 YOU ALL VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO SUPPORT THAT CONSORTIUM THAT IS
09:44:22 BEING HEADED UP BY FGCU SCIENTISTS.
09:44:26 I'M JUST HERE TODAY TO TELL YOU, EVEN THOUGH I KNOW THAT A
09:44:32 LOT OF THE ZONING IN THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO WAS GRANTED YEARS
09:44:37 AGO, YOU ALL HAVE GOT TO DO SOMETHING TO TRY TO PUSH BACK.
09:44:44 EVERY PARCEL OF LAND DOES NOT NEED A BUILDING ON IT.
09:44:47 WE REALLY DO NEED TO PRESERVE THE ENVIRONMENT, AND WE MUST
09:44:52 GET A HANDLE ON OUR HEAT.
09:44:56 THIS IS AN ARTICLE FROM THE WASHINGTON POST.
09:44:59 NOVEMBER WAS THE HOTTEST MONTH EVER ON RECORD.
09:45:03 YOU HAVE TO WORK.
09:45:05 YOU HAVE TO PUSH BACK AGAINST THE PEOPLE WHO SAY, "GROWTH AT

09:45:11 ANY COST."
09:45:12 THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR.
09:45:12 >>Mayor Ribble: THANK YOU.
09:45:13 YOU MUST HAVE REHEARSED THAT.
09:45:16 RIGHT ON TIME.
09:45:17 I'M IMPRESSED.
09:45:17 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
09:45:19 >>Carol Sacco: MR. GARY ISRAEL FROM STONEYBROOK.
09:45:22 >>Mayor Ribble: SURE, GARY.
09:45:24 >> GOOD MORNING, GARY ISRAEL FROM STONEYBROOK.
09:45:26 I HEARD SOME RUMBLINGS LATE LAST WEEK ABOUT MAYBE THE
09:45:31 COUNCIL'S DESIRE TO RECOGNIZE A RESIDENT OF ESTERO WHO HAS
09:45:37 JUST FINISHED HIS COMPETITION ON "THE VOICE" ON NBC.
09:45:42 COUNTRY SINGER BEN ALLEN.
09:45:45 IF THAT IS THE COUNCIL'S DESIRE, MY EDITOR AND I HAVE ALMOST
09:45:49 DAILY CONTACT WITH HIS FAMILY, HIS LIFE AND HIM IN THIS
09:45:54 PROCESS, AND WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO SERVE AS AN INTERMEDIARY
09:45:57 TO SCHEDULE THAT FOR A FUTURE COUNCIL DATE.
09:46:01 >>Mayor Ribble: CAN WE DO THAT ON JANUARY THE 6th?
09:46:06 DO WE HAVE AGREEMENT BY COUNCIL?

09:46:08 OKAY.
09:46:08 JON?
09:46:09 KATY?
09:46:10 THAT'S A YES.
09:46:12 JIM WILSON?

09:46:14 YEAH.
09:46:14 HOWARD.
09:46:15 >>Howard Levitan: GO AHEAD.
09:46:18 >> I'LL SEE WHAT I CAN DO.
09:46:22 >> WHAT IS THE STATUS?
09:46:23 >> IT'S DONE.
09:46:24 >>Mayor Ribble: YOU DIDN'T WATCH THIS THING.
09:46:25 WE HAD POPCORN AND OTHER THINGS.
09:46:27 >> I HAVE OTHER THINGS I'M WORKING ON.
09:46:29 >> UNFORTUNATELY, IT'S HARD TO COMPETE WITH A TALENTED, CUTE
09:46:34 15-YEAR-OLD BOY.
09:46:36 HE WAS ELIMINATED LAST NIGHT.
09:46:38 BUT GOING FROM 40,000 AUDITIONS DOWN TO THE FINAL 9, I'M
09:46:42 SURE HE HAS SECURED A FUTURE IN THE ENTERTAINMENT BUSINESS
09:46:47 FOR SURE.
09:46:47 >>Mayor Ribble: GARY, WE'LL TAKE CARE OF IT.
09:46:50 CAROL, CAN YOU ORDER HIM A KEY TO THE CITY?
09:46:53 AND WE'LL PRESENT THAT, IF YOU WOULD, PLEASE.
09:46:56 OKAY.
09:46:57 NEXT, TAMMY, I KNOW YOU'RE CONCERNED ABOUT THE CONSENT
09:46:59 AGENDA.
09:47:00 ANY COUNCIL MEMBERS HAVE COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS REGARDING
09:47:04 COUNCIL MEETING OF THE MINUTES?
09:47:07 I UNDERSTAND WE WANT TO PULL THE MINUTES, IS THAT CORRECT?
09:47:10 >>Carol Sacco: THAT IS CORRECT.

09:47:12 >>Mayor Ribble: STILL NEED TIME TO PUT NAMES ON THERE.
09:47:14 DO I HAVE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA WITH THE
09:47:17 EXCEPTION OF THE MINUTES?
09:47:19 MR. BOESCH.
09:47:19 SECONDED BY MR. BATOS AGAIN.
09:47:21 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.
09:47:24 >>Carol Sacco: COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON?
09:47:26 >>Jim Wilson: AYE.
09:47:27 >>Nick Batos: AYE.
09:47:28 >>Jim Boesch: AYE.
09:47:29 >>Jon McLain: AYE.
09:47:30 >>Howard Levitan: AYE.
09:47:33 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: AYE.
09:47:34 >>Mayor Ribble: AYE.
09:47:36 THE NEXT ITEM ON THE AGENDA IS CONTINUATION OF RESOLUTION
09:47:41 2020-25 OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO,

09:47:46 FLORIDA, COVID-19 CARES ACT CONTRACTS AND BUDGET AMENDMENT.
09:47:52 WOULD THE CLERK PLEASE READ THE RESOLUTION?
09:47:55 >>Carol Sacco: RESOLUTION NUMBER 2020-25, COVID-19 CARES
09:47:59 ACT.
09:47:59 A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF
09:48:01 ESTERO, FLORIDA, RATIFYING THE CONTRACTS TO PROCURE PERSONAL
09:48:06 PROTECTIVE GEAR AND COMMUNITY TESTING FOR VILLAGE RESIDENTS.
09:48:09 APPROVING A BUDGET AMENDMENT AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE
09:48:12 DATE.

09:48:14 >>Mayor Ribble: STEVE, WOULD YOU LIKE TO INTRODUCE THIS,
09:48:16 PLEASE?
09:48:17 >>Steven Sarkozy: THANK YOU, MAYOR, MEMBERS OF COUNCIL, THIS
09:48:19 INVOLVES, OF COURSE, ONE OF OUR LAST EXPENDITURES REGARDING
09:48:22 THE CARES ACT.
09:48:25 IT'S THE FEDERAL MONEY THAT'S COME DOWN OUR WAY THROUGH THE
09:48:28 LEE COUNTY FOR USE TO COMBAT THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC.
09:48:33 AT THE LAST MEETING, YOU ADOPTED A COUPLE OF EXPENDITURES
09:48:38 FROM THAT ACCOUNT.
09:48:40 THIS ACTION BEFORE US COMPLETES THE COUNCIL APPROVAL OF THE
09:48:45 EXPENDITURES FOR COMBATING COVID.
09:48:51 THIS COMES TO YOU WITH A RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL.
09:48:54 AND AT THIS POINT, WE'RE TRYING TO GET EVERYTHING DONE
09:48:57 PROPERLY, FULLY DOCUMENTED BY THE END OF THE YEAR SO THAT
09:49:02 WE'LL BE ASSURED OF FEDERAL REIMBURSEMENT.
09:49:06 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
09:49:06 ANY COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL ON THE ISSUE?
09:49:08 HEARING NONE, ANYONE FROM THE PUBLIC WANT TO SPEAK ON THIS
09:49:12 ISSUE?
09:49:12 >>Carol Sacco: YES, MAYOR, MR. JOE MICELI FROM ROOKERY
09:49:17 POINT.
09:49:23 >> GOOD MORNING, AGAIN.
09:49:24 NOW, THIS TIME, I'M GOING TO PUT ON MY DR. JOE MICELI HAT.
09:49:28 I'VE LOOKED AT THIS PROPOSAL AND I HAVE A NUMBER OF
09:49:32 QUESTIONS, QUITE FRANKLY, LIKE, WHY WASN'T -- AND PERHAPS

09:49:37 THE ANSWER IS SOMEPLACE AND PERHAPS I'LL GET THEM.
09:49:41 FOR INSTANCE, WHY WAS NOT LAB CORPS OR QUEST LOOKED AT FOR
09:49:48 PROVIDING THIS SERVICE?
09:49:49 THE SECOND THING, I NEVER HEARD OF THIS LAB, SO I DID A
09:49:52 LITTLE RESEARCH.
09:49:54 AND I CAN TELL YOU, THIS IS ABOUT THE FIRST LAB THAT I'VE
09:49:59 EVER SEEN THAT DON'T REPRESENT ONLINE WHO THE DIRECTORS ARE,
09:50:02 WHO THE MEDICAL DIRECTORS ARE, WHO ARE THE LAB SCIENTISTS
09:50:07 INVOLVED HERE.
09:50:08 THEY TALK ABOUT CLEAR.
09:50:12 I WAS AROUND DIRECTING LABORATORIES BEFORE CLEAR CAME INTO
09:50:18 BEING.

09:50:18 I'M FAMILIAR WITH CLEAR.
09:50:19 I'M ALSO VERY FAMILIAR WITH PCR TESTING.
09:50:23 NOW, THIS PRICE, IN MY OPINION, IS EXORBITANT, ESPECIALLY
09:50:28 WHEN I WENT ONLINE AND FOUND THAT LAB CORPS WOULD DO THE
09:50:33 SAME THING FOR ANYWHERE FROM 45 BUCKS UP.
09:50:38 BIG DIFFERENCE.
09:50:39 NOT ONLY THAT, BASED ON THE CALCULATIONS I DID, I AGREE.
09:50:46 1545 PEOPLE CAN BE TESTED.
09:50:49 WHO ARE THOSE PEOPLE GOING TO BE?
09:50:52 WHERE WILL THE SAMPLES ACTUALLY BE ANALYZED?
09:50:56 I COULDN'T FIND THAT ON THE WEBSITE.
09:50:57 I KNOW THEY HAVE SUPPOSEDLY A LAB IN BOCA RATON SOMEPLACE,
09:51:04 SO I'D LIKE SOME ANSWERS, NOT ONLY FROM ME BUT FOR THE

09:51:08 RESIDENTS OF THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO.
09:51:11 NOW, THE SECOND THING IS FULL-THROTTLE MARKETING.
09:51:16 OKAY.
09:51:17 I WENT OVER TO THE OFFICE, BECAUSE IT'S RIGHT DOWN THE
09:51:20 STREET.
09:51:21 OF COURSE, IT'S JUST AN OFFICE.
09:51:23 SO THE MASKS, WHERE ARE THEY GOING TO BE MANUFACTURED?
09:51:27 AND WHEN ARE WE GOING TO GET THEM?
09:51:29 ONCE AGAIN, I THINK THAT THAT'S A KIND OF HIGH PRICE TO PAY.
09:51:36 PRINCE, WHEN THEY TALK ABOUT THE TOUCHLESS SANITIZING THING,
09:51:40 SHOOT, I WENT ONLINE, AMAZON, YOU CAN GET THE SAME THING FOR
09:51:44 140 AND KEATON COMPANY FOR 115.
09:51:49 SO I DON'T UNDERSTAND THIS, AND PERHAPS THIS NEEDS TO BE
09:51:55 LOOKED AT MORE CAREFULLY.
09:51:58 I FINISHED UP WHAT I WANTED TO SAY AND I ACTUALLY SAVED IT,
09:52:04 20 SECONDS.
09:52:05 THANK YOU FOR MY COMMENTS.
09:52:06 I REALLY HOPE THAT YOU'LL BE ABLE TO PROVIDE THOSE ANSWERS
09:52:10 TO ME AS WELL AS TO THE RESIDENTS OF ESTERO.
09:52:13 >>Mayor Ribble: YOU NEED TO TALK TO STEVE AND TALK TO KYLE
09:52:16 ABOUT THIS AFTER THE MEETING OR DURING THE MEETING OR
09:52:19 WHENEVER YOU HAVE A CHANCE TO TALK TO THEM.
09:52:21 OKAY.
09:52:22 ANY OTHER COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL?
09:52:23 I'D ENTERTAIN A MOTION REGARDING THIS AGENDA ITEM.

09:52:26 JON, DO YOU WANT TO MAKE THE MOTION?
09:52:31 >>Jon McLain: I MAKE THE MOTION.
09:52:33 >>Mayor Ribble: SECONDED BY MR. BATOS.
09:52:34 MADAM CLERK, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.
09:52:38 >>Howard Levitan: AYE.
09:52:39 >>Jon McLain: AYE.
09:52:40 >>Jim Boesch: AYE.
09:52:41 >>Nick Batos: AYE.

09:52:43 >>Jim Wilson: AYE.
09:52:56 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: AYE.
09:52:57 >>Mayor Ribble: AYE.
09:52:59 WE HAVE ON THE AGENDA THE SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE
09:53:05 2020-09, A ZONING AMENDMENT TO THE ESTERO TOWN CENTER
09:53:11 COMMERCIAL PLANNED DEVELOPMENT.
09:53:13 THIS IS ALSO A PUBLIC HEARING, AND IN THIS MATTER, THE
09:53:18 COUNCIL WILL SIT IN ITS QUASI-JUDICIAL CAPACITY.
09:53:20 MADAM CLERK, HAS THE NOTICE BEEN PROPERLY ADVERTISED?
09:53:24 >>Carol Sacco: YES, MAYOR.
09:53:25 >>Mayor Ribble: WOULD THE CLERK PLEASE READ THE TITLE OF THE
09:53:27 ORDINANCE.
09:53:27 >>Carol Sacco: SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 2020-09, AN
09:53:31 ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO,
09:53:32 FLORIDA, CONSIDERING A ZONING AMENDMENT TO THE ESTERO TOWN
09:53:36 CENTER COMMERCIAL PLANNED DEVELOPMENT TO ALLOW AUTO REPAIR
09:53:40 AND SERVICE, GROUP I, AS A STAND-ALONE USE ON PROPERTY,

09:53:45 LOCATED IN THE SOUTHEAST QUADRANT OF CORKSCREW ROAD AND
09:53:48 THREE OAKS PARKWAY AND CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 1.14
09:53:52 ACRES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY;
09:53:55 AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
09:53:58 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
09:54:00 I UNDERSTAND, MR. MANAGER, A CONTINUANCE IS BEING REQUESTED?
09:54:04 >>Steven Sarkozy: THAT'S CORRECT.
09:54:05 THERE'S SOME ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THAT THE COUNCIL HAS
09:54:09 ASKED US TO PREPARE, AND WE'VE NOT BEEN ABLE TO GET WITH THE
09:54:15 APPLICANTS TO FULLY RESPOND TO THE COUNCIL'S REQUEST.
09:54:18 MARY, DO YOU HAVE ANY FURTHER COMMENTS?
09:54:22 >>Mary Gibbs: THIS WAS CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK.
09:54:24 AGAIN, WE HAVEN'T HAD ENOUGH TIME TO RESOLVE THE QUESTIONS
09:54:26 COUNCIL HAD.
09:54:27 SO WE'RE RECOMMENDING IT BE CONTINUED TO JANUARY 6th.
09:54:32 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
09:54:34 WE DID ADVERTISE THIS?
09:54:35 HAS ANYONE FROM THE PUBLIC SIGNED UP TO SPEAK?
09:54:37 >>Carol Sacco: NO, MAYOR.
09:54:39 >>Mayor Ribble: ALL RIGHT.
09:54:39 SO I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE.
09:54:43 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: MAYOR?
09:54:43 MAY I MAKE A COMMENT?
09:54:47 >>Mayor Ribble: SURE.
09:54:50 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: I THINK ONE OF THE THINGS, IF WE'RE

09:54:52 GOING TO CONTINUE THIS, IS THAT IN LOOKING OVER THE
09:54:59 APPLICATION, I WANT TO CALL TO THE COUNCIL'S ATTENTION FOR
09:55:02 YOU TO BE THINKING ABOUT THIS WHEN IT COMES BACK TO US FOR
09:55:07 THE FINAL HEARING.

09:55:09 ACCORDING TO THE APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY FIRESTONE COMPLETE
09:55:14 AUTO CARE ON FEBRUARY THE 7th, 2020, A STATEMENT WAS MADE
09:55:18 THAT THERE ARE NO ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS ON THE SITE, WHICH
09:55:23 I SUPPOSE IS TRUE.
09:55:25 THERE ARE NO ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS ON THE SITE AT THIS
09:55:28 TIME.
09:55:29 HOWEVER, IF THIS PROJECT IS APPROVED, THERE WILL BE
09:55:34 ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS ON THE SITE.
09:55:38 WHAT IS BEFORE US TO APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE GOES DEEPER THAN
09:55:42 THE AESTHETICS WE ARE VIEWING, SUCH AS THE TREES, THE
09:55:45 LANDSCAPING, THE STRUCTURAL APPEARANCE AND SO FORTH.
09:55:49 THIS IS NOT JUST A FIRESTONE STORE THAT WOULD SELL ONLY
09:55:56 TIRES.
09:55:57 IT IS A FIRESTONE COMPLETE AUTO CARE STORE, WHICH MEANS THE
09:56:02 BUSINESS WILL SELL TIRES, CHANGE OIL, WORK ON BRAKES, AND
09:56:08 INSTALL BATTERIES.
09:56:10 >>Mayor Ribble: MADAM VICE-MAYOR, CAN I HAVE YOU TAKE PAUSE
09:56:13 FOR A MINUTE?
09:56:14 THE FIRESTONE PEOPLE ARE NOT HERE TODAY, CORRECT?
09:56:17 >>Mary Gibbs: NO, THEY ARE NOT HERE, BECAUSE WE SAID IT
09:56:19 WOULD BE CONTINUED.

09:56:20 BUT I DO THINK WE AT THE FIRST READING, THERE WERE SOME OF
09:56:24 THOSE CONCERNS BROUGHT UP, AND WE'LL MAKE SURE THE APPLICANT
09:56:27 WILL BE ADDRESSING THEM.
09:56:28 >>Mayor Ribble: KATY, I THINK IN ALL FAIRNESS, POINT OF
09:56:31 ORDER, WE PROBABLY SHOULD JUST HOLD YOUR COMMENTS OFF UNTIL
09:56:34 THE NEXT TIME THEY ARE IN THE ROOM, IN ALL FAIRNESS, SO THEY
09:56:37 CAN HEAR FIRSHTHAND WHAT YOUR CONCERNS ARE, BECAUSE WE HAVE
09:56:40 NO WAY OF GETTING THAT INFORMATION TO THEM.
09:56:42 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: I'M SURE THEY WILL BE LISTENING
09:56:44 TODAY, BUT IF YOU THINK THAT --
09:56:46 >>Mayor Ribble: I THINK IT WOULD BE MORE APPROPRIATE IF YOU
09:56:48 HELD OFF.
09:56:54 I LOVE HEARING FROM YOU, BUT I DON'T KNOW THAT THE TIMING
09:56:56 TODAY IS PERFECT.
09:56:57 >>Mayor Ribble: I'M LOOKING FOR A MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE.
09:57:02 NICK BATOS.
09:57:03 YOU'RE ALL OVER IT.
09:57:05 HOWARD, ARE YOU GOING TO SECOND THAT MOTION OR NO?
09:57:09 >>Howard Levitan: YEAH, I WILL.
09:57:10 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
09:57:11 I WANTED TO MAKE SURE YOU'RE WITH US HERE TODAY.
09:57:13 MADAM CLERK, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.
09:57:16 >>Jim Wilson: AYE.
09:57:17 >>Nick Batos: AYE.
09:57:18 >>Jim Boesch: AYE.

09:57:21 >>Jon McLain: AYE.
09:57:21 >>Howard Levitan: AYE.
09:57:23 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: AYE.
09:57:25 >>Mayor Ribble: AYE.
09:57:27 NEXT ON THE AGENDA IS THE FIRST READING OF THE PUBLIC
09:57:31 HEARING OF ORDINANCE 2020-10, LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE.
09:57:37 MADAM CLERK, HAS THE ORDINANCE BEEN PROPERLY ADVERTISED?
09:57:41 >>Carol Sacco: YES, MAYOR.
09:57:42 >>Mayor Ribble: WOULD THE VILLAGE CLERK PLEASE READ THE
09:57:44 TITLE OF THE ORDINANCE?
09:57:45 >>Carol Sacco: ORDINANCE 2020-10, AN ORDINANCE OF THE
09:57:48 VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO, FLORIDA, ADOPTING
09:57:52 THE VILLAGE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE AND OFFICIAL ZONING MAP,
09:57:55 REPEALING THE TRANSITIONAL LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, PROVIDING
09:57:59 A SAVINGS CLAUSE, A GENERAL -- CLAUSE AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
09:58:05 >>Mayor Ribble: MOVING ALONG.
09:58:07 STEVE OR MARY, DO YOU FOLKS WANT TO PRESENT THIS?
09:58:10 >>Steven Sarkozy: I'LL PROVIDE A QUICK LEAD-IN.
09:58:12 THIS IS THE HOME STRETCH FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE LAND
09:58:17 DEVELOPMENT CODE.
09:58:18 THIS PUBLIC HEARING WAS OUR FIRST IS THE COUNTDOWN TOWARDS
09:58:23 THE FINAL ADOPTION WHICH WE HOPE CAN OCCUR IN JANUARY OF
09:58:26 NEXT YEAR OR SHORTLY AFTER THAT.
09:58:30 OUR COMMISSIONS ARE GOING TO BE ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN TAKING
09:58:33 PUBLIC COMMENT, AND WE'LL ALSO GET WRITTEN COMMENTS THAT

09:58:37 WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE COUNCIL AS WELL.
09:58:40 I'D LIKE TO TURN IT OVER TO MARY GIBBS, OUR DIRECTOR OF
09:58:43 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOR A FURTHER INTRODUCTION AND AN
09:58:49 INTRODUCTION OF OUR GUESTS AS WELL.
09:58:52 >>Mary Gibbs: SO THANK YOU.
09:58:52 I'M SURE YOU ALL RECALL, WE'VE HAD A SERIES OF MEETINGS OVER
09:58:56 THE PAST THREE MONTHS WITH WORKSHOPS ON ALL THE CHAPTERS OF
09:58:58 THE CODE.
09:59:00 AND SO TODAY, WE'VE GOT THE CODE COMPILED INTO ONE DOCUMENT,
09:59:04 AND THIS IS THE FIRST OF TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS.
09:59:08 WHAT WE HAVE SUBMITTED TO YOU TODAY IS -- [MICROPHONE
09:59:13 CUTTING IN AND OUT] -- WE'VE GOT THE LAST APPENDIX, WHICH IS
09:59:20 TECHNICAL ROAD CROSS SECTIONS, WHICH ONLY ENGINEERS ARE
09:59:24 REALLY INTERESTED IN.
09:59:25 BUT THAT'S THE VERY LAST.
09:59:27 YOU'LL SEE THAT IN YOUR DESK PACKET.
09:59:30 THAT IS THE LAST OF THE DOCUMENTS.
09:59:31 ALL OF THE DOCUMENTS ARE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC.
09:59:32 EVERYTHING IS ON OUR WEBSITE NOW.
09:59:34 AND WE HAVE SENT OUT WHAT WE CALL INTERESTED PARTIES.
09:59:38 WE CONTINUE TO SEND OUT E-MAILS TO THEM REMINDING THEM OF
09:59:41 THESE DOCUMENTS.

09:59:42 SO TODAY, I'VE ASKED OUR CONSULTANTS TO DO A LITTLE BIT
09:59:45 DIFFERENT, A PowerPoint THAT'S BASICALLY GOING TO BE A
09:59:48 BRIEF REFRESHER THAT HIGHLIGHTS THE MAIN TOPICS THAT YOU ALL

09:59:52 HAVE BEEN INTERESTED IN OR POLICY ISSUES.
09:59:55 WE DON'T WANT TO REHASH EVERYTHING AGAIN AND PUT EVERYBODY
09:59:59 TO SLEEP IN THE AUDIENCE, SO WE WANT A CRISP PRESENTATION.
10:00:03 WE'VE TOLD THEM TO KEEP IT SIMPLE, TO AVOID JARGON.
10:00:06 IF I HEAR THEM USING JARGON, THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO
10:00:09 DEPOSIT MONEY INTO THE JARGON JAR LIKE WE TALKED ABOUT
10:00:12 BEFORE.
10:00:13 I'LL TURN IT OVER TO THE CONSULTANTS TO DO THE PRESENTATION.
10:00:15 THEN WE'RE GOING TO ANSWER WHATEVER QUESTIONS YOU HAVE.
10:00:20 WE'D LIKE TO GET YOUR INPUT, AND THEN WE'RE GOING TO TALK
10:00:23 ABOUT THE NEXT STEPS.
10:00:24 IF YOU DON'T HAVE ANY QUESTIONS RIGHT NOW, I'D LIKE TO TURN
10:00:26 IT OVER TO THE CONSULTANTS, CRAIG RICHARDSON, AND THE
10:00:31 PowerPoint PRESENTATION I THINK IS A LITTLE BIT LESS THAN
10:00:33 30 MINUTES.
10:00:34 IF YOU WANT THEM TO SPEED UP OR SLOW DOWN, FEEL FREE TO JUMP
10:00:38 IN OR GIVE ME A SIGNAL.
10:00:41 >>Craig Richardson: THANK YOU, MARY.
10:00:44 GOOD MORNING, COUNCIL MEMBERS.
10:00:46 THIS IS CRAIG RICHARDSON WITH CLARION AND ASSOCIATES.
10:00:48 WITH ME TODAY ARE TWO OTHER MEMBERS OF OUR FIRM, DAVID
10:00:51 HENNING AND GEOFF GREEN, AND LAURA DeJOHN FROM JOHNSON
10:00:57 ENGINEERING IS ALSO HERE, ALONG WITH NANCY STROUD.
10:01:00 ALL OF US HAVE WORKED HARD OVER THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS IN
10:01:05 PUTTING THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE TOGETHER.

10:01:06 WE'RE GOING TO BE -- AS MARY SAID, WE'RE GOING TO HIGHLIGHT
10:01:09 TODAY SORT OF THE CHAPTERS IN THIS LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE.
10:01:13 REALLY, SORT OF POINTING OUT FOR YOU THE CHANGES THAT WE'VE
10:01:18 MADE.
10:01:19 GO TO THE NEXT SLIDE, DAVID.
10:01:23 AS YOU CAN SEE, THERE ARE NINE OR TEN CHAPTERS IN THE CODE.
10:01:30 CHAPTER ONE IS VERY STRAIGHTFORWARD.
10:01:33 IT'S ABOUT TEN PAGES IN LENGTH.
10:01:35 IT'S IMPORTANT -- IT HAS IMPORTANT PROVISIONS.
10:01:41 ESTABLISH THE FRAMEWORK AND THE FORMAT FOR THE CODE.
10:01:43 SORT OF THE IMPORTANT COMPONENTS THAT ARE ADDRESSED IN
10:01:47 THERE, WE THINK ARE, NUMBER ONE, THERE IS A PROVISION THAT
10:01:50 DEALS WITH WHAT DO YOU DO WITH APPLICATIONS IN PROCESS WHEN
10:01:53 THE NEW CODE IS ADOPTED.
10:01:55 IN OTHER WORDS, SOMEONE HAS SUBMITTED AN APPLICATION THAT'S
10:01:57 BEEN DETERMINED COMPLETE.
10:01:58 IT'S IN THE REVIEW PROCESS, BUT THE REVIEW BOARDS HAVEN'T,
10:02:03 OR THE STAFF HAVEN'T ACTED ON THAT.

10:02:05 THE RULE SET OUT IN THE CODE IS VERY CLEAR.
10:02:10 IF YOU'VE GOT A COMPLETE APPLICATION, YOU CAN CONTINUE TO BE
10:02:13 REVIEWED UNDER THE CURRENT REGULATIONS.
10:02:15 WE'RE GOING TO TREAT YOU FAIRLY.
10:02:16 SECOND, THERE IS A NEW PROVISION IN THIS SECTION CALLED
10:02:22 EMERGENCY EXEMPTIONS THAT JUST AUTHORIZE THE COUNCIL TO ACT
10:02:26 IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS AND MAKE -- AND TO ALLOW FOR

10:02:32 MODIFICATIONS TO A RESOLUTION TO PROVISIONS IN THE LAND
10:02:35 DEVELOPMENT CODE FOR SITUATIONS LIKE COVID.
10:02:37 THERE'S A NEW REQUIREMENT FOR DEVELOPERS TO PROVIDE 72
10:02:42 HOURS' NOTICE BEFORE THEY BEGIN CONSTRUCTION TO THE
10:02:47 DIRECTOR.
10:02:47 SO THE COMMUNITY KNOWS WHEN NEW CONSTRUCTION IS GOING TO BE
10:02:54 BEGINNING TO ENSURE EVERYTHING IS IN PLACE AND NO EXTERNAL
10:02:58 DISRUPTIONS TO ADJACENT PROPERTIES.
10:03:00 AND THEN THERE ARE SOME NEW PROVISIONS THAT WE HAVE ALSO
10:03:03 ADDED ON MAINTENANCE AND NUISANCE.
10:03:05 AND IT'S AT THE VERY END OF THE CHAPTER.
10:03:08 IT'S VERY HELPFUL FOR YOUR CODE ENFORCEMENT STAFF IN TERMS
10:03:12 OF ENSURING COMPLIANCE WITH THE DEVELOPMENT CODE.
10:03:17 >>Mary Gibbs: CRAIG, MAY WE GO BACK TO THAT SLIDE?
10:03:20 I JUST WANTED TO POINT OUT TO THE COUNCIL THAT THE PROVISION
10:03:22 ON THE MAINTENANCE AND NUISANCE IS NOT NEW.
10:03:24 IT'S ACTUALLY CARRIED FORWARD FROM THE CODE, BUT SINCE WE
10:03:28 HAVE A SPECIAL MAGISTRATE SEPARATE ORDINANCE FOR CODE
10:03:30 ENFORCEMENT, WE BASICALLY REFER TO CODE ENFORCEMENT.
10:03:34 WE DON'T REHASH EVERYTHING IN THIS LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE.
10:03:37 BUT WE DID BRING THE PROVISIONS ON NUISANCE FORWARD, BECAUSE
10:03:40 STANLEY USES THEM QUITE A BIT WHEN HE CITES PEOPLE FOR
10:03:43 MAINTENANCE AND NUISANCE.
10:03:45 WE THOUGHT IT WAS REALLY IMPORTANT TO KEEP THAT IN THE CODE
10:03:47 SO THAT HE CAN CONTINUE TO CITE PEOPLE WHEN THERE'S

10:03:51 PROBLEMS.
10:03:51 IT'S JUST SIMPLE, BUT I WANTED YOU TO BE AWARE OF THAT.
10:03:55 >>Craig Richardson: GREAT.
10:03:57 THANK YOU, MARY.
10:03:58 CHAPTER TWO IS A NEW, IN MANY RESPECTS, IS A NEW CHAPTER
10:04:04 FROM YOUR TRANSITIONAL CODE IN THAT WHAT WE HAVE DONE IS WE
10:04:09 HAVE CONSOLIDATED ALL OF THE PROVISIONS DEALING WITH THE
10:04:13 PROCEDURAL REVIEW OF DEVELOPMENT INTO ONE CHAPTER.
10:04:16 AND I THINK ORGANIZED IT IN A MUCH MORE EFFICIENT AND
10:04:19 USER-FRIENDLY WAY.
10:04:21 WE'RE USING A LOT OF FLOW CHARTS.
10:04:23 IN OTHER WORDS, WE'RE ACTUALLY SHOWING AND THE SLIDE IS AN
10:04:28 EXAMPLE OF A FLOW CHART.
10:04:30 ACTUALLY SHOWS THE PROCESS GRAPHICALLY OF DIFFERENT

10:04:33 DEVELOPMENT REVIEW PROCEDURES.
10:04:34 AND WE'VE ALSO ADDED A SUMMARY TABLE.
10:04:37 BASICALLY, THE CHAPTER IS ORGANIZED INTO FIVE SECTIONS.
10:04:42 GO AHEAD TO THE NEXT SLIDE, DAVID.
10:04:44 THE FIRST SECTION IS VERY SHORT.
10:04:48 THERE ARE A COUPLE OF PAGES, BUT IN WHAT IT REALLY -- AT THE
10:04:52 HEART OF IT IS THE SUMMARY TABLE, WHICH YOU DON'T HAVE IN
10:04:57 YOUR CURRENT TRANSITIONAL CODE WHERE SOMEONE CAN GO AND LOOK
10:05:00 IN A SUMMARY WAY AT THE DIFFERENT DEVELOPMENT -- TYPES OF
10:05:05 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS IN THE CODE.
10:05:09 THEY CAN DETERMINE WHO'S GOING TO REVIEW THAT APPLICATION,

10:05:13 WHETHER THERE'S A PUBLIC HEARING THAT'S REQUIRED, WHETHER
10:05:16 THERE'S A PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING THAT IS REQUIRED.
10:05:20 AND THEN WHO DOES THE REVIEW WITH RECOMMENDATION OR WHO
10:05:25 MAKES THE FINAL DECISION.
10:05:26 AS YOU CAN SEE IN THE SLIDE AND IN THE TABLE, WITH RESPECT
10:05:32 TO LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE NEXT AMENDMENTS, THE PLANNING AND
10:05:38 ZONING AND DESIGN BOARD MAKES RECOMMENDATION AND THE COUNCIL
10:05:42 MAKES A FINAL DECISION.
10:05:43 THE SAME THING WITH YOUR ZONING.
10:05:45 THE SAME THING WITH PLANNED DEVELOPMENTS.
10:05:47 IT'S JUST SOMETHING THAT'S VERY NICE, AND WE HAVE FOUND IN
10:05:50 OTHER CODES IT IS VERY USER FRIENDLY TABLE TO INCLUDE.
10:05:57 DAVID, NEXT SLIDE.
10:05:59 IN TERMS OF SOME OF THE CHANGES WITH THE REVIEW PROCEDURES,
10:06:05 WE WANT TO HIGHLIGHT THREE OR FOUR.
10:06:06 NUMBER ONE IS PLATS WILL GO DIRECTLY TO COUNCIL FOR
10:06:11 APPROVAL.
10:06:11 THAT WILL EXPEDITE AND MAKE THE PROCESS MORE EFFICIENT.
10:06:16 THERE IS A NEW BAR SPECIAL PERMIT THAT HAS BEEN ADDED THAT
10:06:23 COUNCIL APPROVES DIRECTLY.
10:06:28 THE DIRECTOR IS GIVEN SOME ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY TO REVIEW
10:06:33 SMALLER PROJECTS THROUGH THE DEVELOPMENT -- LIMITED
10:06:37 DEVELOPMENT ORDER PROCESS.
10:06:39 AND ALSO MAKE OTHER MINOR CHANGES.
10:06:41 AND THEN, ALSO, THERE'S A PROVISION THAT ALLOWS FOR WAIVER

10:06:45 OF PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETINGS FOR SMALLER ITEMS SUCH AS
10:06:49 MONUMENT SIGNS WHEN, IN FACT, IT'S NOT NEEDED.
10:06:52 REALLY, THE BIG CHANGE STRUCTURALLY THAT'S BEING PROPOSED
10:06:58 AND RECOMMENDED IN THE NEW CODE IS THE CONSOLIDATION OF THE
10:07:03 PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD OF THE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD INTO
10:07:06 ONE BODY.
10:07:07 WE'RE SUGGESTING, AND THEN THE REVIEW RESPONSIBILITIES OF
10:07:11 THOSE TWO BOARDS WILL BE CONSOLIDATED INTO THIS ONE BOARD.
10:07:16 PROPOSING TO HAVE SEVEN MEMBERS.
10:07:19 THEY WILL BE REVIEWING THE LARGER PROJECTS.

10:07:23 NOT ONLY THE DESIGN REVIEW, BUT THE OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS OR
10:07:29 REVIEW RESPONSIBILITIES THAT THE PZB CURRENTLY HAS.
10:07:34 WE'VE MET WITH THE PZB AS WE TALKED TO YOU ABOUT THE LAST
10:07:39 TIME WE MET WITH YOU, ABOUT THIS.
10:07:42 ONE OF THE SUGGESTIONS THAT CAME FROM ONE OF THE MEMBERS
10:07:45 WAS, INSTEAD OF STARTING WITH JUST SEVEN MEMBERS, LET'S
10:07:49 START WITH 11 MEMBERS ON THIS PZB AND THEN OVER TIME REDUCE
10:07:54 THE SIZE OF THE BOARD AS MEMBERS BECOME ACCUSTOMED TO THIS
10:08:01 NEW ARRANGEMENT.
10:08:01 NEXT SLIDE, DAVID.
10:08:06 >>Mary Gibbs: CRAIG, CAN WE GO BACK TO THAT?
10:08:09 I WANTED TO ADD THAT WE'VE GOT THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD
10:08:11 THOUGHTS ON THAT, AND THEY HAD QUITE A FEW THOUGHTS AND
10:08:14 QUESTIONS.
10:08:14 WE HAVE NOT BEEN TO DESIGN REVIEW BOARD ON THIS CHAPTER YET.

10:08:18 THAT MEETING IS TONIGHT.
10:08:19 SO I WANTED TO GET THE INPUT BEFORE THIS MEETING, BUT THE
10:08:23 TIMING OF THE MEETINGS DIDN'T WORK OUT.
10:08:25 BUT WE WILL GET BACK WITH YOU AND GET YOU FEEDBACK ON WHAT
10:08:29 WE HEAR FROM DESIGN REVIEW BOARD AT THEIR MEETING.
10:08:31 >>Howard Levitan: MARY, CAN I JUMP IN HERE FOR A SECOND.
10:08:37 >>Mayor Ribble: YOU'LL UPDATE US ON THE 6th OF JANUARY ON
10:08:41 THEIR FINDINGS OR THE RECOMMENDATIONS?
10:08:44 >>Mary Gibbs: I HOPE TO DO THAT BEFORE THAT.
10:08:46 WE TALK ABOUT THE NEXT STEPS, BECAUSE WE'RE GETTING PUBLIC
10:08:51 INPUT THROUGH EITHER E-MAILS, LIKE E-MAIL LETTERS, SO WE'VE
10:08:55 GOT PUBLIC INPUT, BUT WE'RE CONTINUING TO GET THAT, AND
10:08:58 WE'RE TRYING TO MAKE A SUMMARY LIST OF THE THINGS THAT WE'VE
10:09:00 GOTTEN INPUT ON.
10:09:02 SOME THINGS WE MAY RECOMMEND CHANGES.
10:09:04 SOME THINGS WE'RE NOT.
10:09:05 SO WE WANT TO GET THAT TO YOU BEFORE THIS PUBLIC HEARING, AS
10:09:09 SOON AS WE CAN GET IT TOGETHER.
10:09:11 SO I THINK WE'LL HAVE TO COME BACK IN SOME MANNER AND LET
10:09:16 YOU KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON BEFORE WE GET TO THE 6th.
10:09:20 >>Howard Levitan: BILL, CAN I MAKE A COMMENT?
10:09:22 I JUST WANTED TO MAKE A COMMENT ABOUT THE SIZE OF A
10:09:28 CONSOLIDATED BOARD.
10:09:30 MY PERSONAL OPINION IS THAT 11 MEMBERS IS UNWIELDY.
10:09:35 BUT I DO AGREE WITH THE PZB THAT PERHAPS AN INCREASE TO

10:09:41 START OUT WITH WOULD BE APPROPRIATE.
10:09:44 SO MY SUGGESTION IS TO SPLIT THE DIFFERENCE AND TALK IN
10:09:48 TERMS OF A NINE-MEMBER BOARD.
10:09:50 I THINK THAT'S UNWIELDY, TOO, IN THE LONG RUN, BUT FOR A
10:09:56 SHORT-TERM TRANSITION PERIOD, I THINK THAT WOULD BE
10:09:58 APPROPRIATE.

10:09:58 >>Mayor Ribble: ONE-ON-ONES BEFORE THE 6th?
10:10:04 >> YES.
10:10:04 >>Mayor Ribble: EACH OF US CAN GIVE DIALOGUE WITH MARY ON
10:10:08 THIS.
10:10:10 OKAY.
10:10:10 THAT WOULD BE GREAT.
10:10:11 CRAIG, SORRY.
10:10:16 >>Craig Richardson: THERE ARE TWO OTHER SECTIONS IN THIS --
10:10:22 IN CHAPTER 2.
10:10:24 THE FIRST ONE THAT I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT IS CALLED GENERAL
10:10:29 PROCEDURES, BUT ONE OF THE OTHER THINGS THAT HAS BEEN DONE
10:10:32 IN THIS CHAPTER IS THAT WE HAVE CONSOLIDATED INTO THIS ONE
10:10:39 SECTION, GENERAL PROCEDURES, ALL OF THE ACTUAL JUST REVIEW
10:10:43 PROCESSES FOR ALL APPLICATIONS, AND THEY ARE GOING TO FOLLOW
10:10:47 BASICALLY THE SAME PROCESS IN TERMS OF PUBLIC -- AS YOU CAN
10:10:51 SEE ON THE RIGHT, WHETHER MIGHT HAVE A PUBLIC INFORMATION
10:10:55 MEETING, DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION REVIEW, STAFF REVIEW AND
10:10:59 THEN BOARD REVIEW.
10:11:00 SO THERE'S A REAL CONSISTENCY.

10:11:03 INSTEAD OF LIKE IN YOUR CURRENT TRANSITIONAL CODE, THESE
10:11:07 PROCEDURES ARE SCATTERED IN A LOT OF DIFFERENT PLACES.
10:11:10 BUT SORT OF WITHIN THIS GENERAL PROCEDURES SECTION, A COUPLE
10:11:15 OF NEW THINGS WE'VE DONE IS PRE-APPLICATION MEETINGS WITH
10:11:20 STAFF ARE NOW REQUIRED FOR DEVELOPMENT ORDERS AND REZONINGS.
10:11:24 AND THEN THE OTHER THING THAT WE'VE DONE, TOO, IS WE HAVE --
10:11:28 BASED UPON THE AMENDMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE BY THE FLORIDA
10:11:31 LEGISLATURE, WE'VE GONE BACK AND WE'VE HAD TO MAKE SOME
10:11:33 CHANGES FOR REVIEW TIME FRAMES BASED UPON TO ENSURE
10:11:39 COMPLIANCE WITH THE FLORIDA STATUTES.
10:11:41 AND THAT'S BEEN DONE, TOO.
10:11:42 THE OTHER THING IS WITH RESPECT TO THE PUBLIC NOTICE
10:11:48 REQUIREMENTS, WE HAVE ACTUALLY PUT THE NOTICE REQUIREMENTS
10:11:50 IN A TABLE, WHICH WE THINK MAKES THEM MORE UNDERSTANDABLE
10:11:54 AND USER FRIENDLY, BUT IN ADDITION TO THAT, THERE HAS BEEN
10:11:57 SOME EXPANSION IN TERMS OF JUST GETTING INFORMATION AND
10:12:01 NOTIFICATION OUT TO THE PUBLIC.
10:12:04 FIRST OF ALL, APPLICANTS ARE REQUIRED TO POST SIGN ON THE
10:12:09 PROPERTY FOR ALL ZONINGS AND DEVELOPMENT ORDERS NOW.
10:12:12 IN ADDITION, APPLICANTS ARE REQUIRED TO MAIL NOTICE OF
10:12:15 PUBLIC HEARING TO ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNERS 14 DAYS PRIOR TO
10:12:18 THE HEARING.
10:12:20 THE NEWSPAPER ADS, THE PROVISIONS ARE JUST -- MIRROR WHAT'S
10:12:27 REQUIRED BY THE FLORIDA STATUTES FOR THINGS LIKE LAND
10:12:30 DEVELOPMENT CODE AMENDMENTS, COMP PLAN AMENDMENTS AND

10:12:32 ORDINANCE SECOND READING.
10:12:34 WITH RESPECT TO THE FINAL SECTION IN THE CODE IS -- DEALS

10:12:39 WITH THE SPECIFIC APPLICATION.
10:12:41 SO THERE WILL BE A SPECIFIC PROCEDURE FOR EACH APPLICATION,
10:12:46 WHETHER IT BE A REZONING OR WHETHER IT BE A PLANNED
10:12:49 DEVELOPMENT OR WHETHER IT BE A DEVELOPMENT ORDER.
10:12:52 SORT OF THE NEW PROVISIONS THAT WE WANT TO HIGHLIGHT FOR YOU
10:12:56 IS THAT THERE HAVE BEEN SOME CHANGES TO SORT OF -- TO SORT
10:13:01 OF ENSURE THAT, YOU KNOW, THERE'S NOT RAMPANT SPECULATION IN
10:13:07 GETTING DEVELOPMENT ORDERS APPROVED, AND THAT'S BEEN DONE IN
10:13:09 SEVERAL WAYS.
10:13:10 FIRST OF ALL, WITH RESPECT TO PD MASTER CONCEPT PLAN,
10:13:14 THERE'S AN EXPIRATION PROVISION NOW IN THE CODE THAT STATES
10:13:17 THAT IF YOU DON'T HAVE A DEVELOPMENT ORDER OR A PLAT THAT IS
10:13:21 APPROVED WITHIN FIVE YEARS OF APPROVAL OF THE PD MASTER
10:13:26 CONCEPT PLAN FOR AT LEAST HALF OF THE DEVELOPMENT, THEN THAT
10:13:29 PD MASTER CONCEPT PLAN EXPIRES.
10:13:32 THERE'S A SIMILAR PROVISION FOR DEVELOPMENT ORDERS.
10:13:36 IN OTHER WORDS, YOU'VE GOT TO ACT WITHIN FIVE YEARS, AND THE
10:13:40 ACTION IS YOU'VE GOT TO CONSTRUCT OR ON THE SITE -- HALF OF
10:13:45 THE SITE, OR YOU'VE GOT TO BE -- YOU'VE GOT TO SUBSTANTIALLY
10:13:50 COMMIT COMMENCE CONSTRUCTION ON THE SITE.
10:13:53 NOW, THERE ARE PROVISIONS THAT ALLOW FOR TWO EXTENSIONS OF
10:13:56 TWO YEARS EACH TO BUILD IN SOME FLEXIBILITY FOR THOSE
10:14:00 DEVELOPMENT ORDERS, BUT EXTENDING OUT NINE YEARS, BUT THESE

10:14:03 ARE SHORTER TIME PERIODS THAT -- EXIST UNDER YOUR
10:14:09 TRANSITIONAL CODE.
10:14:10 WITH THAT, THAT REALLY COVERS CHAPTER TWO.
10:14:13 I'M GOING TO HAND OFF TO DAVID, WHO IS GOING TO COVER
10:14:19 CHAPTER THREE AND FOUR OF THE ZONING DISTRICTS AND THE USES.
10:14:22 DAVID?
10:14:24 >>David Henning: THANK YOU, CRAIG.
10:14:25 WE BROUGHT FORWARD CHAPTERS THREE AND FOUR.
10:14:29 CHAPTER THREE EXPLAINING ZONING DISTRICTS TO YOU IN THAT
10:14:32 FIRST WORKSHOP THAT WE WERE BEFORE YOU.
10:14:33 >>Mayor Ribble: DAVID, WE CAN'T HEAR YOU.
10:14:35 YOU HAVE TO SPEAK CLOSER TO YOUR MIKE OR WHATEVER.
10:14:48 >>David Henning: IS THAT ANY BETTER?
10:14:50 >>Mayor Ribble: LOT CLEARER.
10:14:51 VERY GOOD.
10:14:51 >>David Henning: GREAT.
10:14:53 THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME KNOW.
10:14:54 WE BROUGHT THESE SECTIONS TO YOU AS A PART OF THE FIRST
10:14:57 WORKSHOP BACK IN NOVEMBER, AND THIS CHAPTER GOES THROUGH ALL
10:15:02 AND CONSOLIDATES ALL YOUR INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR ZONING
10:15:05 DISTRICTS.
10:15:05 THERE'S BEEN A SIGNIFICANT CONSOLIDATION IN THOSE DISTRICTS
10:15:09 FROM NEARLY 70 DISTRICTS DOWN TO ABOUT 17.
10:15:15 I'M GOING TO ADVANCE THE SLIDE HERE AND SHOW YOU THAT THIS

10:15:20 IS THE NEW ZONING DISTRICT LINEUP THAT WE, AGAIN, BROUGHT
10:15:24 FORWARD IN THAT OTHER WORKSHOP.
10:15:25 THE MAJORITY OF PROPERTY IN THE VILLAGE IS IN DESIGNATED
10:15:31 PLAN DEVELOPMENTS OF ONE KIND OR ANOTHER ALREADY.
10:15:33 BUT THIS IS THE CONSOLIDATED LIST, WHETHER IT'S ADDITIONAL
10:15:38 PLANNED DEVELOPMENTS OR CONVENTIONAL DISTRICTS THAT COME
10:15:42 FORWARD TO YOU IN THE FUTURE.
10:15:44 THIS IS THE STRUCTURE OF THAT PART OF THE CODE.
10:15:46 AND WITHIN EACH OF THESE DISTRICTS, PARTICULARLY IN THOSE
10:15:51 CONVENTIONAL DISTRICTS, LIKE THE SINGLE-FAMILY DISTRICT,
10:15:56 WHICH IS DISPLAYED HERE AS AN EXAMPLE, THERE'S A SIMILAR
10:16:00 STRUCTURE TO MAKE IT EASIER TO FIND THE INFORMATION AS YOU
10:16:02 GO THROUGH THE DOCUMENT.
10:16:04 ALL OF THESE CONVENTIONAL DISTRICTS HAVE A CLEAR PURPOSE
10:16:07 STATEMENT.
10:16:07 AND IMAGES THAT HELP TO CLEAR WHAT THE CONCEPT IS, EASTERLY
10:16:12 AERIAL OR STREET SIDE PHOTOGRAPHS.
10:16:14 THEY ALL HAVE A USE TABLE RIGHT THERE IN THE DISTRICT THAT
10:16:17 DEFINES WHAT THE USES ARE IN THE SAME MANNER AND WITH
10:16:20 ADDITIONAL COLUMN FOR IF THERE'S OTHER STANDARDS LATER IN
10:16:24 THE CODE.
10:16:26 AS WELL AS DENSITY AND DIMENSIONAL STANDARD TABLE THAT OFTEN
10:16:29 GETS PUSHED ON TO AN ADDITIONAL PAGE.
10:16:32 AND THIS RSF DISTRICT IS A TRUE SINGLE-FAMILY DISTRICT.
10:16:37 TO THE RS-1 DISTRICT WITH SOME ACCOMMODATION TO CONSOLIDATE
10:16:40 THE VARIOUS RESIDENTIAL SINGLE-FAMILY DISTRICTS THAT EXISTED

10:16:45 IN THE TRANSITIONAL CODE.
10:16:47 ADDITIONAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS, AGAIN, I'M GOING TO BE
10:16:49 HITTING ON HIGHLIGHTS AS WE WORK OUR WAY THROUGH THE ZONING
10:16:52 DISTRICTS, HIGHLIGHTS AS FAR AS SIGNIFICANT CHANGES OR
10:16:56 NOTES.
10:16:57 YOUR MOBILE HOME AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLE DISTRICTS, THERE
10:16:59 IS A SINGLE CONSOLIDATED DISTRICT FOR EACH OF THESE USES IN
10:17:04 ORDER TO ALLOW THE KIND OF CONTINUATION OF DISTRICTS AND
10:17:09 USES THAT YOU ALREADY HAVE.
10:17:11 SIMILARLY, WITH THE RESIDENTIAL MULTIFAMILY, IT IS A
10:17:14 CONTINUATION OF THE RM-2 DISTRICT, CARRIED FORWARD INCLUDING
10:17:18 ITS DIMENSIONAL STANDARDS FROM THE TRANSITIONAL LDC.
10:17:21 ALL THREE OF THESE PARTICULAR RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS INCLUDE
10:17:26 WITHIN THEIR PURPOSE STATEMENT, THE STATEMENT THAT IT IS THE
10:17:28 INTENT OF THE COUNCIL THAT UPON ADOPTION, THESE DISTRICTS
10:17:31 ARE NOT APPLIED TO ANY ADDITIONAL LANDS IN THE VILLAGE.
10:17:36 AND SO WE -- OUR UNDERSTANDING OF THESE ARE ITEMS THAT ARE
10:17:41 HELD FOR FAIRNESS TO GROUPS THAT ARE USING THEM, LAND AND
10:17:47 DEVELOPMENTS USING THEM OR WHO ALREADY HAVE THE ZONING, BUT
10:17:49 IT'S NOT EXPECTED THAT THE ZONING WOULD BE EXPANDED.

10:17:52 THE COMMERCIAL DISTRICTS, THE REAL NEW ITEM THERE, OR THE
10:17:59 REAL UPDATED ITEM THERE IS THE URBAN COMMERCIAL
10:18:00 REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT.
10:18:01 THIS REPLACES AND UPDATES THE C-1 DISTRICT FROM YOUR
10:18:06 TRANSITIONAL CODE, AND IT'S MORE PEDESTRIAN ORIENTED.

10:18:09 AND WE DISCUSSED SOME OF THOSE ADDITIONAL CHANGES WHEN WE
10:18:13 WERE AT THE WORKSHOP.
10:18:14 SIMILARLY, THE LEGACY DISTRICTS, WHICH ARE ALSO IMPORTANT
10:18:19 FOR EXISTING DEVELOPMENTS, THERE ARE ABOUT FIVE DEVELOPMENTS
10:18:22 THAT ARE EITHER DESIGNATED WITH AN OLDER PLANNED UNIT
10:18:26 DEVELOPMENT PUD DESIGNATION, OR A HYBRID RESIDENTIAL AND
10:18:30 COMMERCIAL RPD/CPD DESIGNATION.
10:18:34 THESE ARE DESIGNATIONS THAT HAPPENED WHILE DEVELOPMENT WAS
10:18:38 TAKING PLACE IN LEE COUNTY.
10:18:40 AND TO RECOGNIZE THE VALIDITY OF THE DISTRICTS, WE CARRIED
10:18:42 THEM FORWARD AS LEGACY DISTRICTS, BUT THE EXPECTATION IS
10:18:45 THAT IF SOMEONE WANTED TO DO A SIMILAR PROGRAM OF
10:18:49 DEVELOPMENT, THEY WOULD USE THE PLANNED DEVELOPMENTS THAT
10:18:53 ARE STILL EXISTING IN THE CODE.
10:18:55 AND THAT'S SECTION 3-7 IS, IT'S YOUR PLANNED DEVELOPMENTS.
10:18:59 EVERY PLANNED DEVELOPMENT HAS A MASTER CONCEPT PLAN IN THE
10:19:03 PATTERN BOOK TO DESCRIBE AND THEN MAKE IT CLEAR EXACTLY WHAT
10:19:06 IT IS THAT'S BEING APPROVED.
10:19:09 UNDERGROUND UTILITIES ARE NEWLY REQUIRED FOR ALL NEW PLANNED
10:19:13 DEVELOPMENTS.
10:19:13 ALL THE PLANNED DEVELOPMENTS ALSO HAVE A COMMON USE TABLE.
10:19:16 YOU SEE AN EXCERPT OF IT ON YOUR SCREEN THAT SHOWS ALL THE
10:19:19 TYPES OF USES THAT MAY BE ALLOWED IN THE AGREEMENTS THAT PUT
10:19:24 FORWARD THAT PARTICULAR PLANNED DEVELOPMENT IN THE MASTER
10:19:28 CONCEPT PLAN.

10:19:29 WE ALSO AS A PART OF THE WORKSHOPS BROUGHT FORWARD THE
10:19:33 OFFICIAL ZONING MAP, WHICH APPLIES ALL THE DIFFERENT ZONING
10:19:37 DISTRICTS AND THE NEW PALETTE OF ZONING DISTRICTS THAT WERE
10:19:41 ON THAT INITIAL TABLE AT THE START OF THIS CHAPTER TO THE
10:19:46 DIFFERENT LANDS OF ESTERO.
10:19:48 IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS TOWARDS THE END, WE CAN COME BACK TO
10:19:50 THIS MAP.
10:19:51 BUT WE WANTED TO RE-RAISE IT TO REMIND YOU OF EXACTLY WHERE
10:19:56 THESE LANDS ARE BEING APPLIED.
10:19:57 WE'VE DONE A ROUGH TRANSLATION OF THE ORIGINAL DISTRICTS TO
10:20:04 THEIR EQUIVALENT DISTRICTS AS A PART OF OUR DRAFTING
10:20:07 PROCESS.
10:20:07 CHAPTER 4 IS USE SPECIFIC STANDARDS.
10:20:11 IT WORKS HAND IN HAND WITH CHAPTER 3.
10:20:14 IT CONSOLIDATES ALL THE SPECIFIC STANDARDS FOR DIFFERENT
10:20:18 LISTED USES IN ONE LOCATION.

10:20:20 THOSE ARE THE USES THAT ARE LISTED IN THE TABLES, IN THE USE
10:20:24 TABLES OF CHAPTER 3.
10:20:25 IT PROVIDES TEMPORARY USES AND CARRIES FORWARD NECESSARY
10:20:31 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LANGUAGE THAT HAS TO HAVE A HOME IN THE
10:20:34 CODE AND FITS BEST HERE GIVEN WHAT SOME OF THESE ARE.
10:20:38 I'M NOT GOING TO COVER EVERYTHING ON THE SLIDE, BUT AS A
10:20:42 PART OF THE WORKSHOP, WE BROUGHT FORWARD WHAT WE THOUGHT
10:20:44 WERE ALL THE NOTABLE CHANGES TO THE PRINCIPAL USES, THE
10:20:48 ACCESSORY USES AND THE TEMPORARY USES.

10:20:50 AND WE'VE RESURFACED THEM HERE FOR VIEW, BUT TO JUST GIVE A
10:20:56 FLAVOR OF WHAT THOSE WERE AND JUST TWO OF THEM AS EXAMPLES,
10:21:00 THIS INCLUDES THE GOLF COURSE CONVERSION SPECIAL STANDARDS,
10:21:03 THAT IF YOU'RE IN OR ADJACENT TO A PLANNED DEVELOPMENT, YOUR
10:21:07 NEW DEVELOPMENT OF CONVERTING A GOLF COURSE TO A DIFFERENT
10:21:11 USE MUST BE BY PLANNED DEVELOPMENT AND INCLUDE PRESERVE
10:21:14 AREAS IN THE MASTER PLAN.
10:21:16 OBVIOUSLY, FURTHER DETAILS AT THAT SECTION 4-121 IN THE
10:21:20 CODE.
10:21:21 AND ACCESSORY USES, LIKE THE ELECTRICAL VEHICLE CHARGING
10:21:24 STATIONS, WHICH RESERVE EV CHARGING EQUIPMENT SPACES FOR EV
10:21:29 VEHICLES, AND LIMIT INTERFERENCE WITH CIRCULATION OR
10:21:32 LANDSCAPING.
10:21:32 SO THAT NEW USE, THAT'S SOMETHING THAT MAY NOT HAVE BEEN
10:21:35 CONTEMPLATED WHEN THAT SECTION OF THE TRANSITIONAL CODE WAS
10:21:39 FIRST DEVELOPED BY LEE COUNTY.
10:21:41 WE'VE GONE AHEAD AND ADDED THOSE TYPES OF USES AND
10:21:44 APPROPRIATE STANDARDS INTO YOUR CODE.
10:21:47 WITH THAT, I'M GOING TO PASS IT BACK TO CRAIG TO INTRODUCE
10:21:50 CHAPTER FIVE, WHICH TALKS MORE ABOUT THE SITE DEVELOPMENT
10:21:53 STANDARDS.
10:21:54 >>Craig Richardson: CHAPTER 5 BASICALLY IS THE LONGEST
10:21:57 CHAPTER IN THE NEW LDC.
10:21:59 IT DEALS WITH ALL THE SITE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS.
10:22:01 AS YOU CAN SEE ON THE RIGHT, THERE ARE 14 SECTIONS IN THE

10:22:04 CHAPTER.
10:22:05 WHEN I TALK ABOUT SITE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS, I TALK ABOUT
10:22:09 THINGS LIKE OFF-STREET PARKING, MOBILITY AND CONNECTIVITY
10:22:13 STANDARDS, LANDSCAPING, FENCING, EXTERIOR LIGHTING,
10:22:16 ARCHITECTURAL STANDARDS, UTILITIES, THINGS OF THAT NATURE.
10:22:20 WE'RE NOT GOING TO COVER EACH OF THESE INDIVIDUALLY, BUT
10:22:23 THERE WERE THREE OR FOUR OF THESE SECTIONS I THINK THAT ARE
10:22:29 VERY, VERY IMPORTANT, AND THEY ARE -- THERE WERE A NUMBER OF
10:22:34 CHANGES.
10:22:34 THEY INVOLVE LANDSCAPING AND ARCHITECTURAL STANDARDS IN
10:22:40 PARTICULAR THE RESIDENTIAL IMPACT STANDARDS.
10:22:43 I'M GOING TO TURN IT OVER TO LAURA DeJOHN WHO WILL TALK

10:22:46 ABOUT THE LANDSCAPING STANDARDS OF THE ARCHITECTURAL FORM
10:22:51 AND DESIGN STANDARDS.
10:22:53 >>Laura DeJohn: GOOD MORNING, COUNCIL MEMBERS, AND ALL THOSE
10:22:55 ATTENDING, AS CRAIG SAID, THERE'S A GOOD BODY OF WORK HERE
10:23:00 ON LANDSCAPE STANDARDS.
10:23:02 MUCH OF IT IS AN ADAPTATION OF THE TRANSITIONAL CODE.
10:23:08 HOWEVER, YOU CAN SEE HERE WHAT IS NEW FOR VILLAGE OF ESTERO.
10:23:13 AN ESTERO PLANT PALETTE IS ESTABLISHED TO BE SPECIFIC TO THE
10:23:16 TYPES AND MATERIALS THAT ARE SUCCESSFUL AND BUILDING A SENSE
10:23:19 OF CONTINUITY WITH THE LANDSCAPE WITHIN THE VILLAGE THAT
10:23:24 GETS CULTIVATED.
10:23:25 TREE PRESERVATION STANDARDS HAVE BEEN EXPANDED TO BE MORE
10:23:28 BROAD AS TO WHAT TREES ARE REQUIRED TO BE PRESERVED AT TIME

10:23:32 OF DEVELOPMENT OR AT TIME OF REQUEST TO DO ANY CLEARING OR
10:23:38 TREE REMOVAL.
10:23:39 THE ADDITION THAT STREET TREES CAN COUNT AS GENERAL TREES IS
10:23:45 AN INCENTIVE TO HELP ENCOURAGE DEVELOPERS TO INCLUDE STREET
10:23:49 TREES IN THEIR PROJECTS WHERE FEASIBLE.
10:23:51 OPEN SPACE DESIGNATION PRIORITIES HAVE BEEN PUT FORTH FOR
10:23:54 THE FIRST TIME THAT PRIORITIZE PRESERVING ANY NATIVE OR
10:24:00 INDIGENOUS VEGETATION ON-SITE.
10:24:03 AND THEN SECONDARILY, PROVIDING FUNCTIONAL AND PUBLIC OPEN
10:24:08 SPACE AS KIND OF STRUCTURING WHAT OPEN SPACE DOES GET
10:24:12 PROVIDED AS REQUIRED.
10:24:13 CULTIVATED TREE REMOVAL STANDARDS IS SOMETHING NEW, AND
10:24:19 WE'VE DISCUSSED PREVIOUSLY.
10:24:20 THIS IS MODELED AFTER SOME EXPERIENCES IN COLLIER COUNTY
10:24:24 THAT OUR TEAM MEMBER, MIKE BOSI FROM COLLIER COUNTY HAS
10:24:28 HELPED CRAFT.
10:24:30 THIS HAS TO DO WITH AS A COMMUNITY IS MATURING, MAINLY
10:24:34 SHOPPING CENTERS AND OTHER VENUES MAY SEEK TO REMOVE MATURE
10:24:38 TREES, AND THIS ESTABLISHES A SET OF CRITERIA AND STANDARDS
10:24:42 FOR PROCESSING SUCH REQUESTS.
10:24:45 FINALLY, IRRIGATION STANDARDS HAVE BEEN UPDATED CONSISTENT
10:24:48 WITH YOUR COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, WHICH STRIVES TO IMPOSE SOME
10:24:53 WATER USE AND WATER CONSERVATION MEASURES AS PART OF HOW
10:25:00 SITES DO GET IRRIGATED.
10:25:03 >>Mary Gibbs: LAURA, COULD WE GO BACK TO THAT SLIDE FOR ONE

10:25:06 MINUTE?
10:25:07 I WANTED TO LET THE COUNCIL KNOW THAT WE HAVE GOTTEN A LOT
10:25:09 OF GOOD INPUT AT THE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD.
10:25:15 THEY GOT INTO QUITE A BIT OF DETAIL.
10:25:17 WE HAD DESIGN REVIEW BOARD MEMBERS AND FORMER DESIGN REVIEW
10:25:20 BOARD MEMBERS THAT HAVE SENT IN PUBLIC COMMENT.
10:25:23 WE ACTUALLY GOT MORE PUBLIC COMMENT YESTERDAY, WHICH WE
10:25:27 TRIED TO PUT IN YOUR DESK PACKET TODAY SO YOU COULD KEEP UP

10:25:30 WITH IT.
10:25:32 WE'RE LOOKING THROUGH ALL THE COMMENTS BECAUSE THEY ARE VERY
10:25:35 TECHNICAL, THE DETAILS, THE MINUTIA, AND I THINK WE AGREE,
10:25:40 THERE ARE SOME CHANGES WANT TO PROPOSE TO MAKE.
10:25:43 SOME WE DON'T AGREE WITH EVERYTHING, BUT WE DO AGREE WITH
10:25:46 QUITE A FEW.
10:25:46 SO THIS IS WHAT WE'RE GOING TO BE WORKING THROUGH AND COMING
10:25:50 BACK TO YOU, BEFORE WE GET TO THE SECOND PUBLIC HEARING OF
10:25:54 WHAT WE AGREE SHOULD BE CHANGED.
10:25:55 SO THERE WILL BE REVISIONS IN THESE SECTIONS, BASED ON THE
10:25:58 COMMENTS WE'RE GETTING.
10:25:59 I JUST WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW.
10:26:10 >>Laura DeJohn: AND TO YOUR POINT, MARY, THERE ARE DETAILS
10:26:11 THAT WILL CHANGE AND DON'T REALLY AFFECT THE OVERARCHING
10:26:14 MAGNITUDE OF WHAT IS BEING DONE UNIQUE TO ESTERO IN THIS
10:26:18 CODE DOCUMENT.
10:26:18 TO YOUR POINT, WHEN IT COMES TO ARCHITECTURE, WE GOT SEVERAL

10:26:23 OF THOSE TYPES OF COMMENTS GENERATED BY VISITING WITH THE
10:26:27 DESIGN REVIEW BOARD.
10:26:29 AND HIGHLIGHTED HERE ARE SOME OF THOSE PENDING DISCUSSION
10:26:34 ITEMS.
10:26:35 WE DID UPDATE ARCHITECTURAL STYLES FOR THE VILLAGE TO BE,
10:26:39 AGAIN, A LITTLE MORE SOPHISTICATED IN THE VARIETY OF
10:26:43 ARCHITECTURE, MEDITERRANEAN SUBSTYLES THAT ARE ALLOWED
10:26:46 WITHIN THE VILLAGE, AND THEN FLORIDA VERNACULAR SUBSTYLES
10:26:51 THAT WILL NOW BE ALLOWED WITHIN THE VILLAGE, STILL
10:26:54 MAINTAINING THAT THEME AND CONTINUITY OF MEDITERRANEAN AND
10:26:57 FLORIDA VERNACULAR, BUT BEING MORE ARTICULATE IN THE
10:27:00 VARIETIES THAT WOULD BE ALLOWED.
10:27:01 ALTERNATIVE STYLES ARE ALSO IDENTIFIED FOR THE FIRST TIME,
10:27:05 LIMITED TO PRAIRIE-STYLE, LIKE THE MEDICAL CENTER OR MEDICAL
10:27:12 VILLAGE THAT WAS CONSTRUCTED WITHIN COCONUT POINT, AND THE
10:27:17 ALLOWANCE FOR ICONIC ARCHITECTURE.
10:27:21 THOSE WOULD HAVE TO BE REVIEWED AND APPROVED IF ANY
10:27:25 ALTERNATIVE STYLES ARE REQUESTED.
10:27:27 MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS ARE INTRODUCED, CONSISTENT
10:27:29 WITH YOUR COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND STRIVING TO MAKE SURE
10:27:32 MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENT GETS DONE IN A COHESIVE FASHION.
10:27:37 BROUGHT UP IN OUR DRB DISCUSSIONS WAS THE QUESTION OF
10:27:44 EXTERIOR COLORS, A LIMITATION ON ANY WHITE OR GRAY COLORS IS
10:27:50 WHAT WE PROPOSED, AND THEN DRB IS KIND OF SPLICING THAT
10:27:54 FURTHER AND SPEAKING ABOUT POTENTIALLY ALLOWING WARM GRAYS

10:28:00 AND WHITES, NOT JUST RESTRICTING AND PERMITTING ANY GRAYS
10:28:04 AND WHITES.
10:28:05 WE ALSO HEARD FROM DRB MEMBERS IN THE PUBLIC THAT MAYBE
10:28:11 ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL STYLES, THERE SHOULD BE A LOOK

10:28:15 FORWARD INTO ADDING SOME THAT HAVE NOT BEEN TRADITIONALLY
10:28:19 PART OF THE ESTERO VERNACULAR, THOSE MENTIONED WERE COASTAL
10:28:24 CONTEMPORARY AND BRITISH WEST INDIES.
10:28:28 THESE ARE TWO ITEMS AT THE BOTTOM OF THE SCREEN THAT REMAIN
10:28:32 OPEN TO YOUR DIRECTION.
10:28:34 >>Mary Gibbs: LAURA, CAN I ELABORATE ON THAT A LITTLE BIT,
10:28:38 TOO?
10:28:39 AT THE LAST DESIGN REVIEW BOARD MEETING, THEY TALKED ABOUT
10:28:43 THESE TWO STYLES.
10:28:45 IT SAYS MIXED RECOMMENDATION BECAUSE TWO OF THE MEMBERS SAID
10:28:49 WE SHOULD ADD COASTAL CONTEMPORARY AND BRITISH WEST INDIES.
10:28:53 ONE OF THE OTHER MEMBERS SAID, "I THINK YOU NEED TO BE VERY
10:28:56 CAREFUL WITH EXPANDING THE STYLES BECAUSE OF ESTERO'S
10:28:59 BACKGROUND AND HISTORY."
10:29:01 AND THEN THE REST OF THEM DIDN'T COMMENT.
10:29:03 SO THERE WAS NO VOTE.
10:29:05 IT WAS A WORKSHOP, AND THAT WAS THE GENERAL DISCUSSION.
10:29:08 THAT'S SOMETHING THAT YOU ALL WILL HAVE TO DEAL WITH.
10:29:14 I DON'T THINK THE STAFF AT THIS POINT -- THE STAFF AT THIS
10:29:18 POINT IS A LITTLE CONCERNED ABOUT ADDING THESE BECAUSE THESE
10:29:20 STYLES ARE VERY BROAD -- [MICROPHONE CUTS OUT] -- BUT MODERN

10:29:25 LOOKING, SO THOSE ARE OUR PRELIMINARY [MICROPHONE CUTS OUT]
10:29:27 COMMENTS --
10:29:29 >>Mayor Ribble: READY FOR QUESTIONS NOW FROM COUNCIL?
10:29:31 >>Mary Gibbs: EITHER NOW OR LATER.
10:29:33 IT DOESN'T MATTER.
10:29:34 >>Mayor Ribble: DO WE STILL HAVE MORE --
10:29:36 >>Mary Gibbs: THERE ARE A FEW MORE SLIDES TO GO THROUGH.
10:29:41 >>Mayor Ribble: DO YOU WANT TO DO IT NOW NICK OR DO YOU
10:29:43 WANT TO WAIT?
10:29:44 >>Nick Batos: IT IS ABOUT THIS PARTICULAR ITEM THAT SHE WAS
10:29:47 TALKING ABOUT NOW.
10:29:47 THE POSSIBLE NEW TYPES OF CONSTRUCTION.
10:29:51 IF WE HAVE TO MAKE A DECISION TO ADD THESE OR NOT, I WOULD
10:29:56 HOPE THAT EITHER AT A ONE-ON-ONE OR AT A SUBSEQUENT WORKSHOP
10:29:59 YOU'RE ABLE TO SHOW US WHAT THIS REALLY MEANS.
10:30:06 CONSIDERING HERE.
10:30:07 BECAUSE I'M SURE THERE ARE MANY VARIATIONS OF EACH ONE OF
10:30:10 THESE, AND IT'S BEEN MANY YEARS THAT WE'VE HAD A MORE
10:30:16 LIMITED SELECTION OF TYPES OF DESIGNS THAT WE HAVE BEEN
10:30:22 HAVING IN ESTERO.
10:30:22 AND JUST TO OPEN IT UP TO SAY YES OR NO, WITHOUT REALLY
10:30:27 GOING INTO THIS, I THINK WOULD BE UNFAIR FOR ME, ANYWAY, TO
10:30:30 MAKE A DECISION ON.
10:30:32 >>Mary Gibbs: I AGREE.
10:30:33 I THINK WE WILL COME BACK WITH SOME -- WE'LL PUT TOGETHER

10:30:35 SOME EXAMPLES SO YOU CAN VISUALLY SEE WHAT WE'RE TALKING
10:30:39 ABOUT.
10:30:41 >>Howard Levitan: WELL, LET ME JUST COMMENT QUICKLY, IF YOU
10:30:43 WANT TO HAVE THE MOST RECENT EXAMPLE, WHEN WE DID ESTERO
10:30:47 CROSSING NEXT TO LOWE'S, THEIR FIRST PATTERN BOOK WAS BOTH
10:30:53 OF THOSE -- COASTAL CONTEMPORARY, BRITISH WEST INDIES --
10:30:57 VERY WHITE AND THEY STUCK ON A BARREL ROOF.
10:31:02 WE TURNED THAT DOWN IMMEDIATELY AS A COUNCIL.
10:31:07 SO I THINK WHAT YOU'RE GONNA SEE IS THINGS THAT ARE NOT WHAT
10:31:14 WE HAVE -- ARE USED TO IN ESTERO AND WILL STICK OUT LIKE
10:31:18 SORE THUMBS.
10:31:20 I WOULD HOPE THAT WE DO NOT GO DOWN THIS SLIPPERY SLOPE.
10:31:26 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
10:31:26 MOVING RIGHT ALONG.
10:31:34 >>Geoff Green: THE RESIDENTIAL IMPACT STANDARDS ARE NEW TO
10:31:36 THE CODE.
10:31:36 NEW STANDARDS THAT ATTEMPT TO ADDRESS THE NEGATIVE IMPACTS
10:31:40 THAT LARGER SCALE DEVELOPMENT MIGHT HAVE ON NEARBY
10:31:42 RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT.
10:31:43 SO THESE ARE STANDARDS THAT APPLY TO ANY COMMENT THAT'S
10:31:46 WITHIN 300 FEET OF LAND THAT EITHER IS CURRENTLY USED
10:31:50 RESIDENTIALLY OR IF IT'S ZONED RESIDENTIAL.
10:31:53 THERE ARE A VARIETY OF STANDARDS WITHIN THE SECTION THAT
10:31:57 ATTEMPT TO REDUCE THE IMPACT.
10:31:59 SO THINGS SUCH AS REQUIRING THAT PARKING LOTS AND DRIVEWAYS

10:32:03 AND ACCESS WAYS BE ORIENTED TO MINIMIZE LIGHT AND NOISE
10:32:08 IMPACTS ON NEIGHBORING PROPERTY.
10:32:10 IF THERE ARE DRIVE-THROUGHS, MAKE SURE THAT THE NOISE MAKERS
10:32:14 LIKE THE MENU BOXES ARE DIRECTED AWAY FROM RESIDENTIAL
10:32:17 PROPERTY.
10:32:17 REQUIRES ADDITIONAL SCREENING WHERE APPROPRIATE, AND IT ALSO
10:32:22 PROVIDES YOU AS THE COUNCIL THE AUTHORITY TO REQUIRE
10:32:25 ADDITIONAL MITIGATION MEASURES TO MAKE SURE THAT IMPACTS ARE
10:32:29 ADDRESSED ADEQUATELY.
10:32:30 NEXT SLIDE.
10:32:32 SO CHAPTER 6 IS SIGNAGE.
10:32:35 THIS LARGELY CARRIES FORWARD THE PROVISIONS INCLUDED IN THE
10:32:40 TRADITIONAL CODE AS WELL AS INCORPORATING THE PROVISIONS
10:32:42 THAT APPLIED TO THE PLANNING COMMUNITY BEFORE INCORPORATION.
10:32:47 AS STATED IN THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, BILLBOARDS ARE NOW
10:32:50 PROHIBITED.
10:32:50 AND ONE THING THAT WE'VE DONE TO MAKE IT A LITTLE EASIER TO
10:32:53 UNDERSTAND THE STANDARDS IS WE'VE TAKEN A LOT OF THE TEXT
10:32:57 FROM THE CURRENT CODE AND PLACED IT INTO TABLES TO MAKE IT A
10:33:01 LITTLE EASIER TO UNDERSTAND THE REGULATIONS AND LIMITATIONS
10:33:04 THAT APPLY TO SIGNS FOR THE DIFFERENT TYPES OF DEVELOPMENT
10:33:08 THAT YOU'LL SEE WITHIN THE VILLAGE.

10:33:11 NEXT SLIDE.
10:33:12 >>Mary Gibbs: CAN YOU GO BACK TO THAT SLIDE?
10:33:15 REGARDING THE BILLBOARDS, BECAUSE THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

10:33:17 PROHIBITS THEM, SO WE CARRIED THAT FORWARD INTO THE LAND
10:33:20 DEVELOPMENT CODE, ONE OF THE THINGS WE TALKED ABOUT EARLY ON
10:33:23 I THINK WITH THE COUNCIL WAS SHOULD THERE BE AN AMORTIZATION
10:33:26 PROVISION?
10:33:28 BECAUSE IF THE BILLBOARDS ARE PROHIBITED, THEN YOU CAN'T DO
10:33:30 A NEW ONE, THE EXISTING ONES BECOME NONCONFORMING.
10:33:34 SO THEY CANNOT BE EXPANDED.
10:33:38 BUT IF YOU WANTED THEM TO ESSENTIALLY GO AWAY OVER TIME,
10:33:42 THAT'S AMORTIZATION PROVISION, WE DID NOT INCLUDE THAT.
10:33:46 THERE'S ABOUT A DOZEN BILLBOARDS I THINK IN THE VILLAGE.
10:33:49 SO WE DID NOT INCLUDE THE AMORTIZATION PROVISION.
10:33:53 THEY WILL BE LEFT AS NONCONFORMING.
10:33:55 SO IF YOU WANT SOMETHING DIFFERENT, WE NEED TO KNOW, BUT
10:33:58 THAT'S THE WAY IT'S WRITTEN CURRENTLY.
10:34:01 SO JUST WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW.
10:34:07 >>Jon McLain: CAN WE DISCUSS THAT WHEN WE'RE LOOKING AT THE
10:34:09 ARCHITECTURAL, MAYBE LOOK AT THIS ALSO --
10:34:11 >>Mary Gibbs: YES, SURE, SURE.
10:34:13 >>Jon McLain: I'D LIKE TO BRING THAT UP AGAIN.
10:34:19 >>Geoff Green: CHAPTER 7, NATURAL RESOURCES.
10:34:22 THIS CONSOLIDATES MANY OF THE EXISTING REGULATIONS THAT
10:34:25 APPLY TO NATURAL RESOURCE STANDARDS FROM THE TRANSITIONAL
10:34:28 CODE.
10:34:29 THESE ARE VERY MUCH CARRY-FORWARD PROVISIONS, REGARDING
10:34:34 WILDLIFE, WETLANDS, WELL FIELDS, FLOOD HAZARD, MARINE

10:34:39 FACILITIES AND HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS.
10:34:40 CHAPTER 8 IS YOUR PUBLIC FACILITY FINANCING CHAPTER.
10:34:48 THIS ALSO IS VERY MUCH CARRIED FORWARD.
10:34:50 THIS CARRIES FORWARD BOTH THE ROAD AND PARK IMPACT FEES.
10:34:54 A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO, THE COUNCIL APPROVED ORDINANCES THAT
10:34:58 UPDATED SOME OF THE PROVISIONS THAT WERE CARRIED FORWARD
10:35:01 FROM LEE COUNTY.
10:35:02 WE VERY MUCH CARRY THIS FORWARD WITH SOME SIMPLIFICATION.
10:35:07 THE CODE ALSO OPTS INTO THE IMPACT FEES THAT LEE COUNTY
10:35:12 CURRENTLY COLLECTS.
10:35:13 SO FIRE PROTECTION, E.M.S., AND SCHOOL IMPACT FEES.
10:35:16 CONCURRENCY REQUIREMENTS ARE CARRIED FORWARD.
10:35:20 THEY ARE SIMPLIFIED, AND THEY INCLUDE ALL OF THE CONCURRENCY
10:35:24 PROVISION REQUIREMENTS THAT ARE IN STATE LAW, SO REGARDING
10:35:28 POTABLE WATER, SANITARY SEWER, SOLID WASTE, SURFACE WATER
10:35:32 MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
10:35:34 WE HAVE REMOVED TRANSPORTATION CONCURRENCY.
10:35:39 TRANSPORTATION IMPACTS ARE ADDRESSED THROUGH TRAFFIC IMPACT

10:35:43 STUDIES THAT NEW DEVELOPMENTS ARE REQUIRED TO UNDERTAKE
10:35:47 THROUGH THE DEVELOPMENT ORDER PROCESS.
10:35:54 >>David Henning: I'LL BE TAKING US THROUGH THE LAST FEW
10:35:56 CHAPTERS QUICKLY.
10:35:57 CHAPTER 9 ESTABLISHES THE RULES FOR NONCONFORMITIES, THOSE
10:36:01 DEVELOPMENTS THAT WERE BUILT AND CONFORMED TO THE
10:36:04 PREEXISTING CODES, EITHER YOUR TRANSITIONAL CODE OR SOME

10:36:08 EARLIER ITERATION OF IT.
10:36:09 AND HOW THEY ARE DEALT WITH NOW THAT THEY MAY NOT COMPLY
10:36:13 WITH THE NEW RULES.
10:36:15 GENERALLY, THEY ARE ALLOWED TO CONTINUE IN PLACE.
10:36:18 HOWEVER, THERE ARE OTHER RULES ESTABLISHED WITHIN THIS
10:36:21 CHAPTER AS FAR AS HOW TO DEAL WITH THEM WHEN THE USE IS
10:36:24 DISCONTINUED OR DESTROYED.
10:36:26 ALL OF THOSE PROVISIONS ARE TAKEN FORWARD, LARGELY CARRYING
10:36:31 FORWARD THE TRANSITIONAL CODE.
10:36:33 CHAPTER 10 IS A CONSOLIDATION OF PIECES THAT ARE STREWN
10:36:38 THROUGHOUT THE TRANSITIONAL CODE, AND IT BRINGS ALL THE
10:36:41 DEFINITIONS AND TERMS INTO ONE LOCATION IN YOUR CODE AS WELL
10:36:46 AS SOME OTHER THINGS SIMILAR TO DEFINITIONS LIKE RULES FOR
10:36:49 INTERPRETING DIFFERENT LANGUAGE, LIKE HOW TO MEASURE
10:36:52 DIFFERENT THINGS, INCLUDING THE MEASUREMENT OF ROOF HEIGHT
10:36:54 OR DENSITY CALCULATIONS.
10:36:56 THAT COMBINATION OF INTERPRETATIONS OF DIFFERENT ITEMS AND
10:37:00 DEFINITIONS IS ALL CONSOLIDATED HERE AT THE BACK OF THE
10:37:03 CODE.
10:37:04 FOR THE NEXT STEPS THAT WE'LL BE GOING THROUGH AS A TEAM
10:37:10 WORKING ON THIS, WE ARE MEETING WITH THE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD
10:37:14 TONIGHT.
10:37:14 THAT IS TO ADDRESS THE MATERIAL THAT WAS IN YOUR THIRD AND
10:37:17 FINAL WORKSHOP.
10:37:19 WE WILL BE BRINGING THE ENTIRETY OF THE FIRST HEARING DRAFT

10:37:24 FORWARD IN A PUBLIC HEARING TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD
10:37:26 ON DECEMBER 15, AND WE PLAN TO BE BACK WITH YOU FOR THE
10:37:29 SECOND READING ON JANUARY 6th WITH A PRESENTATION THAT
10:37:34 INCLUDES COUNCIL COMMENTS AND PUBLIC INPUT.
10:37:37 AGAIN, AT THE BOTTOM IS THE LISTED WEBSITE FOR ANYONE WHO IS
10:37:42 IN THE PUBLIC WATCHING AT THE MOMENT WHO WANTS TO SUBMIT
10:37:46 COMMENTS ELECTRONICALLY.
10:37:48 WE ARE TAKING A LOOK AT EVERYTHING THAT COMES IN.
10:37:51 WITH THAT, WE HAVE NOW WALKED THROUGH AGAIN THE ENTIRETY OF
10:37:54 THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, AND WE'LL TAKE YOUR QUESTIONS AND
10:37:57 DISCUSSION.
10:37:58 >>Mayor Ribble: COUNCIL, ANY QUESTIONS?
10:38:00 ANY COMMENTS?
10:38:04 >>Jim Wilson: YES, BILL.

10:38:06 COUNCILMAN WILSON HERE.
10:38:07 UNDER RECOMMENDED ACTION, IT SAYS WE HAVE AN OPTION TO HOLD
10:38:10 THE HEARING EITHER AT 9:30 A.M. OR AT 5:30 P.M.
10:38:16 DO WE WANT TO HOLD THIS HEARING IN THE EVENING SO THAT THE
10:38:21 DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY WHO'S MOST AFFECTED BY THIS CAN
10:38:27 PARTICIPATE?
10:38:27 >>Mary Gibbs: WE WERE GOING TO BRING THAT UP AFTER YOU TAKE
10:38:30 PUBLIC INPUT AND TO ASK YOU WHEN YOU MAKE YOUR MOTION.
10:38:34 YOU HAVE AN OPTION.
10:38:38 TYPICALLY REQUIRED TO BE AFTER 5 P.M., ONE OF THE PUBLIC
10:38:40 HEARINGS, BUT IF YOU HAVE A MAJORITY VOTE PLUS ONE, YOU CAN

10:38:44 SCHEDULE IT AT A TIME IN THE MORNING.
10:38:46 SO IT'S REALLY UP TO THE COUNCIL WHAT TIME YOU WANT TO
10:38:51 SCHEDULE THAT PUBLIC HEARING.
10:38:53 >>Mayor Ribble: WHAT'S RECOMMENDED?
10:38:54 WHAT DO YOU RECOMMEND?
10:38:56 YOU GUYS MAKE A RECOMMENDATION AND WE FOLLOW --
10:39:02 >>Mary Gibbs: PERSONALLY, I THINK THAT YOU'VE ALREADY
10:39:05 CONTINUED SOME ITEMS TO JANUARY 6th.
10:39:09 I THINK THAT IN THE MORNING WORKS BETTER BECAUSE THE LAND
10:39:12 USE CONSULTANTS ARE THE ONES THAT ARE TYPICALLY THE ONES
10:39:15 THAT WILL COME TO THE PUBLIC HEARINGS, AND THEY ARE USUALLY
10:39:18 AVAILABLE DURING THE DAY.
10:39:20 IF YOU WERE TO DO IT AT NIGHT, YOU'D PROBABLY HAVE TO SPLIT
10:39:24 YOUR MEETING AND DO REGULAR THINGS IN THE MORNING AND OTHERS
10:39:26 AT NIGHT OR COMBINE IT ALL AT NIGHT AND YOU'LL HAVE A VERY
10:39:29 LONG MEETING.
10:39:30 I THINK THE PEOPLE THAT I'VE SEEN, WE HAVE SOMETIMES FEWER
10:39:36 ATTENDANCE AT THE NIGHT MEETINGS THAN WE DO IN THE MORNING
10:39:39 MEETINGS.
10:39:41 >>Mayor Ribble: WE CAN DISCUSS THIS AT OUR HEAD-TO-HEADS
10:39:44 WITH STEVE?
10:39:49 >>Mary Gibbs: WELL, WE NEED TO KNOW -- THAT IT BE PART OF
10:39:51 YOUR MOTION TODAY.
10:39:53 >>Nick Batos: MARY, YOU MENTIONED IF WE DID IT IN THE
10:39:55 EVENING THAT IT WOULD BE A VERY LONG MEETING.

10:39:57 ISN'T IT GOING TO BE THE SAME LENGTH OF MEETING WHETHER WE
10:39:59 DO IT IN THE DAYTIME OR THE NIGHTTIME?
10:40:02 >>Mary Gibbs: WELL, WHAT I MEANT IS IF YOU START AT 5:30 AND
10:40:05 YOU'VE GOT A FULL AGENDA PLUS A PUBLIC HEARING, IT COULD RUN
10:40:09 LATE, PAST MY BEDTIME.
10:40:12 >>Nick Batos: WHAT I WAS COMING TO, SHOULD WE HAVE A MEETING
10:40:15 WITH JUST THIS ITEM ON IT AND NOT HAVE THE OTHER ITEMS?
10:40:19 IN OTHER WORDS, SHOULD WE DO A SPECIAL MEETING JUST FOR
10:40:23 THIS?
10:40:23 >>Mary Gibbs: WELL, YOU HAVE ALREADY CONTINUED THE FIRESTONE

10:40:29 ZONING CASE TO JANUARY 6 AND I THINK A COUPLE OF OTHER ITEMS
10:40:32 ON THE JANUARY 6 AGENDA.
10:40:34 "THE VOICE" STAR.
10:40:39 >>Nick Batos: I'M ASKING, SHOULD SOMETHING LIKE THIS BE DONE
10:40:42 ON JANUARY 7 SO THAT WE DON'T HAVE ALL THE OTHER THINGS THAT
10:40:47 WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THAT WE'VE ADJOURNED TO THAT DATE, PLUS
10:40:51 WHATEVER THINGS WE HAVE TO DO ANYWAY.
10:40:54 SINCE THIS IS SUCH AN ENORMOUS AND IMPORTANT THING AND SO
10:40:58 MUCH EFFORT PUT INTO THIS BY STAFF, BY CONSULTANTS, I'M SURE
10:41:04 THERE ARE GOING TO BE QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS FROM BOTH THE
10:41:08 PUBLIC AND COUNCILORS.
10:41:11 I DON'T THINK IT SHOULD BE RUSHED.
10:41:14 >>Howard Levitan: WELL, I WOULD LIKE TO ALSO SUGGEST THAT WE
10:41:16 MOVE THIS TO THE 13th.
10:41:18 ONE OF OUR INTERIM WEDNESDAYS, TO DEAL WITH THIS AS A

10:41:24 STAND-ALONE SUBJECT.
10:41:26 NOTHING ELSE ON THERE.
10:41:27 >>Mayor Ribble: WHAT TIME ON THE 13th, HOWARD?
10:41:31 >>Howard Levitan: DAYTIME.
10:41:31 MIGHT AS WELL LET THESE PROFESSIONALS GET PAID FOR IT AND
10:41:34 NOT TIME AND A HALF.
10:41:35 >>Mayor Ribble: MARY?
10:41:39 >>Mary Gibbs: ACTUALLY, I WAS GOING TO SUGGEST THE 13th
10:41:42 BECAUSE THAT'S STILL A WEDNESDAY, AND THAT WOULD WORK.
10:41:45 AND THEN -- BECAUSE OTHERWISE WE'VE GOT TO GET A NEWSPAPER
10:41:49 AD.
10:41:50 WE HAVE A REALLY SHORT TIME FRAME TO GET A NEWSPAPER AD TO
10:41:53 THE NEWSPAPER.
10:41:54 THE 13th WOULD WORK, BUT YOU DON'T WANT TO MAKE A MOTION
10:41:57 UNTIL AFTER YOU ASK FOR PUBLIC INPUT TODAY.
10:41:59 >>Mayor Ribble: WE'RE JUST TRYING TO GET CONSENSUS BEFORE WE
10:42:03 DO THE MOTION LATER.
10:42:04 ARE YOU OKAY WITH THAT, JIM WILSON, OR NO?
10:42:08 >>Jim Wilson: I DON'T HAVE MY CALENDAR IN FRONT OF ME.
10:42:11 IT'S IN THE OTHER ROOM.
10:42:13 I DON'T KNOW.
10:42:14 I'M GOING TO MUTE MY THING -- NORMALLY I SHOULD BE.
10:42:22 >>Mayor Ribble: ALL RIGHT.
10:42:23 KATY, DO YOU WANT TO WEIGH IN ON THE 13th?
10:42:27 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: THE 13th IS FINE.

10:42:28 I DO HAVE A QUESTION, THIS WOULD BE FOR MARY.
10:42:31 MARY, WHERE DO WE FIND IN THIS DOCUMENT ANYTHING -- I'M
10:42:39 LOOKING IN CHAPTER 5, ANYTHING THAT PROTECTS THE VILLAGE FOR
10:42:46 CONTAMINATION OR ANYTHING THAT'S LIKE OIL SPILLS AND THINGS
10:42:54 LIKE THAT YOU CAN'T JUST RUN IT INTO A RETENTION POND.
10:42:57 WHAT HAPPENS THERE?

10:43:00 WHERE DO YOU FIND THAT?
10:43:01 CHAPTER 5 I'M LOOKING, AND I HAVEN'T SEEN IT.
10:43:04 >>Mary Gibbs: I THINK THAT THOSE ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS
10:43:07 ARE IN CHAPTER 7, THE NATURAL RESOURCES SECTION.
10:43:12 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: I LOOKED AT THAT, TOO, AND I CAN'T
10:43:15 FIND --
10:43:16 >>Mary Gibbs: WELL, YEAH, WELL FIELDS AND WETLANDS AND THOSE
10:43:18 TYPE OF FLOOD THINGS.
10:43:19 I'M NOT SURE -- I'D HAVE TO LOOK AND SEE.
10:43:23 I'M NOT SURE THAT THERE'S ANYTHING THAT'S SPECIFIC TO OIL.
10:43:27 I KNOW THERE ARE OTHER REGULATIONS FROM DEP.
10:43:29 SO WE'LL HAVE TO LOOK AT THAT.
10:43:32 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: YEAH, BECAUSE THE USEPA SAYS THAT
10:43:35 ONE GALLON OF USED MOTOR OIL CAN CONTAMINATE ONE MILLION
10:43:39 GALLONS OF FRESHWATER.
10:43:42 SO THESE THINGS ARE SERIOUS RIGHT NOW WITH OUR ENVIRONMENT
10:43:47 AND OUR LITTLE ESTERO RIVER.
10:43:49 I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERYTHING LIKE THAT IS
10:43:53 COVERED WHERE WE CAN PROTECT THE RIVER AND OUR WATER QUALITY

10:43:57 HERE IN ESTERO.
10:44:00 >>Mary Gibbs: WE'LL GET AN ANSWER FOR YOU.
10:44:01 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: THANK YOU.
10:44:04 >>David Henning: IF I COULD ADD BRIEFLY, MARY, THIS ANSWERS
10:44:06 PART OF YOUR QUESTION, ON THE WELL FIELD SECTION IN CHAPTER
10:44:10 7, IT IS PARTICULARLY PROTECTING POTABLE WATER WELL FIELD,
10:44:14 SO IT'S NOT THE ENTIRETY OF THE VILLAGE, BUT THERE ARE
10:44:16 PROVISIONS FOR CERTAIN HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES AND HOW THEY CAN
10:44:20 OR CAN'T PASS THROUGH THOSE AREAS AS CARRIED FORWARD FROM
10:44:24 THE TRANSITIONAL --
10:44:27 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: DOES THAT ALSO ADDRESS JUST THE
10:44:30 STORMWATER DRAIN-OFF?
10:44:33 YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT WELL FIELDS.
10:44:35 I'M TALKING ABOUT LIKE STORMWATER DRAINAGE.
10:44:39 >>Mary Gibbs: THAT'S NOT THE SAME, BUT WE'LL GET AN ANSWER
10:44:42 FOR YOU.
10:44:44 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: OKAY.
10:44:44 THOSE ARE VERY, VERY IMPORTANT AS WE GO FORWARD WITH THE
10:44:50 BUILDING OF ESTERO.
10:44:50 I CONSIDER THAT EXTREMELY IMPORTANT, KEEPING OUR WATER
10:44:53 QUALITY SAFE.
10:44:55 >>Mayor Ribble: JON, YOU HAD A COMMENT?
10:44:58 >>Jon McLain: YEAH, JUST ON THE JANUARY 13th MEETING WE'RE
10:45:02 GOING TO HAVE.
10:45:02 ARE WE EXPECTED TO BE VOTING AT THAT TIME FOR THE ORDINANCE?

10:45:06 OR ARE WE GOING TO HAVE TIME TO REFLECT ON THE COMMENTS ON
10:45:09 THAT THAT WE'RE GOING TO RECEIVE?

10:45:11 >>Mary Gibbs: WELL, IT WOULD BE SCHEDULED AS A PUBLIC
10:45:13 HEARING, WHICH WOULD BE YOUR SECOND PUBLIC HEARING, AND YOU
10:45:15 WOULD VOTE.
10:45:17 UNLESS YOU WEREN'T COMFORTABLE VOTING, YOU CAN ALWAYS
10:45:20 CONTINUE TO THE FOLLOWING WEEK.
10:45:24 AGAIN, IT'S UP TO ALL OF YOU.
10:45:28 >>Jon McLain: THE QUESTION IS, WE TALKED A LITTLE BIT ABOUT
10:45:30 ARCHITECTURE, CHANGING SOME STANDARDS THERE OR NOT CHANGING
10:45:33 THEM.
10:45:33 WE TALKED ABOUT THE GRAYS AND THE LIKE.
10:45:36 IS THAT GOING TO BE HANDLED ON THE 13th OR WE'LL HAVE
10:45:39 PRIVATE MEETINGS WITH THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO GIVE OUR
10:45:43 COMMENTS ON THAT, THEN I GUESS WE VOTE ON IT THE 13th?
10:45:48 >>Steven Sarkozy: YOUR DELIBERATIONS SHOULD BE PUBLIC ON
10:45:50 THOSE ISSUES.
10:45:50 WE CAN TALK ABOUT SOME OF THE ISSUES AND PROVIDE MORE
10:45:53 BACKGROUND AT EITHER BRIEFINGS THAT CAN OCCUR ANYTIME, AND I
10:45:57 WOULD ENCOURAGE -- STRONGLY ENCOURAGE THE COUNCIL TO CONTACT
10:46:02 MARY OFF-LINE WITH YOUR QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS, BECAUSE THIS
10:46:08 IS VERY COMPLICATED.
10:46:09 THERE'S A LOT OF MEAT HERE, BUT TALK IT THROUGH.
10:46:14 WE CAN BRING COMMENTS OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION BACK TO THE
10:46:17 COUNCIL ON THE 13th.

10:46:20 >>Howard Levitan: STEVE, IF WE NEED TO HAVE A WORKSHOP ON
10:46:24 SOME OF THESE ISSUES, A PUBLIC WORKSHOP ON THEM SO WE CAN
10:46:27 ALL TALK TOGETHER, WE SHOULD HAVE THAT.
10:46:30 WE'VE BEEN WORKING AT THIS FOR 11 YEARS NOW.
10:46:36 EVEN BEFORE WE WERE A VILLAGE.
10:46:37 THERE'S NO REASON TO RUSH THIS.
10:46:39 THIS IS IMPORTANT.
10:46:43 >>Steven Sarkozy: WHETHER THAT WORKSHOP WOULD OCCUR BEFORE
10:46:45 THE 13th OR AFTER IS YOUR --
10:46:51 >>Jon McLain: I WOULD THINK I'D LIKE TO HEAR ALL THE
10:46:53 COMMENTS THAT WE'VE GOT SO WE CAN DIGEST THOSE AND POSSIBLY
10:46:57 HAVE A WORKSHOP AFTER THAT, BECAUSE I'D LIKE TO KNOW WHAT
10:46:59 THE PUBLIC FEELS.
10:47:00 I'VE GOT MY OWN THOUGHTS.
10:47:03 MAY HAVE TO BLEND THOSE TOGETHER, AND I THINK THE 13th
10:47:06 WOULD BE GOOD AND THEN AFTER THAT A QUICK WORKSHOP AND THEN
10:47:11 FORWARD FOR A VOTE AT THAT POINT.
10:47:16 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
10:47:17 MOVING RIGHT ALONG.
10:47:18 WHAT'S NEXT?
10:47:21 >>Steven Sarkozy: WELL, AS WE CONCLUDE THIS AT SOME POINT
10:47:26 JUST A MOTION TO SUPPORT A MEETING ON THE 13th, CONTINUING
10:47:33 -- HAVING THE SECOND HEARING ON THE 13th.
10:47:35 >>Mayor Ribble: MY POINT IS, ARE YOU FINISHED WITH YOUR

10:47:37 PRESENTATION, MARY?

10:47:38 >>Mary Gibbs: YEAH, SO PUBLIC INPUT.

10:47:41 >>Mayor Ribble: YEAH, WE'RE FINISHED WITH THE COUNCIL

10:47:43 COMMENTS, I TAKE IT.

10:47:45 HAS ANYONE SIGNED UP FROM THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK TO THIS ITEM?

10:47:48 >>Carol Sacco: NO, MAYOR.

10:47:53 >>Mayor Ribble: YOU HAVE TO SIGN A SPEAKER CARD, JOE.

10:47:55 YOU KNOW HOW IT WORKS.

10:47:57 WELL, SIGN A CARD AND COME ON UP.

10:47:59 IN THE MEANTIME, I'M GOING TO DO A SHORT ADVERTISEMENT AND

10:48:04 REQUEST FOR ANTONIO.

10:48:05 ANTONIO, CAN WE DO ANYTHING ABOUT THAT BEEPING?

10:48:08 I TELL YA, IF I HAD A CHOICE BETWEEN WATERBOARDING, I THINK

10:48:12 I WOULD TAKE THE WATERBOARDING.

10:48:13 THIS THING IS REALLY DRIVING ME NUTS.

10:48:15 EVERYTHING IS WORKING GREAT, BUT THAT'S THE TRADE-OFF, MAYBE

10:48:22 WE DON'T WANT IT TO BE WORKING GREAT.

10:48:40 >>Howard Levitan: IF YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT THE SYSTEM, CAN

10:48:41 YOU ALSO DROP DOWN THE PowerPoint SO WE CAN ALL SEE YOU

10:48:45 FOR THOSE THAT AREN'T THERE?

10:48:50 >>Mayor Ribble: JOE, LET'S GO.

10:48:51 WE HAVE A MEETING HERE.

10:48:55 >> THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR.

10:48:56 I APPRECIATE IT.

10:48:57 REAL QUICK, PARDON MY IGNORANCE IF I DON'T KNOW IF THIS IS

10:49:02 IN THE PLAN.

10:49:03 WE NEED A MEDICAL SCHOOL HERE.

10:49:05 AND I WAS JUST WONDERING IF THAT CONSIDERATION HAS BEEN

10:49:09 TAKEN FOR THE PLAN.

10:49:12 AND IF IT HAS, GREAT.

10:49:13 I WILL READ THROUGH THAT.

10:49:14 SECOND, IF IT HASN'T, I WOULD REALLY URGE THIS VILLAGE TO

10:49:19 PURSUE GETTING A MEDICAL SCHOOL IN THIS VILLAGE, BECAUSE

10:49:25 THIS IS THE FIRST PLACE THAT I HAVE EVER LIVED THAT I DID

10:49:27 NOT HAVE ACCESS TO MEDICAL SCHOOLS.

10:49:31 I KNOW I'M AN OLD PROFESSOR.

10:49:33 I KNOW IT.

10:49:33 BUT YOU HAVE TREMENDOUS FACILITIES HERE, AND THAT NEEDS TO

10:49:38 BE COMPLEMENTED, IN MY OPINION, BY HAVING AN ON-SITE MEDICAL

10:49:42 SCHOOL NOT ONLY TO TRAIN FUTURE PHYSICIANS AND NURSES,

10:49:47 ET CETERA, ET CETERA, BUT BECAUSE YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE

10:49:49 TREMENDOUS RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES HERE.

10:49:53 SO THAT WAS IT.

10:49:55 I DON'T KNOW THE ANSWER TO MY QUESTION, BUT YOU HAVE MY

10:49:58 OPINION ON IT.

10:50:00 >>Mary Gibbs: I CAN ANSWER.

10:50:01 THE ZONING DOES ACCOMMODATE THINGS LIKE MEDICAL SCHOOLS.
10:50:04 SO THE ZONING CATEGORIES ALLOW BROAD RANGE OF USES INCLUDING
10:50:08 THAT.
10:50:08 IF SOMEBODY WANTS TO DO IT, HAVE THEM CALL ME.
10:50:12 >>Mayor Ribble: WE DON'T NORMALLY COMMENT ON COMMENTS, BUT

10:50:15 WE'VE BEEN CHASING THE MEDICAL SCHOOL THING HERE SINCE DAY
10:50:18 ONE WITH STEVE.
10:50:19 AND WE KNOW -- WE EVEN HAVE A SITE PICKED OUT BUT WE HAVEN'T
10:50:23 HAD A WHOLE LOT OF FOLKS SIGNING UP.
10:50:25 ANYWAY, MOVING RIGHT ALONG, ANY MORE COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL?
10:50:36 >> I'M STILL A LITTLE CONFUSED.
10:50:39 WHAT WILL OUR SCHEDULE BE MOVING FORWARD?
10:50:42 >>Mayor Ribble: TAKE US THROUGH THE SCHEDULE.
10:50:43 HEAD-TO-HEADS ON THIS, CORRECT?
10:50:45 >>Steven Sarkozy: YES, WE'LL HAVE ANOTHER BRIEFING FOR THIS
10:50:47 AND A NUMBER OF OTHER TOPICS HERE AS WE NORMALLY DO ON ABOUT
10:50:51 A MONTHLY BASIS SO THERE WILL BE SOMETHING HERE BEFORE THE
10:50:54 6th OF JANUARY.
10:50:56 THE RECOMMENDATION HERE WOULD BE THAT WE RESCHEDULE OR
10:51:04 SCHEDULE THE SECOND PUBLIC HEARING FOR JANUARY 13th AT
10:51:08 9:30 A.M. WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THE COUNCIL COULD TAKE
10:51:13 FINAL ACTION AT THAT.
10:51:16 MORE THAN LIKELY YOU WOULD HAVE A WORKSHOP AT ANOTHER
10:51:19 MEETING AFTER THAT.
10:51:21 >>Mayor Ribble: JON BROUGHT A GREAT POINT UP ABOUT THIS
10:51:25 WORKSHOP.
10:51:25 ARE WE PUTTING THE CART AHEAD OF THE HORSE HERE?
10:51:29 SHOULDN'T WE BE HAVING THE WORKSHOP FIRST AND THEN DO THE
10:51:32 MEETING LATER?
10:51:34 BECAUSE WE TRY TO WRAP THIS THING UP IN A WORKSHOP AND

10:51:37 EVERYONE IS SHARING THEIR THOUGHTS, WE HAVE A LOT OF
10:51:39 OPINIONS ON THIS.
10:51:40 JUST PAINT COLORS ALONE I GUARANTEE YOU WILL GO AN HOUR.
10:51:44 WE'RE ALL OVER THE BOARD ON PAINT COLORS.
10:51:46 SO WE OUGHT TO HAVE A WORKSHOP WHERE EVERYBODY CAN WEIGH IN
10:51:49 THEIR OPINION.
10:51:50 WE CAN GET CONSENSUS, AND THEN DO THE SECOND READING WHERE
10:51:55 WE CAN --
10:51:56 >>Steven Sarkozy: ABSOLUTELY YOUR CALL.
10:51:57 THAT COULD BE ON THE 13th.
10:52:01 WHAT YOU MAY NOT HAVE IS THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC COMMENT
10:52:04 COMING IN, WHICH MIGHT OCCUR ON A SECOND READING.
10:52:07 >>Mayor Ribble: THAT'S FINE.
10:52:08 WE'LL TAKE THAT.
10:52:10 HOWARD, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT WITH THAT OR NO?
10:52:12 >>Howard Levitan: I THINK WE SHOULD HAVE A WORKSHOP ON THE

10:52:14 13th AND THEN THE SECOND READING AT THE NEXT WEEK.
10:52:17 >>Mayor Ribble: YEAH, THERE YOU GO.
10:52:19 I THINK THAT WORKS.
10:52:20 JON, THAT'S YOUR POINT, I THINK, RIGHT, OR NO?
10:52:24 >>Jon McLain: WELL, I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE SOME UNDERSTANDING
10:52:27 AS TO PUBLIC OPINION WHEN WE GET THEM ALSO, AND THAT MAY
10:52:30 AFFECT HOW WE MOVE THIS THING FORWARD.
10:52:32 >>Mayor Ribble: CAN WE TAKE PUBLIC OPINION AT A WORKSHOP?
10:52:35 >>Howard Levitan: ABSOLUTELY.

10:52:36 >>Mayor Ribble: WHAT'S THE PROBLEM WITH THAT?
10:52:38 >>Jon McLain: THEN THAT'S FINE.
10:52:40 PUBLIC OPINION AT THE WORKSHOP.
10:52:42 >>Mayor Ribble: THIS IS -- MAKING THIS HARDER THAN WHAT IT'S
10:52:47 --
10:52:49 >>Nancy Stroud: IF I COULD STEP IN HERE, MR. MAYOR, YOU
10:52:52 COULD HAVE A SECOND READING AND TAKE PUBLIC COMMENT AND
10:52:57 CONTINUE THAT FOR A SECOND DATE AS WELL.
10:53:00 SO YOU CAN HAVE SECOND READING, INCLUDING TWO DIFFERENT
10:53:04 DATES.
10:53:06 IF YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE A WORKSHOP AND TAKE PUBLIC COMMENT,
10:53:09 YOU MIGHT AS WELL HAVE SECOND READING, I BELIEVE.
10:53:14 AND IT WOULD SIMPLIFY NOTICE PROVISION GREATLY IF, IN MY
10:53:19 OPINION, YOU DID THAT.
10:53:20 YOU JUST SCHEDULED THE 13th FOR SECOND READING, AND TAKE
10:53:25 PUBLIC COMMENT AND HAVE DISCUSSION, AND IF YOU'RE NOT READY
10:53:28 AT THAT POINT TO VOTE, CONTINUE IT TO ANOTHER TIME WHERE
10:53:33 YOU'LL BE READY TO HAVE A VOTE.
10:53:36 >>Mayor Ribble: I DON'T LIKE THAT IDEA.
10:53:37 I'M ONLY ONE VOTE, THOUGH.
10:53:38 I LIKE THE IDEA OF HAVING A WORKSHOP, HAVING THE PUBLIC
10:53:41 INPUT, AND WE CAN SPEND HOURS GOING BACK AND FORTH WITH THIS
10:53:45 THING.
10:53:45 THEN WHEN WE HAVE CONSENSUS, THEN WE SCHEDULE THE SECOND
10:53:48 READING AND THEN IT'S DONE.

10:53:52 >>Burt Saunders: THE ONLY ISSUE ON SCHEDULING A SECOND
10:53:55 READING IS, IF YOU DON'T SET A DATE CERTAIN FOR THAT, AT
10:53:58 THIS POINT THEN YOU'LL HAVE TO READVERTISE.
10:54:00 I THINK WHAT NANCY STROUD IS SAYING, PICK A DATE FOR THE
10:54:03 SECOND READING AND MAYBE MAKE THAT THE 20th OF JANUARY FOR
10:54:06 SECOND READING AND HAVE A WORKSHOP ON THE 13th.
10:54:08 TO AVOID ADVERTISING COSTS, IT'S BETTER TO GO AHEAD AND SET
10:54:14 A DATE FOR THE SECOND MEETING.
10:54:16 >>Mayor Ribble: HOW MUCH DOES ADVERTISING COST?
10:54:21 >>Mary Gibbs: NOT TO CONFUSE IT MORE, BUT WE HAVE TO RUN A
10:54:23 SEPARATE AD ANYWAY FOR PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE LAND
10:54:25 DEVELOPMENT CODE.

10:54:26 WE'LL HAVE TO RUN A BIG AD.
10:54:28 I JUST NEED ABOUT TWO WEEKS' NOTICE IN ORDER TO GET IT TO
10:54:31 THE NEWS PRESS.
10:54:33 IT HAS TO BE PUBLISHED TEN DAYS BEFORE THE HEARING.
10:54:36 SO I'VE GOT TO HAVE ABOUT TWO WEEKS' NOTICE.
10:54:38 IF YOU HAD THE WORKSHOP AND THEN YOU SAID, OH, WE WANT TO
10:54:41 TAKE THIS UP NEXT WEEK, YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO DO THAT BECAUSE
10:54:44 WE HAVE TO RUN THAT.
10:54:45 NEED TWO WEEKS' NOTICE TO DO THAT.
10:54:47 YOU COULD EITHER PICK A DATE NOW --
10:54:50 >>Mayor Ribble: WHY CAN'T WE PICK THE WORKSHOP DATE NOW AND
10:54:53 THE SECOND READING DATE NOW.
10:54:54 >>Mary Gibbs: YOU CAN.

10:54:56 >>Howard Levitan: WELL, LET'S DO IT.
10:54:58 I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE THAT MOTION THAT WE HAVE A WORKSHOP ON
10:55:00 THE 13th AND WE SET THE SECOND HEARING DATE ON THE 20th
10:55:03 AT 9:30.
10:55:05 >>Burt Saunders: IF YOU COULD ADD TO THAT MOTION APPROVAL OF
10:55:08 THE ORDINANCE ON FIRST READING AS PART OF THAT MOTION.
10:55:11 >>Howard Levitan: YEAH, LET'S APPROVE THE FIRST READING
10:55:16 TODAY AND THEN SCHEDULE THE WORKSHOP ON THE 13th AND THE
10:55:22 SECOND READING ON THE 20th.
10:55:26 >>Nancy Stroud: AGAIN, I'M SORRY TO BE -- ABOUT THIS.
10:55:30 IF YOU'RE GOING TO MAKE SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO THE CODE AS A
10:55:35 RESULT OF YOUR WORKSHOP, THEN WE NEED TIME TO PROCESS THOSE
10:55:40 CHANGES AND ADVERTISE THE ORDINANCE THAT HAS THOSE CHANGES
10:55:43 ON SECOND READING.
10:55:45 SO I THINK YOU NEED MORE TIME THAN A WEEK BETWEEN YOUR
10:55:48 WORKSHOP AND YOUR SECOND READING.
10:55:54 >>Howard Levitan: I'LL AMEND THE MOTION TO HAVE THE SECOND
10:55:56 READING ON THE 27th.
10:56:00 >>Nancy Stroud: THANK YOU.
10:56:01 >>Mayor Ribble: SO ARE WE READY TO MAKE A MOTION ON THIS AND
10:56:04 MAKE IT IN ALL ONE MOTION TO YOUR POINT, COUNCIL?
10:56:08 >>Howard Levitan: I JUST DID, BILL.
10:56:09 >>Mayor Ribble: NO, NO.
10:56:10 I KNOW THAT.
10:56:11 >>Burt Saunders: JUST TO CLARIFY THEN, THE MOTION IS TO

10:56:14 APPROVE -- HAS BEEN MADE BY COUNCILMAN LEVITAN TO APPROVE
10:56:17 THIS ORDINANCE ON FIRST READING, TO SET A WORKSHOP ON
10:56:21 JANUARY 13th AT 9:30 AND TO SET A SECOND HEARING ON THE
10:56:29 ORDINANCE FOR 9:30 A.M. ON JANUARY 27.
10:56:33 >>Mayor Ribble: THAT'S CORRECT.
10:56:34 DO I HAVE A SECOND ON THAT MOTION?
10:56:35 OKAY.
10:56:36 JON, WE'RE GOING TO LET YOU SECOND THAT ONE.

10:56:39 MADAM CLERK, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL?
10:56:42 >>Carol Sacco: COUNCIL MEMBER LEVITAN?
10:56:43 >>Howard Levitan: AYE.
10:56:45 >>Jon McLain: AYE.
10:56:46 >>Jim Boesch: AYE.
10:56:47 >>Nick Batos: AYE.
10:56:49 >>Jim Wilson: AYE.
10:56:50 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: AYE.
10:56:54 >>Mayor Ribble: AYE.
10:56:55 OKAY.
10:56:57 NOW IT'S TIME FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.
10:57:01 ANYONE FROM THE PUBLIC WANT TO SPEAK?
10:57:03 >>Carol Sacco: NO, MAYOR.
10:57:04 >>Mayor Ribble: MOVING RIGHT ALONG, KATY, COUNCIL COMMENTS,
10:57:07 YOU'RE UP.
10:57:08 I'LL GIVE YOU THE FLOOR FIRST.
10:57:13 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: OKAY.

10:57:13 I'VE ALREADY COMMENTED EARLIER ABOUT MY SITUATION WITH THE
10:57:18 COVID.
10:57:19 I WANT TO DO SOMETHING POSITIVE WITH CHICK-FIL-A, WITH OUR
10:57:25 BUSINESSES IN THE VILLAGE.
10:57:30 I WAS AT WALGREENS, AND I SAW WHERE CHICK-FIL-A, IT WAS A
10:57:35 SUNDAY, AND THEY HAD EVERYTHING BLOCKED OFF, AND THEY WERE
10:57:38 PRESSURE WASHING THEIR SIDEWALKS OR THEIR PARKING LOT AND
10:57:45 EVERYTHING AROUND CHICK-FIL-A.
10:57:47 AND I THOUGHT WHAT A NICE GESTURE TO BE DOING TO CLEAN UP
10:57:51 ALL THE LEAFS AND THE DEBRIS AND EVERYTHING JUST TO MAKE IT
10:57:55 SPOTLESS, AND THEY ARE DOING A PHENOMENAL BUSINESS.
10:57:58 BUT SOMEHOW, SOME WAY, BUSINESSES NEED TO KNOW WE NOTICE
10:58:02 THAT.
10:58:03 IT LOOKS SO CLEAN, AND I THINK, YOU KNOW, GIVE THEM A NOD OF
10:58:09 APPROVAL FOR WHAT THEY'VE DONE.
10:58:13 I THINK THAT'S ONE WAY OF TRYING TO GET EVERYTHING BACK ON
10:58:15 TRACK HERE, BECAUSE A LOT OF THINGS ARE LOOKING LIKE SOME
10:58:19 THINGS NEED PAINTED.
10:58:20 SOME BUILDINGS NEED PAINTED.
10:58:22 I DON'T KNOW, BUT WE HAVE TO MAINTAIN THE APPEARANCE OF
10:58:26 BEAUTIFUL ESTERO.
10:58:27 >>Mayor Ribble: YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE LUNCH THERE TODAY, I
10:58:30 TAKE IT OR WHAT?
10:58:32 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: NO.
10:58:33 THEY WERE CLOSED.

10:58:34 >>Mayor Ribble: NO, I'M TALKING ABOUT TODAY.
10:58:37 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: SUNDAY.
10:58:38 >>Mayor Ribble: PUT YOUR MASK ON AND GO THROUGH THE
10:58:40 DRIVE-THROUGH.

10:58:40 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: I KNOW, I KNOW.
10:58:42 THAT'S IT.
10:58:43 THANK YOU.
10:58:44 >>Mayor Ribble: I DON'T KNOW IF THEY ARE CHAMBER MEMBERS.
10:58:47 WE MIGHT NEED TO GO OVER THERE.
10:58:49 OKAY.
10:58:49 IS THAT IT?
10:58:50 JIM WILSON?
10:58:52 >>Jim Wilson: NO REPORT.
10:58:54 >>Mayor Ribble: HOWARD?
10:58:55 >>Howard Levitan: YEAH, I JUST HAVE ONE COMMENT.
10:59:00 MOST OF US HAVE SEEN DURING THE WEEK THE NEWSPAPER ARTICLES
10:59:04 ABOUT THE ELDERLY GENTLEMAN FROM CANADA WHO WAS KILLED BY A
10:59:09 HIT-AND-RUN DRIVER ON THREE OAKS PARKWAY AND CORKSCREW.
10:59:14 I THINK THAT'S A TERRIBLE THING TO HAVE OCCURRED HERE.
10:59:18 I THINK WE HAVE TO THINK HARD ABOUT OUR LOOKING AGAIN AT THE
10:59:23 BIKE-PED STUDY AND COMING UP WITH BETTER WAYS OF HAVING
10:59:28 PEOPLE RIDE THEIR BIKES, ESPECIALLY ON ROADS LIKE ON THE
10:59:32 ARTERIALS.
10:59:34 U.S. 41, THREE OAKS, CORKSCREW, IT'S JUST CRAZY TO RIDE A
10:59:40 BIKE ON THE STREET.

10:59:42 I'VE EVEN SEEN COMMENTS ABOUT OUR NEW BIKE LANE ON ESTERO
10:59:46 PARKWAY AS BEING DANGEROUS.
10:59:49 I'M REALLY CONCERNED ABOUT THIS ISSUE, AND I THINK IT'S ONE
10:59:53 WE HAVE TO THINK THROUGH AS WE WORK ON OUR C.I.P. NEXT YEAR,
10:59:58 AS YOU ALL WORK ON THE C.I.P. NEXT YEAR.
11:00:00 THAT'S ALL I HAVE.
11:00:01 >>Mayor Ribble: I'M GOING TO SPEAK TO THAT ISSUE WHEN IT'S
11:00:04 MY TURN, HOWARD.
11:00:05 IS THAT IT, HOWARD?
11:00:06 >>Howard Levitan: YEAH.
11:00:07 I'M ALL SET.
11:00:08 >>Mayor Ribble: NICK?
11:00:11 >>Nick Batos: I JUST WANT TO REITERATE WHAT YOU BROUGHT UP
11:00:13 EARLIER, MAYOR, ABOUT THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE COVID-19 THAT
11:00:18 WE HAVE NOW.
11:00:18 I JUST GOT MY DAILY REPORT FROM LEE HEALTH.
11:00:24 YESTERDAY'S REPORT SHOWED OF THE TESTS THAT WERE TAKEN IN
11:00:28 THE HOSPITAL, OVER 26% WERE POSITIVE, AND WE ARE NOW
11:00:34 APPROACHING 90% OF BEDS OCCUPIED.
11:00:38 SO I THINK THAT WE REALLY MUST BE CAREFUL.
11:00:41 IT'S SOMETHING THAT THE EXPERTS SAY THAT THE NEXT TWO WEEKS
11:00:44 WE'RE GOING TO SEE THE RESULTS FROM THANKSGIVING, AND THEN
11:00:47 THAT'S GOING TO BE MULTIPLIED WHEN CHRISTMAS ARRIVES.
11:00:50 REALLY, ALL OF US DO WHAT WE CAN TO PROTECT OURSELVES, BUT
11:00:55 AS IMPORTANT TO PROTECT OUR NEIGHBORS.

11:00:57 THANK YOU.
11:00:59 >>Mayor Ribble: THANKS, NICK.
11:01:00 JIM?
11:01:04 >>Jim Boesch: PASS.
11:01:05 >>Jon McLain: I'LL PASS ALSO.
11:01:06 >>Mayor Ribble: REAL QUICKLY, WE GOT A TON OF E-MAILS SINCE
11:01:09 THE FATALITY WE HAD OVER HERE ON THREE OAKS PARKWAY.
11:01:14 I CALLED UP OUR SHERIFF AND HIS DEPARTMENT DID AN
11:01:18 OUTSTANDING JOB RESPONDING.
11:01:20 I HAD PHONE CALLS FROM EVERYBODY FIVE SECONDS LATER.
11:01:23 I WAS ALSO REFERRED TO LIEUTENANT GREGORY BUENO, B-U-E-N-O.
11:01:29 HE'S THE LIEUTENANT FOR THE FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL.
11:01:31 I WAS ON THE PHONE WITH HIM PROBABLY 40 MINUTES GOING
11:01:34 THROUGH THE FATALITY ITSELF.
11:01:36 BECAUSE WHEN YOU READ THE NEWSPAPER ARTICLE, IT WAS VERY
11:01:39 CONFUSING ABOUT WHERE THIS GENTLEMAN WAS HIT AND WHERE HIS
11:01:43 BODY WOUND UP AS HE WAS KILLED ALMOST INSTANTLY.
11:01:49 THERE WAS A BIKE LANE GOING SOUTH.
11:01:51 THE RIDER WAS IN THE BIKE LANE, AND OUR FAVORITE NEWS
11:01:56 REPORTER, HOWARD FROM NBC 2, DID AN OUTSTANDING JOB PUTTING
11:02:00 THIS WHOLE SCENE OF THE ACCIDENT TOGETHER.
11:02:03 HE WENT OUT, AND HE WAS THERE TO ASSIST THE POLICE IN
11:02:07 PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEO.
11:02:08 THE RIDER WAS ABOUT 6:15 IN THE MORNING.
11:02:11 AS YOU KNOW, FOLKS GET UP EARLY, 6:15, THE SUN IS JUST

11:02:15 STARTING TO COME UP.
11:02:16 SO IT WAS FAIRLY DARK.
11:02:17 THE RIDER DID HAVE A STROBE LIGHT ON THE BACK OF HIS BIKE.
11:02:23 IN FACT, THE STROBE WAS STILL GOING OFF AFTER THE FATALITY.
11:02:27 THOSE OF YOU THAT SAW HIS REPORT.
11:02:31 IT WAS A HIT AND RUN.
11:02:32 IT'S CONSIDERED A HOMICIDE BY VEHICLE.
11:02:36 THEY HAVE NO IDEA RIGHT NOW WHO THE PERSON IS THAT HIT HIM.
11:02:41 THEY ARE NOT TOO SURE WHAT TYPE OF CAR BECAUSE THERE WASN'T
11:02:44 A LOT OF DEBRIS LAYING ON THE ROADWAY, WHICH THEY USUALLY
11:02:48 TRY TO PIECE TOGETHER.
11:02:50 UNFORTUNATELY, THE LIEUTENANT TELLS ME THERE'S A HUNDRED
11:02:54 THOUSAND OF THESE FATALITIES A YEAR IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA
11:02:58 BECAUSE OF THE WEATHER DOWN HERE.
11:02:59 A LOT OF PEOPLE LIKE TO RIDE THEIR BIKES.
11:03:01 HOWARD BRINGS A GREAT POINT UP ABOUT TAKING A LOOK AT THE
11:03:04 BIKE PATHS.
11:03:05 I KNOW I WOULDN'T FEEL TOO SAFE OUT ON THREE OAKS PARKWAY
11:03:08 JUST KNOWING A STRIPE ON THE ROAD THREE FOOT FROM THE CURB
11:03:13 IS GOING TO PROTECT ME.
11:03:14 BECAUSE FOLKS COME DOWN THERE.
11:03:15 I DON'T KNOW IF THEY'RE DOING -- WE DON'T KNOW IF THIS

11:03:19 PERSON WAS INTOXICATED, IF THEY WERE ON THE CELL PHONE.
11:03:21 WE DON'T KNOW WHY HE DRIFTED INTO THE BIKE LANE.
11:03:24 UNFORTUNATELY, IT HAPPENED.

11:03:25 THEN WE HAD A LOT OF COMMENTS FROM THE E-MAILS AND, FOLKS,
11:03:30 IT'S FUNNY WHEN WE GET SOME E-MAILS, PEOPLE GET COPIED.
11:03:34 I DON'T KNOW HOW MANY PEOPLE, STEVE, WE HAD ON THE LINKS.
11:03:37 IT WAS PROBABLY A HUNDRED.
11:03:38 AND THEN THE NEXT PERSON, IT'S FASHIONABLE TO WRITE A NASTY
11:03:43 E-MAIL.
11:03:43 WE WERE GETTING BOMBED WITH THIS THING.
11:03:45 THEN THE SHERIFF GOT AHOLD OF CAPTAIN BLAKE LEE FOR ME.
11:03:51 WE WORK CLOSELY WITH HIM.
11:03:52 HIS GROUP DOES A GREAT JOB IN BONITA SPRINGS AND ESTERO.
11:03:55 AND HE PULLED THE ARREST REPORTS FOR THREE OAKS PARKWAY
11:03:58 BECAUSE PEOPLE WERE MAKING ALLEGATIONS THAT THE HIGHWAY OVER
11:04:03 THERE, THAT ROADWAY OVER THERE ON THREE OAKS AND IMPERIAL IS
11:04:06 OUT OF CONTROL.
11:04:07 I'VE GOT TO TELL YOU, THE OFFICERS CAN'T STAY THERE 24/7.
11:04:13 LISTEN TO THESE NUMBERS.
11:04:14 IN THE LAST EIGHT WEEKS, THE LAST 200 -- THE LAST TWO AND A
11:04:20 HALF MONTHS, THE LAST EIGHT WEEKS, THEY CITED 647 FOLKS FOR
11:04:28 SPEEDING ON THAT ROAD.
11:04:30 IF YOU THINK THEY ARE NOT DOING ANYTHING, MAYBE YOU OUGHT TO
11:04:33 CALL ONE OF THE 647 AND ASK THEM HOW THEIR FINE AND POINTS
11:04:37 ARE GOING AGAINST THEIR DRIVER'S LICENSE HERE IN THE STATE
11:04:39 OF FLORIDA.
11:04:40 SO THEY ARE OUT PATROLLING.
11:04:43 THEY ARE GOING TO CONTINUE TO STEP UP THE PATROLS.

11:04:46 THEY HAVE THE NEW SPEED MACHINE, I UNDERSTAND OVER HERE ON
11:04:50 COCONUT ROAD.
11:04:51 NICK, THAT'S OVER TOWARDS SHADOW WOOD OVER THERE.
11:04:55 THEY HAVE THAT OUT.
11:04:55 THEY ARE USING ONE UP ON ESTERO PARKWAY.
11:04:58 WE TALKED ABOUT THAT.
11:04:59 UNFORTUNATELY, HOWARD MAKES A GREAT COMMENT ABOUT THESE BIKE
11:05:04 LANES, WE HAVE TO TAKE A LOOK AT ARE THEY REALLY SAFE BIKE
11:05:08 LANES?
11:05:09 I KNOW COMING FROM THE PHILADELPHIA AREA, WE GO OVER TO
11:05:12 JERSEY, I THINK I SHARED EARLY ON WHEN WE FIRST WERE A
11:05:16 COUNCIL, I SHARED THE PICTURES OF THEIR BIKE LANES UP IN
11:05:19 JERSEY ON SOME OF THEIR HIGHLY TRAFFICKED ROADWAYS, AND THEY
11:05:23 ARE VERY, VERY DIFFERENT.
11:05:24 THEY DON'T JUST HAVE A PAINTED STRIP ON THE ROAD, BUT I JUST
11:05:28 WANTED TO THROW THAT OUT THERE.
11:05:29 I KNOW AS TAXPAYERS WE TRY TO WATCH THE MONEY THAT WE SPEND,
11:05:32 BUT WE HAVE TO REMEMBER, WE'RE DOWN HERE IN FLORIDA.

11:05:35 PEOPLE WANT TO RIDE THEIR BIKE EVERY DAY.
11:05:38 CAROL, YOU MENTIONED YOU RODE 10 MILES THE OTHER DAY.
11:05:44 YOU'RE OUT THERE RIDING YOUR BIKE, YOU WANT TO BE SAFE.
11:05:47 WE WANT EVERYONE TO BE SAFE.
11:05:48 MOVING FORWARD, AS WE DESIGN SOME OF THESE CHANGES, WHY,
11:05:51 WE'LL HAVE TO TAKE A LOOK AT HOW WE OPERATE WITH THAT.
11:05:53 MOVING RIGHT ALONG, BURT, DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING FOR US?

11:05:58 >>Burt Saunders: NO, SIR.
11:05:59 >>Mayor Ribble: NANCY, DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING FOR US?
11:06:01 >>Nancy Stroud: NO, SIR.
11:06:02 THANK YOU.
11:06:03 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
11:06:04 VILLAGE MANAGER, STEVE?
11:06:06 >>Steven Sarkozy: ONE QUICK ITEM, COUNCIL MEMBERS.
11:06:08 AS YOU KNOW, WE HAVE MASKS COMING IN HERE AROUND DECEMBER
11:06:12 20th TO THE 21st.
11:06:14 AND WE HAVE A SIGNIFICANT SUPPLY OF MASKS THAT WILL BE
11:06:19 AVAILABLE TO BUSINESSES.
11:06:22 WE'RE MAILING MASKS TO EACH OF THE HOMEOWNERS, BUT THE MASKS
11:06:25 TO BUSINESSES HAVE TO BE DISTRIBUTED.
11:06:28 IF THE COUNCIL IS INTERESTED IN BEING PART OF THAT
11:06:31 DISTRIBUTION, WOULD YOU LET KYLE KNOW BY THE END OF THE DAY
11:06:36 TODAY OF YOUR INTEREST AND AVAILABILITY TO DELIVER SOME OF
11:06:40 THE MASKS, PREFERABLY PRIMARILY IN YOUR DISTRICT.
11:06:44 BUT IT'S ENTIRELY UP TO YOU.
11:06:45 CALL US.
11:06:48 THE SECOND THING WE HAVE IS WE ALL NOTICED IN THE COUNCIL
11:06:51 CHAMBERS THIS BUZZ.
11:06:53 APPARENTLY, THERE'S A SYSTEM OVERLOAD, AND WE'RE
11:06:57 RECOMMENDING THAT WE SHUT DOWN HERE FOR ABOUT TEN MINUTES, A
11:07:01 RECESS, WHERE THEY WOULD RESET THE SYSTEM.
11:07:06 GREAT APOLOGIES FOR THAT, BUT OTHERWISE, WE'LL HAVE THIS

11:07:11 NOISE HERE THAT'S NOW, INSTEAD OF INTERMITTENT, IT'S
11:07:16 ONGOING, AND IT'S QUITE BOTHERSOME.
11:07:20 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
11:07:20 ANYTHING ELSE?
11:07:21 >>Steven Sarkozy: THAT'S IT.
11:07:22 >>Mayor Ribble: DO YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT WEDNESDAY'S
11:07:23 MEETING WITH THE LEGISLATURE OR NO?
11:07:27 DO THAT LATER?
11:07:28 >>Steven Sarkozy: DO THAT LATER.
11:07:29 >>Mayor Ribble: YOU WANT TO TAKE A TEN-MINUTE BREAK.
11:07:31 >>Steven Sarkozy: TEN-MAIN BREAK IF YOU COULD.
11:07:33 >>Mayor Ribble: YOU PROMISE WHEN WE COME BACK WE WON'T HEAR
11:07:35 THE BUZZ ANYMORE.
11:07:36 >>Steven Sarkozy: SOMEONE ELSE WILL HAVE TO BE WATER BOARDED

11:07:39 IF --
11:07:40 >>Mayor Ribble: LET'S TAKE --
11:07:42 >>Steven Sarkozy: THE PEOPLE THAT ARE ON ZOOM WILL HAVE TO
11:07:45 GO OFF AND THEN COME BACK IN.
11:07:48 SO IT'S GOING TO BE A LITTLE MESSY IN THAT REGARD.
11:07:51 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
11:07:52 WE'LL SEE EVERYONE BACK HERE.
11:07:53 LET'S DO 11:20.
11:07:55 11:20.
11:07:56 THAT'S 13 MINUTES.
11:07:58 [RECESS]

11:14:21 >>Mayor Ribble: IF EVERYONE WILL TAKE THEIR SEATS.
11:19:39 WE'RE TAKING REQUESTS FOR THE NEXT MEETING ON THE 6th.
11:19:51 WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE THE BUZZING FOR THAT MEETING OR THE
11:19:54 NON-BUZZING?
11:19:57 THERE'S A CHOICE.
11:19:57 ALL RIGHT.
11:20:02 MOVING RIGHT ALONG HERE, WE HAVE TO CHANGE THE AGENDA AROUND
11:20:05 HERE.
11:20:06 WE HAVE SOME PEOPLE WHO UNFORTUNATELY HAD TO WAIT ALL DAY.
11:20:09 STEVE, DO YOU WANT TO INTRODUCE OUR GUESTS?
11:20:11 >>Steven Sarkozy: THANK YOU, MAYOR.
11:20:13 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL, AT THE LAST COUNCIL MEETING, THE COUNCIL
11:20:16 ASKED FOR SOME BASIC INFORMATION REGARDING THE UPCOMING
11:20:22 ELECTION FOR VILLAGE COUNCIL SEATS.
11:20:28 THE SPECIFIC QUESTION WAS REGARDING EARLY VOTING.
11:20:35 RELATED TO THAT, I PUT TOGETHER A MEMO FOR THE COUNCIL AFTER
11:20:39 CONSULTING WITH LEE COUNTY ELECTIONS.
11:20:44 AND JUST BY WAY OF BACKGROUND, THE ONLY TIME THAT WE'VE HAD
11:20:48 EARLY VOTING WAS BACK IN 2015.
11:20:52 AND WE DON'T HAVE THE EXACT COST THAT WAS INCURRED AT THAT
11:20:56 TIME BY THE COUNTY.
11:20:57 BUT EARLY VOTING THAT PROVIDED ONE WEEK OF EARLY VOTING
11:21:02 OPPORTUNITIES CONCLUDING ON THE SATURDAY BEFORE THE OFFICIAL
11:21:09 VOTE GENERATED ABOUT 792 PEOPLE VOTING EARLY.
11:21:15 SO IT WAS NOT A HUGE BENEFIT IN TERMS OF THE TOTAL VOTE

11:21:24 COUNT.
11:21:24 IF YOU WERE TO CONSIDER EARLY VOTING NOW FOR 2021, THE COST
11:21:31 WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY \$20,000.
11:21:35 IT WOULD GIVE YOU THAT SAME ONE WEEK OF EARLY VOTING
11:21:40 CONCLUDING THE SATURDAY BEFORE THE ELECTION DAY.
11:21:44 AND BASED ON THE RELATIVELY LARGE NUMBER OF MAIL-IN BALLOTS
11:21:49 THAT ARE GOING TO BE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC, JUST LOOKING
11:21:54 AT THIS MYSELF, MY THOUGHT HAS BEEN THAT YOU WOULD PROBABLY
11:22:00 NOT NEED EARLY VOTING AND THE EXPENDITURE TO PULL THAT OFF
11:22:04 GIVEN THE HIGH NUMBER OF MAIL-IN BALLOTS THAT ARE ALREADY

11:22:09 OUT THERE.
11:22:11 IF YOU VOTED MAIL-IN BALLOT LIKE FOR THE LAST ELECTION,
11:22:14 YOU'LL AUTOMATICALLY GET A MAIL-IN BALLOT FOR THE UPCOMING
11:22:18 ELECTION THAT WE WOULD HAVE.
11:22:20 PLUS THE COST OF ABOUT \$20,000.
11:22:25 I'M THINKING THAT IT WOULD HAVE MARGINAL BENEFIT TO US TO DO
11:22:32 THAT.
11:22:32 BUT I WANTED TO GET THE INFORMATION IN YOUR HANDS.
11:22:37 AND THEN WE ALSO ARE PLEASED TO HAVE CHERYL FUTCH AND TAMMY
11:22:43 LIPA HERE FROM LEE COUNTY ELECTIONS.
11:22:46 THEY ARE HANDLING ALL OF OUR ELECTION PROCESS AND QUESTIONS.
11:22:51 AND CHERYL WILL BE THE QUALIFYING OFFICER FOR THIS UPCOMING
11:22:56 ELECTION, AND MANY OF YOU ALREADY KNOW CHERYL AND TAMMY FROM
11:23:02 YOUR ELECTION PROCESS, BUT THIS ALLOWS US AN OPPORTUNITY TO
11:23:08 PUT A NAME WITH THE FACE.

11:23:09 EXCUSE ME.
11:23:12 THE RESPONSE AND SERVICE FROM LEE COUNTY ELECTIONS HAS BEEN
11:23:18 REALLY TOP-NOTCH, AND WE CERTAINLY APPRECIATE NOT ONLY
11:23:22 CHERYL AND TAMMY, BUT ALSO TOMMY DOYLE AND -- BUT ALSO
11:23:29 BERNIE UP THERE.
11:23:30 THE ASSISTANT.
11:23:31 JUST YOUR THOUGHTS ON EARLY VOTING AND THEN I'D LIKE TO HAVE
11:23:39 CHERYL AND TAMMY COME UP TO THE MIKE TO INTRODUCE THEMSELVES
11:23:42 AND TALK ABOUT THE SUPPORT THAT YOU HAVE.
11:23:45 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
11:23:46 WE'LL TAKE COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL.
11:23:47 NICK, GO AHEAD.
11:23:49 >>Nick Batos: I'M IN FAVOR OF NOT HAVING THE EARLY VOTING AS
11:23:53 WE HAVE IN THE PAST, AND THAT WE CONTINUE ON THAT SIDE.
11:23:57 BUT THIS IS AN ADDITIONAL COMMENT.
11:24:00 I PERSONALLY WOULD LIKE TO THANK TOMMY DOYLE, TAMMY AND
11:24:04 CHERYL.
11:24:05 I MEAN, I THINK WE ALL HAVE SEEN AN ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF
11:24:09 COVERAGE IN THE PRESS ABOUT SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS IN OTHER
11:24:13 PARTS OF THE COUNTRY AND HOW PEOPLE ARE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT
11:24:16 WHAT HAS HAPPENED.
11:24:16 AND I THINK THAT WE CAN ALL BE PROUD AND THANKFUL TO WHAT WE
11:24:20 HAVE HERE AND THE WAY IT WAS CONDUCTED.
11:24:25 I HAVEN'T HEARD NOTHING BUT PRAISES FROM THE PUBLIC ON THAT.
11:24:28 THANK YOU TO THEM AND TO TOMMY AND TO THE WHOLE DEPARTMENT

11:24:32 THERE.
11:24:37 >>Mayor Ribble: AGREE.
11:24:38 ANY OTHER COMMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL ON THE ISSUE?
11:24:41 >>Jim Wilson: I HAVE A QUESTION FOR THE ELECTION OFFICIALS.
11:24:46 I THINK STEVE MENTIONED THAT IF A VOTER HAD VOTED IN THE
11:24:53 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION, THEY WOULD STILL BE ELIGIBLE -- THIS

11:24:56 IS A VOTE-BY-MAIL QUESTION.
11:25:00 THEY WOULD STILL BE ELIGIBLE AND WOULD RECEIVE AUTOMATICALLY
11:25:03 A BALLOT FOR THE VILLAGE ELECTION IN MARCH OF 2021.
11:25:11 I KNOW BACK IN 2019, THOSE OF US THAT VOTED IN THE 2018
11:25:19 ELECTION WERE SUPPOSED TO GET -- A LOT OF PEOPLE COMPLAINED
11:25:27 THAT THEY DIDN'T GET BALLOTS.
11:25:29 SO DO WE KNOW FOR SURE THAT THE INFORMATION THAT STEVE
11:25:33 REPORTED TO US JUST NOW MATCHES UP WITH WHAT THE VILLAGE --
11:25:39 THE VILLAGE -- THE COUNTY ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT HAS.
11:25:41 THANK YOU.
11:25:45 >>Mayor Ribble: WE'LL HAVE THAT ANSWERED WHEN THEY COME UP
11:25:48 TO THE PODIUM.
11:25:48 ANY OTHER COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL?
11:25:51 >>Howard Levitan: I WOULD LIKE TO COMMENT THAT I AGREE WITH
11:25:54 COUNCILMAN BATOS THAT THERE'S NO NEED TO DO EARLY VOTING ON
11:25:57 THIS.
11:25:58 THERE WILL BE PLENTY OF OPPORTUNITIES TO DO MAIL-IN.
11:26:02 I ALSO HAVE A QUESTION FOR THE REPRESENTATIVES FROM TOMMY
11:26:06 DOYLE'S OFFICE, THE SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE.

11:26:09 I'M A LITTLE UNCLEAR, AND MAYBE BURT CAN HELP ON THIS ONE AS
11:26:12 WELL, WHAT OCCURS IF NO ONE QUALIFIES FOR A DISTRICT?
11:26:17 MAYBE THEY COULD RESPOND TO THAT.
11:26:20 I'M LOOKING AT THE VILLAGE CHARTER, AND I DON'T THINK WE
11:26:27 ANTICIPATED THAT SITUATION EVER HAPPENING.
11:26:29 THAT'S QUESTION ONE.
11:26:30 QUESTION TWO IS WHAT IS THE QUALIFYING PAYMENT AMOUNT IF
11:26:38 SOMEONE DECIDES TO RUN DURING QUALIFYING WEEK AND HAS NOT
11:26:41 HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO DO PETITIONS?
11:26:45 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
11:26:46 ANY OTHER QUESTIONS FROM COUNCIL?
11:26:48 STEVE, DO YOU WANT TO HAVE OUR GUESTS COME UP?
11:26:51 >>Steven Sarkozy: SURE.
11:26:52 CHERYL AND TAMMY, IF YOU COULD COME UP TO THE MIKE.
11:26:56 AGAIN, THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR NOT ONLY COUNCIL MEMBERS,
11:26:59 BUT THE COMMUNITY TO SEE TWO PEOPLE THAT ARE GOING TO BE
11:27:03 ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN THIS ELECTION PROCESS.
11:27:05 WELCOME.
11:27:06 >> THANK YOU.
11:27:06 I'M CHERYL FUTCH.
11:27:09 THIS IS TAMMY LIPA.
11:27:11 TAMMY ASSISTS IN QUALIFYING -- SHE IS YOUR GO-TO FOR ANY
11:27:18 CANVASSING BOARD QUESTIONS AND ALSO REALLY KNOWLEDGEABLE
11:27:21 ABOUT EARLY VOTING.
11:27:22 BALLOT BY MAIL.

11:27:25 SHE'S GOING TO ANSWER THE BALLOT BY MAIL QUESTION THAT CAME
11:27:27 UP BECAUSE THAT WAS ASKED FIRST.

11:27:30 >> JUST BECAUSE SOMEONE RECEIVED A VOTE BY MAIL BALLOT FOR
11:27:37 THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION, NOT NECESSARILY WILL THAT PERSON
11:27:43 RECEIVE A BALLOT BY MAIL FOR THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO ELECTION.
11:27:46 BALLOTS BY MAIL, THEY DO NEED TO BE REQUESTED.
11:27:51 SO IF THAT PERSON IS ON THE LIST TO RECEIVE BALLOT BY MAIL
11:27:55 THROUGH A TWO-YEAR CYCLE, THEN, YES, THAT PERSON WILL
11:27:58 RECEIVE A BALLOT BY MAIL FOR THE VILLAGE ELECTION IN MARCH.
11:28:03 OUR OFFICE WILL BE DOING A MAILING TO ALL THE VILLAGE
11:28:08 RESIDENTS.
11:28:12 IT WILL GO TO EVERY HOUSEHOLD, NOT JUST VOTERS.
11:28:15 IT WILL GO TO EVERY HOUSEHOLD.
11:28:17 AND THAT MAILING IS GOING TO BE DONE IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF
11:28:19 WEEKS.
11:28:20 SO EVERYBODY WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO REQUEST A BALLOT BY
11:28:24 MAIL VERY SOON.
11:28:25 YOU CAN ALWAYS GO TO OUR WEBSITE TO CHECK THE STATUS OF YOUR
11:28:29 VOTE BY MAIL AND REQUEST ONE, IF ONE HASN'T ALREADY BEEN
11:28:34 REQUESTED FOR YOU.
11:28:41 >>Nick Batos: IF SOMEBODY IS BEING DROPPED, IF THEY HIT THAT
11:28:44 TWO-YEAR PERIOD AND THEY ARE BEING DROPPED, IS THERE ANY WAY
11:28:47 THAT YOU CAN NOTIFY THEM SO THAT THEY KNOW THAT THEY ARE
11:28:51 BEING DROPPED FROM THAT?
11:28:57 >> I'M NOT SURE IF THAT TYPE OF MAILING HAS BEEN GOING OUT,

11:29:01 BUT I COULD CHECK OUR STATUS.
11:29:05 >>Nick Batos: I THINK IN GENERAL, NOT JUST FOR THIS.
11:29:07 WE MIGHT NOT REMEMBER WHEN OUR TWO-YEAR PERIOD IS UP.
11:29:11 >> RIGHT.
11:29:11 >>Nick Batos: AND I THINK JUST AS A GENERAL PRACTICE, BUT
11:29:14 MORE SPECIFICALLY FOR US NOW, THAT IF THEY ARE BEING DROPPED
11:29:18 FROM THAT LIST, A NOTE COULD GO OUT TO THEM THAT THE
11:29:23 TWO-YEAR PERIOD HAS EXPIRED.
11:29:25 IF YOU'D LIKE TO CONTINUE IT, YOU MUST DO THIS, THIS OR
11:29:29 THAT.
11:29:30 >> RIGHT.
11:29:31 THERE IS THAT TYPE OF MAILING THAT DOES GO OUT WHEN THAT
11:29:34 HAPPENS, AND I'M JUST NOT SURE THAT WHEN THAT HAPPENS.
11:29:37 I CAN GET BACK TO YOU ON THAT, MR. BATOS.
11:29:42 >>Nick Batos: OUR MANAGER, IF IT'S POSSIBLE, EVEN IF IT'S
11:29:45 NOT BEING DONE, IF IT COULD BE DONE SO THAT OUR RESIDENTS
11:29:49 WOULD BE FULLY AWARE OF WHAT TO EXPECT.
11:29:55 >> I WILL SAY, WITH THE BALLOT BY MAIL, IF YOU HAVE A VOTER
11:29:58 WHO HAS TWO ADDRESSES THAT THEY'VE RECEIVED BALLOTS TO, SAY
11:30:02 THEY COME UP NORTH DURING THE SUMMERTIME AND HERE IN THE
11:30:07 WINTER, THEY WILL NOT SET THEM UP FOR MORE THAN A YEAR
11:30:12 PERIOD OF TIME BECAUSE THE BALLOTS ARE NOT FORWARDABLE.
11:30:13 YOU CAN ALMOST GUARANTEE IF SOMEBODY HAS AN ADDRESS WHERE
11:30:19 THEY HAD A BALLOT REQUESTED TO A NORTHERN ADDRESS, THEY ARE

11:30:21 NOT GOING TO BE ON FOR PASS THE GENERAL ELECTION YEAR.

11:30:25 SO THAT MIGHT BE A LOT OF PEOPLE.

11:30:28 YOU CAN GET A LIST OF THE PEOPLE IN THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO

11:30:31 WHO ARE ON THE BALLOT BY MAIL REQUEST AT THIS TIME.

11:30:35 SO IT IS POSSIBLE FOR SOMETHING TO GO OUT.

11:30:42 >>Mayor Ribble: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS FROM THE COUNCIL?

11:30:46 >> I'LL ADDRESS THE QUESTION ABOUT WHAT IT COSTS TO QUALIFY.

11:30:51 IF YOU ARE NOT GOING TO GO THE PETITION ROUTE, THE PAYMENT

11:30:55 IS \$677.88.

11:30:58 ON YOUR WEBSITE, A VERY NICE PAGE WAS DONE THAT HAS THE

11:31:04 INFORMATION THAT ALSO HAS A LINK TO OUR PAGE THAT HAS ALL

11:31:09 THE FORMS AND ALSO THIS GUIDE BOOK THAT GIVES ALL THE

11:31:14 INFORMATION ABOUT PETITIONS, ABOUT QUALIFYING, ABOUT WHAT

11:31:18 THE FEES ARE.

11:31:21 A LOT OF QUESTIONS THAT PEOPLE GENERALLY ASK WHEN THEY ARE

11:31:23 RUNNING FOR OFFICE.

11:31:24 OF COURSE, WE ALWAYS PREFER THAT IF YOU READ THIS, OR IF YOU

11:31:28 HAVE ANY QUESTIONS THAT'S NOT COVERED IN THIS, THAT YOU CALL

11:31:31 AND ASK US SO THAT WE CAN MAKE FOR SURE THERE ARE NO

11:31:35 MISSTEPS.

11:31:36 >>Howard Levitan: WHAT'S THE DEADLINE FOR PETITIONS THIS

11:31:38 YEAR?

11:31:39 >> THE DEADLINE FOR PETITIONS, DECEMBER 14th.

11:31:43 AND WE ALSO BROUGHT BUSINESS CARDS WITH US SO WE CAN LEAVE

11:31:52 THEM WITH YOU SO IF ANYBODY ASKS OR ANYBODY WANTS OUR CARDS,

11:31:56 WE HAVE THEM HERE.

11:31:58 >> CAROL, WHEN IS THE QUALIFYING DATE?

11:32:01 >> QUALIFYING STARTS THE 11th AND IT ENDS ON THE 15th,

11:32:04 AND IT STARTS AT NOON ON THE 11th AND IT ENDS AT NOON ON

11:32:08 THE 15th.

11:32:09 JANUARY.

11:32:14 >>Howard Levitan: PERHAPS BURT CAN RESPOND TO THE CHARTER

11:32:16 QUESTION.

11:32:16 >>Burt Saunders: RIGHT.

11:32:17 IF NO ONE QUALIFIES IN A PARTICULAR DISTRICT, THEN YOU'LL

11:32:22 HAVE A VACANCY COME THE FIRST TUESDAY IN MARCH OF 2021, AND

11:32:28 THE COUNCIL AT THAT TIME WILL MAKE AN APPOINTMENT.

11:32:33 I BELIEVE THAT APPOINTMENT WILL BE FOR A TWO-YEAR PERIOD

11:32:35 UNTIL THE NEXT ELECTION.

11:32:37 AND AT THAT NEXT ELECTION, WHOEVER QUALIFIES WOULD SERVE OUT

11:32:41 THE REMAINING TWO YEARS OF THAT TERM.

11:32:47 >>Howard Levitan: SO IT WOULD BE TO THE NEXT GENERAL

11:32:49 ELECTION, WHICH WOULD BE NOVEMBER TWO YEARS FROM HENCE?

11:32:53 >>Burt Saunders: NO.

11:32:53 I'LL HAVE TO DOUBLE CHECK ON THAT, BUT MY UNDERSTANDING

11:32:57 WOULD BE THAT IT WOULD BE FOR THE TWO-YEAR PERIOD GOING INTO

11:33:00 MARCH OF 2023.
11:33:03 IT WOULDN'T BE TIED TO THE GENERAL ELECTION.
11:33:04 IT WOULD BE TIED TO YOUR ELECTIONS.
11:33:10 >>Howard Levitan: IT SAYS IN THE CHARTER UNTIL THE NEXT
11:33:12 REGULARLY SCHEDULED ELECTION.

11:33:15 IS THAT ESTERO ELECTION OR IS THAT GENERAL ELECTION?
11:33:19 >> ESTERO.
11:33:20 >>Burt Saunders: I WOULD READ THAT AS BEING THE NEXT ESTERO
11:33:23 ELECTION.
11:33:23 >>Howard Levitan: OKAY.
11:33:24 GOOD.
11:33:26 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
11:33:26 IS THAT IT FOR QUESTIONS?
11:33:28 THANK YOU VERY MUCH, LADIES.
11:33:31 >> THANK YOU.
11:33:32 NICE MEETING YOU ALL AGAIN.
11:33:35 >> THE OTHER ITEM THAT I HAVE IS REGARDING THE CANVASSING
11:33:40 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE.
11:33:42 ACCORDING TO YOUR CHARTER, I SPOKE WITH MR. SARKOZY.
11:33:48 I'LL LEAVE SOME OF THE MEETING SCHEDULES.
11:33:52 ACCORDING TO YOUR CHARTER FOR THE CANVASSING BOARD MEETING
11:33:55 SCHEDULES FOR YOUR ELECTION, ONE MEMBER HAS TO BE THE
11:34:01 VILLAGE CLERK.
11:34:03 IN THIS CASE, IT WOULD BE THE VILLAGE MANAGER.
11:34:05 AND THE OTHER MEMBER WOULD BE THE MAYOR, BUT IN YOUR CASE,
11:34:10 MR. MAYOR --
11:34:11 >>Mayor Ribble: IT WOULD BE THE VICE-MAYOR.
11:34:13 >> RIGHT.
11:34:13 AND THEN YOU COULD ALSO NAME ALTERNATES IN CASE THEY WOULD
11:34:21 NOT BE AVAILABLE.

11:34:24 SO I WOULD LEAVE THE SCHEDULE WITH MR. SARKOZY.
11:34:27 HE COULD SHARE THEM WITH YOU.
11:34:29 AND WE WOULD REALLY LIKE TO HAVE THE MEMBERS AND THE
11:34:31 MEMBERS' CONTACTS, WHO YOU ARE GOING TO BE APPOINTING, AS
11:34:35 SOON AS POSSIBLE BECAUSE WE'RE MAKING THE AGENDAS AND
11:34:37 EVERYTHING.
11:34:37 OKAY?
11:34:38 >>Mayor Ribble: WILL DO.
11:34:40 >> DOES THAT NEED TO BE AN APPOINTMENT BY RESOLUTION OF THE
11:34:42 COUNCIL OR A MOTION OR CAN WE JUST DO IT ADMINISTRATIVELY?
11:34:47 >> I'M SORRY.
11:34:47 >>Steven Sarkozy: CAN WE MAKE THE APPOINTMENT TO THE
11:34:49 QUALIFYING BOARD ADMINISTRATIVELY --
11:34:53 >> ADMINISTRATIVELY.
11:34:54 IT'S JUST BETWEEN US.
11:34:55 >>Mayor Ribble: YOU'LL TAKE CARE OF IT, STEVE.

11:34:57 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
11:35:00 SAY HELLO TO TOMMY.
11:35:05 OKAY.
11:35:08 MOVING RIGHT ALONG, WE'LL MOVE THE CHAMBER UP, IS THAT
11:35:10 CORRECT?
11:35:11 >>Steven Sarkozy: YES, SIR.
11:35:12 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
11:35:13 >>Steven Sarkozy: MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL, THE NEXT
11:35:15 ITEM ON THE AGENDA IS A PRESENTATION BY THE ESTERO CHAMBER

11:35:18 OF COMMERCE DESCRIBING THEIR WORK PLAN AND THE REQUEST OF
11:35:23 THE VILLAGE COUNCIL.
11:35:25 WHO WILL REPRESENT?
11:35:39 >> THANK YOU SO MUCH.
11:35:40 GOOD MORNING.
11:35:41 THEY DON'T USUALLY LET ME IN FRONT OF THE MICROPHONE, BUT
11:35:44 GLAD TO BE HERE.
11:35:44 FIRST OFF, JUST WANTED TO STOP AND SAY THANK YOU TO THE
11:35:47 COUNCIL.
11:35:48 GOT A QUICK STORY FOR YOU REAL QUICK.
11:35:50 MY SISTER ACTUALLY LEFT LEE COUNTY TEN YEARS AGO, MOVED OUT
11:35:53 TO CALIFORNIA, AND WHEN SHE WAS LOOKING FOR A PLACE TO MOVE
11:35:57 BACK CLOSER TO FAMILY, IN THE LAST TEN YEARS, A LOT HAS
11:36:01 CHANGED.
11:36:02 BUT WHERE DID SHE MOVE?
11:36:03 SHE MOVED RIGHT HERE TO ESTERO.
11:36:05 I THINK THAT IS A TRIBUTE TO THE GREAT LEADERSHIP OF THE
11:36:08 COUNCIL AND WHAT'S CHANGED.
11:36:10 I'M A LONGTIME LEE COUNTY RESIDENT MY WHOLE LIFE.
11:36:13 THANK YOU FOR WHAT YOU GUYS DO AS WELL.
11:36:15 BUT WE WANTED TO GIVE YOU A KIND OF UPDATE OF WHAT'S BEEN
11:36:19 HAPPENING AT THE ESTERO CHAMBER.
11:36:21 WE PUT A STRATEGIC GROWTH PLAN IN FRONT OF YOU.
11:36:26 WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING?
11:36:27 WE ADDED FIVE VOLUNTEER STAFF JUST THIS YEAR, WHICH IS

11:36:30 PRETTY AMAZING.
11:36:30 AND DR. GARY BONVILLIAN WILL ACTUALLY SHARE SOME OF THE
11:36:35 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.
11:36:35 HE'S OUR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR.
11:36:37 HE'S GOING TO SHARE SOME OF THE THINGS THAT ARE TRANSPIRING,
11:36:41 WHICH IS AWESOME STUFF FOR SURE OR WHATNOT.
11:36:44 ALSO LISTED ON THERE, OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
11:36:46 SO DR. GARY BONVILLIAN, WHY DON'T WE JUMP IN AND KIND OF
11:36:50 GIVE AN UPDATE OF WHAT WE'RE DOING.
11:36:53 >> SURE.
11:36:53 THIS WILL TAKE A COUPLE OF MINUTES.
11:36:55 FOR THE PAST SEVERAL OF MONTHS, A NUMBER OF US HAVE BEEN

11:36:58 WORKING ON A PROJECT TO FORMULATE A PLAN TO DO A PROJECT
11:37:03 THAT WOULD YIELD -- OR REPORT.
11:37:06 IT WILL BE IN TWO PARTS THIS REPORT.
11:37:08 THE FIRST WOULD BE CAPTURING INFORMATION AND ANALYSIS OF
11:37:11 WHAT IS ACTUALLY OCCURRING IN THE VARIABLES OF ECONOMIC
11:37:15 DEVELOPMENT TODAY.
11:37:16 THERE ARE MANY THINGS GOING ON, BUT THEY HAPPEN TO BE GOING
11:37:19 ON IN VERY DISPARATE WAYS.
11:37:23 THEY ARE NOT CONNECTED WELL.
11:37:24 SO THAT WAS A BIG PART OF THE PROJECT, TO TRY TO CAPTURE
11:37:26 THAT, BRING IT ALL TOGETHER INTO ONE REPORT.
11:37:28 THE SECOND HALF OF THE REPORT WOULD ACTUALLY BE
11:37:31 RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW TO PROCEED BOTH SHORT AND LONG TERM

11:37:36 TO HAVE A FULLY FUNCTIONING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICE
11:37:40 ATTACHED SOMEWHERE HERE IN ESTERO.
11:37:43 OUR PRINCIPAL PARTNER, OF COURSE, HAS BEEN THE FLORIDA GULF
11:37:46 COAST UNIVERSITY, THEIR RESEARCH INSTITUTE.
11:37:48 THEY HAVE BEEN FABULOUS TO WORK WITH, AND WE NOW HAVE THE
11:37:51 ENTIRE POWER OF THE UNIVERSITY BEHIND THIS PROJECT ON BEHALF
11:37:56 OF ESTERO, AND THEY ARE EXCITED TO BE DOING IT.
11:37:59 THE OTHER MAJOR PLAYERS, THOUGH, ARE THE SOUTHWEST FLORIDA
11:38:02 REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL, THE LEE COUNTY ECONOMIC
11:38:05 DEVELOPMENT OFFICE, AND CAREER SOURCE, WHICH IS THE FORMER
11:38:08 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD.
11:38:09 THEY HAVE ALL BEEN ON MY ADVISORY GROUP.
11:38:12 THEY'VE BEEN ATTACHED TO THIS FROM THE GET-GO, AND HAVE
11:38:15 ENDORSED IT HEARTILY.
11:38:17 ALSO, OF COURSE, STEVE AND MARY ARE ON MY ADVISORY COUNCIL,
11:38:21 AND THEY HAVE ALSO GIVEN ME GREAT INFORMATION TO PROCEED.
11:38:24 ALIGNMENT WITH THESE OTHER ORGANIZATIONS IS ESSENTIAL.
11:38:28 I WANTED YOU TO KNOW THAT FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN
11:38:31 ESTERO, BECAUSE ALTHOUGH WE AT TIMES WILL OPERATE
11:38:34 INDEPENDENTLY AND COMPETE WITH OUR COMMUNITIES FOR OUR OWN
11:38:38 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, THERE ARE MANY OTHER TIMES WHEN WE
11:38:40 COME TOGETHER AS A COALITION, AND WE HAVE TO WORK THAT
11:38:43 COALITION EFFORT.
11:38:46 ESTERO HAS TO BE AT THE TABLE.
11:38:48 OTHERWISE, YOU KIND OF GET LOOKED OVER.

11:38:51 JUST AS ONE EXAMPLE, I DISCOVERED ALONG THE WAY, FAIRLY
11:38:54 EARLY ON IN THIS EFFORT, THAT THERE WAS A FUTURE WORKFORCE
11:38:57 STUDY BEING UNDERTAKEN RIGHT NOW BY CAREER SOURCE AND LEE
11:39:00 COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICE.
11:39:03 WE WEREN'T INVOLVED.
11:39:05 NOW WE ARE.
11:39:07 IN FACT, I'M WORKING QUITE CLOSELY WITH THE PRINCIPALS OF
11:39:10 THAT SURVEY ON HOW IT SHOULD BE EXECUTED AND WE WILL BE

11:39:14 STUDIED ALONG WITH ALL THE OTHER COMMUNITIES HERE.
11:39:16 THAT'S ONE EXAMPLE OF WHERE WE HAVE TO BE ATTACHED TO WHAT'S
11:39:19 HAPPENING HERE REGIONALLY.
11:39:21 OTHERWISE, YOU'RE KIND OF LOOKED OVER.
11:39:23 I AM PLEASED TO SAY THAT WE EXPECT THIS PROJECT TO GO FORTH
11:39:27 AS A GRANT REQUEST THIS WEEK, TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
11:39:31 ADMINISTRATION, THAT'S THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE ENTITY.
11:39:34 IT OPERATES OUT OF ATLANTA FOR US.
11:39:36 WE EXPECT TO SUBMIT THAT THIS WEEK.
11:39:39 IT WILL TAKE US A FEW MONTHS TO GET REVIEWED AND HOPEFULLY
11:39:44 APPROVED.
11:39:45 WE THINK IT WILL BE APPROVED.
11:39:46 THAT ISN'T GOING TO STOP THE WORK.
11:39:48 WE'LL GO RIGHT TO THE WORK OF PUTTING TOGETHER THAT PROJECT
11:39:50 WHILE WE'RE EVEN WAITING.
11:39:52 I WILL BE KEEPING, OF COURSE, EVERYBODY INFORMED ALONG THE
11:39:55 WAY.

11:39:56 I HAVE BEEN LETTING STEVE KNOW AND MARY KNOW EVERY STEP OF
11:40:00 THE PROGRESS.
11:40:01 ALSO, I'VE ADDED THE MAYOR TO THE DISTRIBUTION, SO HE'S BEEN
11:40:05 AWARE OF WHAT'S GOING ON.
11:40:07 THANK YOU.
11:40:09 >> THANK YOU, DR. GARY.
11:40:11 APPRECIATE THAT.
11:40:12 YOU CAN SEE SOME OF THE AWESOME PEOPLE WE HAVE ON OUR
11:40:14 VOLUNTEER STAFF.
11:40:14 I JUST WANTED TO DIVE IN A LITTLE BIT.
11:40:16 YOU CAN SEE OUR ADJUSTED PROGRAM SCHEDULE GOING INTO 2021 ON
11:40:20 THE PAGES THAT WE GAVE YOU OR WHATNOT.
11:40:22 BUT SOME OF THE BIG THINGS, SOME OF THE VIRTUAL LUNCHEONS,
11:40:26 THINGS OF THAT NATURE, BUT THE MAJOR PRIORITY EMPHASIS FOR
11:40:29 2021 IS JUST OUR CULTURE, OUR RELATIONSHIPS, OUR ECONOMIC
11:40:33 DEVELOPMENT AND LEADERSHIP FOR SURE.
11:40:36 AND OUR MEMBERS.
11:40:37 IT'S ALL ABOUT OUR MEMBERS FOR SURE.
11:40:38 THE MEMBERS IS EVERYTHING FOR US, WHATNOT.
11:40:42 AND THEN OUR IMPACT PARTNERS.
11:40:44 AND YOU GUYS HAVE BEEN A HUGE PART.
11:40:46 THE VILLAGE HAS BEEN A HUGE PART OF THAT.
11:40:49 THE COUNCIL HAS BEEN A HUGE PART OF THAT OR WHATNOT, BEING A
11:40:52 MEMBER OF THE CHAMBER.
11:40:56 LET ME GIVE YOU A QUICK STORY.

11:40:58 GIVE YOU AN EXAMPLE FROM THE IMPACT PARTNER SIDE WHATNOT.
11:41:01 I WAS A MEMBER OF THE CHAMBER FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS, BUT
11:41:05 WE ACTUALLY HAVE ONE TEAM MEMBER IN ESTERO IN 2019 AND A
11:41:09 SMALL SUITE, AND THIS YEAR, WE ACTUALLY HAVE FIVE TIMES THE

11:41:15 SQUARE FOOTAGE RIGHT ON CORKSCREW ROAD AND WE HAVE SEVEN
11:41:19 MORE EMPLOYEES.
11:41:19 THE IMPACT PARTNERS OF THE CHAMBER IS DOING ONE THING AND IS
11:41:22 ELEVATING BUSINESSES.
11:41:24 SO I'M ACTUALLY AN IMPACT PARTNER PERSONALLY, MY BUSINESS AS
11:41:27 WELL.
11:41:28 SO THERE ARE SOME GREAT PROGRAMS THAT WE'RE DOING HERE THIS
11:41:32 YEAR THAT YOU'LL SEE.
11:41:33 BUT THE NUMBER ONE THING, WHEN IT COMES TO ECONOMIC
11:41:37 DEVELOPMENT AND MAKING AN IMPACT, IT'S OUR IMPACT PARTNERS
11:41:40 AND OUR MEMBERS.
11:41:41 I JUST WANTED TO KIND OF BRING THOSE COUPLE OF THINGS BEFORE
11:41:43 YOU TODAY.
11:41:46 ANY WAY THAT WE CAN ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS, WE'RE GLAD TO DO
11:41:49 IT.
11:41:49 AGAIN, BLAKE CHAPMAN, CHAIRMAN OF THE ESTERO CHAMBER BOARD.
11:41:52 WE'VE GOT A COUPLE OF OUR STAFF MEMBERS HERE AS WELL.
11:41:55 SO THANK YOU.
11:41:56 >>Mayor Ribble: THANK YOU, FOLKS.
11:41:57 I WANT TO START OFF, USUALLY I GO AROUND THE COUNCIL, BUT I
11:42:01 WANT TO TRY TO CLEAR THE AIR ON THE CHAMBER HERE IN ESTERO.

11:42:06 THIS WHOLE DYNAMIC THIS YEAR HAS REALLY CHANGED FOR THIS
11:42:09 CHAMBER AND CHANGED IN A GOOD WAY.
11:42:12 YOU KNOW, WE CALL AROUND HERE, ALL THE MAYORS WHO TRY TO BE
11:42:17 ALIGNED WITH EACH OTHER IN OUR POLICIES AND PROCEDURES IN
11:42:21 THE COUNTY.
11:42:22 I THINK FOR THE MOST PART WHEN IT COMES TO WATER ISSUES,
11:42:24 ET CETERA, WE DO A PRETTY DARN GOOD JOB WITH THAT.
11:42:27 IN FACT, ALL OF THE MUNICIPALITIES BELIEVE STRONGLY IN NOT
11:42:34 FUNDING THE CHAMBER.
11:42:35 NOW, THERE IS A CAVEAT TO THAT.
11:42:37 IT'S CALLED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.
11:42:39 AND EACH AND EVERY ONE OF OUR COMMUNITIES, WHEN I SURVEYED
11:42:42 THEM, DONATES SPECIFICALLY -- WE EARMARKED THE MONEY.
11:42:47 UNITED WAY, YOU GIVE THE UNITED WAY, YOU CAN EARMARK THE
11:42:50 MONEY, CHILD CARE, WHATEVER IS YOUR HOT BUTTON.
11:42:53 THE OTHER MUNICIPALITIES AND I UNDERSTAND AROUND THE
11:42:58 COUNTRY.
11:42:59 A LOT OF YOU FOLKS KNOW I WORKED A LONG TIME IN ATLANTA AND
11:43:02 IN PHILADELPHIA.
11:43:04 THOSE COMMUNITIES EARMARKED MONEY FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.
11:43:07 BLAKE, YOU TOLD A GOOD STORY ABOUT WHAT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
11:43:10 DID IN YOUR BUSINESS, AND CERTAINLY, THE INCREASE IN JOBS,
11:43:16 TAXPAYERS, AND THEY HAVE TO LIVE SOMEWHERE -- SO WHY NOT?
11:43:20 GARY, I THINK NOLEN AND THE TEAM DID A GREAT JOB RECRUITING
11:43:25 YOU THIS YEAR ON THIS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PIECE.

11:43:27 I KNOW YOU'VE BEEN WORKING WITH STEVE IN YOUR PRIVATE
11:43:32 MEETINGS TO TRY TO FIGURE OUT OUR MISSION HERE IN TRYING TO
11:43:34 GET THIS GRANT.
11:43:36 BUT I THINK WE CONSIDER FUNDING YOU FOLKS THIS YEAR, WE'VE
11:43:39 GOT TO CONSIDER THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PIECE, AND WE'VE
11:43:43 GOT TO SUPPORT YOU FOLKS, AT LEAST THAT'S MY POSITION ON IT.
11:43:46 AND WITH THAT STATEMENT BEING SAID, I'LL OPEN IT UP FOR
11:43:49 COMMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL.
11:43:51 ANY OF THE COUNCIL MEMBERS -- JIM?
11:43:56 >>Jim Boesch: IN MY LAST EXPERIENCE WITH LOCAL COMMUNITIES,
11:44:00 ONE OF THE PILLARS OF ALL THE COMMUNITIES IS CERTAINLY THE
11:44:04 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.
11:44:05 PEOPLE LOOKING FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THE COMMUNITY THAT THEY
11:44:15 ARE SEEKING TO GO INTO, ESPECIALLY FROM BUSINESS STANDPOINT,
11:44:18 WILL AUTOMATICALLY CALL THE CHAMBER.
11:44:22 YOU WOULD THINK THEY WOULD CALL TOWN HALL, BUT THEY
11:44:25 AUTOMATICALLY SEEK INFORMATION ON WHAT'S GOING ON AND OTHER
11:44:29 THINGS -- REPRESENTATION WHAT'S GOING ON.
11:44:33 I HAVE BEEN INVOLVED WITH NICK AND WITH HOWARD IN CHAMBER OF
11:44:43 COMMERCE.
11:44:44 WHEN I ORIGINALLY STARTED DOING A FEASIBILITY STUDY, I WENT
11:44:55 TO BONITA SPRINGS.
11:44:56 THE REASON THAT THAT CHAMBER BECAME SO SUCCESSFUL IS THEY
11:44:59 ALWAYS HAD THE COUNCIL BEHIND THEM, BOTH ENERGETICALLY BUT
11:45:06 ALSO BOTH FINANCIALLY.

11:45:07 AND I CONSIDER WE ARE DOING A BROTHER-TO-BROTHER,
11:45:15 SISTER-TO-SISTER FAMILY TYPE OF COMMITMENT WHERE WE MAKE A
11:45:20 FINANCIAL COMMITMENT TO THE CHAMBER.
11:45:22 I THINK YOU GUYS HAVE DONE A GREAT JOB IN TWO OR THREE YEARS
11:45:28 CHANGING THE FORMAT.
11:45:29 I THINK YOU HAVE A VERY GOOD REPRESENTATION OUT.
11:45:35 AND I AM TOTALLY IN FAVOR.
11:45:39 I'M TOTALLY IN FAVOR OF KEEPING FINANCIAL COMMITMENT WITH
11:45:44 THE CHAMBER AND THE COUNCIL.
11:45:48 ANY HELP THAT WE CONTINUE TO GIVE TO YOU FROM MY STANDPOINT
11:45:53 I FEEL COME TO US AND TALK TO US AND SEE HOW WE CAN HELP
11:45:58 BECOME BETTER.
11:45:59 >>Mayor Ribble: ANY OTHER COMMENTS?
11:46:01 JON.
11:46:01 >>Jon McLain: YEAH, I'M ALL IN SUPPORT OF VIBRANT CHAMBER OF
11:46:07 COMMERCE.
11:46:08 I THINK THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PIECE IS WHAT YOU'RE ALL
11:46:12 ABOUT.
11:46:13 I THINK WE NEED TO LOOK AT THAT.
11:46:14 BILL, YOU MADE A COMMENT, I WANT TO MAKE SURE I HEARD IT
11:46:19 PROPERLY, BECAUSE I HAD A QUESTION ABOUT OTHER COMMUNITIES'
11:46:25 SUPPORT OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

11:46:27 DID YOU SAY THAT THE MAJORITY DO NOT SUPPORT CHAMBER OF
11:46:30 COMMERCE DIRECTLY?
11:46:31 >>Mayor Ribble: NOBODY IN THIS COUNTY GIVES MONEY FOR THE

11:46:34 CHAMBER.
11:46:35 THEY BECOME CHAMBER MEMBERS.
11:46:36 FOR EXAMPLE, BONITA SPRINGS PAYS \$450 FOR THE MEMBERSHIP,
11:46:40 BUT THEY DON'T GIVE MONEY DIRECTLY TO THE CHAMBER.
11:46:44 IT'S EARMARKED FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.
11:46:47 AND THAT MATCHES WHAT HAPPENS IN THE COUNTY.
11:46:50 AS YOU KNOW, THE COUNTY HAS A BIG DEPARTMENT UP THERE IN
11:46:53 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.
11:46:53 SO THAT'S HOW THAT WHOLE STRUCTURE IS.
11:46:56 IF YOU GO DOWNTOWN PHILADELPHIA AND YOU STOP IN, THEY HAVE A
11:47:00 BIG, GIGANTIC OFFICE ON BROAD STREET.
11:47:02 YOU GO IN THERE AND ASK FOR THEIR FUNDING, THE CITY OF
11:47:06 PHILADELPHIA DOESN'T GIVE THEM ANY MONEY.
11:47:07 THEIR MONEY COMES FROM THE CITY FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT,
11:47:11 FOR PROJECTS, BRINGING BUSINESSES IN SPECIFICALLY.
11:47:19 >>Jon McLain: WE HAVE OVER THE LAST, I'VE BEEN AROUND TWO,
11:47:22 THREE YEARS, WE'VE BEEN GIVING \$25,000 A YEAR.
11:47:26 I'D LOVE TO SEE IT BE SELF-FUNDING FOR THAT THREE-YEAR
11:47:32 MEMBERSHIP AND SUPPORT YOU IN OTHER WAYS.
11:47:33 IS THERE A WAY THAT WE CAN EARMARK ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
11:47:40 DOLLARS AND BEING PRUDENT WITH THAT KIND OF A CONTRIBUTION?
11:47:46 WE OBVIOUSLY FROM A VILLAGE, WE'D NEED AUDITING OF THAT, HOW
11:47:52 THAT'S ACTUALLY BEEN SPENT.
11:47:53 IS THAT SOMETHING THAT YOU WOULD CONSIDER?
11:47:55 AND IS THAT SOMETHING THAT'S WORKABLE?

11:47:58 >> ABSOLUTELY, FOR SURE.
11:47:59 I THINK A GREAT WAY TO DO THAT IS THROUGH OUR IMPACT
11:48:01 PARTNERS OR WHATNOT.
11:48:08 >>Jon McLain: WHAT KIND OF MEMBERSHIP HAVE WE DONE IN THE
11:48:10 PAST?
11:48:10 >> THAT'S WHAT DONE IN THE PAST.
11:48:12 IMPACT PARTNER.
11:48:15 >>Jon McLain: WHAT WOULD BE THE CHANGE THEN, IF WE DID A
11:48:17 CONTRIBUTION AGAIN THIS YEAR?
11:48:20 >> IT WOULD BE, OUR IMPACT MEMBER LEVEL OR WHATNOT, FOR
11:48:24 SURE.
11:48:25 DEFINITELY.
11:48:26 HELPING WITH A LOT OF THE THINGS, LIKE GARY IS PUSHING OUT,
11:48:29 THINGS OF THAT NATURE.
11:48:30 >>Mayor Ribble: BEFORE WE GET INTO DOLLAR AMOUNT, LET'S GO
11:48:33 AROUND THE ROOM, GET EVERYONE'S OPINION AND COME UP WITH A
11:48:35 DOLLAR AMOUNT.
11:48:37 >>Howard Levitan: BILL, CAN I COMMENT?

11:48:39 I JUST WANT TO SAY IN THE PAST, OUR CONTRIBUTIONS, WHETHER
11:48:41 WE'RE IMPACT PARTNERS OR NOT HAVE GONE TOWARDS GENERAL
11:48:45 OPERATIONS, NOT EARMARKED FOR ANYTHING SPECIFICALLY.
11:48:48 I'M VERY CONCERNED THIS YEAR.
11:48:54 I REALLY DO SUPPORT THE CHAMBER OPERATIONS, BUT THERE'S NO
11:48:57 BUDGET.
11:48:58 WE HAVEN'T BEEN -- RECEIVED A PROPOSED BUDGET, WHICH WE HAVE

11:49:02 IN THE PAST.
11:49:04 I DON'T THINK WE SHOULD BE IN THE BUSINESS OF SUPPORTING
11:49:08 GENERAL OPERATIONS.
11:49:08 I THINK WE SHOULD BE IN THE BUSINESS OF SUPPORTING ECONOMIC
11:49:12 DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS SPONSORED BY THE CHAMBER.
11:49:17 SO THAT'S A LITTLE BIT DIFFERENT THAN WHAT YOU'RE SAYING.
11:49:23 >> CAN I ANSWER JON SINCE I'M PROBABLY THE DEEPEST IN
11:49:27 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CHAMBER?
11:49:29 WE WOULD HAVE NO PROBLEMS SHOWING YOU ACCOUNTABILITY THROUGH
11:49:34 THE YEAR OF WHAT IS BEING DONE OR PLANNED TO BE DONE IN THE
11:49:36 NAME OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.
11:49:38 BECAUSE, IN FACT, THERE'S A LOT GOING ON.
11:49:40 AS I SAID EARLIER, WE'RE SIMPLY NOT CAPTURING IT AND PUTTING
11:49:44 IT TOGETHER SO THAT WE SEE WE HAVE A CONCISE PULLED-TOGETHER
11:49:48 PLAN THAT REPRESENTS THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY.
11:49:50 THIS GRANT, WHICH WILL NOT COST YOU ANY DOLLARS, AND IT
11:49:53 DOESN'T COST THE CHAMBER ANY DOLLARS.
11:49:56 THAT'S THE REASON WE'RE GETTING IT OR THE FGCU, WE'RE BEING
11:50:01 FUNDED -- WE HOPE -- TO GET THE PROJECT DONE.
11:50:04 I THINK YOU'RE GOING TO SEE IN THAT GRANT, WHICH WE INTEND
11:50:07 TO FINISH BEFORE THE END OF THE CALENDAR YEAR, NEXT YEAR,
11:50:10 YOU'RE GOING TO SEE ALL OF THOSE PARTS COME TOGETHER.
11:50:14 AND WE WILL MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW WE SUSTAIN THAT.
11:50:17 AND THE CHAMBER CAN TAKE THAT ACTIVE LEAD, AS IT'S DONE IN
11:50:21 MANY COMMUNITIES IN THE COUNTRY, IN MAKING SURE ECONOMIC

11:50:23 DEVELOPMENT STAYS IN THE FOREFRONT FOR THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY.
11:50:26 IN OTHER WORDS, THE CHAMBER WILL SERVE YOU IN THAT CAPACITY.
11:50:29 I THINK THAT'S ONE OF THE THINGS YOU WERE LOOKING FOR, JON.
11:50:32 >>Jon McLain: YEAH, THAT AND MAYBE -- DON'T WANT TO GET INTO
11:50:36 DOLLARS THAT MUCH RIGHT NOW, BUT WE DON'T HAVE A BUDGET.
11:50:38 IT WOULD BE INTERESTING TO SAY WHAT DO YOU NEED IN ORDER TO
11:50:42 SATISFY YOUR VISION GOING FORWARD, AND THEN THAT MAY HELP US
11:50:47 DEVELOP A PLAN TO HELP SUPPORT THAT.
11:50:49 >> I KNOW FROM THE CHAMBER'S STANDPOINT, THAT BUDGET WILL
11:50:55 PROBABLY BE REVIEWED AND SETTLED ON THIS WEEK.
11:50:57 >>Mayor Ribble: YEAH, TOMORROW, RIGHT?
11:50:59 >> TOMORROW.
11:51:01 >>Mayor Ribble: NICK, DO YOU HAVE A COMMENT?
11:51:03 >>Nick Batos: THE CHAMBER HAS BEEN A SITUATION IN ESTERO FOR

11:51:09 MANY YEARS, AND IT'S EVOLVED FROM ONE EXTREME TO SOME BAD
11:51:15 TIMES AND NOW INTO GETTING TO BETTER TIMES.
11:51:19 I THINK THAT ALL OF US WERE ANXIOUS TO SUPPORT THE
11:51:26 REDEVELOPMENT OF THE CHAMBER OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS.
11:51:31 I CONTINUE TO FEEL THE SAME WAY.
11:51:32 I UNDERSTAND THAT WHAT OTHER CHAMBERS HAVE DONE IN OTHER
11:51:38 CITIES, WHAT CITIES HAVE DONE WITH THEIR CHAMBERS, BUT IT'S
11:51:41 NOT REALLY A BLACK-AND-WHITE SITUATION AS FAR AS I SEE IT,
11:51:44 BECAUSE THERE HAS BEEN A MIXTURE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND
11:51:50 CHAMBER ACTIVITIES IN OTHER CITIES TO OUR SOUTH, AS ONE
11:51:54 EXAMPLE, WHERE THE DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND THE

11:51:58 DIRECTOR OF THE CHAMBER IS THE SAME PERSON, AND HOW YOU
11:52:03 DIVIDE THE EXPENDITURES IS QUESTIONABLE.
11:52:10 I BELIEVE STRONGLY THAT WE SHOULD CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE
11:52:12 CHAMBER AND ESPECIALLY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, BUT DURING THIS
11:52:17 PARTICULAR TIME, WHEN OUR CHAMBER, WHICH I THINK WE ALL
11:52:22 BELIEVE IS VERY IMPORTANT, WE CONTINUE TO DO THAT TO SUPPORT
11:52:25 BUSINESSES HERE AND TO BRING BUSINESS, OUR CHAMBER HAS BEEN
11:52:31 HIT HARD, I ASSUME, LIKE OTHER CHAMBERS HAVE BECAUSE OF THE
11:52:36 COVID SITUATION, AND I WOULD FEEL -- I DON'T FEEL AS STRONG
11:52:44 MAYBE AS SOME OTHERS DO, THAT THE MONEY HAS TO BE
11:52:48 EXCLUSIVELY FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.
11:52:50 I THINK THAT WE SHOULD CONTINUE TO TRY TO GET THROUGH THESE
11:52:53 DIFFICULT TIMES IN ORDER TO HAVE THE POSSIBILITY IN THE NEXT
11:53:00 FEW YEARS OF A VERY, VERY STRONG CHAMBER.
11:53:04 I ALSO FEEL, THOUGH, THAT WE SHOULD NOT BE ON AN ONGOING
11:53:09 BASIS CONTINUING TO HAVE TO BE -- THE MAJOR SUPPORT OF THE
11:53:15 CHAMBER PORTION.
11:53:18 I THINK THAT'S SOMETHING THAT YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO TAKE ON
11:53:21 THOSE EXPENSES OVER A PERIOD OF A FEW YEARS ON YOUR OWN.
11:53:25 BUT AT THE BEGINNING, I WOULDN'T -- IF IT'S NEEDED, I THINK
11:53:29 WE SHOULD BE THERE TO HELP.
11:53:30 >>Mayor Ribble: ANY OTHER COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL?
11:53:32 KATY?
11:53:34 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: MAYOR, I BELIEVE THAT WE SHOULD
11:53:39 SUPPORT THE CHAMBER.

11:53:40 I THINK BECAUSE OF COVID THAT THEY HAVE HAD SOME SITUATIONS
11:53:45 THAT HAVE EVOLVED, I THINK IT WOULD BE PRUDENT ON OUR PART
11:53:51 AS A COUNCIL TO SHOW THAT WE ARE CONTINUING TO SUPPORT THE
11:53:54 WORK THAT THEY ARE TRYING TO DO.
11:53:56 THAT DOESN'T MEAN WE HAVE TO CONTINUE AFTER NEXT YEAR, BUT
11:54:01 FOR THE NEAR FUTURE, WE NEED TO SUPPORT WHAT THEY ARE
11:54:05 ATTEMPTING TO DO.
11:54:07 I THINK THEY BOUNCED BACK.
11:54:09 THEY HAVE GOTTEN ON THEIR FEET.
11:54:10 I'M IMPRESSED WITH WHAT I'VE HEARD SO FAR FROM OTHER

11:54:15 SOURCES, AND I THINK THEY DESERVE A CHANCE FROM US.
11:54:17 SO IF WE CAN HELP THEM OUT FOR ONE MORE YEAR AND THEN
11:54:22 REEVALUATE, THAT'S WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO DO.
11:54:24 I THINK IT WOULD BE PRETTY BAD IF WE TOOK EVERYTHING AWAY
11:54:28 RIGHT NOW BECAUSE YOU HAVE SOME GOOD PEOPLE TRYING TO DO
11:54:35 SOME GOOD THINGS.
11:54:36 >>Mayor Ribble: JIM WILSON, DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS?
11:54:38 JIM, YOU'VE GOT YOUR MUTE BUTTON ON.
11:54:45 >>Jim Wilson: THANK YOU.
11:54:46 TECHNOLOGY.
11:54:47 YOU MAY REMEMBER THAT UNTIL I HAD MY STROKE, I WAS THE
11:54:52 COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE TO THE CHAMBER, AND I SAW FIRSTHAND
11:54:56 SOME OF THE GOOD WORK THAT WAS DONE IN REORGANIZING THE
11:55:02 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FROM WHAT PROBABLY WAS A SOCIAL CLUB
11:55:07 FOUR, FIVE YEARS AGO INTO A VIABLE CHAMBER, WHICH IS

11:55:10 FUNCTIONING IN ALL THE DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS THAT WE SAW IN
11:55:13 THE PROGRAM MATERIAL THAT WAS PROVIDED TO US IN OUR PACKETS.
11:55:18 SO I, TOO, SUPPORT SOME KIND OF ONGOING SUPPORT FOR THE
11:55:23 CHAMBER FINANCIALLY.
11:55:24 MAYBE WE COULD DO IT IN A STEP-DOWN FASHION THAT WE SAY THIS
11:55:28 YEAR WE'LL GIVE YOU X.
11:55:29 NEXT YEAR WE'LL GIVE YOU Y.
11:55:32 I'M NOT EVEN SURE WE CAN DO THAT, OR THAT THAT'S LEGAL.
11:55:37 BUT THAT WOULD BE A GOOD APPROACH.
11:55:38 BUT CERTAINLY, I AGREE WITH KATY TO JUST PULL THE PLUG ON
11:55:42 THEM WOULD PROBABLY NOT BE FAIR.
11:55:47 >>Mayor Ribble: I DON'T THINK ANYBODY IS TALKING ABOUT
11:55:49 PULLING ANY PLUG.
11:55:49 IT SOUNDS LIKE -- WE CAN'T VOTE ON THIS TODAY, AS YOU KNOW,
11:55:54 FELLAS.
11:55:55 WE HAVE TO GET A CONSENSUS AND THEN PUT THIS ON THE REGULAR
11:55:59 AGENDA FOR THE NEXT MEETING, WHICH IS JANUARY 6th, WHERE
11:56:02 WE CAN VOTE.
11:56:03 WE COULD TRY TO COME UP WITH A CONSENSUS OF AGREEMENT.
11:56:05 AS YOU KNOW, LAST TIME, COUNCIL, WE GAVE 25,000 AND THAT
11:56:10 MONEY WAS UNRESTRICTED.
11:56:11 THAT COULD BE ON THE TABLE THIS TIME OR, AS SEVERAL FOLKS
11:56:18 MENTIONED, WE COULD DO A STEP-DOWN, OR PERHAPS WE DID 20
11:56:22 THIS YEAR, 15 THE SECOND YEAR, 10, AND THEN 5.
11:56:26 OR WE COULD JUST GO WITH A BLANK AMOUNT AND LET NEXT YEAR'S

11:56:30 COUNCIL WORRY ABOUT THAT THIS TIME OF YEAR.
11:56:33 JIM.
11:56:34 >>Jim Boesch: I DON'T THINK WE'RE AS A -- AS A COUNCIL,
11:56:37 WE'RE IN A POSITION TO MAKE PROMISES FOR A NEW COUNCIL NEXT
11:56:40 YEAR.
11:56:41 I THINK WE SHOULD JUST TALK ABOUT WHAT WE DO THIS YEAR.

11:56:47 LET THE COUNCIL NEXT YEAR DECIDE WHAT THEY DO.
11:56:49 >>Nick Batos: I WOULD BE IN FAVOR OF CONTINUING THE 25,000
11:56:53 UNRESTRICTED WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THEY'LL BE LOOKING
11:56:56 AT THIS -- THEY WILL BE LOOKING AT THIS TO COME BACK WITH A
11:57:01 LESSER FOR THAT PORTION OF IT OVER THE COMING YEARS.
11:57:06 >>Mayor Ribble: ARE YOU IN AGREEMENT WITH THE ECONOMIC
11:57:08 DEVELOPMENT PIECE, THOUGH?
11:57:09 >>Nick Batos: I'M IN FAVOR OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.
11:57:11 BUT MY CONCERN IS TO RESTRICT IT TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR
11:57:15 THIS YEAR, UNTIL WE HEAR FROM THEM IF THEY CAN DO IT WITHOUT
11:57:20 AFFECTING THE OPERATIONS OF THE CHAMBER --
11:57:25 >>Mayor Ribble: THEY CAN DO IT.
11:57:26 IF IT'S NOT EARMARKED FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, YOU'LL LOSE
11:57:32 ONE VOTE.
11:57:33 I WANT TO BE ALIGNED WITH THE COUNTY AND WITH MY PEERS, AND
11:57:38 -- GO AHEAD.
11:57:40 >> GARY, YOU INDICATED THAT YOU'LL GIVE US SOME NUMBERS,
11:57:43 THING BETWEEN NOW AND JANUARY 6.
11:57:45 I'M A NUMBER GUY.

11:57:46 I'D LIKE TO SEE PREVIOUS BUDGET THIS YEAR, HOW YOU'RE DOING,
11:57:52 VERSUS I SEE SOME OF YOUR PROJECTIONS, 20% MEMBERSHIP
11:57:55 INCREASE.
11:57:56 >> I DON'T WANT TO SPEAK ENTIRELY FOR NOLEN, WHO IS HERE,
11:58:04 AND IS ACTUALLY OUR LEAD ON THIS POINT.
11:58:05 BUT I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT WE CAN SHOW YOU IN HOW THOSE FUNDS
11:58:07 ARE EXPENDED AND WHAT'S PROJECTED FOR THE COMING YEAR,
11:58:09 INCLUDING THE BUDGET THAT I HOPE WE'LL HAVE AS A RESULT OF
11:58:13 THIS GRANT, HOW MUCH OF THAT ACTUALLY IMPACTS ECONOMIC
11:58:17 DEVELOPMENT.
11:58:17 QUITE SURE THAT WE CAN MAKE THAT POINT.
11:58:19 ACTUALLY, JUST FROM THIS CONVERSATION ALONE, I'M ENVISIONING
11:58:24 A WAY OF HOW WE POSTURE THE CHAMBER SO THAT IS ALWAYS VERY
11:58:30 APPARENT TO YOU, THAT WE DON'T HAVE TO PROVE IT EVERY YEAR
11:58:33 BUT INDEED THAT IS THE WAY IT IS.
11:58:34 BECAUSE THIS MODEL IS THE MODEL YOU SEE THE MOST IN THE
11:58:36 COUNTRY, AND THAT IS CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE TYPICALLY HOLD THE
11:58:40 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNCTION AND THEY TYPICALLY DO THAT AS
11:58:43 SERVICE TO THE GREATER COMMUNITY.
11:58:45 LIKE YOU.
11:58:49 THAT'S REALLY WHAT WE'RE DRIVING TOWARDS, SO I THINK WE'LL
11:58:50 BE ABLE TO DO THAT.
11:58:53 >>Jon McLain: I THINK YOU'RE MAKING GREAT PROGRESS.
11:58:55 THESE ARE TOUGH TIMES.
11:58:56 I'M IN SUPPORT OF YOU, BUT I'D LIKE TO UNDERSTAND, NOT JUST

11:58:59 A BLANK CHECK, BUT UNDERSTAND WHERE IT'S GOING A LITTLE BIT.
11:59:05 >>Mayor Ribble: ANY OTHER COUNCIL MEMBERS WANT TO SPEAK TO

11:59:07 THIS ISSUE?
11:59:09 WE'VE GOT TO TRY TO GET SOME DIRECTION HERE.
11:59:10 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: I'M IN SUPPORT OF A DONATION BEING
11:59:14 MADE TO THE COUNCIL LIKE WE DID LAST YEAR, AND LET'S LET
11:59:17 THEM GET BACK ON THEIR FEET.
11:59:20 NEXT YEAR MAY BE THE TIME TO TALK ABOUT ECONOMIC
11:59:22 DEVELOPMENT.
11:59:22 BUT I THINK FROM WHAT I'M HEARING GARY SAY, THAT'S GOING TO
11:59:25 BE THE WHOLE PURPOSE OF THIS MONEY TRYING TO USE IF WE GO
11:59:29 THAT DIRECTION.
11:59:30 BUT LET'S NOT TIE THEIR HANDS WITH IT.
11:59:36 >>Mayor Ribble: HOWARD?
11:59:41 >>Howard Levitan: YEAH, I GENERALLY AGREE WITH NICK AND
11:59:43 KATY, BUT I WOULD LIKE TO SEE A BUDGET AS TO HOW THEY ARE
11:59:46 GOING TO PROPOSE TO SPEND THE MONEY BEFORE WE VOTE ON IT.
11:59:49 I THINK IT WOULD BE IRRESPONSIBLE TO DO ANYTHING OTHER THAN
11:59:52 THAT.
11:59:56 >>Mayor Ribble: JIM WILSON, ANY FINAL COMMENTS?
12:00:02 >>Jim Wilson: LET ME MAKE SURE MY MIKE WAS ON.
12:00:04 NO.
12:00:08 I THINK I COULD SUPPORT ONE MORE YEAR OF UNRESTRICTED
12:00:14 FUNDING LEVEL AS LONG AS WE HAVE THE UNDERSTANDING AND THE
12:00:18 ASSURANCE THAT PART OF THEIR MAJOR FOCUS WILL BE, IN FACT,

12:00:23 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, BECAUSE THEY ARE A BENEFICIARY OF
12:00:26 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT JUST AS WE ARE BECAUSE AS A PART OF IT,
12:00:32 THEY HOPEFULLY WOULD ATTRACT NEW MEMBERS.
12:00:35 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
12:00:36 IT DOESN'T SOUND LIKE WE HAVE CONSENSUS ON ANY WHICH
12:00:40 DIRECTION.
12:00:41 STEVE, AM I HEARING WE'RE GOING TO COME TO THE MEETING ON
12:00:44 THE 6th, YOU FOLKS ARE GOING TO PRESENT A BUDGET, AND THEN
12:00:47 WE'RE GOING TO DECIDE ON THE DOLLARS, AND IF THEY ARE GOING
12:00:51 TO BE RESTRICTED OR UNRESTRICTED?
12:00:55 IT SEEMS LIKE WE'RE WAFLING BACK AND FORTH ON THAT.
12:00:57 THE GOOD THING IS NO ONE IS SAYING NO MONEY, SO THAT'S GOOD
12:01:01 NEWS.
12:01:01 AT LEAST YOU'RE LEAVING HERE WITH A CHECK.
12:01:06 WE JUST DON'T HAVE IT FILLED OUT YET.
12:01:09 STEVE, DID I MISS ANYTHING ON THIS?
12:01:12 >>Steven Sarkozy: THAT'S IT.
12:01:12 >>Mayor Ribble: WE'LL SEE YOU FOLKS WITH A BUDGET ON THE
12:01:15 6th.
12:01:16 AND WE'LL AGREE ON SOME KIND OF POSTURE AT THAT POINT IN
12:01:20 TIME.
12:01:20 >> THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THE CONSIDERATION.
12:01:21 >>Mayor Ribble: THANK YOU, NOLEN, FOR BEING HERE.
12:01:22 THE FIRST WORKSHOP RELATES TO THE ESTERO RIVER NORTH BRANCH

12:01:29 DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS.

12:01:31 >>Steven Sarkozy: COULD WE GO TO THE SECOND ITEM, THE
12:01:34 SEDIMENT PROJECT?
12:01:36 WE HAVE CONSULTING ENGINEERS HERE.
12:01:38 >>Mayor Ribble: SEDIMENT.
12:01:40 >>Steven Sarkozy: YEAH.
12:01:40 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
12:01:41 >>Steven Sarkozy: COUNCIL MEMBERS, ITEM 12B IS THE SEDIMENT
12:01:45 PROJECT.
12:01:45 THIS IS PART OF YOUR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.
12:01:52 THE FIRST STEP WAS TO ENGAGE A CONSULTING ENGINEER TO
12:01:57 EVALUATE THE AMOUNT OF SEDIMENT IN THE RIVER AND THE IMPACTS
12:02:01 TO THE VILLAGE.
12:02:03 THAT PROJECT IS COMPLETE, AT LEAST TO THIS INITIAL STAGE.
12:02:10 WE HAVE THAT REPORT COMING TO YOU TODAY.
12:02:11 THE HOPE IS THAT WE COULD MOVE ON TO THE NEXT STEP, WHICH IS
12:02:16 FINAL DESIGN AND PERMITTING, SUBJECT TO COUNCIL APPROVAL
12:02:20 TODAY.
12:02:20 SO I'LL TURN IT OVER TO DAVID WILLEMS, OUR DIRECTOR OF
12:02:25 PUBLIC WORKS, AND HAS COORDINATED THIS WORK WITH THE
12:02:29 CONSULTANT.
12:02:29 >>David Willems: GOOD MORNING, COUNCIL.
12:02:31 I'M PULLING UP THE PRESENTATION RIGHT NOW.
12:02:34 SO WITH US HERE TODAY IS KYLE KINCAID WITH COASTAL
12:02:55 ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS.
12:02:57 THEY ARE GOING TO PROVIDE A SUMMARY OF THE STATUS OF THE

12:03:02 PROJECT, WHAT THEIR FINDINGS HAVE BEEN SO FAR, AND THEN ALSO
12:03:05 PROVIDE A RECOMMENDATION FOR THE PERMITTING EFFORT THAT THEY
12:03:09 RECOMMEND WE GO THROUGH.
12:03:11 BEFORE THEY GET STARTED, I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT THE
12:03:14 COUNCIL UNDERSTOOD THAT THE PERMITTING DOESN'T EQUAL
12:03:18 CONSTRUCTION, NECESSARILY.
12:03:19 SO THEY ARE MAKING PERMITTING RECOMMENDATIONS.
12:03:21 WE'LL COME BACK TO COUNCIL AFTER WE RECEIVE THE PERMITS TO
12:03:24 ACTUALLY DECIDE WHICH SECTION OF THE RIVER WE WANT TO DO
12:03:27 CONSTRUCTION.
12:03:27 WE CAN DO ALL OF IT.
12:03:30 WE CAN DO IT IN PHASES.
12:03:31 JUST BECAUSE WE GET A PERMIT DOESN'T MEAN WE HAVE TO DO THE
12:03:35 WHOLE CONSTRUCTION.
12:03:35 WITH THAT, I'LL TURN IT OVER TO KYLE AND HE'LL GO THROUGH
12:03:42 THE PRESENTATION.
12:03:43 >>Kyle Kincaid: GOOD AFTERNOON.
12:03:44 MY NAME IS KYLE KINCAID.
12:03:46 I'M WITH COASTAL ENGINEERING.
12:03:47 I'M A STAFF ENGINEER THERE.

12:03:49 I'VE BEEN HEAVILY INVOLVED FROM THE VERY BEGINNING ON THIS
12:03:52 ENTIRE PROJECT, COLLECTING THE FIELD WORK AND MEETING WITH
12:03:55 DAVID PRETTY HEAVILY.
12:03:56 JUST SO WE CAN GET THROUGH HERE, TRYING TO FIGURE OUT THESE
12:04:03 CONTROLS.

12:04:03 SO THE PURPOSE OF THIS PROJECT WAS TO DETERMINE HOW MUCH
12:04:08 SEDIMENTATION HAD OCCURRED IN THE RIVER.
12:04:11 TO OUR KNOWLEDGE, THIS HAS NEVER BEEN DREDGED BEFORE.
12:04:13 SO ALL THE SEDIMENTATION HAS BEEN OCCURRING OVER THE MANY
12:04:17 YEARS THAT THERE'S BEEN DEVELOPMENT ALONG THE RIVER.
12:04:19 WE WANTED TO SEE HOW BAD THAT HAD BEEN AND COME UP WITH SOME
12:04:25 RECOMMENDATIONS TO WHAT CAN BE DONE TO ADDRESS THE
12:04:28 SEDIMENTATION THAT HAS OCCURRED.
12:04:30 SO RIGHT NOW, WE BROKE THE PROJECT UP INTO THREE PHASES.
12:04:36 FIRST PHASE WAS TO DO SOME INITIAL DATA COLLECTION WHICH
12:04:39 INVOLVED US GOING OUT IN OUR VESSEL AND GOING UP AND DOWN
12:04:42 THE RIVER DOING CENTER LINES TO TRY TO DETERMINE WHERE THE
12:04:46 GREATEST AREAS OF NEED IN TERMS OF HOW MUCH HAD FILLED IN
12:04:49 AND VARIOUS STRETCHES THROUGHOUT THE RIVER.
12:04:51 AND DURING THAT TIME, WE ALSO COLLECTED SEDIMENT SAMPLES TO
12:04:55 DETERMINE WHAT THE DIRT OR SEDIMENT IN THAT PARTICULAR
12:04:58 REGION WAS COMPRISED OF.
12:05:00 WE HAVE COMPLETED THAT.
12:05:01 WE ARE NOW INTO PHASE TWO, WHICH WAS THE DETAILED LEVEL
12:05:06 SURVEYS, WHICH IS WHERE WE WENT BACK TO THE AREAS WHERE WE
12:05:09 FOUND THERE WERE HIGHER AREAS OF SEDIMENT ACCUMULATION AND
12:05:16 PERFORMED SURVEYS IN THOSE REGIONS TO THEN COME UP WITH THE
12:05:19 DREDGE CUT -- PROPOSED DREDGE CUT THAT WE WOULD THEN PRESENT
12:05:24 TO THE PERMITTING AGENCIES.
12:05:25 SO WE ARE CURRENTLY IN THE STAGE OF WE HAVE A DREDGE CUT.

12:05:32 WE'RE PRESENTING IT HERE TO YOU TODAY.
12:05:34 REVIEW WITH THE COUNCIL OR WITH THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO, SO
12:05:37 THAT WE CAN MOVE FORWARD WITH THAT AND PRESENT THAT TO THE
12:05:40 AGENCIES TO PROCEED FORWARD WITH THAT.
12:05:42 THE NEXT STAGE AFTER WE OBTAINED THE PERMITS WOULD BE TO GO
12:05:45 TO CONSTRUCTION, AND WE ARE ABLE TO HELP YOU GUYS PREPARE
12:05:49 CONSTRUCTION PLANS AND SOLICIT BIDS FOR VARIOUS CONTRACTORS
12:05:53 THROUGHOUT THE AREA TO DO THE WORK.
12:05:54 WE CAN ALSO HELP OVERSEE THE CONSTRUCTION AND ANY ISSUES
12:05:59 THAT COME UP WITH THAT.
12:06:00 OVERALL, THIS IS THE VIEW THAT WE SURVEYED INITIALLY.
12:06:09 THE EXTENT OF THE PROJECT EXTENDED FROM THE MOUTH OF THE
12:06:12 RIVER ALL THE WAY TO SANDY LANE BRIDGE.
12:06:17 WE ACTUALLY ENDED UP SURVEYING IN OUR RECONNAISSANCE LEVEL
12:06:23 SURVEY ALL THE WAY OUT TO MOUND KEY JUST TO FIND OUT WHAT
12:06:25 THE CONTROLLING DEPTH WOULD BE.

12:06:26 WE BROKE THAT KIND OF UP INTO DIFFERENT REGIONS.
12:06:33 SO THE FIRST REGION OR REACH WOULD BE FROM THE MARINER'S
12:06:41 COVE AREA DEVELOPMENT TO THE SANDY LANE BRIDGE.
12:06:45 THERE WAS ONE AREA THAT WE RECOMMENDED THAT WE REMOVE SOME
12:06:49 SEDIMENT THERE.
12:06:50 THAT'S AROUND THE MARINER'S COVE SEAWALL.
12:06:52 THE OTHER AREAS HAVE NAVIGABLE CHANNELS, HOWEVER, THERE WERE
12:06:59 VEGETATION DEBRIS THAT HAS FALLEN IN AND OVERGROWN THAT
12:07:05 SEGMENT OF THE RIVER FROM THE SUNNY GROVE DOCKS ALL THE WAY

12:07:10 BACK TO SANDY LANE.
12:07:11 LEE COUNTY HAS ALREADY ENTERED INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE
12:07:13 SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT TO REMOVE THE DEBRIS
12:07:17 FROM SUNNY GROVE TO THE 41 BRIDGE.
12:07:20 SO THAT'S GOING TO ADDRESS IT FOR THAT LIMITED SECTION BUT
12:07:23 NOT ALL THE WAY TO SANDY LANE WHERE THERE IS STILL OTHER
12:07:25 STUFF.
12:07:26 REMOVING THAT DEBRIS IS REALLY GOING TO BE IMPORTANT NOT
12:07:33 ONLY FOR NAVIGATION BUT FOR POTENTIAL WATER EVENTS, STORM
12:07:36 EVENTS WHERE THERE'S A LARGE AMOUNT OF WATER TRYING TO GO
12:07:40 THROUGH THE RIVER.
12:07:41 THOSE DOWNED BRANCHES AND DOWNED LARGE TREE LIMBS COULD
12:07:45 BUILD UP SOME SORT OF TEMPORARY DAM AND REALLY STOCKPILE
12:07:51 WATER, POTENTIALLY CAUSE PROBLEMS.
12:07:53 GETTING THAT OUT OF THERE IS DEFINITELY A GOOD THING.
12:07:55 BUT WHEN YOU LOOK THROUGH THERE, THIS IS OUR TYPICAL CROSS
12:08:01 SECTION.
12:08:02 THE SCALE IS KIND OF HARD TO READ.
12:08:03 MAYBE YOU CAN SEE IT BETTER ON THE SCREEN.
12:08:05 YOU HAVE A VERY DEEP BUT NARROW CHANNEL AND FOR WHAT VESSELS
12:08:11 ARE TYPICALLY BACK THERE, MAJORITY KAYAKS, THAT'S DEFINITELY
12:08:14 MORE THAN ADEQUATE FOR WHAT'S THERE AND FOR GETTING WATER
12:08:16 THROUGH.
12:08:17 THE NEXT SEGMENT IS AROUND THE MARINER COVE'S SEAWALL.
12:08:24 AND THERE ARE TWO DIFFERENT MOUNDS ON THIS SEAWALL.

12:08:27 THE FIRST MOUND I'M SPEAKING OF AND SHOWING HERE IN THIS
12:08:32 PICTURE IS ON THE NORTHWEST FACE, AND IT'S REALLY
12:08:37 ACCUMULATED THERE FOR A LONG TIME.
12:08:41 YOU CAN ACTUALLY SEE THAT THERE'S GRASS, NOT SEA GRASS, BUT
12:08:43 JUST REGULAR GRASS GROWING UP AGAINST THE SEAWALL.
12:08:45 AND THAT IS SOMETHING THAT, AS RIVER CHARACTERISTICS SHOW,
12:08:49 AROUND A BEND LIKE THAT, THEY ARE JUST GOING TO HAVE SAND
12:08:54 NATURALLY ACCRETE THERE OVER TIME.
12:08:55 AND WHILE THERE IS -- AND THERE'S ANOTHER MOUND HERE ON THE
12:09:01 SOUTH -- WHAT'S ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE BANK ON THE WEST
12:09:04 SIDE AROUND THE END OF THE MARINER COVE SEAWALL, THERE'S
12:09:07 ANOTHER DRAINAGE SWALE THAT CAUSED THIS MOUND TO OCCUR AS

12:09:11 WATER COMES AROUND THE END OF THE SEAWALL AND DUMPS INTO THE
12:09:14 RIVER.
12:09:15 SO BOTH THESE BOUNDS ARE COMPRISED OF POORLY GRATED FINE
12:09:21 BROWN SAND, REALLY SILTY, MUCKY KIND OF STUFF.
12:09:24 BUT WHILE THERE IS A NAVIGABLE CHANNEL THROUGH HERE, AS YOU
12:09:33 CAN SEE, THERE'S REALLY INTENSE SEDIMENT MOUNDING ON THE
12:09:37 BANKS.
12:09:38 WHILE THIS MAY NOT BE A PRIORITY IN TERMS OF NAVIGATION NOW,
12:09:42 REMOVING THIS SEDIMENT WHILE YOU HAVE A CREW OUT THERE IS
12:09:47 WHAT WOULD BE CALLED ADVANCE DREDGING.
12:09:50 AS THIS STUFF ACCRETES OVER TIME, IT MAY BECOME A PROBLEM,
12:09:54 BUT REMOVING IT NOW WOULD PREVENT IT FROM BECOMING A PROBLEM
12:09:57 IN THE FUTURE.

12:09:57 >>JON MCLAIN: WHAT HAPPENS TO THE SEAWALL IF YOU REMOVE THAT
12:09:57 SEDIMENT?
12:10:04 THE SEAWALLS DON'T LOOK LIKE THEY ARE IN VERY GOOD SHAPE.
12:10:07 ARE THEY GOING TO COLLAPSE?
12:10:07 >> I'M NOT WANTING TO GO AND DESTROY ANYBODY'S SEAWALLS.
12:10:13 WE HAVE A TEN-FOOT OFFSET MINIMUM, AND IF WE WANT TO, WE CAN
12:10:14 ACTUALLY GO OUT AND WE CAN PROBE AND SEE HOW DEEP THESE
12:10:14 THINGS ARE BEFORE WE GO THROUGH.
12:10:17 SO WE'RE NOT PUTTING ANYBODY'S PROPERTY AT RISK.
12:10:19 THOSE TEMPLATES I'M SHOWING HERE, THE BOTTOM OF THAT CUT IS
12:10:24 NO CLOSER THAN 15 FEET TO THE BOTTOM -- TO THE WALL.
12:10:27 SO WE ARE TRYING TO STAY A SAFE DISTANCE AWAY.
12:10:31 I'M NOT SAYING LET'S GO TAKE AND SCRAPE IT ALL THE WAY DOWN
12:10:34 TO THE --
12:10:34 NOT DOING THAT.
12:10:35 WE DON'T WANT TO IMPACT ANYBODY'S SEAWALL.
12:10:38 I'M JUST SAYING, LET'S GET AS MUCH SEDIMENT OUT AS WE CAN
12:10:39 WITHOUT DAMAGING SOMEONE ELSE'S PROPERTY.
12:10:55 SAME THING WITH DOCKS.
12:10:55 WE'RE NOT SAYING GO UP TO SOMEBODY'S DOCK WHILE WE'RE
12:10:55 DREDGING AND UNDERMINE THEIR DOCKS SO THEIR DOCKS ARE
12:10:55 DAMAGED.
12:10:55 IN GENERAL, THERE WILL BE AN OFFSET FOR ALL STRUCTURES IN
12:10:55 ANY PROPOSED TEMPLATE.
12:10:55 JUST LIKE I SAID, THIS IS ADVANCED DREDGING.

12:10:58 NOT NECESSARILY AN IMPORTANT THING TO DO RIGHT NOW TO
12:11:03 MAINTAIN NAVIGATION.
12:11:04 BUT SOMETHING WHILE YOU HAVE SOMEBODY OUT THERE, THE PRICE
12:11:06 WOULD BE BETTER TO ADDRESS THIS NOW, TO PREVENT THIS FROM
12:11:09 BECOMING AN IMMINENT PROBLEM IN THE FUTURE.
12:11:11 THE NEXT STRETCH GOES FROM THE HOLIDAY DRIVE CANAL PAST THE
12:11:21 ESTERO RIVER HEIGHTS INTO THE ESTERO BAY AQUATIC PRESERVE,
12:11:26 WHICH IT'S KIND OF HARD TO SEE ON THE SCREEN, UNFORTUNATELY.

12:11:28 IT IS THAT RED LINE WITH THE BOUNDARY THERE.
12:11:30 WHEN YOU GET INTO AN AQUATIC PRESERVE, THERE ARE DIFFERENT
12:11:34 THINGS THAT COME INTO PLAY.
12:11:36 SPECIFICALLY, THEY HAVE MORE RESTRICTIVE ENVIRONMENTAL
12:11:39 RULES, SUCH AS YOU DON'T WANT TO HAVE TOO MUCH TURBIDITY,
12:11:43 WHICH IS WHEN THERE'S DIRT KICKED UP INTO THE WATER COLUMN.
12:11:47 THERE'S MORE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT RESTRICTIONS, ALL THAT
12:11:50 JAZZ.
12:11:51 THAT'S ALL TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT INTO WHY WE CHOSE TO MAKE THE
12:11:55 TEMPLATE THE WAY WE DID, WHICH IS TO MINIMIZE ENVIRONMENTAL
12:11:59 IMPACT AS PART OF THIS PROJECT AND NOT JUST DREDGE THIS
12:12:02 THING DOWN TO LIKE SIX, SEVEN FEET JUST SO WE CAN GET
12:12:06 WHATEVER YOU WANT IN HERE, WHATEVER.
12:12:08 ANYHOW, MOST OF THIS AREA IS NAVIGABLE AS IS IN THIS
12:12:15 PARTICULAR SLIDE, BUT THERE'S A LOT OF POINT SOURCE OF
12:12:18 SEDIMENTATION, SPECIFICALLY IN THE SECTION TO THE EAST.
12:12:25 IN THE SECTION TO THE EAST, WE HAVE -- THERE'S MULTIPLE

12:12:29 DRAINAGE OUTFALLS, BOTH COMING FROM BROADWAY OR 41, THEY
12:12:35 COME DOWN 41 THROUGH BROADWAY AND THEN DUMP OUT INTO THE
12:12:38 RIVER.
12:12:38 THERE ARE SEVERAL COMMUNITIES THAT ALSO DRAIN OUT IN THERE,
12:12:41 AND THERE ARE A COUPLE OF MOUNDS OUTSIDE OF THOSE
12:12:44 COMMUNITIES.
12:12:45 SPECIFICALLY OUTSIDE OF PELICAN SOUND AND OUTSIDE OF THE
12:12:48 CHARING CROSS CIRCLE AREA, THERE ARE BIG MOUNDS THAT WERE
12:12:54 LOCATED AS PART OF OUR SEDIMENTATION SOURCE SURVEY.
12:12:57 I'M SORRY.
12:13:00 AGAIN, THOSE WERE FINE LIGHT BROWNISH GRAY SAND, VERY SILTY.
12:13:06 NOTHING THAT'S BEACH MATERIAL OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT.
12:13:08 NOTHING TOO GREAT.
12:13:10 THIS IS A PICTURE OF THE SEDIMENT MOUNDS ON EITHER SIDE OF
12:13:16 THE RIVER IN THAT STRETCH.
12:13:17 THE ONES ON THE LEFT ARE THE PELICAN SOUND MOUNDS.
12:13:23 AGAIN, YOU CAN SEE THAT THEY ARE NOT IMPACTING A NAVIGABLE
12:13:27 CHANNEL NOW, BUT THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WOULD BE WORTH
12:13:31 PERMITTING BECAUSE AS THESE SEDIMENT MOUNDS INCREASE IN
12:13:35 PROBLEMS OVER THE YEARS, MORE AND MORE SAND PILES UP.
12:13:37 IF YOU HAVE THE PERMITS FOR IT, YOU CAN GO DO THIS AT A MUCH
12:13:41 QUICKER RATE THAN IF YOU DID NOT HAVE THE PERMITS FOR IT
12:13:44 THEN.
12:13:44 SO THIS IS SOMETHING THAT IS MORE OF A POTENTIAL PROBLEM IN
12:13:47 THE FUTURE THAT WE WOULD RECOMMEND INCLUDING IN THIS BATCH

12:13:51 OF PERMITTING VERSUS DOING NOW.
12:13:55 YOU CAN CERTAINLY DO IT NOW IF YOU'D LIKE, BUT THERE'S NOT A
12:13:57 TON OF DREDGE CUT WITHIN THAT SETBACK.
12:14:02 >>Nick Batos: ON THESE DIAGRAMS, THE BASIN OR THE RIVERBED

12:14:05 ITSELF, THE DARK LINE, IS THAT INDICATING THAT'S ABOUT FOUR
12:14:12 FEET DEEP?
12:14:16 >>Kyle Kincaid: THE DREDGE CUT -- I'M SORRY, I SHOULD HAVE
12:14:17 EXPLAINED THIS -- THE BOTTOM OF THAT DREDGE CUT IS MINUS
12:14:19 FOUR FEET NADD, WHICH IS LIKE THE VERTICAL DATUM THAT MOST
12:14:24 CONSTRUCTION COMPANIES USE.
12:14:25 IT'S ESTABLISHED.
12:14:26 IT'S WELL KNOWN.
12:14:27 IT'S NOT RELATED TO TIDE.
12:14:29 ZERO IS SEA LEVEL I BELIEVE.
12:14:35 >>Nick Batos: HOW DOES THAT RELATE TO HOW DEEP THE RIVER IS
12:14:39 AT THAT POINT?
12:14:42 >>Kyle Kincaid: SO, I'M TRYING TO REMEMBER EXACTLY WHAT MEAN
12:14:45 LOW WATER IS AND MEAN HIGH WATER IS.
12:14:48 BUT I BELIEVE MEAN HIGH IS -- I DO NOT WANT TO SAY INCORRECT
12:14:56 INFORMATION.
12:14:57 I CAN GET THAT INFORMATION FOR YOU OTHERWISE.
12:14:59 ESSENTIALLY, SAY THERE'S A POSITIVE TWO-FOOT TIDE IN THE
12:15:02 WATER, YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE SIX FEET OF NAVIGABLE DEPTH IF
12:15:06 WE DO A DREDGE CUT OF MINUS FOUR VERSUS IF THERE'S A LOW
12:15:11 TIDE WHERE YOU HAVE MINUS ONE, WHICH IS ENTIRELY POSSIBLE,

12:15:14 YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE THREE FEET OF CLEARANCE UNDER YOUR
12:15:16 BOAT.
12:15:17 SO IN SOME AREAS, YOU HAVE DEEPER THAN THAT, WHICH IS GREAT,
12:15:21 BUT IN OTHER AREAS, YOU TO DO THAT -- WE'RE SHOWING THE
12:15:25 DREDGE CUT GOING ACROSS THE WHOLE THING AND TAKING VOLUME
12:15:27 OUT, THAT CURRENTLY IS NOT NAVIGABLE FOR MOST CRAFT IN LOW
12:15:31 TIDE CONDITIONS.
12:15:35 >>Howard Levitan: CAN I ASK A QUESTION, TOO, BILL?
12:15:38 ONE OF THE REASONS WHY WE WANT TO DO THIS SOONER RATHER THAN
12:15:43 LATER IS BECAUSE OF THOSE OUTFALLS, THOSE OUTFALLS ARE
12:15:47 DRAINING WATER FROM THE COMMUNITIES.
12:15:55 IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE ARE NOT IN ANOTHER SITUATION
12:15:57 LIKE IRMA, WHERE THE OUTFALLS WERE BELOW THE LEVEL OF THE
12:16:02 RIVER SO THEY WEREN'T DRAINING.
12:16:05 SO I WOULD REALLY HOPE THAT WE CAN INCLUDE ALL OF THESE
12:16:09 DRAINAGE OUTFALLS.
12:16:11 STORMWATER MANAGEMENT OUTFALLS IN WHATEVER FIRST PHASE WE DO
12:16:14 OF THIS BECAUSE WE'RE GOING TO GET HIT WITH ANOTHER ONE OF
12:16:21 THESE THINGS AND WE'RE GOING TO HAVE PEOPLE'S HOMES AT RISK
12:16:23 IF WE DON'T DO THIS.
12:16:24 IT'S ONE THING TO TALK ABOUT NAVIGATION AND IT'S QUITE
12:16:26 ANOTHER THING TO TALK ABOUT FLOODING.
12:16:28 I THINK IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE FOCUS ON THE MOST
12:16:32 IMPORTANT FACTORS AS WELL.
12:16:36 >>Kyle Kincaid: ABSOLUTELY.

12:16:37 I WOULD SAY THAT THE MAJORITY OF THE RESTRICTIONS IN TERMS
12:16:39 OF RESTRICTING FLOW ARE UPSTREAM OF OUR CURRENT PROJECT
12:16:42 AREA.
12:16:43 BUT CERTAINLY GETTING MORE SEDIMENT OUT OF THIS REGION IS
12:16:47 GOING TO IMPROVE THE FLOOR TO GET STUFF OUT OF THE UPSTREAM
12:16:50 AREA THAT WILL AID IN STORMWATER SITUATIONS LIKE THAT.
12:16:56 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: I HAVE A QUESTION.
12:16:57 KYLE, YOU DIDN'T SPEND MUCH TIME ON SANDY LANE FROM U.S. 41
12:17:02 TO SANDY LANE.
12:17:04 >>Kyle Kincaid: OKAY.
12:17:07 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: CAN YOU EXPLAIN THAT AGAIN?
12:17:08 IT APPEARS TO ME -- I KNOW THAT AREA HAS BEEN HIT VERY HARD
12:17:11 WITH A LOT OF SEDIMENTATION, BUT WHERE ARE WE WITH THAT?
12:17:20 >>Kyle Kincaid: IT HIT VERY HARD IN TERMS OF SEDIMENTATION
12:17:23 IN TERMS OF WHAT?
12:17:24 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: SHALLOW WATER.
12:17:27 >>Kyle Kincaid: THE IMPORTANT SPOTS, YES, BUT, IN GENERAL,
12:17:30 LIKE I SAID, WHAT OUR SURVEY FOUND IS THAT THE MAJORITY OF
12:17:33 IT IS DEEPER THAN FIVE FEET, AT LEAST IN A NARROW STRETCH.
12:17:37 THE WIDTH OF IT IS RESTRICTED MORE SO BY THE VEGETATION THAN
12:17:42 IT IS BY THE DIRT OR UNDERLYING SEDIMENT IN THE CHANNEL.
12:17:47 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: WHEN YOU SAY THE WIDTH, I MEAN, IT'S
12:17:50 LIKE TWO KAYAKS WIDE.
12:17:52 THAT'S NARROW.
12:17:53 >>Kyle Kincaid: AGAIN, IT'S HARD TO SEE AT THIS SCALE.

12:17:59 I BELIEVE THOSE ARE 100-FOOT WIDE DREDGE CUTS.
12:18:06 TO GIVE YOU AN IDEA, IT'S PROBABLY 30, 40 FEET OF NAVIGABLE
12:18:14 WIDTH IN THERE FOR WHERE THERE'S NOT BRANCHES OBSTRUCTING
12:18:17 THE PATH WHERE YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO WEAVE AROUND.
12:18:23 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: IS THAT WHAT LEE COUNTY IS GOING TO
12:18:24 WORK ON?
12:18:27 >>Kyle Kincaid: THAT IS MY UNDERSTANDING.
12:18:28 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: WHAT WERE THEY DOING EXACTLY?
12:18:30 >>Kyle Kincaid: THEY ARE GOING TO TRIM AND REMOVE BRANCHES.
12:18:34 >> DAVID WILL COME UP AND GIVE YOU MORE CLARIFICATION ON
12:18:37 THAT.
12:18:38 >>David Willems: SO THE LEE COUNTY, SOUTH FLORIDA, AND THE
12:18:41 OTHER CITIES IN LEE COUNTY MET, I GUESS IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN A
12:18:45 MONTH AGO, TO TALK ABOUT SOME OF THE MAINTENANCE ACTIVITIES
12:18:49 THAT SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT WOULD BE DOING
12:18:52 OVER HERE ON THE WATERWAYS.
12:18:53 IN THAT DISCUSSION, WE BROUGHT UP THAT THERE IS A
12:18:56 RESTRICTION.
12:18:57 THE VEGETATION RESTRICTION IS WORSE DOWNSTREAM OF U.S. 41.
12:19:03 THAT'S REALLY WHERE LEE COUNTY AND SOUTH FLORIDA ARE GOING
12:19:05 TO FOCUS ON OPENING THAT UP SO THAT THOSE TREES DON'T IMPACT
12:19:10 FLOW.

12:19:11 WE'VE LOOKED AT THE SECTION OF SANDY LANE TO 41.
12:19:15 WHILE THERE ARE TREES -- AND WE'LL WORK WITH SOUTH FLORIDA
12:19:18 OR OURSELVES AT REMOVING THOSE -- THIS PROJECT WAS REALLY

12:19:24 MORE FOCUSED ON THE SEDIMENT.
12:19:26 WHILE THERE WAS A LOT OF SEDIMENT UPSTREAM TWO YEARS AGO,
12:19:29 THE LAST COUPLE OF TIMES THAT WE'VE BEEN OUT THERE, A LOT OF
12:19:32 THAT SEDIMENT HAS MOVED OUT OF THERE.
12:19:35 I HAD SOME AREAS THAT I ALMOST HAD TO WALK THE KAYAK ACROSS
12:19:43 TWO YEARS AGO, AND YOU GO OUT THERE NOW AND YOU BARELY EVEN
12:19:44 SEE THAT THERE WAS THAT SAND BOUND.
12:19:46 SO A LOT OF THAT IS GONE.
12:19:55 WE HAVE -- FOR FRANK AND I, HERE PROBABLY IN THE NEXT COUPLE
12:19:55 OF WEEKS NOW THAT WE'RE INTO THE DRY SEASON, WE'LL PROBABLY
12:19:55 GO OUT THERE AND LOOK AT THAT SPECIFICALLY SO WE CAN PROVIDE
12:19:57 AN UPDATE OF WHAT WE SEE WHEN WE'RE OUT THERE AS WELL.
12:20:01 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: YEAH, THAT'S IMPORTANT.
12:20:07 >>Nick Batos: I SEE THAT YOU GO UP TO SANDY LANE.
12:20:09 WHAT ABOUT EAST OF THERE, UP TO SAY BAMBOO ISLAND?
12:20:15 HAVE WE LOOKED AT THAT AT ALL?
12:20:17 >>David Willems: THIS WAS REALLY THE COASTAL.
12:20:19 SO WE KIND OF SPLIT IT UP INTO TWO DIFFERENT PROJECTS, PER
12:20:23 SE.
12:20:24 THIS IS THE COASTAL AREA.
12:20:25 THAT'S WHY IT STOPPED AT SANDY LANE.
12:20:29 THE PROJECT WE'RE GOING TO TALK ABOUT NEXT IS REALLY TALKING
12:20:30 ABOUT BAMBOO ISLAND AND THE NORTH BRANCH WHERE WE HAD A LOT
12:20:34 OF FLOODING ISSUES, AND THAT'S WHERE EXACTLY WE'RE GOING TO
12:20:37 LOOK AT SOME OF THAT STUFF TO GET MORE WATER FLOWING THROUGH

12:20:40 THAT SECTION.
12:20:44 >>Howard Levitan: DAVID, BEFORE YOU GO, CAN I ASK YOU A
12:20:48 QUESTION WHILE YOU'RE UP THERE?
12:20:49 I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TWO WEEKS AGO TO GO DOWN AND UP THE
12:20:54 RIVER BY BOAT.
12:20:57 I WAS SURPRISED BY TWO THINGS.
12:20:59 FIRST, THE MANGROVES, PARTICULARLY IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL
12:21:08 PRESERVE, THE BOTTOM SECTION OF THEM ARE ALL DYING AND ALONG
12:21:14 THE RIVERBANKS.
12:21:17 I WAS REALLY SURPRISED BY THAT.
12:21:19 IT'S NOTICEABLE.
12:21:21 THE SECOND ASPECT OF WHAT I SAW WAS THERE'S MUCH MORE
12:21:27 DEVELOPMENT ALONG THE RIVER THAN I HAD SEEN IN THE PAST
12:21:31 YEARS.
12:21:31 I GO DOWN AND UP THE RIVER, TWO, THREE TIMES A YEAR TO GET
12:21:35 TO THE BEACH.
12:21:37 AND I WAS REALLY SURPRISED AT HOW MANY DOCKS HAD BEEN PUT IN
12:21:41 WITH HUGE PILINGS.

12:21:44 IT'S NOT ONLY AFFECTING NAVIGATION BECAUSE THEY ARE ON BOTH
12:21:48 SIDES OF THE RIVER, BUT THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF DEVELOPMENT OF
12:21:52 HOUSES WHERE THE HOUSES HAVE BEEN TORN DOWN AND SORT OF
12:21:56 MEGAMANSIONS BUILT ALONG THE RIVER, PARTICULARLY IN ESTERO
12:21:59 RIVER HEIGHTS.
12:22:00 WE NEVER EVEN THOUGHT ABOUT THAT IN THE CONTEXT OF OUR LAND
12:22:06 DEVELOPMENT CODE BECAUSE NORMALLY WE DON'T COVER

12:22:11 SINGLE-FAMILY HOUSES, AND THERE ARE NO PROVISIONS WITH
12:22:16 RESPECT TO DOCKS AND BOAT FACILITIES.
12:22:18 BUT MAYBE WE SHOULD START TO THINK ABOUT THAT.
12:22:24 I'M REALLY CONCERNED WITH THE FACT THAT YOU'RE NOT TALKING
12:22:26 ABOUT THE DREDGING ASPECTS OF IT.
12:22:28 WE HAVEN'T SEEN THE FINAL ASPECTS OF THE WATER QUALITY STUFF
12:22:32 AS WELL, THE REPORTS FROM FGCU AND THE OTHER STUDY THAT
12:22:35 WE'VE GOT GOING.

12:22:37 THIS ALL NEEDS TO COME TOGETHER AS ONE ENTIRE PROJECT
12:22:45 BECAUSE THE RIVER IS IN STRESS AS FAR AS I CAN SEE.

12:22:49 I THINK IT'S VERY, VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE GET ON THIS BEFORE
12:22:52 IT REALLY GETS WORSE.

12:22:55 >>David Willems: I THINK I TOTALLY AGREE.

12:22:56 I JUST TALKED TO FGCU YESTERDAY.

12:22:59 THEY ARE GETTING INTO THE FINAL STAGES OF COMPLETING THEIR
12:23:01 REPORT.

12:23:01 HOPEFULLY HERE IN THE NEXT WEEK OR TWO WE'LL HAVE THE REPORT
12:23:06 AND BE ABLE TO PRESENT THAT TO COUNCIL IN JANUARY.

12:23:10 >>Howard Levitan: THANK YOU.

12:23:18 >>Kyle Kincaid: ALL RIGHT.

12:23:19 I'LL GO BACK TO WHERE I WAS.

12:23:21 SO WE'RE AT THE PELICAN SOUND OUTFALL.

12:23:30 THAT WAS PARTICULARLY A PRONOUNCED PENINSULA THAT WAS
12:23:34 PROTRUDING INTO THE RIVER.

12:23:36 WHILE WE WERE OUT THERE, WE COULD ACTIVELY SEE SEDIMENT AND

12:23:40 WATER FLOW COMING OUT OF THAT SPOT.

12:23:43 AS PART OF THE TASK, WE WERE CHARGED WITH TRYING TO FIGURE
12:23:45 OUT WHAT THE POINT SOURCES WERE, SO WE PULLED OUR BOAT UP ON
12:23:49 THE BANK THERE AND WALKED IN TO THE GENERAL VICINITY THAT
12:23:54 YOU SEE OUTLINED IN THAT RED LOT AREA.

12:23:56 WHAT WE WERE ABLE TO SEE IS THAT THERE WAS WATER FLOWING
12:24:01 THROUGH THAT SWALE, AND IT WAS JUST FILLED WITH SEDIMENT

12:24:05 ALMOST, THERE WAS HARDLY ANY BANK LEFT, AND THAT WAS JUST

12:24:08 FLOWING RIGHT OUT INTO THE RIVER FROM THE COMMUNITY AND FROM

12:24:11 THE GOLF COURSE AND THAT WAS CERTAINLY WHAT WE WERE SEEING

12:24:16 OUT AT THE OUTSIDE.

12:24:17 THAT'S CERTAINLY A POINT SOURCE THAT'S IN THAT SECTION THAT

12:24:20 SEEMED TO BE CONTRIBUTING TO THAT MOUNDING PRETTY

12:24:23 SUBSTANTIALLY.

12:24:24 THE NEXT SEGMENT IS OUT TOWARDS -- ENTIRELY INSIDE THE
12:24:33 AQUATIC PRESERVE.
12:24:37 >>Jon McLain: WE KNOW WE HAVE A CONTRIBUTING FACTOR OF SILT
12:24:39 GOING INTO THE RIVER CONSTANTLY.
12:24:41 WE CLEAN IT OUT.
12:24:42 WITHIN A PERIOD OF TIME, IT'S GOING TO BE IN THE SAME
12:24:45 CONDITION AGAIN UNLESS WE GO BACK IN TO --
12:24:49 >>Kyle Kincaid: THE POINT SOURCES NEED TO BE ADDRESSED.
12:24:51 OTHERWISE IT WILL BE JUST COMING BACK IN.
12:24:57 UNFORTUNATELY, WE WERE NOT SCOPED WITH DIGGING INTO HOW THIS
12:25:00 PORTION CAN BE ADDRESSED.

12:25:01 WE JUST IDENTIFIED, HEY, THIS APPEARS TO BE A PROBLEM, BUT
12:25:08 NOT "THE" PROBLEM, BUT A CONTRIBUTING SOURCE TO THE PROBLEM.
12:25:11 AND THIS IS SOMETHING THAT THE VILLAGE SHOULD POTENTIALLY
12:25:13 LOOK AT ADDRESSING AS WELL.
12:25:14 >>Mayor Ribble: WHAT IS THE SOLUTION TO ONE OF THOSE?
12:25:16 HOW DO YOU FIX IT?
12:25:18 YOU'RE THE EXPERT.
12:25:21 I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT IT.
12:25:22 HOW DO YOU FIX THAT FROM HAPPENING?
12:25:25 >>David Willems: ONE OF THE THINGS WE'RE ALSO WORKING ON IS
12:25:27 WATER QUALITY IS WE WANT TO START WORKING WITH SOME
12:25:30 COMMUNITIES, AND WE'RE ACTUALLY IN PRELIMINARY DISCUSSIONS
12:25:33 OF WORKING WITH PELICAN SOUND -- IT ACTUALLY HAD NOTHING TO
12:25:36 DO WITH THIS -- TO HELP THEM WORK ON WHAT THE QUALITY OF THE
12:25:40 WATER IS DISCHARGING FROM THEIR SYSTEM.
12:25:43 AND THEN IF THERE IS AN ISSUE, HELPING WORK THROUGH HOW WE
12:25:46 COULD ADDRESS THOSE ISSUES.
12:25:47 IT'S NOT RELATED TO THIS PROJECT, BUT WE'RE ALREADY IN
12:25:53 DISCUSSIONS WITH THEM OF HELPING THEM WITH DIFFERENT THINGS.
12:25:57 >>Howard Levitan: I WAS GOING TO SAY, DAVID, I'M AWARE OF
12:25:59 THAT.
12:26:00 IF THERE IS A SEDIMENTATION PROBLEM COMING FROM THE
12:26:02 PERMITTED STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM IN PELICAN SOUND, YOU
12:26:07 NEED TO ADDRESS THAT WITH THE -- IT'S ACTUALLY A CDD AND
12:26:10 PELICAN SOUND.
12:26:12 BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, I'M SURE THEY ARE GOING TO WANT TO TAKE
12:26:14 CARE OF THAT.
12:26:17 THEY HAVE A PERMITTED WATER FLOW AMOUNT THROUGH THOSE
12:26:19 SWALES, AND IF THE WATER QUALITY IS NOT GOOD OR THERE'S
12:26:24 SEDIMENTATION, I'M SURE THEY ARE GOING TO WANT DEAL WITH
12:26:27 THAT, BUT THEY HAVE TO KNOW ABOUT IT FIRST.
12:26:30 >>David Willems: YEP, ABSOLUTELY.
12:26:31 THAT'S WHAT THAT PROGRAM IS GOING TO DO.
12:26:32 WE'RE GOING TO KIND OF START IT WITH PELICAN SOUND AND THEN
12:26:35 TRY TO GO TO ALL THE OTHER COMMUNITIES TO DO THE SAME THING.
12:26:38 >>Howard Levitan: AND I DON'T KNOW WHERE WE GET TO WITH

12:26:40 RESPECT TO HALFWAY CREEK, BUT I ASSURE YOU, IF THERE'S
12:26:44 SEDIMENTATION COMING ANYWHERE OR WATER QUALITY, IT'S COMING
12:26:48 THROUGH HALFWAY CREEK INTO THE RIVER, WHICH IS FLOWING
12:26:51 THROUGH WEST BAY TO THE SOUTH OF PELICAN SOUND.
12:26:59 >>Kyle Kincaid: JUST TO GIVE YOU AN IDEA OF THE LOCATION OF
12:27:04 THE MOUND, IT'S PRETTY MUCH AT THE VERY END OF THAT SHAPE
12:27:07 THERE I DREW.
12:27:08 IT'S NOT THAT FAR FROM THE BOAT RAMP.
12:27:10 THAT'S CERTAINLY SOMETHING THEY WANT TO KEEP IN MIND.
12:27:13 SO, AGAIN, THIS SEGMENT IS ENTIRELY COMPOSED INSIDE OF THE
12:27:19 ESTERO BAY AQUATIC PRESERVE.
12:27:21 THIS IS WHERE THE MAJORITY OF THE DREDGING IS.
12:27:26 AS MANY PEOPLE KNOW WHO MAY USE THEIR BOAT ON THIS RIVER,
12:27:29 THERE IS A VERY NARROW DEPTH CHANNEL THAT KIND OF SWITCHES

12:27:31 BACK AND FORTH AND IT'S MARKED BY PVC PIPES RIGHT NOW TO
12:27:36 HELP PEOPLE GET SO THEY DON'T RUN AGROUND, ESPECIALLY ON THE
12:27:40 CORNERS, IT SEEMS TO BE VERY MUCH UP AGAINST THE BANKS OF
12:27:42 THE RIVER, AND THAT COULD LEAD TO PENINSULA ISSUES IF LEFT
12:27:47 UNADDRESSED.
12:27:48 THROUGH HERE, WE ALSO DISCOVERED AS PART OF OUR
12:27:51 ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE THAT THERE ARE OYSTERS THAT ARE
12:27:54 SPARSE THROUGHOUT THAT SECTION, FURTHER TOWARD THE WEST.
12:27:58 AND THAT'S, AGAIN, THERE'S POORLY GRATED DARK GRAYISH BROWN
12:28:06 SAND IN THE SEGMENT THAT'S MORE TO THE EAST, AND THERE'S
12:28:08 WELL GRATED FINE BROWN SAND INSIDE THE SEGMENT WHERE THERE'S
12:28:13 MORE TOWARDS THE MOUND.
12:28:14 HERE'S SOME TYPICAL SECTIONS OF WHERE THERE ARE OYSTERS.
12:28:20 AS YOU CAN SEE, THE MAJORITY OF THE OYSTER BARS WERE LOCATED
12:28:24 BELOW OUR MINUS FOUR DREDGE TEMPLATE, AND THAT WAS PART OF
12:28:29 OUR SELECTION OF THAT DEPTH WAS TO MINIMIZE OYSTER IMPACTS
12:28:34 WHILE ALSO CREATING A NAVIGABLE CHANNEL SO WE CAN
12:28:37 DEMONSTRATE TO THE PERMIT AGENCIES THAT WHILE WE ARE
12:28:39 DREDGING, YES, THERE'S ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS, WE ARE TRYING
12:28:43 TO MINIMIZE THOSE AND WE CAN MITIGATE FOR THOSE IMPACTS AND
12:28:46 THAT I'LL EXPLAIN LATER.
12:28:47 SO, LIKE I SAID, 90% OF THE VOLUME OF THIS PROJECT IS
12:28:54 LOCATED WITHIN THE STRETCH STARTING FROM ESTERO RIVER
12:28:59 HEIGHTS OUT TO THE MOUND.
12:29:03 THAT'S THE MAJORITY OF IT.

12:29:04 AND, LIKE I SAID, WE CONDUCTED THIS ENVIRONMENTAL SURVEY.
12:29:08 WE FOUND A TOTAL AREA THAT WAS APPROXIMATELY 2.1 ACRES TOTAL
12:29:12 OF SPARSE OYSTERS.
12:29:13 AND NOW, THESE SPARSE OYSTERS WERE CLUMPS, NOT ATTACHED TO
12:29:17 THE GROUND.
12:29:18 THEY WERE JUST KIND OF ROLLING AROUND IN THE CHANNEL.
12:29:20 THE LARGEST SIZE WAS TEN INCHES.

12:29:22 THE SMALLEST SIZE WAS FOUR TO SIX INCHES, AND OF THOSE
12:29:26 CLUMPS, PROBABLY 50 TO 80% OF THE OYSTERS IN THE CLUMPS WERE
12:29:32 ALIVE.
12:29:32 THEY ARE NOT EVEN THAT DENSE.
12:29:34 THEY ARE THREE FEET APART ON CENTER ROUGHLY.
12:29:37 SO WE HAVE TO SPEAK TO THE AGENCIES AND POTENTIALLY HAVE A
12:29:39 PRECONSTRUCTION MEETING TO DISCUSS WHAT TYPES OF MITIGATION
12:29:42 OR IMPACTS THEY WOULD LIKE US TO DO.
12:29:45 SOMETHING THAT COULD BE DONE IS RELOCATING THE OYSTERS
12:29:48 OUTSIDE OF THE DREDGE AREA SO THEY WON'T BE IMPACTED.
12:29:51 NO OTHER SEA GRASS, ANYTHING LIKE THAT IS GOING TO BE
12:29:55 IMPACTED AS PART OF THIS PROJECT.
12:29:58 >>Nick Batos: EXCUSE ME.
12:30:02 DO YOU KNOW OR HAS ANYBODY LOOKED AT WHAT THE ORIGINAL DEPTH
12:30:06 OF THIS RIVER WAS?
12:30:07 >>Kyle Kincaid: WELL, SINCE IT WAS NEVER DREDGED BEFORE,
12:30:10 IT'S HARD TO SAY.
12:30:11 THERE'S BEEN SOME HISTORIC SURVEYS OF THE RIVER, AND THAT'S

12:30:14 PART OF WHAT CONTRIBUTED TO OUR 4.0 NADD DEPTH CHOICE WAS
12:30:19 THAT SEEMS TO BE A -- LIKE A RELATIVELY CONSISTENT DEPTH
12:30:23 OVER TIME.
12:30:25 I BELIEVE IT WAS DONE IN THE EARLY AUGHTS, THIS OTHER SURVEY
12:30:28 THAT WE SAW, THAT HAD DONE, THAT ANOTHER CREW HAD DONE WHERE
12:30:33 THEY HAD JUST RUN CENTER LINES UP AND DOWN.
12:30:35 SO THAT'S WHY WE CHOSE THE 4.0.
12:30:37 IT SEEMS TO BE A PRETTY AVERAGE DEPTH OF THE RIVER, MORE OR
12:30:40 LESS, THROUGHOUT.
12:30:44 >>Howard Levitan: TO RESPOND TO NICK'S QUESTION.
12:30:48 >>Kyle Kincaid: I'M SORRY.
12:30:49 YOU WERE SPEAKING OVER EACH OTHER.
12:30:50 >>Mayor Ribble: HOW DEEP DID IT HAVE TO BE WHEN THEY HAD THE
12:30:54 BARGE THEY WOULD RUN UP AND DOWN THERE?
12:30:57 THE BARGES.
12:30:57 >>Nick Batos: AND THEY WERE ALSO DOING THE CITRUS BARGES,
12:31:01 TOO.
12:31:02 >>Mayor Ribble: YEAH.
12:31:02 THEY WERE PRETTY HEAVY.
12:31:04 >>Howard Levitan: NOT ONLY THAT, BUT SAILBOATS.
12:31:06 BIG SAILBOATS WITH A LOT OF DRAFT USED TO BE ABLE TO GET UP
12:31:11 THAT RIVER BEFORE THE MANGROVES NARROWED IT.
12:31:14 SO WE HAVE PICTURES IN THOSE EARLY ESTERO HISTORY BOOKS,
12:31:19 PAMPHLETS THAT WE HAVE THAT SHOW SOME OF THAT RIVER TRAFFIC.
12:31:26 SO THE RIVER HAS SILTED UP A WHOLE LOT SINCE THE EARLY TURN

12:31:31 OF THE 20th CENTURY.
12:31:33 >>Kyle Kincaid: ABSOLUTELY, AND I UNDERSTAND THAT.
12:31:35 IN ORDER TO DEMONSTRATE TO THE AGENCIES THAT WE ARE

12:31:38 MINIMIZING OUR IMPACT INSIDE OF THIS AQUATIC PRESERVE, WE
12:31:41 NEED TO BE ABLE TO PROVE THAT THIS PROJECT IS MINIMIZING
12:31:44 THAT IMPACT AND SAYING WE'RE GOING TO GO IN AND TAKE OUT SIX
12:31:47 FEET OF MATERIAL IS NO WAY MINIMIZING IMPACT.
12:31:51 THAT'S GOING TO HAVE A PRETTY DRASTIC IMPACT ON THE RIVER.
12:31:56 THAT WAS PART OF OUR DECISION MAKING.
12:31:57 >>Mayor Ribble: THE MAGIC NUMBER IN YOUR MIND IS FOUR FOOT.
12:31:59 >>Kyle Kincaid: YES, SIR.
12:32:00 BECAUSE I THINK WE CAN EASILY SELL THAT TO THE AGENCY.
12:32:03 THAT'S PRETTY COMFORTABLE TO OTHER RIVERS AND CREEKS AND
12:32:06 WATERWAYS IN THIS AQUATIC PRESERVE.
12:32:08 AND YOU'LL SEE WHY IN A LITTLE BIT, WHY FOUR SEEMS TO BE A
12:32:12 PRETTY GOOD NUMBER, AND THE PRICE OF THE PROJECT AS WELL.
12:32:15 >>Nick Batos: IS THERE ANY IMPORTANCE OR ANY VALUE TO THESE
12:32:20 AGENCIES AND TO THE ENVIRONMENT AS FAR AS TRYING TO GET BACK
12:32:24 CLOSER TO WHAT A NATURAL STATE WOULD BE?
12:32:27 I MEAN, WE'VE ALL BEEN WORKING IN MANY PARTS OF THE STATE TO
12:32:31 TRY TO PUT BACK FLOWS TO WHAT THE NATURAL STATE WAS BEFORE
12:32:39 STARTED SCREWING AROUND WITH IT.
12:32:41 IS THERE ANY IMPORTANCE TO THAT?
12:32:44 WHAT HOWARD WAS SAYING, IF THE NATURAL FLOW WAS SIX FEET --
12:32:50 I'M JUST USING A NUMBER, EIGHT FEET, I DON'T KNOW -- EVEN

12:32:53 THOUGH THERE'S MORE OF AN IMPACT AND IT MIGHT BE MORE
12:32:56 DIFFICULT TO GET THE PERMITS, IF THAT'S WHAT IT WOULD BE TO
12:33:00 BRING THIS BACK TO WHAT IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN OR NATURE HAD IT
12:33:04 -- OR NATURE MADE IT, IS THAT NOT SOMETHING THAT -- IS THAT
12:33:08 SOMETHING THAT WE SHOULD BE LOOKING AT?
12:33:10 >>Kyle Kincaid: I MEAN, WE CAN CERTAINLY TRY, BUT THIS IS
12:33:14 MARK KINCAID, HE IS PRINCIPAL ENGINEER AT OUR COMPANY.
12:33:17 HE COULD PROBABLY MAYBE EXPLAIN IT A LITTLE MORE TO YOU.
12:33:20 >> SO WHILE HISTORICALLY THE RIVER MAY HAVE BEEN DEEPER,
12:33:23 LIKE YOU SAY, AND YOU HAVE ANECDOTAL INFORMATION AND
12:33:27 PHOTOGRAPHS THAT DEMONSTRATE THAT, THE AGENCIES AREN'T GOING
12:33:30 TO NECESSARILY ALLOW IT TO BE DREDGED TO THAT DEPTH.
12:33:34 IF YOU DON'T -- AND I DON'T KNOW THAT WE WOULD RECOMMEND
12:33:36 THAT YOU WOULD WANT TO DREDGE IT TO THAT DEPTH EITHER
12:33:39 BECAUSE ONCE YOU LEAVE THE MOUTH OF THE RIVER, YOU DON'T
12:33:42 HAVE THOSE DEPTHS TO BE SUPPORTIVE IN ESTERO BAY.
12:33:48 IF YOU DREDGED YOUR RIVER DEEPER THAN THE BAY SYSTEM
12:33:52 IMMEDIATELY AT THE MOUTH, THEN YOU HAVE POTENTIAL CAUSING
12:33:55 OTHER PROBLEMS, AND I DON'T THINK IT IS THE VILLAGE'S INTENT
12:33:59 TO GO AND DREDGE THE CHANNEL THROUGH ESTERO BAY OUT TO THE
12:34:06 GULF.
12:34:06 >>Nick Batos: THE MOUTH, YOU'RE SAYING IT'S AT FOUR FEET.
12:34:09 >> IN SOME PLACES, IT MAY BE DEEPER.
12:34:12 BUT AS KYLE GOES THROUGH HIS PRESENTATION, YOU'RE GOING TO
12:34:16 SEE THAT THERE IS A POINT OF WHERE THE PROJECT MAKES SENSE

12:34:24 CONSTRUCTION-WISE AND ECONOMICALLY, THAT IF WE INCREASE THE
12:34:29 DEPTH JUST A HALF A FOOT, THAT THE COST OF THE PROJECT GOES
12:34:34 UP EXPONENTIALLY.
12:34:37 >>Howard Levitan: WELL, ONE OF THE THINGS I JUST WANTED TO
12:34:39 NOTE, THE SECTION OF THE RIVER THAT YOU HAVE ON THE BOARD
12:34:41 NOW HAS THE MOST RESTRICTIONS TO BOTH NAVIGATION AND SILT,
12:34:47 AND A LOT OF SILTING.
12:34:48 BUT ALSO, WHEN YOU GET TO THE ESTERO BAY, IT'S ALSO PRETTY
12:34:54 WELL SILTED UP DOWN THERE AS WELL.
12:34:58 SO THE BOAT TRAFFIC -- BUT AS LONG AS WE ARE ABLE TO CLEAR
12:35:04 THIS MAIN SECTION HERE, I THINK THAT TAKES A LOT OF THE
12:35:09 NAVIGATION ASPECTS AWAY AND OPENS UP THE RIVER TO MORE FLOW.
12:35:15 APPARENTLY, SINCE IRMA, THE SILT HAS MOVED DOWNSTREAM.
12:35:19 I GUESS THAT'S WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING.
12:35:22 >> RIGHT.
12:35:23 THIS IS THE MOST RESTRICTING, AND IT'S GOING TO BE THE MOST
12:35:26 IMPACTFUL FOR EVERYBODY ON THE RIVER, NOT JUST NAVIGATION,
12:35:30 BUT FOR CONVEYANCE OF THE STORMWATER AS WELL.
12:35:35 IF YOU GO TO THE MOUTH OF THE RIVER, THAT'S 90% OF THE
12:35:38 VOLUME OF THE PROJECT IS RIGHT THERE IN THIS REACH.
12:35:44 THAT'S WHAT WE'RE RECOMMENDING.
12:35:49 THAT'S WHAT WE'RE PROPOSING TO YOU ALL TODAY IS THAT WE GO
12:35:54 TO A MINUS FOUR ELEVATION.
12:35:57 IF WE GO DEEPER, YOU'LL SEE THAT THE COSTS, JUST IN THE
12:36:01 SECTIONS THAT WE'VE OUTLINED FOR DREDGING, THE COST OF THE

12:36:05 PROJECT ALMOST DOUBLES OR MORE THAN DOUBLES WHEN YOU TAKE IN
12:36:09 THE FACT OF MITIGATION THAT WILL BE REQUIRED ALONG WITH IT.
12:36:19 >>Jim Boesch: WHAT KIND OF PERMITS DO YOU NEED TO GET?
12:36:21 >> PERMIT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
12:36:23 AND A PERMIT FROM THE U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS.
12:36:28 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: WHAT HAPPENS WITH THE RIVER THAT'S
12:36:31 NEVER BEEN DREDGED, AND WE'RE DISTURBING IT, WHERE DO YOU
12:36:37 TAKE ALL OF THE SEDIMENTS, THE SEDIMENTATION?
12:36:43 WHY DO YOU DEPOSIT THAT?
12:36:46 SOME OF IT CAN BE HIGHLY CONTAMINATED.
12:36:48 >> WELL, I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT IT'S GOING TO BE HIGHLY
12:36:51 CONTAMINATED BECAUSE THERE'S NOT THAT MUCH -- THE MAIN
12:36:55 SOURCE OF THE CONTAMINATION WOULD BE IF THERE WAS COMMERCIAL
12:36:59 THINGS GOING ON WITH THE RIVER INDUSTRY.
12:37:03 BOATS IS YOUR MAIN SOURCE OF CONTAMINATION AS FAR AS HEAVY
12:37:06 METALS OR PETROLEUM-RELATED CONTAMINATION.
12:37:11 SO WE DON'T ANTICIPATE THAT THERE'S GOING TO BE ANY PROBLEM
12:37:17 WITH DISPOSAL OF THE MATERIAL BECAUSE OF CONTAMINATION.
12:37:20 IF WE WERE DREDGING SOMEWHERE IN TAMPA BAY UP BY THE PORT OF
12:37:27 MANATEE OR UP IN THE PORT OF TAMPA, WE WOULD DO MORE
12:37:33 INTENSIVE TESTING BECAUSE THERE USED TO BE A SILT PLANT UP

12:37:38 THERE.
12:37:38 THERE WAS A GALVANIZATION PLANT UP THERE.
12:37:41 YEAH, THERE ARE MUCH HIGHER POSSIBILITIES OF CONTAMINATION
12:37:44 IN THE SOIL IN AREAS LIKE THAT.

12:37:46 HERE, THE BIGGEST CONTAMINATION IS PROBABLY GOING TO BE THE
12:37:50 RUNOFF THAT WE SEE FROM THE COMMUNITIES THAT'S COMING FROM
12:37:54 THE STREETS, AND THEN THE BOATS THAT USE THE RIVER.
12:37:59 >>Howard Levitan: WHAT ABOUT THE SEPTIC?
12:38:03 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: I'M SORRY.
12:38:04 WHERE DO YOU TAKE IT ONCE IT'S --
12:38:07 >> THAT'S STILL TO BE DETERMINED.
12:38:09 IT COULD BE USED FOR -- IT COULD BE USED LOCALLY IN THE AREA
12:38:15 FOR PROJECT SITE UNDER DEVELOPMENT, THAT THEY COULD USE IT
12:38:18 FOR FILL, OR WORST-CASE SCENARIO, WE COULD TAKE IT TO THE
12:38:22 LANDFILL, AND THEY COULD USE IT FOR COVER.
12:38:27 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: WHO WILL TEST THAT TO SEE WHAT'S IN
12:38:29 THERE?
12:38:29 >> WE HAVEN'T DONE SOME SEDIMENT SAMPLING AND TESTING, BUT
12:38:34 WE DON'T HAVE ANY REASON TO BELIEVE THAT IT IS CONTAMINATED
12:38:37 TO DO THE TESTING.
12:38:39 IF THE VILLAGE FEELS THAT WE WANT TO MOVE FORWARD WITH
12:38:42 FURTHER TESTING, WE CAN CERTAINLY DO THAT.
12:38:45 BUT WE DON'T BELIEVE THAT IT'S WARRANTED.
12:38:48 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: I'M TALKING ABOUT ONCE IT'S DUG UP,
12:38:52 TESTING SHOULD BE DONE THEN.
12:38:55 >> RIGHT.
12:38:55 TYPICALLY, YOU'D WANT TO TEST IT BEFORE YOU DIG IT UP
12:38:58 BECAUSE IF YOU'RE GOING TO TAKE IT TO A DEVELOPMENT, THEY
12:39:00 ARE GOING TO USE IT FOR A LANDSCAPE FILL FOR A PROPERTY, WE

12:39:07 DON'T HAVE ANY REASON TO BELIEVE THAT THERE'S CONTAMINATION
12:39:10 THERE.
12:39:11 LIKE I SAY, RIGHT NOW, OUR COMPANY HAS DONE, OH, PROBABLY 12
12:39:19 TO 20 DREDGING PROJECTS IN THE LAST YEAR TO TWO YEARS.
12:39:25 AND IF WE FEEL THAT THERE'S A REASON, IF WE HAVE A GOOD
12:39:28 REASON THAT WE SAY WE BELIEVE THAT SOIL IS CONTAMINATED, WE
12:39:32 WOULD DEFINITELY WANT TO TEST THAT BEFORE WE WOULD OFFER
12:39:34 THAT TO SOME CONSTRUCTION SITE OR DEVELOPMENT FOR FILL.
12:39:41 BUT IF NOT, THE WORST-CASE SCENARIO IS WE WOULD TAKE THAT TO
12:39:45 THE LANDFILL, AND THEY WOULD -- THE LANDFILL WOULD USE THAT
12:39:49 FOR COVER IN THEIR DAILY OPERATION PROCESS.
12:39:57 >>Mayor Ribble: -- SURCHARGE.
12:39:59 WHEN THEY BUILT THE HOSPITAL, THEY HAD TONS AND TONS OF THAT
12:40:03 STUFF TO BRING IT UP SIX FOOT.
12:40:05 WE HAVE THE SAME THING GOING ON ON COCONUT ROAD NOW WITH THE
12:40:08 PROJECT OVER THERE.
12:40:10 THEY ARE BRINGING SURCHARGE IN THERE EVERY DAY.

12:40:13 THERE'S A BIG DEMAND FOR THAT.
12:40:17 YOU KNOW THAT.
12:40:18 >> THERE'S A DEMAND FOR FILL ALL OVER THE COUNTY.
12:40:22 I DON'T ANTICIPATE THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A SIGNIFICANT
12:40:24 PROBLEM TRYING TO FIND A HOME FOR THE FILL.
12:40:29 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
12:40:30 MOVING RIGHT ALONG.
12:40:31 TICK, TICK, TICK.

12:40:32 IT'S 20 OF ONE.
12:40:36 >>Kyle Coleman: OKAY.
12:40:37 WHEN I WAS SPEAKING OF MITIGATION, SOMETHING WE HAD TO DO
12:40:39 VERY SIMILAR TO A VERY SIMILAR OYSTER SITUATION IN SPRING
12:40:42 CREEK WAS WE HAD TO CREATE NEW OYSTER REEFS WITHIN THE
12:40:46 AQUATIC PRESERVE.
12:40:47 SO WE PARTNERED WITH AN AGENCY WITH THE CITY AND OUR COMPANY
12:40:51 TO CREATE AND LOCATE AREAS THAT WOULD BE SUITABLE TO
12:40:55 RECRUITMENT OF OYSTERS WITHIN THE ESTERO BAY.
12:40:58 THIS AREA IS KIND OF NEAR CARL JOHNSON BOAT RAMP NEAR LOVERS
12:41:03 KEY.
12:41:04 ESSENTIALLY THEY WENT OUT WITH BUCKETS OF FOSSILIZED SHELL,
12:41:06 DUMPED IT IN THE WATER, AND THAT PICTURE ON THE BOTTOM LEFT
12:41:09 IS A YEAR LATER HOW MUCH OYSTERS THAT THEY'VE RECRUITED.
12:41:12 IT'S BEEN A GREAT SUCCESS, AND I THINK THAT'S SOMETHING WE
12:41:17 CAN DEMONSTRATE TO AGENCIES, THAT IT IS A RELATIVELY LOW
12:41:25 COST MITIGATION THAT WE CAN DO TO OFFSET ANY POTENTIAL
12:41:27 OYSTER IMPACTS, ALONG WITH -- OBVIOUSLY, WE WOULD MOVE THE
12:41:31 OYSTERS OUT, BUT IF THEY WANT US TO DO ANYTHING ABOVE AND
12:41:35 BEYOND THAT, WE ABSOLUTELY CAN DO SOMETHING AT A PRETTY LOW
12:41:37 COST MITIGATION.
12:41:39 >>Mayor Ribble: THAT'S PRETTY IMPRESSIVE.
12:41:41 >> YEAH.
12:41:42 AND IF WE CAN'T LOCATE THE AMOUNT OF SQUARE FOOTAGE OR
12:41:45 AMOUNT OF AREA THAT WE NEED TO MITIGATE FOR THE OYSTERS, WE
12:41:49 CAN DO ANOTHER KIND OF MITIGATION, WHICH WOULD BE TO CREATE
12:41:52 NEW MANGROVE AREAS ALONG BANKS INSIDE THE AQUATIC PRESERVE.
12:41:56 THERE ARE OPTIONS, ESSENTIALLY, IS WHAT WE LIKE TO SAY.
12:41:59 SO AS I'VE ALREADY MENTIONED, SPRING CREEK PROJECT, WHICH
12:42:04 WAS A 4,100 CUBIC YARD JOB, THAT WAS DONE IN 2018 AND 2019.
12:42:09 THE BIDS WERE SOLICITED PRETTY SHORTLY AFTER HURRICANE IRMA
12:42:12 WHEN THERE WAS INFLATED CONSTRUCTION COSTS.
12:42:15 I DON'T KNOW IF I'M GETTING FEEDBACK FROM SOMEBODY ELSE.
12:42:17 IS THAT BETTER?
12:42:19 >>Mayor Ribble: YOU'RE ALL RIGHT.

12:42:21 >> OKAY.
12:42:21 THAT WAS AFTER HURRICANE IRMA.
12:42:23 THE CONSTRUCTION COSTS WERE INCREDIBLY INFLATED AND WE CAME

12:42:26 BACK WITH AN ALL-IN PROJECT PER CUBIC YARD COST OF \$156 PER
12:42:32 CUBIC YARD.
12:42:33 THAT INCLUDES THE MOBILIZATION OF THE CONTRACTOR AND ALL
12:42:35 THAT.
12:42:35 WITH THAT JOB, IT WAS ALSO PRETTY ACCESS LIMITED, SO THAT'S
12:42:39 WHY IT WAS A LITTLE MORE EXPENSIVE.
12:42:41 MOSTLY, I WOULD SAY IT WAS DUE TO THE INFLATION AFTER IRMA.
12:42:44 A PROJECT WE HAVE CURRENTLY GOING ON IS IN NORTHEAST
12:42:48 HURRICANE BAY.
12:42:49 ACCESS IS A LITTLE EASIER THERE, BUT WE'RE ALSO NOT IN THE
12:42:52 HURRICANE INFLATION PERIOD AND WE GOT \$70 PER CUBIC YARD.
12:42:56 SO WE'RE USING THESE NUMBERS AND KIND OF WEIGHTING IT MORE
12:43:00 TOWARD SPRING CREEK BECAUSE IT IS A MORE SIMILAR PROJECT TO
12:43:03 THAT.
12:43:03 I CAME UP WITH A NUMBER OF ABOUT 105 DOLLARS PER CUBIC YARD
12:43:07 ALL IN.
12:43:08 THAT'S INCLUDING MOBILIZATION AND ALL THAT STUFF THAT WOULD
12:43:11 GO ALONG WITH IT.
12:43:12 LIKE WE WERE TALKING ABOUT, THAT 4.0 DREDGE PROJECT, WE HAVE
12:43:17 ABOUT 12,000 CUBIC YARDS WITHIN THE RIVER.
12:43:20 IF YOU GO DOWN TO FOUR AND A HALF, YOU GET 21,000 CUBIC
12:43:25 YARDS.

12:43:25 AND THAT'S JUST WITHIN THE STRETCHES THAT WE ARE SAYING WE
12:43:28 NEED TO DREDGE FOR FOUR.
12:43:30 IF YOU WANT TO MAKE IT FOUR AND A HALF, YOU EXPAND THE
12:43:33 DREDGE AREA AS WELL.
12:43:34 SO THAT NUMBER IS STILL GOOD, BECAUSE THOSE ARE THE MORE --
12:43:38 THOSE ARE THE WORST AREAS, BUT IF YOU REALLY TRULY WANTED TO
12:43:42 DO A FOUR AND A HALF, YOU NEED TO EXPAND THE AREA EVEN
12:43:44 FURTHER.
12:43:44 SO THAT TOTAL COST IS -- SORRY, IT'S HARD TO SEE WITH THE
12:43:50 ZOOM BOXES ON THERE.
12:43:51 LIKE 1.3 MILLION.
12:43:52 AND THEN 2.4 MILLION FOR JUST THE DREDGING WITH THE
12:43:56 CONTINGENCY IN THERE.
12:43:57 AND THEN THE MITIGATION, USING THAT MITIGATION THAT WE CAME
12:44:01 UP WITH FOR SPRING CREEK, WHICH INCLUDES MONITORING AND
12:44:05 INCLUDES REPORTS FOR HOW WELL THAT'S DOING TO REPORT TO THE
12:44:09 AGENCIES, IT WAS ABOUT \$7 PER SQUARE FOOT OF MONITORING.
12:44:13 SO IT WAS ABOUT \$320,000 VERSUS \$530,000, VERSUS IF YOU WENT
12:44:22 DOWN ANOTHER HALF A FOOT, THAT'S HOW MANY MORE OYSTERS YOU
12:44:25 WOULD BE IMPACTING.
12:44:26 A WHOLE OTHER NEARLY 30,000 SQUARE FEET OF OYSTERS IF YOU
12:44:29 DUG ANOTHER HALF A FOOT DOWN.
12:44:31 >>Mayor Ribble: HOW LONG, IF YOU DO THIS DREDGING, HOW LONG
12:44:34 IS IT GOOD FOR?
12:44:36 FIVE YEARS, TEN YEARS?

12:44:38 >>Kyle Kincaid: WELL, IT'S NEVER BEEN DONE BEFORE, SO IT'S
12:44:41 HARD TO SAY WITH EXACT CERTAINTY.
12:44:42 SOMETIMES THEY CAN LAST MORE THAN YOUR FIVE TO TEN YEARS.
12:44:45 IT JUST DEPENDS.
12:44:46 SEVERAL FACTORS, HOW MANY STORMS IN A PARTICULAR YEAR, HOW
12:44:50 MANY DEVELOPMENTS ARE OCCURRING, HOW WELL THAT'S BEING
12:44:53 MONITORED.
12:44:54 IF WE ADDRESS THE POINT SOURCES UP THE RIVER.
12:44:56 IT'S HARD TO SAY WITH ABSOLUTE CERTAINTY.
12:45:01 SO ALL IN, YOU'RE LOOKING AT SOMETHING BETWEEN -- SOMETHING
12:45:05 AROUND -- I CAN'T REALLY SEE THAT NUMBER.
12:45:07 I'M SORRY.
12:45:07 IS IT 1 POINT --
12:45:13 >>Howard Levitan: 1.683 MILLION.
12:45:17 >> THANK YOU.
12:45:17 1.683 MILLION FOR A FOUR FOOT AND OVER TWO MILLION FOR A
12:45:21 FOUR AND A HALF.
12:45:22 THAT'S PART OF WHY WE DECIDED THE FOUR MILLION -- FOUR-FOOT
12:45:26 DREDGE CUT SEEMS TO BE THE MORE ECONOMICAL AND CONSTRUCTIBLE
12:45:31 PROJECT VERSUS EVEN JUST GOING DOWN ANOTHER HALF A FOOT IT
12:45:34 SHOOTS THE PROJECT PRICE UP SIGNIFICANTLY.
12:45:37 GOING FORWARD FROM HERE, THIS IS IN A TIMELINE FORMAT.
12:45:44 SO WE'RE MEETING WITH YOU TODAY.
12:45:46 WE'RE SENDING THE PROPOSED DREDGE CUT TO THE VILLAGE.
12:45:52 ONCE THAT GETS REVIEWED AND FINALIZED AND APPROVED, WE'LL

12:45:55 TAKE THAT PROPOSED DREDGE CUT AND FILE PERMITS TO THE
12:45:58 VARIOUS AGENCIES, WHICH WOULD BE THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS AND
12:46:00 THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND PROBABLY HAVE
12:46:04 TO HAVE SOME MEETINGS TO DISCUSS POTENTIAL MITIGATION AND
12:46:07 WHATNOT IN THAT TIME FRAME.
12:46:08 BUT ONCE THAT TIME FRAME OCCURS, HOPEFULLY WE CAN GET THOSE
12:46:10 WITHIN A 60-DAY MARK OF THE WORD "GO" FROM YOU GUYS.
12:46:14 PERMIT PROCESSING, IT DEPENDS ON THE AGENCIES, BUT IT WILL
12:46:19 PROBABLY BE A YEAR BEFORE WE GET PERMITS BACK FROM THE
12:46:22 AGENCIES.
12:46:22 AND THEN AFTER THAT WE CAN GET THE CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS
12:46:25 ONCE WE MEET WITH YOU GUYS, DETERMINE WHAT AREAS YOU GUYS
12:46:29 WANT TO ADDRESS NOW VERSUS MAYBE HOLDING OFF LATER, AND THEN
12:46:33 ONCE WE GET THE DOCUMENTS PUT TOGETHER, IT'S A MATTER OF
12:46:36 PUTTING IT OUT TO BID.
12:46:38 WE HAVE AN ESTIMATE IF THEY CAN GET 120 CUBIC YARDS DUG UP
12:46:43 PER DAY, DREDGE IT IN A HUNDRED DAYS.
12:46:51 >>Nick Batos: TWO QUESTIONS.
12:46:52 IS THIS SOMETHING THAT IS BETTER DONE IN THE DRY SEASON OR
12:46:54 THE WET SEASON OR DOESN'T IT MATTER?
12:46:59 >>Kyle Kincaid: TYPICALLY, I WOULD SAY YOU HAVE LESS BOAT

12:47:04 TRAFFIC IN SEASON -- I'M SORRY, OUT OF SEASON.
12:47:07 SO YOU MAY WANT TO GO THAT ROUTE JUST BECAUSE YOU'RE GOING
12:47:12 TO HAVE LESS IMPACT TO THE CONSTRUCTION, LESS PEOPLE DRIVING
12:47:16 THEIR BOATS AROUND AND MAKE PEOPLE LESS MAD IF YOU'RE NOT

12:47:20 IMPACTING THEIR RECREATIONAL TIME.
12:47:24 >>Nick Batos: WHEN THIS IS BEING DONE, CAN THE BOATS -- THE
12:47:28 PEOPLE ON BOATS, SAY FROM PELICAN SOUND, WILL THEY STILL BE
12:47:32 ABLE TO GET OUT TO THE GULF?
12:47:34 >>Kyle Kincaid: AS YOU KNOW, THERE ARE CERTAIN AREAS WIDER
12:47:37 THAN OTHERS.
12:47:37 THERE MIGHT BE SOMETIMES WHERE THEY HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL THE
12:47:40 GUY WAS DONE DIGGING TO GET AROUND HIM.
12:47:42 BUT I DON'T FORESEE THEM EVER HAVING TO SHUT DOWN THE RIVER
12:47:46 ENTIRELY.

12:47:46 I THINK IT CAN BE WORKED AROUND.
12:47:49 BUT, AGAIN, THAT'S SOMETHING WE HAVE TO DEAL WITH THE
12:47:51 CONTRACTOR AND CONSTRUCTION NOT SOMETHING AT THIS PHASE.
12:47:56 ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?

12:47:59 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.

12:48:00 WHAT'S NEXT?

12:48:04 >>Steven Sarkozy: THAT'S IT, COUNCIL.

12:48:05 WE'RE ASKING YOUR THUMBS UP TO CONTINUE ON.

12:48:09 DAVID, DO YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT THE NEXT STEPS?

12:48:12 >>Carol Sacco: EXCUSE ME, ONE SECOND.

12:48:13 I DO HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT FOR 12B.

12:48:16 >>Mayor Ribble: GO AHEAD.

12:48:19 >>Carol Sacco: MR. BOB DION FROM PELICAN SOUND GOLF AND
12:48:26 RIVER CLUB.

12:48:26 I'M HAPPY TO SEE THE SEDIMENT PROJECT PRESENTATION.

12:48:29 THANK YOU.

12:48:30 NATURALLY, I ASK YOU TO PLEASE MOVE FORWARD WITH THE
12:48:31 PROJECT.

12:48:32 BASED ON THE TIME FRAME IN THE PRESENTATION, IT LOOKS LIKE
12:48:34 THIS PROJECT COULD BE AVAILABLE TO START CONSTRUCTION IN
12:48:37 JUNE 2022.

12:48:39 I KNOW THAT THE MONEY IS NOT IN THE BUDGET FOR THIS TIME
12:48:42 FRAME, SO I HOPE THAT THE VILLAGE WOULD PURSUE STATE AND
12:48:45 FEDERAL FUNDS FOR THIS PROJECT AS WELL AS ALL THE OTHER
12:48:48 STORMWATER AND SEPTIC SEWER PROJECTS.

12:48:50 HOPEFULLY THE VILLAGE PARTICIPATION IN THE SOUTHWEST FLORIDA
12:48:54 REGIONAL COMPACT MAY HELP IN GETTING FUNDS.

12:48:57 THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK IN THIS AREA.

12:49:09 >>Mayor Ribble: YOU HAVE ANOTHER PIECE HERE, DAVID?

12:49:12 >>David Willems: I'M SORRY.

12:49:13 SO ALL WE'RE LOOKING FOR IS JUST A THUMBS UP WHETHER YOU
12:49:16 WANT TO GO FORWARD, IF ALL THAT LOOKS REASONABLE, WE CAN GO

12:49:20 FORWARD, GET THE PERMITS, KNOWING THAT THIS IS JUST THE
12:49:23 PERMITS.
12:49:23 >>Mayor Ribble: YOU WANT CONSENSUS ON THIS, RIGHT?
12:49:25 >>David Willems: THAT WOULD BE GREAT.
12:49:26 >>Mayor Ribble: HOWARD, I CAN'T SEE HOWARD HERE.
12:49:28 >>Howard Levitan: YEAH, HERE I AM.
12:49:30 ABSOLUTELY.
12:49:31 WE MUST GO FORWARD ON THIS.

12:49:32 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
12:49:33 JIM WILSON?
12:49:36 JIM WILSON?
12:49:40 >>Jim Wilson: YES, I'M FINE WITH IT.
12:49:43 YEAH.
12:49:43 >>Mayor Ribble: KATY?
12:49:44 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: ABSOLUTELY.
12:49:45 GO FORWARD.
12:49:46 >>Mayor Ribble: JON?
12:49:47 >>Jon McLain: I'M IN FAVOR OF IT.
12:49:48 >>Mayor Ribble: NICK?
12:49:49 >>Nick Batos: I'M IN FAVOR OF IT.
12:49:50 >>Mayor Ribble: JIM BOESCH?
12:49:51 OKAY.
12:49:52 UNANIMOUS.
12:49:52 ALL IN FAVOR OF IT.
12:49:54 YOU GOT ANOTHER PIECE?
12:49:56 HOW LONG IS THIS GOING TO BE?
12:49:59 I HOPE, BECAUSE I HAVE TO LEAVE FOR THE MPO AT 1:00.
12:50:05 LET'S DO IT.
12:50:06 DO IT QUICK, QUICK.
12:50:12 >>David Willems: WHAT I WANTED TO QUICKLY GO OVER IS WHAT WE
12:50:15 THINK SHOULD BE OUR FIRST DRAINAGE PROJECT, LARGE DRAINAGE
12:50:19 PROJECT IS IMPROVEMENTS TO THE NORTH BRANCH OF THE ESTERO
12:50:22 RIVER.

12:50:22 AND THIS IS A PROJECT THAT IS INCLUDED IN THE MASTER PLAN.
12:50:28 IT'S IN AN IDENTIFIED AREA OF FLOODING.
12:50:30 THE MASTER PLAN RECOMMENDED A COUPLE OF PROJECTS IN THAT
12:50:32 AREA.
12:50:33 SO I JUST WANTED TO BRIEFLY GO OVER THE LOCATION, YOU KNOW,
12:50:36 WHAT COULD BE PROPOSED, AND THEN AGAIN, JUST GET THE THUMBS
12:50:39 UP FROM COUNCIL WHETHER WE MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS AND GO TO
12:50:43 HIRING A CONSULTANT OR NOT.
12:50:45 NORTH BRANCH OF THE ESTERO RIVER IS JUST UPSTREAM OF THE
12:50:47 AREA WE WERE JUST TALKING ABOUT.
12:50:50 RIGHT UPSTREAM OF SANDY LANE, NORTH SIDE OF BAMBOO ISLAND.
12:50:54 IT'S AN AREA THAT IS RESTRICTED FLOW BECAUSE OF THE
12:50:57 DEVELOPMENT THAT'S OCCURRED ADJACENT TO IT, AND DURING 2017,

12:51:00 THERE WAS A LOT OF FLOODING IN THIS AREA.
12:51:03 THE MASTER PLAN RECOMMENDED SOME IMPROVEMENTS.
12:51:08 THIS IS THE ISSUE.
12:51:09 THESE ARE A COUPLE OF THE PICTURES.
12:51:11 THIS WASN'T EVEN AT THE WORSE OF IT, FROM THE FLOODING THAT
12:51:13 OCCURRED THERE.
12:51:14 THE MASTER PLAN ACTUALLY IDENTIFIED TWO PROJECTS TO HELP
12:51:18 REDUCE THIS FLOODING.
12:51:19 ONE WAS TO INCREASE THE FLOW OF WATER AROUND COUNTRY CREEK,
12:51:23 AND THEN THE OTHER ONE WAS TO RECONNECT A HISTORIC
12:51:27 CONNECTION BETWEEN NORTH BRANCH AND THE SOUTH BRANCH.
12:51:30 SO WHAT WE WOULD LIKE TO DO IS COMBINE THOSE INTO ONE

12:51:33 PROJECT SINCE THEY ARE SO CLOSE TOGETHER.
12:51:37 IN ADDITION TO THAT, WE WOULD LOOK AT THE CAPACITY OF THE
12:51:40 TWO BRIDGES THAT CROSS IN THIS AREA.
12:51:44 WHILE THE MASTER PLAN DIDN'T SPECIFICALLY SAY WE NEEDED TO
12:51:46 DO THAT, THERE WERE PREVIOUS REPORTS THAT INDICATED THE
12:51:49 CAPACITY OF THOSE MIGHT NOT BE ENOUGH.
12:51:50 SO WHAT WE DO IS PACKAGE THAT ALL TOGETHER AND DO ONE
12:51:53 ANALYSIS TO FIGURE OUT WHAT'S THE BEST WAY TO IMPROVE THE
12:51:57 FLOW.
12:51:57 REAL QUICKLY, WE HAVE A BUDGET FOR THAT.
12:52:00 RIGHT NOW WE HAVE \$340,000 FOR THE DESIGN AND PERMITTING,
12:52:04 AND THEN WE HAVE \$800,000 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION.
12:52:07 THE DESIGN AND PERMITTING WILL GIVE US A BETTER
12:52:10 UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT THE ACTUAL COSTS MIGHT BE, BUT THAT'S
12:52:13 WHAT'S IN THE C.I.P.
12:52:15 SO JUST LOOKING FOR DIRECTION.
12:52:17 OPTION ONE IS GO AHEAD AND MOVE FORWARD WITH HIRING A
12:52:20 CONSULTANT TO ANALYZE THE NORTH BRANCH OF THE ESTERO RIVER.
12:52:24 WHILE WE THINK THE PROJECTS THAT WERE IN THE MASTER PLAN IS
12:52:26 WHAT WE'LL GO FORWARD WITH, BUT WE'RE NOT GOING TO HOLD
12:52:29 OURSELVES TO THAT.
12:52:30 WE'LL HAVE THEM DO ANOTHER ANALYSIS.
12:52:32 IT'S A LITTLE MORE DETAILED THAN THE MASTER PLAN ANALYSIS.
12:52:34 IF COUNCIL WANTS TO APPOINT A LIAISON FOR THAT, THE NEXT
12:52:39 STEP, IF COUNCIL WANTS TO MOVE FORWARD IS WE WOULD LOOK AT

12:52:42 EXECUTING A CONTRACT WITH LIKELY ONE OF THE FIRMS THAT ARE
12:52:45 ON OUR MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES CONTRACT.
12:52:48 WE WOULD ASK FOR QUALIFICATIONS PROBABLY FOR TWO OR THREE OF
12:52:51 THOSE AND THEN SELECT WHICH ONE WE THINK IS THE MOST
12:52:55 QUALIFIED.
12:52:55 THAT CONTRACT WOULD OBVIOUSLY COME BACK TO COUNCIL FOR
12:52:58 APPROVAL BEFORE WE ACTUALLY MOVE FORWARD WITH ANY WORK.
12:53:00 THE SECOND OPTION WOULD BE TO HOLD OFF ON IT.
12:53:04 WE DON'T WANT TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS PROJECT AT THIS

12:53:07 POINT.
12:53:10 >>Howard Levitan: DAVID, WHAT COMMUNITIES ARE DIRECTLY
12:53:12 IMPACTED OTHER THAN COUNTRY CREEK?
12:53:15 >>David Willems: DIRECTLY?
12:53:17 SO YOU HAVE -- STILL ON THE SOUTH SIDE, IT WOULDN'T REALLY
12:53:21 BE DIRECTLY IMPACTED, BUT THAT'S ESTATES ON ESTERO RIVER AND
12:53:28 THEN THE TANGLEWOOD, WHICH IS A STREET THAT'S NOT
12:53:32 TECHNICALLY A COMMUNITY.
12:53:33 IT RUNS ALONG THERE.
12:53:34 THOSE ARE REALLY THE ONLY PLACES AND THEN THE PROPERTY OWNER
12:53:36 OF BAMBOO ISLAND.
12:53:40 >>Mayor Ribble: JON, DO YOU HAVE SOMETHING?
12:53:42 >>Jon McLain: THIS IS PRELIMINARY.
12:53:44 WHAT DO YOU SEE AS THE SCOPE?
12:53:46 YOU'RE NOT GOING TO BE DREDGING IN THAT AREA.
12:53:48 WHAT IS THE PROJECT GOING TO BE LOOKING LIKE?

12:53:52 >>David Willems: SO, WHAT WE EXPECT IS IT WOULD BE SIMILAR
12:53:55 TO WHAT THE MASTER PLAN RECOMMENDED, WHICH WOULD BE, THE RED
12:53:58 LINE THAT'S GOING AROUND COUNTRY CREEK THERE, THEY HAVE A
12:54:01 LITTLE SWALE RIGHT NOW THAT TAKES SOME WATER AROUND IT.
12:54:04 WE'D LOOK AT DOING IS IMPROVING THAT.
12:54:07 MAKE THE CONNECTION IN AND OUT A LITTLE BIT BETTER SO WATER
12:54:10 CAN GET IN DURING HIGHER FLOWS AND THEN PUT MORE WATER
12:54:13 THROUGH THERE.
12:54:13 THERE WOULD BE SOME DREDGING BECAUSE THERE IS A SECTION OF A
12:54:18 HISTORIC CONNECTION BETWEEN NORTH AND SOUTH BRANCHES OF THE
12:54:21 ESTERO RIVER THAT HAS BEEN FULLY SILTED IN.
12:54:23 THERE'S ACTUALLY NO WATER THAT FLOWS THROUGH THERE ANYMORE.
12:54:26 EVEN DURING IRMA, NO WATER FLOWED THROUGH THERE.
12:54:29 SO WE WOULD DREDGE THAT OUT TO GET MORE WATER THROUGH THERE.
12:54:32 THE DITCH THAT GOES FROM ESTERO PARKWAY, CONNECT THAT
12:54:38 DIRECTLY INTO THIS DITCH SO THAT IT DOESN'T GO INTO THE
12:54:40 ESTERO RIVER.
12:54:44 >>Howard Levitan: DAVID, HOW MUCH OF THAT RED LINE IS PART
12:54:47 OF THEIR STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, COUNTRY CREEK'S?
12:54:51 >>David Willems: NONE.
12:54:51 IT'S TOTALLY OUTSIDE OF THEIR STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM.
12:54:54 THEY HAVE INTERNAL LAKES.
12:54:56 WE'RE JUST BUILDING UPON WHAT THEY'VE ALREADY DONE.
12:55:00 THEY ARE ACTUALLY PERMITTED TO TAKE FLOWS FROM THE ESTERO
12:55:03 RIVER THROUGH THAT AREA.

12:55:05 ALL WE WOULD BE LOOKING TO DO IS IMPROVING THAT TO GET MORE
12:55:08 WATER THROUGH THERE MORE EFFICIENTLY.
12:55:12 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
12:55:12 JIM.
12:55:13 GO AHEAD.

12:55:14 >>Jim Boesch: STEVE AND I WENT TO THE LEGISLATURE AND TO THE
12:55:21 ENVIRONMENTAL DEP DEPARTMENT, THE PARKS PEOPLE, TOLD THEM WE
12:55:26 WOULD LIKE TO PARTNER WITH THEM, AND THEY SAID, WELL, FIRST
12:55:31 THING THAT HAS TO BE DONE, THE RIVER HAS TO BE UNDERTAKEN.
12:55:38 SO I'M IN FAVOR THREE -- OF GETTING THIS PROJECT UNDER WAY
12:55:46 RIGHT AWAY.
12:55:50 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: I'M TOTALLY IN FAVOR.
12:55:52 I NOTICED THAT ROOKERY POINT IS PART OF TO REDIRECT THE FLOW
12:55:57 FROM ROOKERY POINT.
12:55:58 I KNOW THEY HAVE HAD MAJOR PROBLEMS.
12:56:00 I THINK THIS WOULD BE A GREAT IDEA, AND WE NEED TO CONTINUE
12:56:02 WITH THE RIVER NOW THAT WE ARE DOING SOMETHING WITH THE
12:56:05 OTHER PART OF THE RIVER, WE NEED TO CONTINUE WITH THIS PART,
12:56:08 WITH THE STORMWATER PART.
12:56:10 I'M TOTALLY IN FAVOR.
12:56:12 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
12:56:15 HOWARD?
12:56:15 >>Howard Levitan: I AGREE.
12:56:17 I THINK WE NEED TO DO ALL OF THESE PROJECTS TOGETHER AS MUCH
12:56:21 AS POSSIBLE, FOCUSING ON THE RIVER AND GETTING THIS RIVER TO

12:56:25 FLOW BETTER BECAUSE WE'RE GOING TO GET ANOTHER HURRICANE ONE
12:56:30 OF THESE DAYS, AND WE'RE GOING TO HAVE FLOODING OTHERWISE.
12:56:33 >>Mayor Ribble: WE'RE RUNNING OUT OF TIME.
12:56:35 HOW ABOUT JUST A YES OR THAT YOU AGREE, BECAUSE 1:00 IS
12:56:40 COMING HERE.
12:56:41 JIM WILSON, ARE YOU ON BOARD?
12:56:43 >>Jim Wilson: YES.
12:56:44 BUDGETED, LET'S GO WITH IT.
12:56:47 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
12:56:48 I'M IN AGREEMENT.
12:56:49 OKAY.
12:56:50 EVERYBODY AGREES.
12:56:51 QUIT WHILE YOU'RE AHEAD.
12:56:54 >>David Willems: WE'RE GOOD.
12:56:55 THANK YOU.
12:56:55 >>Carol Sacco: MAYOR, I DO HAVE ONE PUBLIC COMMENT FROM BOB
12:56:58 DION OF PELICAN SOUND GOLF AND RIVER CLUB.
12:57:02 REGARDING THE ESTERO RIVER NORTH BRANCH DRAINAGE
12:57:04 IMPROVEMENTS I ASK YOU TO PLEASE MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS
12:57:07 PROJECT.
12:57:07 AS YOU KNOW, THE ESTERO RIVER NEEDS SUBSTANTIAL WORK TO
12:57:10 CLEAN IT UP AND WE NEED TO GET THIS STARTED SOMEWHERE.
12:57:12 IN THE NORTH BRANCH IS FIRST ON THE LIST AND READY TO START,
12:57:16 THEN IT SHOULD BE STARTED.
12:57:17 PLEASE DO NOT HOLD OFF.

12:57:18 THANK YOU.

12:57:19 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
12:57:19 ANY OTHER COMMENTS?
12:57:21 JON?
12:57:22 >>Jon McLain: I'M INVOLVED RIGHT NOW WITH STORMWATER
12:57:23 MANAGEMENT.
12:57:24 I WOULD BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO VOLUNTEER TO BE THE LIAISON
12:57:26 FOR THIS PROJECT SINCE IT SEEMS TO BE RELATED TO STORMWATER
12:57:31 IT DRAINAGE INTO THE RIVER TO IMPROVE THAT.
12:57:33 >>Mayor Ribble: HAVEN'T HAD YOUR RIBBON CUTTING YET, THOUGH,
12:57:36 UP AT ESTERO PARKWAY.
12:57:37 >>Jon McLain: WE'LL PUT THAT ON.
12:57:39 >>Mayor Ribble: IS EVERYBODY OKAY WITH JON BEING THE
12:57:41 LIAISON?
12:57:41 >>Jim Wilson: YES.
12:57:42 >>Mayor Ribble: I'M FINE WITH IT.
12:57:43 HOWARD?
12:57:46 OKAY.
12:57:48 HE'S OKAY WITH IT.
12:57:50 JIM BOESCH?
12:57:52 >>Jim Boesch: [INAUDIBLE]
12:57:53 >>Mayor Ribble: NICK?
12:57:54 OKAY, CONGRATULATIONS.
12:57:55 WE'LL HAVE A RIBBON -- WHEN IS YOUR RIBBON CUTTING ON THE
12:57:58 RIVER?

12:57:58 GIVE ME A DATE.
12:57:59 I WANT TO MAKE SURE I'M THERE.
12:58:01 OKAY.
12:58:01 IS THAT IT?
12:58:03 OKAY.
12:58:03 I'M REALLY GOING TO MISS -- GO AHEAD.
12:58:05 >>Steven Sarkozy: WE HAVE ONE ISSUE WITH REGARD TO THE
12:58:07 LEGISLATIVE AGENDA.
12:58:08 >>Mayor Ribble: OH, THAT'S RIGHT.
12:58:10 GO AHEAD.
12:58:10 >>Steven Sarkozy: THE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA NEEDS TO BE
12:58:12 SUBMITTED HERE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
12:58:15 THE ONLY KIND OF UNIQUE ELEMENT OF THE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA
12:58:19 THAT HAS NOT BEEN ADDRESSED BEFORE THE COUNCIL IS
12:58:27 REASSIGNMENT OF OUR AREAS HERE TO THE BIG CYPRESS WATER
12:58:31 MANAGEMENT DISTRICT.
12:58:35 AS YOU WILL RECALL, THIS WAS BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE LAST
12:58:38 YEAR.
12:58:39 THERE WAS A BOUNDARY STUDY THAT WAS DICTATED BY
12:58:43 REPRESENTATIVE RODRIGUES.
12:58:48 THAT HAS BEEN COMPLETE.
12:58:50 THERE HAS BEEN NO HUGE CHANGES IN THE ORIGINAL AREA FOR THE
12:58:59 BIG CYPRESS WATERSHED DISTRICT, BUT IT IS MORE OF A

12:59:03 POLITICAL ISSUE AS TO WHERE OUR FUNDS GO, WHETHER THEY GO TO
12:59:10 WEST PALM BEACH OR WHETHER THEY STAY HERE IN NAPLES.

12:59:14 I WOULD RECOMMEND THAT WE WOULD SUPPORT A SMALL CHANGE IN
12:59:21 THAT DISTRICT BOUNDARY, PROPOSING THEM TO MOVE THE IMPERIAL
12:59:26 RIVER WATERSHED AREA AND THE ESTERO RIVER WATERSHED AREA
12:59:32 INTO THE BIG CYPRESS DISTRICT.
12:59:35 IF YOU'LL RECALL, THE ENTIRE BIG CYPRESS DISTRICT GOES ALL
12:59:39 THE WAY UP TO DANIELS PARKWAY, THAT WOULD BE A BIG CHANGE,
12:59:43 NOT ONLY FOR BIG CYPRESS, BUT ALSO FOR LEE COUNTY, BUT THIS
12:59:47 WOULD BE A KIND OF SMALL STEP INITIALLY.
12:59:50 SO WE NEED TO GET THAT INTO OUR LEGISLATIVE PACKET HERE FOR
12:59:57 SUBMISSION.
01:00:00 AND I RECOMMEND THAT WE DO THAT.
01:00:02 I'D LIKE TO GET THE COUNCIL'S THOUGHTS ON IT.
01:00:04 >>Mayor Ribble: ARE YOU OKAY WITH IT?
01:00:06 >> YES, I AM.
01:00:09 >>Jon McLain: I'M IN FAVOR.
01:00:10 >>Howard Levitan: I'M IN FAVOR.
01:00:12 >>Mayor Ribble: JIM WILSON?
01:00:13 >>Jim Wilson: YES.
01:00:14 >>Mayor Ribble: KATY?
01:00:15 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: I'M IN FAVOR.
01:00:16 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
01:00:17 GOOD.
01:00:17 I'M IN FAVOR.
01:00:18 I THINK IT'S GOING TO BE A GOOD THING.
01:00:20 JIM BOESCH, THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK THAT YOU'VE

01:00:23 DONE WITH IT.
01:00:23 I TALKED WITH RAY RODRIGUES LAST NIGHT AGAIN, AND BY TEXT,
01:00:27 SO HE WANTS US TO GET THIS THING GOING.
01:00:30 YOU DID A GOOD JOB WITH IT, JIM.
01:00:33 OKAY.
01:00:33 IS THAT IT?
01:00:34 >>Steven Sarkozy: THAT'S IT.
01:00:35 >>Mayor Ribble: THAT WAS QUICK.
01:00:36 DID YOU SAY IT WAS GOING TO BE A SHORT MEETING TODAY?
01:00:39 MEETING ADJOURNED.

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