

THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO
VILLAGE COUNCIL WORKSHOP VIRTUAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 2020, 9:30 A.M.

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09:30:24 >>Mayor Ribble: WE'LL GO AHEAD AND CALL OUR APRIL 22.
09:30:28 VICE-MAYOR KATY ERRINGTON, IF YOU WOULD PLEASE DO THE
09:30:31 INVOCATION THIS MORNING, KATY.
09:30:36 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: YES, LET US PRAY.
09:30:37 DEAR GOD, IN THIS TIME OF EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES WITH
09:30:40 COVID-19 PUTTING FEAR INTO THOUSANDS OF LIVES, MAY TRUST IN
09:30:46 YOU BE FOUND.
09:30:47 AS MUNICIPAL LEADERS, MAY YOUR DIRECTION AND GUIDANCE FOR
09:30:50 THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO BE WITH US DURING THIS MEETING.
09:30:55 THANK YOU FOR THE BLESSINGS YOU CONTINUE TO BESTOW UPON US.
09:30:59 WE PRAY FOR THE WORLD AS IT CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY.
09:31:03 WE PRAY FOR OUR NATION, ALL STATES, THE STATE OF FLORIDA,
09:31:08 OUR NATION, ALL COUNTY GOVERNMENTS AND ALL MUNICIPALITIES.
09:31:12 GUIDE POLICY MAKERS TO STRIVE DILIGENTLY TO MAKE RIGHT
09:31:16 DECISIONS FOR NOW AND IN THE NEAR FUTURE.
09:31:19 HELP US TO KEEP OUR FAITH, KEEP OUR PATIENCE, AND TO
09:31:23 CONTINUE TO TRUST IN YOU.

09:31:25 IN THIS HIS HOLY NAME WE PRAY, AMEN.
09:31:29 >>Mayor Ribble: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, KATY.
09:31:31 AND JIM BOESCH, I SAW -- HAVE A MASS ON SOON THIS MORNING
09:31:38 FROM LADY OF LIGHT.
09:31:38 I DON'T KNOW IF YOU CAUGHT THAT OR NOT.
09:31:41 BROADCAST LIVE ON Facebook.
09:31:42 KYLE COLEMAN, WOULD YOU PLEASE LEAD US IN THE PLEDGE TO THE
09:31:48 FLAG THIS MORNING?
09:31:53 >> SURE.
09:31:53 I PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF
09:31:57 AMERICA AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS, ONE NATION,
09:32:02 UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL.
09:32:09 >>Mayor Ribble: THANK YOU, KYLE.
09:32:10 MADAM CLERK, WOULD YOU PLEASE CALL THE ROLL?
09:32:16 >>Howard Levitan: HERE.
09:32:17 >>Jon McLain: HERE.
09:32:19 >>Jim Boesch: HERE.
09:32:21 >>Nick Batos: HERE.

09:32:24 >>Jim Wilson: HERE.
09:32:26 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: HERE.
09:32:28 >>Mayor Ribble: HERE.
09:32:32 >>The Clerk: FOR THE BENEFIT OF OUR PUBLIC, I HAVE A LITTLE
09:32:34 ANNOUNCEMENT TO MAKE ABOUT e-COMMENTS.
09:32:39 TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT DURING THE MEETING, LOG ON TO THE
09:32:42 VILLAGE WEBSITE AT ESTERO-FL.GOV AND CLICK ON THE

09:32:50 AGENDA/ARCHIVED MEETING VIDEOS BUTTON.
09:32:50 ON THE NEXT SCREEN, CLICK ON THE E-COMMENT CARD BUTTON NEXT
09:32:53 TO WHERE IT SAYS VILLAGE COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING, APRIL 22,
09:32:53 2020.
09:33:03 FILL OUT ALL REQUIRED INFORMATION AND CLICK -- BUTTON.
09:33:03 COMMENTS RECEIVED DURING THE MEETING WILL BE READ INTO THE
09:33:06 RECORD.
09:33:07 THIS INFORMATION IS ALSO AVAILABLE ON THE ONLINE AGENDA WITH
09:33:10 A LINK THAT GOES DIRECTLY TO THE E-COMMENT CARD.
09:33:14 >>Mayor Ribble: IS THAT IT, KATHY?
09:33:19 >>Kathy Hall: YES.
09:33:20 >>Mayor Ribble: BEFORE WE START THE WORKSHOP, I DID WANT TO
09:33:23 MAKE A COMMENT TO COUNCIL --
09:33:33 WE CERTAINLY BECAME A TEAM, A SOLID TEAM WHEN THIS STARTED.
09:33:39 I WANT TO THANK ALL THE COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR NOT LOADING UP
09:33:48 THE STAFF WITH BUSY WORK.
09:34:11 >> I CAN HEAR YOU ALL.
09:34:14 >> I CAN SEE YOU.
09:34:19 >>Mayor Ribble: JIM, PUT YOUR AUDIO ON MUTE.
09:34:30 >> GO AHEAD WITH THE MEETING.
09:34:33 >>Mayor Ribble: DID EVERYBODY HEAR WHAT I SAID AT THE
09:34:36 BEGINNING?
09:34:37 I JUST WANT TO THANK EVERYBODY BECAUSE I PRETTY MUCH -- I
09:34:49 LOOKED AT A LOT OF THESE COUNCIL MEETINGS IN THE COUNTY AND
09:34:54 IT SEEMS LIKE WE'RE LOADING PEOPLE UP WITH BUSY WORK THAT'S

09:34:57 UNNECESSARY.
09:34:57 I WANT TO COMPLIMENT OUR MANAGER STEVE AND CERTAINLY KYLE
09:35:01 COLEMAN FOR TAKING A LEADERSHIP ROLE WITH THE EMERGENCY
09:35:03 OPERATIONS CENTER WHICH IS REALLY HOW THIS WHOLE THING WAS
09:35:07 SET UP TO BE FOR COMMUNICATION.
09:35:09 WE WEREN'T SUPPOSED TO GO OUT ON OUR OWN.
09:35:12 WE TAKE OUR GUIDANCE FROM THE EOC.
09:35:15 KYLE IS IN CHARGE OF THAT EVERY DAY.
09:35:18 HE'S BEEN GREAT AT POSTING UPDATES FOR THE PUBLIC.
09:35:25 ONE AT 11:00 IN THE MORNING.
09:35:27 THE OTHER ONE AT 8:00 IN THE EVENING.
09:35:29 ANYBODY WHO WANTS TO KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT WHAT'S HAPPENING IN
09:35:32 THE STATE OR WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH OR THE DEPARTMENT
09:35:35 OF AGRICULTURE, FOR EXAMPLE, YOU CAN GO ON THE WEBSITE AND

09:35:39 YOU CAN GET THE LATEST UPDATES.
09:35:41 LAST WEEK, I THOUGHT IT WAS INTERESTING THAT -- DEPARTMENT
09:35:44 OF AGRICULTURE FOR FARMERS THAT HAD EXCESS PRODUCT IN LEE
09:35:50 COUNTY, YOU CAN GO OUT TO THE FARM AND GET TOMATOES,
09:35:53 POTATOES OR WHATEVER ELSE, COMMODITIES THEY HAD THERE.
09:35:56 KYLE, YOU DID A GREAT JOB KEEPING UP.
09:36:01 IT'S REALLY BEING WELL RECEIVED BY OUR COMMUNITY.
09:36:04 THAT'S ALL I HAVE.
09:36:05 DOES ANYBODY ELSE HAVE A COMMENT ABOUT THE COMMUNICATIONS?
09:36:10 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: I THINK HE'S --
09:36:16 >>Mayor Ribble: THANKS, KATY.

09:36:18 MOVING RIGHT ALONG, STEVE, WILL TURN IT OVER TO YOU AND
09:36:21 WE'LL KICK OFF OUR FIRST WORKSHOP ITEM.
09:36:27 >>Steven Sarkozy: THANKS, MAYOR.
09:36:29 WE HAVE TWO ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA.
09:36:31 THE FIRST IS THE DISCUSSION OF LOCATION OF SCHOOLS WITHIN
09:36:35 THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO.
09:36:36 THE SECOND IS AN INTRODUCTION OF OUR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT
09:36:40 PROGRAM.
09:36:42 REGARDING THE SCHOOL SITUATION, WE'VE BEEN TALKING WITH THE
09:36:47 SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR ABOUT TWO AND A HALF YEARS ABOUT THE
09:36:51 POSSIBILITY OF TWO NEW SCHOOLS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO.
09:36:55 IN TERMS OF THE NUMBERS OF SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN IN ESTERO,
09:37:04 THE POPULATION OF SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN FROM ESTERO CAN BE
09:37:09 GENERALLY ACCOMMODATED WITHIN OUR ELEMENTARY AND OUR HIGH
09:37:12 SCHOOL WHERE WE'RE LACKING -- [INDISCERNIBLE] -- ONLY IS IN
09:37:20 THE MIDDLE SCHOOL.
09:37:28 WE NEED MANY MORE SEATS -- SEVERAL MORE SEATS FOR MIDDLE
09:37:31 SCHOOL POPULATION.
09:37:32 THE SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS A DIFFERENT NEED THAN THAT.
09:37:32 OBVIOUSLY BECAUSE OF ALL THE DEVELOPMENT GOING ON EAST
09:37:35 CORKSCREW, THERE IS A HUGE NUMBER OF KIDS MOVING INTO THOSE
09:37:38 COMMUNITIES OUT THERE.
09:37:39 WE'RE GOING TO SEE A BURGEONING POPULATION OUT THAT WAY.
09:37:53 THE SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS MADE IT THAT THEY REALLY NEED TO GET
09:37:57 MOVING FOR PLANNING AND DISCUSSIONS, THEY NEED TO GET THEIR

09:38:04 DECISIONS TO BUILD SCHOOLS.
09:38:05 THAT'S WHAT WE'RE HERE TRYING TO ACCOMMODATE FOR US.
09:38:08 THEIR PLAN IS TO OPEN TWO SCHOOLS BY SEPTEMBER OF 2023.
09:38:17 THAT MEANS THAT THE PLANNING, THE DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT OF
09:38:20 SCHOOLS HAS TO GO ON SO THEY CAN START UP -- [INAUDIBLE]
09:38:26 WHEN WE STARTED DOWN THIS PROCESS, WE WERE LOOKING AT
09:38:32 CREATING AN EDUCATIONAL CANVAS.
09:38:35 OUR INTEREST WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO WAS TO COMPETE
09:38:40 WITH THE QUALITY OF SCHOOLS ALL OVER THE REGION AND TRY TO
09:38:47 DEVELOP ALL OF THE ELEMENT HERE FOR SCHOOLS TO ATTRACT

09:38:51 FAMILIES -- EVEN MORE COMPETITIVE -- KEEP IN LEE COUNTY BUT
09:39:00 ALSO COMPETING FOR PEOPLE WHO WOULD MOVE INTO THIS REGION
09:39:05 WHO ARE TARGETING COLLIER COUNTY.
09:39:20 WE HAD AN EXPERIENCE WHEN HERTZ CAME IN.
09:39:24 WE UNDERSTAND THAT -- EMPLOYEES, SCHOOL-AGE KIDS MOVED TO
09:39:30 COLLIER INSTEAD OF OUR AREA HERE.
09:39:32 THAT'S SOMETHING THAT WE WANTED TO ADDRESS.
09:39:33 THE OTHER THING WE WANTED TO ADDRESS WAS DEVELOPING
09:39:38 RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS THAT COULD BE USED BY THE ENTIRE
09:39:47 COMMUNITY ON A 24/7 BASIS.
09:39:49 THAT STILL IS OUR INTENT REGARDLESS OF HOW THIS DECISION
09:39:54 GOES, MY HOPE WOULD BE WE CAN DO THAT.
09:39:58 BUT IT ALSO DEALS WITH THE PROPER UTILIZATION OF -- WITHIN
09:40:26 THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO.
09:40:27 AS WE LOOK AT HOW THIS VILLAGE IS GOING TO DEVELOP, WE HAVE

09:40:33 VERY LIMITED AMOUNTS OF LAND AVAILABLE.
09:40:38 IT'S VERY POSSIBLE AND QUITE LIKELY THAT WITHIN A VERY SHORT
09:40:45 PERIOD OF TIME WE'LL BE OUT OF LAND.
09:40:48 WE HAVE TO BE JUDICIOUS IN HOW LAND IS DEVELOPED.
09:40:52 TWO PARCELS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO THAT ARE UP FOR
09:40:56 CONSIDERATION ARE TWO SCHOOLS LOCATED ADJACENT TO THE HIGH
09:41:01 SCHOOL OR TWO SCHOOLS LOCATED, BUILDING OUT AT THE THREE
09:41:07 OAKS SITE NORTH OF CORKSCREW ROAD EAST OF THE POST OFFICE.
09:41:12 LET ME TALK ABOUT BOTH OF THOSE.
09:41:18 THE SITE AT THREE OAKS IS A SITE THAT IS OWNED BY THE SCHOOL
09:41:24 DISTRICT.
09:41:24 IT'S ABOUT 70 SOME ACRE, MUCH OF IT IS WETLANDS, BUT IT
09:41:33 APPEARS TO BE ISOLATED WETLANDS LIKELY EXPANDED WET AREAS AS
09:41:44 A RESULT OF CONSTRUCTION COMMERCIAL AREA ALONG CORKSCREW AND
09:41:47 THE DEVELOPMENT OF I-75.
09:41:53 THE SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS A -- TO FILL THOSE AREAS -- AND
09:42:02 SOUTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT.
09:42:04 ORIGINALLY, THEY HAD PLANNED OR CONSIDERED A HIGH SCHOOL ON
09:42:10 THAT SITE AND AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.
09:42:14 THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE BONITA HIGH SCHOOL -- THEY HAVE A
09:42:23 PLAN THAT DATES BACK TO 2005 THAT SHOWS THE BUILD-OUT OF THE
09:42:26 SITE WITH -- THE HIGH SCHOOL AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL --
09:42:30 BASEBALL FACILITY, SOCCER FACILITY.
09:42:36 WHEN WE WERE TALKING ABOUT THIS WITH THE SCHOOL DISTRICT
09:43:24 EARLY ON.

09:43:28 PURCHASE LAND THAT WAS OWNED BY THE COUNTY AND PURCHASE OF
09:43:36 THE LAND OWNED BY A CHURCH AND ALSO THE RIGHT-OF-WAY.
09:43:40 ALL OF THAT COLLECTIVELY WAS VERY EXPENSIVE AND THE SCHOOL
09:43:52 -- NORTH OF THE FOOTBALL FIELD AT A COST OF ABOUT \$4 MILLION
09:43:56 TO LINK UP WITH LAND THAT THEY HAD PROJECT.
09:44:01 IT'S POSSIBLE TO FIT THE TWO SCHOOLS, HIGH SCHOOL SITE, BUT

09:44:06 FROM A PLANNING STANDPOINT, THAT IS A MAJOR INTRUSION INTO
09:44:13 LAND THAT COULD BE AVAILABLE OTHERWISE FOR LONG-TERM PARK
09:44:19 DEVELOPMENT WITH BOTH THE COUNTY AND WITH THE VILLAGE.
09:44:22 LOOKING AHEAD, STAFF HAS TRIED TO FIGURE OUT HOW BEST TO
09:44:31 UTILIZE THE THREE OAKS PROPERTY AS WELL AS THE PROPERTY,
09:44:37 HIGH SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY SITE.
09:44:39 ONE OF THE KEY CONCERNS WE HAVE IS THREE OAKS PROPERTY
09:44:46 BOUGHT MANY YEARS BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT IS CURRENTLY ON THE
09:44:48 MARKET FOR JUST UNDER \$18 MILLION.
09:44:55 THAT SUGGESTS TO US THAT THE SCHOOL HOPES TO MONETIZE THAT
09:44:59 AND PUT IT INTO DEVELOPMENT.
09:45:01 BUT AT THAT PRICE, PROBABLY FIGURE ONE DOOR OR ONE UNIT OF
09:45:10 RESIDENTIAL HOUSING FOR 20 TO 30 THOUSAND DOLLARS PER
09:45:14 RESIDENTIAL UNIT.
09:45:16 THAT MEANS THE TARGET ON THIS SITE IS LIKELY HIGH DENSITY
09:45:20 RESIDENTIAL.
09:45:20 APARTMENTS OR CONDOS.
09:45:25 THE PLAN TO TAKE OUT THE WETLANDS WILL DIRECTLY FALL ON THE
09:45:36 VILLAGE IN TERMS OF DECISIONS WE HAVE TO MAKE.

09:45:38 IN LOOKING AHEAD, THE WHOLE ISSUE WHERE TO PUT SCHOOLS, THE
09:45:47 LAND USE ISSUE BEING OUR PRIMARY FOCUS SUGGESTS THAT WE
09:45:52 ENCOURAGE THE SCHOOL DISTRICT TO GO ON THE THREE OAKS SITE.
09:45:56 THE OTHER THING THAT HAS COME INTO PLAY, OVER THE YEARS
09:46:02 WE'VE BEEN LOOKING AT THIS, A LOT HAS CHANGED --
09:46:06 SPECIFICALLY THE NEED TO DEAL WITH SECURITY ISSUES AT
09:46:12 SCHOOLS.
09:46:12 HOPE -- WHEN WE STARTED THIS A CAMPUS.
09:46:16 IT IS VERY DIFFICULT, IF NOT IMPOSSIBLE TO DEVELOP BECAUSE
09:46:24 OF SOME OF THE SECURITY ISSUES THAT ARE OUT THERE AS A
09:46:29 RESULT IN LARGE PART WITH THE PARKLAND SHOOTING THAT HAVE
09:46:32 CHANGED STATE STATUTES AND PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AND BUILDING
09:46:40 GUIDELINES ON SCHOOL DISTRICTS THAT DO NOT EXIST TO THIS
09:46:46 DEGREE PRIOR TO OUR DISCUSSIONS.
09:46:47 THE CURRENT PROPOSAL, WHAT YOU HAVE FOR THE BUILD-OUT OF THE
09:46:54 SITE AT THE HIGH SCHOOL HAS FENCING BETWEEN THE SCHOOLS,
09:47:05 SEPARATION OF THE SCHOOLS BOTH FOR STUDENTS AND FOR THE
09:47:07 PUBLIC ALL MADE NECESSARY FOR SECURITY PURPOSES.
09:47:11 THE WHOLE IDEA OF A CAMPUS HAS SOMEWHAT CHANGED.
09:47:18 WHEN I THINK OF A CAMPUS, I THINK ABOUT COLLEGE CAMPUSES AS
09:47:22 AN EXAMPLE WHERE YOU WALK FREELY FROM ONE BUILDING TO THE
09:47:26 NEXT.
09:47:26 IN THIS CASE, FACILITIES WILL BE ADJACENT BUT NOT READILY
09:47:36 ACCESSIBLE BETWEEN THE BUILDINGS BECAUSE OF SECURITY ISSUES.
09:47:39 THAT LIMITS THEIR UTILITY FROM A PUBLIC STANDPOINT AND IT

09:47:45 ALSO RAISES OTHER ISSUES WITH REGARD TO ACCESS AND SO FORTH
09:47:51 THAT IS NOT NOW POSSIBLE.

09:47:53 WE WERE TALKING ABOUT A GRAND ENTRANCE LEADING TO THE
09:47:58 CAMPUS.
09:48:01 THAT IS NOT POSSIBLE BECAUSE OF THE SEPARATION OF BUSES AND
09:48:08 STUDENT ACTIVITY TO THE VARIOUS SCHOOLS.
09:48:10 FIND ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES OF BOTH FACILITIES.
09:48:19 THAT'S IN YOUR PACKET.
09:48:20 PROPOSED BUILD-OUT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL SITE, AND YOU ALSO
09:48:29 HAVE THE OLD SITE PLAN ON THE THREE OAKS SITE.
09:48:33 WE'VE INVOLVED THE ENTIRE STAFF IN THIS PROCESS, SO YOU HAVE
09:48:40 THE BENEFIT OF COMMENTS FROM DAVID WILLEMS AND MARY GIBBS.
09:48:57 WE THINK THE BEST LOCATION FOR THE VILLAGE IS ON THE THREE
09:49:01 OAKS FACILITY.
09:49:02 AS I CONCLUDE HERE, I WOULD SAY WHATEVER DIRECTION THE
09:49:08 COUNCIL DECIDES TO GO, WE NEED TO COMMIT TO THE SCHOOL
09:49:16 DISTRICT OUR CONSENSUS AROUND WHICH LOCATION WORKS, WORKS
09:49:21 BEST FOR THE VILLAGE AND COMMIT TO AS EXPEDITIOUS REVIEW OF
09:49:29 THEIR COMP PLAN AND POSSIBLY A REZONING PACKAGE AS THEY MOVE
09:49:34 FORWARD.
09:49:35 THEY DON'T WANT TO MOVE DOWN ONE PATH ONLY TO FIND US
09:49:41 CHANGING OUR MINDS AT A LATER DATE, WHICH COULD THEN
09:49:45 JEOPARDIZE THEIR TIME LINE AND THE COST THEM A LOT OF MONEY.
09:49:49 VERY IMPORTANT DECISION FOR THE VILLAGE.
09:49:59 >>Mayor Ribble: HOWARD, YOU HAD YOUR HAND UP.

09:50:03 >>Howard Levitan: BEFORE WE GET GOING, COULD EVERYBODY GO ON
09:50:05 MUTE?
09:50:06 WE'RE GETTING A LOT OF NOISE AND IT WAS HARD TO HEAR.
09:50:09 IT WAS HARD TO HEAR STEVE SPEAK.
09:50:11 PARTICULARLY, I THINK JIM NEEDS TO GO ON MUTE WHEN THEY ARE
09:50:18 NOT TALKING.
09:50:20 >>Mayor Ribble: YOU'RE ON MUTE, JIM WILSON.
09:50:24 OKAY.
09:50:26 WE'RE ALL SET.
09:50:27 JIM BOESCH, DID YOU WANT TO SAY SOMETHING?
09:50:30 >>Jim Boesch: I DO.
09:50:35 ONE OF THE MOST SERIOUS DECISIONS --
09:50:37 >>Mayor Ribble: JIM, WE'RE NOT READY FOR THAT.
09:50:40 CHRIS PATRICCA WILL GO NEXT AND THEN A GROUP DISCUSSION.
09:50:45 >>Jim Boesch: SO THE CONCEPT OF OUR COUNCIL MEETINGS IS WE
09:50:49 HAVE DISCUSSIONS AND THEN THE PUBLIC COMES AND TALKS AFTER.
09:50:54 >>Mayor Ribble: ARE YOU DONE, STEVE?
09:51:21 >> GOOD MORNING.
09:51:22 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO COME AND SHARE
09:51:25 THE DISTRICT'S PERSPECTIVE ON THE LOCATION OF THE SCHOOLS.
09:51:29 I WANT TO START BY TELLING YOU, I SENT YOU ALL COPIES OF MY
09:51:33 COMMENTS TODAY, SO I'M NOT GOING TO GO THROUGH THEM
09:51:36 VERBATIM.
09:51:37 I DO WANT TO STRESS THE IMPORTANCE TO THE DISTRICT OF

09:51:39 WORKING CLOSELY WITH THE VILLAGE.

09:51:40 WE WANT TO BE TRUE PARTNERS WITH YOU HERE.

09:51:43 I THINK THAT MY ATTENDANCE AT THIS MEETING THIS MORNING IS

09:51:48 REALLY EVIDENCE OF THAT.

09:51:50 I ALSO THINK IT'S UNIQUE AND I THINK IT'S UNUSUAL THAT YOU

09:51:53 WOULD BRING IN A MEMBER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OR A MEMBER OF

09:51:57 DISTRICT STAFF TO WEIGH IN SO THAT WE CAN TRULY CONTINUE

09:52:02 WITH THE PARTNERSHIP THAT WE'VE BUILT.

09:52:06 I THINK WE'RE SEEING THE COUNCIL SUPPORT FOR EDUCATION IN

09:52:09 ESTERO REALLY PAY DIVIDENDS AS OUR COMMUNITY GETS MORE

09:52:12 INVOLVED IN OUR SCHOOL.

09:52:14 I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THAT.

09:52:16 STEVE SPOKE VERY ACCURATELY WITH REGARD TO THE EDUCATION

09:52:19 VILLAGE INSIDE THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO.

09:52:23 THAT IS THE PERSPECTIVE FROM WHICH DISTRICT STAFF HAS BEEN

09:52:26 WORKING IN TERMS OF COMING UP WITH PLANS FOR THE LOCATION OF

09:52:29 MIDDLE AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS IN THE VILLAGE.

09:52:32 MANY, MANY, MANY DIFFERENT ITERATIONS OF PLANS HAVE BEEN

09:52:36 PRESENTED TO THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND WE HAVE DONE

09:52:39 EVERYTHING WITHIN OUR POWER -- OR WITHIN OUR ABILITY, I

09:52:42 SHOULD SAY, TO ACCOMMODATE REQUESTS FOR CHANGES.

09:52:46 ALL OF THAT BEING SAID, EDUCATION IS VERY UNIQUE IN THE

09:52:51 SENSE THAT THERE ARE VERY STRICT STATE REQUIREMENTS IN TERMS

09:52:54 OF HOW WE CAN BUILD A BUILDING.

09:52:56 SO, FOR EXAMPLE, WE HAVE TO HAVE A CERTAIN NUMBER OF SQUARE

09:53:00 FEET OF CLOSET SPACE IN OUR SCHOOLS.

09:53:02 I TELL YOU THAT AS AN EXAMPLE OF HOW SPECIFIC THOSE STATE

09:53:08 REQUIREMENTS ARE.

09:53:10 IN TERMS OF THE PLACEMENTS OF THE SCHOOLS, THERE ARE SOME

09:53:14 REAL POSITIVES ASSOCIATED WITH US LOCATING THOSE SCHOOLS ON

09:53:17 THE WILLIAMS ROAD SITE.

09:53:20 THE FIRST OF THE POSITIVES IS THE PLANS THAT WE ALREADY

09:53:24 HAVE.

09:53:24 WE HAVE BEEN OPERATING FOR THE PAST TWO AND A HALF YEARS,

09:53:27 THREE YEARS, UNDER THE ASSUMPTION THAT IT WAS THE VILLAGE'S

09:53:33 DESIRE FOR US TO PLACE THOSE SCHOOLS ON THE WILLIAMS ROAD

09:53:37 SITE.

09:53:38 WE HAVE PLENTY OF LAND THERE.

09:53:40 WE HAVE PLENTY OF SPACE TO BUILD TWO FULL-SIZE,

09:53:43 FULL-FUNCTIONING SCHOOLS TO INCLUDE A MIDDLE SCHOOL AND AN

09:53:48 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

09:53:48 THERE'S A TREMENDOUS OPPORTUNITY THERE FOR ESTERO HIGH

09:53:51 SCHOOL WITH REGARD TO ATHLETIC FACILITIES EQUITY.

09:53:55 WE DO HAVE A CONCERN ABOUT INGRESS AND EGRESS AT THE THREE

09:54:00 OAKS PROPERTY.

09:54:01 STEVE AND I TALKED ABOUT THIS YESTERDAY.

09:54:03 WE DO NOT HAVE TO ACCESS THE PROPERTY FROM BOTH CORKSCREW
09:54:09 AND THREE OAKS, BUT WE DO HAVE SOME CONCERNS.
09:54:13 CERTAINLY, THOSE CONCERNS CAN BE WORKED OUT THROUGH THE SITE
09:54:15 PLANNING PROCESS.
09:54:18 BUT AGAIN, THAT'S WORK THAT'S ALREADY BEEN COMPLETED ON THE

09:54:21 WILLIAMS ROAD LOCATION.
09:54:23 FINALLY, LOCATING SCHOOLS ON THE WILLIAMS ROAD PROPERTY
09:54:28 WOULD ALLOW US TO SELL THE THREE OAKS PROPERTY WHICH ALLOWS
09:54:32 US TO MAXIMIZE TAXPAYER ASSETS.

09:54:36 THOSE ARE THE REASONS FROM A DISTRICT, FROM A SCHOOL BOARD
09:54:39 MEMBER PERSPECTIVE WHY THERE ARE SOME REAL POSITIVES ON THE
09:54:45 WILLIAMS ROAD SITE.

09:54:46 I WANT TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY, THOUGH, TO ADDRESS YOU AS
09:54:49 AN ESTERO RESIDENT.

09:54:51 SINCE THIS IDEA OF AN EDUCATION VILLAGE INSIDE THE VILLAGE
09:54:56 OF ESTERO WAS FIRST PRESENTED TO ME, I HAVE ABSOLUTELY LOVED
09:54:59 THE IDEA.

09:55:00 I ABSOLUTELY LOVE THE IDEA OF FAMILIES FROM K-12 AND IN SOME
09:55:05 INSTANCES PRE-K THROUGH 12 HAVING A SPOT THAT THEY GO TO IN
09:55:09 THE VILLAGE THAT THEY BECOME USED TO, AND IT'S SO UNIQUE IN
09:55:15 THE COUNTY, IT DOESN'T EXIST ANYWHERE ELSE IN LEE COUNTY,
09:55:19 AND THE IDEA OF OVER THE LONG TERM BUILDING OUT RECREATION
09:55:24 FACILITIES IN ATHLETIC FIELDS ADJACENT TO THOSE SCHOOLS, AND
09:55:28 IT MAY BE A ROMANTIC NOTION IN MY MIND, BUT IT'S SOMETHING
09:55:32 THAT I REALLY, REALLY LOVED THE IDEA OF FROM A LONG-TERM
09:55:37 PERSPECTIVE.

09:55:38 I LOVE ESTERO.

09:55:39 I DON'T PLAN TO EVER LEAVE ESTERO.

09:55:41 I HAVE CHILDREN WHO WILL SOME DAY HAVE CHILDREN.

09:55:44 I JUST SELFISHLY WOULD PERSONALLY BENEFIT FROM THAT ON A

09:55:48 LONG-TERM BASIS.

09:55:49 AS STEVE MENTIONED, WE HAVE A TIGHT TIME LINE.

09:55:59 THE SCHOOLS NEED TO BE BUILT AND WE NEED TO BE MOVING OUR
09:56:01 FURNITURE INTO THESE SCHOOLS IN MAY OF 2023 AND OPEN TO
09:56:06 STUDENTS IN AUGUST OF 2023 THE E-MAIL I SENT YOU YESTERDAY
09:56:16 SHOWS THE TIMELINE.

09:56:16 I BELIEVE STEVE GAVE YOU THE TIMELINE AS WELL.

09:56:21 COMP PLAN AMENDMENTS ARE REQUIRED ON BOTH SITES.

09:56:23 WE WOULD ASK FOR A COMMITMENT TO ACCELERATE ANY COMP PLAN
09:56:27 CHANGE PROCESSES THAT YOU HAVE IN PLACE FOR THE WILLIAMS
09:56:31 ROAD SITE.

09:56:32 THERE WOULD ALSO BE A ZONING CHANGE THAT WE WOULD BE
09:56:35 REQUESTING AND, OF COURSE, DEVELOPMENT ORDERS WOULD BE
09:56:38 REQUIRED ON BOTH SIDES.

09:56:40 REALLY, THE BOTTOM LINE HERE IS WE WANT TO BE GOOD PARTNERS
09:56:44 WITH YOU.

09:56:44 I'M HERE TODAY TO ASK YOU TO PLEASE PROVIDE US WITH SOME
09:56:49 DIRECTION.
09:56:51 WE CERTAINLY, AGAIN, HAVE REASONS TO PREFER THE WILLIAMS
09:56:55 ROAD SITE.
09:56:56 WE CAN LIVE WITH THE THREE OAKS SITE.
09:56:58 AND IF NEITHER OF THOSE IS GOING TO WORK FOR THE COUNCIL,
09:57:02 OUR BACKUP PLAN IS TO LOOK FURTHER EAST ON CORKSCREW FOR
09:57:08 LAND BECAUSE WE'VE GOT TO BUILD SCHOOLS TO HAVE SEATS FOR
09:57:12 CHILDREN.

09:57:12 SO THOSE ARE MY PRELIMINARY COMMENTS.
09:57:15 I'M GOING TO STICK AROUND IN THE EVENT ANYONE HAS QUESTIONS
09:57:18 FOR ME.
09:57:18 >>Mayor Ribble: NICK BATOS.
09:57:22 NICK?
09:57:27 NICK, YOU'RE ON MUTE.
09:57:30 YOU HAVE YOUR HAND UP.
09:57:33 >>Nick Batos: GOOD MORNING, EVERYBODY.
09:57:34 AS PEOPLE MENTIONED, THIS IS A REALLY IMPORTANT THING FOR
09:57:40 ALL OF US FOR THE DECISION WE'LL BE MAKING TODAY.
09:57:45 IT'S SOMETHING I'VE BEEN WORKING WITH NOW FOR THE BETTER
09:57:47 PART OF THREE YEARS, EVER SINCE I BECAME THE LIAISON WITH
09:57:52 THE SCHOOLS AND LEARNED THAT THE DISTRICT WAS TO BE PUTTING
09:57:55 IN TWO MORE SCHOOLS.
09:57:57 EARLY ON IN THIS PROCESS, STAFF AND MYSELF FELT THAT THE
09:58:04 WILLIAMS ROAD AREA WAS THE PLACE TO HAVE THIS BECAUSE IT
09:58:08 COULD AFFORD US TO HAVE THIS EDUCATION VILLAGE WITHIN THE
09:58:14 VILLAGE OF ESTERO.
09:58:15 I SAW IT AS A LOT OF POSSIBILITIES AND A LOT OF UNIQUENESS
09:58:20 TO HAVING THIS TOGETHER.
09:58:24 IT WOULD ALLOW FOR A NUMBER OF SYNERGIES BEING IN THE
09:58:29 PROXIMITY OF THE PARK WHERE RIGHT NOW THE -- SCHOOL DOES USE
09:58:34 PART OF THE PARK AT TIMES.
09:58:35 BUT THE SCHOOLS COULD POSSIBLY USE THAT ALSO.
09:58:38 I ALSO REALIZE THAT ONE OF THE THINGS I EXPERIENCED IN

09:58:48 LOOKING AT THE SCHOOLS OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS IS THAT BOTH
09:58:51 THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS AND THE MIDDLE SCHOOLS ALL SEEM TO
09:58:56 HAVE PROBLEMS WITH BEING CLOSE TO ROADS AND BEING MAJOR
09:59:02 ROADS, BOTH THREE OAKS -- IN OUR CASE, BOTH THREE OAKS AND
09:59:07 CORKSCREW.
09:59:08 AND TRAFFIC BACKING UP AND CAUSING PROBLEMS ON THOSE ROADS.
09:59:16 I SAW THE POSSIBILITY OF ADDING HUNDREDS OF CARS AND TRUCKS
09:59:19 AND BUSES A DAY AS BEING POTENTIAL PROBLEMS FOR TRAFFIC.
09:59:27 I SEE THAT AS BEING A BIGGER PROBLEM ON THE THREE OAKS
09:59:32 PROPERTY.
09:59:33 I UNDERSTAND THE FACT THAT IF WE DO SELECT THE WILLIAMS ROAD
09:59:44 PROPERTY, WE'RE GOING TO LOSE EITHER A FIELD OR A HALF A

09:59:48 FIELD.
09:59:49 AND THAT CONCERNED ME BECAUSE ONE OF THE THINGS, THE HIGH
09:59:54 SCHOOL AT THIS POINT HAS ALWAYS BEEN COMMENTING ON IS THE
10:00:02 CONDITION OF THE FIELDS AND THE AVAILABILITY OF THE FIELDS
10:00:04 DEPENDING ON WEATHER.
10:00:06 I'VE SPOKEN PERSONALLY WITH THE PRINCIPAL, MIKE AMABILE.
10:00:14 AND HE IS VERY, VERY HAPPY WITH THE POSSIBILITY OF HAVING
10:00:18 THESE SCHOOLS TOGETHER AND THE POSSIBILITY OF HAVING THE
10:00:24 ATHLETIC FIELDS IMPROVED.
10:00:26 HE FEELS THAT HE'LL BE MUCH BETTER OFF WITH THE SCHOOLS ALL
10:00:32 TOGETHER THAN IF WE JUST STAYED THE WAY IT IS RIGHT NOW.
10:00:36 I THINK THAT ONE OF THE THINGS -- AND I THINK RIGHTLY SO,
10:00:45 STAFF HAD ENVISIONED A DIFFERENT PLAN THAN IS ACTUALLY NOW

10:00:54 BEING PROPOSED.
10:00:57 THE WAY IT'S TURNING OUT IS THE SCHOOL DISTRICT JUST CAN'T
10:01:01 DO IT.
10:01:04 THAT BEING SAID, I STILL FEEL THAT EVEN THOUGH IT'S NOT AS
10:01:09 GOOD AS IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN, I THINK THAT THERE ARE THINGS
10:01:13 THAT WE COULD HOPE FOR IN THE FUTURE.
10:01:15 I THINK THAT THERE ARE POSSIBILITIES OF US BUYING OR GETTING
10:01:21 THE COMMUNITY PARK.
10:01:23 THERE ARE OTHER POSSIBILITIES OF OTHER PROPERTIES THAT MAY
10:01:26 BECOME AVAILABLE AS TIME GOES BY SO THAT WE COULD ADD OTHER
10:01:30 THINGS AROUND THESE SCHOOLS.
10:01:35 I HAVE ALWAYS BEEN AND I STILL AM IN FAVOR OF THE WILLIAMS
10:01:38 ROAD PROJECT, AND WHEN IT'S APPROPRIATE, I WOULD HOPE THAT
10:01:45 WE WOULD HAVE A CONSENSUS TO RECOMMEND TO THE SCHOOL
10:01:50 DISTRICT TO BUILD THERE.
10:01:53 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
10:01:53 JIM BOESCH, YOU HAVE YOUR HAND UP NEXT.
10:01:58 >>Jim Boesch: FIRST OF ALL, I BELIEVE THIS PROBABLY WILL BE
10:02:06 ONE OF THE MORE SERIOUS CONCEPTS THAT WE HAVE DISCUSSED AT
10:02:09 THE COUNCIL AND MOST SERIOUS DECISION WE HAVE TO MAKE.
10:02:12 FIRST OF ALL, I WOULD LIKE TO DO A LITTLE HISTORY ON OUR
10:02:16 COMP PLAN, AS BOTH NICK AND HOWARD KNOWS, WE DELIVERED ABOUT
10:02:23 HALF THE COMP PLAN FROM THE ECCL AND WE INHERITED IT WHEN WE
10:02:29 FIRST STARTED, AND THERE WAS A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF WORK
10:02:32 DONE WITH THE ECCL IN ORDER TO BEGIN MAKING THE COMP PLAN IN

10:02:37 PLACE.
10:02:38 SO I THINK WE MAYBE ARE A LITTLE BIT SPOILED IN THINKING HOW
10:02:47 IMPORTANT OUR COMP PLAN IS.
10:02:49 LET'S KEEP IN MIND THAT WHEN WE PUT A COMP PLAN IN PLACE
10:02:54 THAT IS WHAT WE AGREE ARE THE PLANS TO GO FORWARD WITH OUR
10:02:57 COMMUNITY FOR THE FUTURE, NOT JUST FOR ONE OR TWO DAYS OR
10:03:01 ONE YEAR OR TWO YEARS, FOR THE FUTURE.
10:03:03 SO, PLEASE, AS WE GO FORWARD, KEEP THAT IN MIND THAT THIS

10:03:09 WILL BE A DECISION THAT WILL ULTIMATELY COME TO US TO CHANGE
10:03:15 THE COMP PLAN.
10:03:16 THAT'S ONE OF THE ITEMS THAT HAS BEEN BROUGHT UP AND HAS TO
10:03:19 BE DISCUSSED.
10:03:20 I THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT BECAUSE WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?
10:03:23 NOW, MAYBE A DEVELOPER.
10:03:24 NOW MAYBE A BUSINESSMAN.
10:03:26 AND SINCE WE START IT ONE, IT BECOMES THE NORM THAT IT'S
10:03:32 OKAY TO CHANGE THE COMP PLAN.
10:03:34 THAT'S THE FIRST THING I WANTED TO MENTION TO YOU.
10:03:36 THE COMP PLAN RIGHT NOW SHOULD BE THE CONSIDERATION THAT IS
10:03:40 OUR BIBLE HERE IN ESTERO, AND THAT'S WHAT WE GO FOR.
10:03:45 THE CONCEPT OF INTEGRATING HIGH SCHOOL WITH MIDDLE GRADE AND
10:03:53 GRAMMAR SCHOOL IS SOMETHING THAT I DON'T THINK HAS WORKED
10:03:55 OUT ANYWHERE THAT I KNOW OF.
10:03:59 IT SEEMS TO ME THAT SOME OF THE ADULT OR YOUNGER ADULT IDEAS
10:04:03 IN THE HIGH SCHOOL BROUGHT DOWN TO GRAMMAR SCHOOL AND

10:04:07 ESPECIALLY KINDERGARTEN KIDS I DON'T THINK IS PROBABLY THE
10:04:10 BEST CONCEPT THAT WE HAVE IN EDUCATION, BUT EDUCATION IS NOT
10:04:16 MY EXPERTISE.
10:04:19 FROM A STANDPOINT, I DISAGREE WITH YOU, CHRIS, AND THE
10:04:23 CONCEPT THAT WE'LL INTEGRATE ALL OF THE KIDS TOGETHER WITH
10:04:26 ALL OF THEIR IDEAS INTERMINGLING.
10:04:30 KINDERGARTEN KIDS LISTENING TO WHAT MAYBE HIGH SCHOOL KIDS
10:04:33 HAVE TO OFFER DOES NOT SEEM TO ME TO BE THE BEST WAY OF
10:04:38 MOVING FORWARD.
10:04:38 THAT'S FOR THE SCHOOL BOARD TO THINK ABOUT.
10:04:46 I BELIEVE THAT THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IS THAT WE LOOK AT
10:04:52 OUR COMP PLAN AS OUR FUTURE PLANS.
10:04:54 I DON'T THINK THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION IS LOOKING AT THIS
10:04:57 FOR FUTURE.
10:04:58 IT SEEMS TO ME WE'RE CRAMPING EVERYTHING IN ON WILLIAMS ROAD
10:05:04 WHEN WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO DO A FUTURE PLAN OF PUTTING
10:05:07 A MIDDLE SCHOOL AND A HIGH SCHOOL WELL DONE, WELL DONE, NOT
10:05:13 CRAMPING EVERYTHING INTO IT, AND USING THE HIGH SCHOOL
10:05:17 FACILITY AS A GRAMMAR SCHOOL ENTITY, WHICH PLANS FOR THE
10:05:26 FUTURE.
10:05:26 LIVING ON CORKSCREW ROAD, WE ALL KNOW FROM 8:00 TO ACTUALLY
10:05:31 7:30 TO ACTUALLY ALL THE KIDS GET IN SCHOOL AND AT 2:00, IF
10:05:36 YOU LIVE ON CORKSCREW ROAD, YOU'LL FIND THERE IS A BACKUP AT
10:05:40 LEAST A MILE, MILE AND A HALF.
10:05:42 THAT MEANS THAT THERE'S 1100 OR SO STUDENTS AT PINECREST --

10:05:52 PINEWOODS AND ORIGINALLY SET UP FOR 650 STUDENTS.
10:05:57 THERE'S ALREADY IN EXCESS OF 500, 600 STUDENTS AT PINEWOODS
10:06:02 THAT HAVE TO BE ADDRESSED.
10:06:04 WE KNOW THAT IN THE FUTURE THERE'S GOING TO BE FOUR, FIVE

10:06:08 THOUSAND HOUSES EAST OF BELLA TERRA.
10:06:13 THAT MEANS THERE WILL BE MORE AND MORE CHILDREN THAT ARE
10:06:16 GOING THERE, ESPECIALLY GRAMMAR SCHOOLKIDS.
10:06:19 MY GUESS IS IN THE FUTURE THEY'LL HAVE TO BUILD A GRAMMAR
10:06:25 SCHOOL -- CORKSCREW ROAD.
10:06:26 BUT HOW DOES THIS ADDRESS THE FACT THAT WE ARE GOING TO CRAM
10:06:30 THE KIDS INTO SCHOOL AND THEN SOMEDAY GO TO SCHOOL, MAYBE
10:06:34 WHO KNOWS WHAT OUT EAST.
10:06:37 IT SEEMS TO ME IF I WERE PLANNING, I WOULD SAY WE SHOULD BE
10:06:40 LOOKING FOR THE FUTURE.
10:06:41 WE HAVE FUTURE IN PUTTING IN MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL
10:06:49 OVER IN THE OTHER PLACE AND GRAMMAR SCHOOL ON WILLIAMS ROAD
10:06:55 WHICH GIVES US PLENTY OF PLANNING FUTURE FOR THE SCHOOLS.
10:06:58 AGAIN, THAT'S UP TO THE SCHOOLS.
10:07:01 I WANT TO KEEP IN MIND THAT THE MONEY COMES UP ON THIS THING
10:07:06 HERE.
10:07:06 WE INSTITUTED A ONE-HALF SALES TAX IN THE COUNTY TO BUILD
10:07:11 SCHOOLS.
10:07:12 I DON'T THINK WE SHOULD BE TALKING ABOUT MONEY IN THIS
10:07:15 PARTICULAR CASE.
10:07:17 THE PROPERTY ON THREE OAKS IS FULLY VESTED IN WETLANDS.

10:07:29 AND FORTUNATELY, THE SCHOOLS HAVE GONE THROUGH THE CORPS AND
10:07:34 THROUGH SOUTHWEST FLORIDA MANAGEMENT AND GOTTEN EXCEPTIONS
10:07:37 TO THE PERMITS.
10:07:38 BUT SELLING THAT PROPERTY TO ANYBODY OUTSIDE OF THE SCHOOLS
10:07:43 IS GOING TO BE A MAJOR, MAJOR PROBLEM.
10:07:48 THEY'LL HAVE TO GO -- ARE THEY GOING TO ALLOW APARTMENTS,
10:07:54 ARE THEY GOING TO ALLOW BUSINESSES ON A PIECE OF PROPERTY
10:07:58 70 ACRES, ALMOST TOTALLY WETLANDS?
10:08:00 I DON'T THINK SO.
10:08:00 WOULD ALMOST BE A WASTE OF THINKING IF WE DON'T PUT A SCHOOL
10:08:06 THERE, THAT PROPERTY WILL HAVE SOMETHING TO GO.
10:08:10 THAT'S ANOTHER THING THAT SHOULD BE BROUGHT UP.
10:08:13 I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO THINK ABOUT THIS.
10:08:15 THE FINAL DECISION WILL BE WHEN THIS COMES TO US, IF THE
10:08:20 DESIGN REVIEW OR IF THE PLANNING AND ZONING AGREES TO THIS
10:08:26 HERE, THE FINAL DECISION IS, ARE WE GOING TO ALLOW TO MAKE
10:08:30 CHANGES IN THE COMP PLAN?
10:08:32 AND THAT'S THE SERIOUS CONSIDERATION THAT WE HAVE NOW.
10:08:34 I DON'T BELIEVE THAT CRAMPING ALL THESE SCHOOLS TOGETHER
10:08:39 WHEN YOU CAN HAVE A BETTER PLAN.
10:08:43 WE LOOK AT ESTERO TO BE THE TOWN OF THE FUTURE.
10:08:48 WOULDNT IT BE NICE TO HAVE A BEAUTIFUL HIGH SCHOOL AND
10:08:51 MIDDLE SCHOOL ON THREE OAKS?
10:08:54 A NICE GRAMMAR SCHOOL THAT SHOWS FUTURE ON WILLIAMS ROAD.
10:09:02 SEEMS TO ME THAT'S THE PLANNING WE SHOULD BE THINKING ABOUT

10:09:05 AS COUNCIL PEOPLE IS HOW WE'RE GOING INTO THE FUTURE.
10:09:08 I BELIEVE IF THE PLAN THAT WE'RE GOING TO GO THROUGH THIS
10:09:12 WHOLE THING IS GOING TO TAKE A MUCH LONGER TIME, WE HAVE TO
10:09:16 MAKE A CHANGE IN THE COMP PLAN, AND I THINK WE ALL HAVE TO
10:09:19 THINK ABOUT THIS SERIOUSLY, DO WE WANT IN THE FIRST FIVE
10:09:25 YEARS AS COUNCIL WANT TO START MAKING CHANGES TO THE COMP
10:09:28 PLAN?
10:09:28 THOSE ARE THE THOUGHTS THAT I HAVE.
10:09:31 >>Mayor Ribble: THANK YOU, JIM.
10:09:32 HOWARD?
10:09:35 >>Howard Levitan: I HAD A COUPLE OF THINGS TO SAY ABOUT WHAT
10:09:38 JIM JUST SAID, BECAUSE I'VE LOOKED PRETTY EXTENSIVELY AT THE
10:09:43 COMP PLAN, AND I BELIEVE THAT IF WE STUCK TO THE WILLIAMS
10:09:47 ROAD SITE, WE WOULD BE DOING EXACTLY WHAT THE COMP PLAN
10:09:51 CURRENTLY SAYS WITH RESPECT TO PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITIES.
10:09:55 THERE'S A WHOLE ELEMENT IN THE COMP PLAN ABOVE PUBLIC SCHOOL
10:09:59 FACILITIES AND IT TALKS COMPLETELY ABOUT CO-LOCATION OF
10:10:02 FACILITIES IN AREAS THAT THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT DETERMINES,
10:10:08 AND THEN GIVES US THE ABILITY AS PART OF THE COMP PLAN TO
10:10:13 CO-LOCATE RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AROUND THAT AREA IF WE
10:10:17 CHOOSE TO IN COORDINATION WITH THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.
10:10:21 THAT'S POINT NUMBER ONE.
10:10:22 I DON'T BELIEVE THAT A COMP PLAN DEALING WITH LAND USE
10:10:27 PLANNING WILL CHANGE THAT ELEMENT WITH RESPECT TO PUBLIC
10:10:32 SCHOOLS OTHER THAN TO CHANGE ZONING ON ONE OR BOTH OF THESE

10:10:37 SITES.
10:10:37 SO THAT'S POINT ONE.
10:10:39 POINT TWO IS, I DO NOT -- THIS IS RESPONDING TO STEVE, I
10:10:44 GUESS.
10:10:44 I DON'T KNOW WHY WE'RE TRYING TO SECOND-GUESS THE SCHOOL
10:10:47 DEPARTMENT.
10:10:48 IF THEIR NUMBER ONE CHOICE IS THE WILLIAMS ROAD SITE, I
10:10:51 THINK WE SHOULD ALLOW THAT.
10:10:57 TO ME, WE DON'T KNOW A WHOLE LOT ABOUT ALL OF THE
10:11:00 CONSIDERATIONS THAT GO INTO SCHOOL SITING AND SECURITY AND
10:11:04 TO TRY TO SECOND-GUESS THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT ON ISSUES LIKE
10:11:08 WHETHER YOU HAVE A CHAIN-LINK FENCE OR A WALL SEEMS TO ME TO
10:11:12 BE BEYOND OUR DISCRETION.
10:11:15 AND I WOULD NOT DO THAT.
10:11:19 THE THIRD COMMENT IS, WITH RESPECT TO THE THREE OAKS SITE, I
10:11:23 DON'T KNOW HOW THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT GOT THAT WETLANDS
10:11:27 APPROVAL THROUGH SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT OR THE ARMY
10:11:30 CORPS OF ENGINEERS OTHER THAN TO SUPPOSE THAT BACK IN 2004,
10:11:37 IT WAS A LOT EASIER THAN IT WILL BE UNDER THE CURRENT
10:11:40 REGIME.
10:11:43 IF WE HAD TO REZONE OR WE WERE ASKED TO DO A COMP PLAN
10:11:48 AMENDMENT IN THE FUTURE TO REZONE THE THREE OAKS SITE FOR

10:11:52 MULTIFAMILY APARTMENTS, BELIEVE ME, THAT WOULD BE THE
10:11:56 HARDEST REZONING THAT ANYBODY EVER ASKED US TO DO.
10:12:00 WE HAVE PLENTY OF WAYS TO BOTH PROTECT THE WETLANDS AND TO

10:12:07 MAKE SURE THAT ANY DEVELOPMENT WOULD BE A SOUND DEVELOPMENT
10:12:12 FOR THE VILLAGE.
10:12:13 WHAT I DON'T UNDERSTAND IS WHY WE WOULDN'T WANT TO HAVE A
10:12:18 FULL CAMPUS AT THE WILLIAMS ROAD SITE.
10:12:23 WE CAN HELP THEM BY BUYING PROPERTY AROUND THAT AND TO
10:12:29 HELPING WITH GETTING THE COUNTY TO UTILIZE SOME OF THE
10:12:33 FACILITIES AT THE REC CENTER FOR CO-LOCATING WITH THE
10:12:38 SCHOOLS.
10:12:39 BUT I DON'T THINK WE HAVE TO TRY TO MAKE A SITE THAT IS
10:12:46 OBVIOUSLY A WETLAND INTO EITHER A SCHOOL OR A MULTIFAMILY
10:12:52 DEVELOPMENT.
10:12:52 I JUST DON'T THINK IT'S THE RIGHT WAY TO GO, AND YOU WOULD
10:12:56 NOT HAVE MY CONSENSUS ON THAT IF WE CHOSE TO GO WITH IT, IF
10:13:00 YOU GUYS CHOSE TO GO TO THE THREE OAKS SITE.
10:13:04 THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY.
10:13:05 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
10:13:06 ANYONE ELSE?
10:13:08 WE HAVEN'T HEARD FROM KATY OR JON.
10:13:12 KATY, ARE YOU UP?
10:13:13 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: I'M UP.
10:13:14 I THOUGHT A LOT ABOUT THIS AND I TALKED TO CHRIS ABOUT IT.
10:13:22 AS A FORMER TEACHER, EDUCATOR, SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR, MY
10:13:27 HEART IS IN THE PLACE OF SERVING STUDENTS.
10:13:30 IT'S IN THE PLACE OF SERVING THE RESIDENTS OF ESTERO FOR
10:13:33 WHICH WE ALL ARE NOW DOING ON THE COUNCIL.

10:13:37 MY CONCERN IS THAT, HAS THE LEE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD EVER
10:13:47 THOUGHT ABOUT DONATING THE THREE OAKS PROPERTY TO THE
10:13:50 VILLAGE?
10:13:51 AND LET THE VILLAGE HELP WITH THE -- YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT
10:13:56 ACREAGE OVER ON THE WILLIAMS ROAD PARCEL.
10:14:03 WE COULD TAKE THAT LAND AND MAKE FIELDS, FACILITIES FOR THE
10:14:11 STUDENTS.
10:14:11 WE COULD MAKE IT A PARK AND NOT GET INVOLVED IN THE
10:14:17 INGRESS/EGRESS THE WAY WE'RE LOOKING AT NOW WITH THE THREE
10:14:21 OAKS PARCEL.
10:14:22 BUT I DON'T KNOW IF THAT'S EVER BEEN DISCUSSED.
10:14:25 WE NEED THAT PARCEL.
10:14:30 THREE OAKS IS NEEDED TO MAKE UP THE GREENSPACE THAT WE NEED
10:14:37 IN ESTERO.
10:14:39 THE WETLANDS DO POSE A PROBLEM.
10:14:44 I AM CONCERNED ABOUT SAFETY.
10:14:46 SO WE NEED TO ADDRESS THE FACT THAT ON THE SAFETY ISSUE WITH
10:14:50 THE PARKLAND -- THAT CAME ABOUT AFTER THE PARKLAND SHOOTINGS

10:14:57 AND VISUALLY LOOK AT THE DIFFERENT SCHOOLS THERE, THE TWO
10:15:01 SCHOOLS, THE ELEMENTARY AND THE THREE OAKS OR THE ELEMENTARY
10:15:07 AND THE MIDDLE SCHOOL WITH FENCES AROUND THEM.
10:15:11 THAT CHANGES A LOT OF WHAT WE WERE TALKING ABOUT ORIGINALLY
10:15:17 BECAUSE SAFETY, SAFETY, SAFETY IS THE NUMBER ONE CONCERN.
10:15:20 I'M LOOKING AT THE OVERLAY FOR THE PARCEL.
10:15:27 IT LOOKS LIKE THE SCHOOL BOARD BOUGHT A COUPLE OF PARCELS OF

10:15:35 LAND, AND ONE WILL BE USED FOR WATER RETENTION.
10:15:42 SO THE THOUGHTS ARE -- I AGREE WITH COUNCIL MEMBER BOESCH.
10:15:51 THIS IS A VOLUMINOUS DECISION THAT WE HAVE TO MAKE, AND IT'S
10:15:57 -- AND IT CONCERNS ME DEEPLY WITH THE TRAFFIC AND EVERYTHING
10:16:03 THAT WE WILL BE FACED WITH IN THE FUTURE NO MATTER WHERE THE
10:16:06 LOCATION IS.

10:16:08 BUT I THINK IT WOULD BE PRUDENT IF WE HAD -- I DON'T FEEL
10:16:13 COMFORTABLE RIGHT NOW -- WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THIS AND THAT,
10:16:21 BUT WE HAVEN'T -- A FEW OF YOU HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO
10:16:24 SIT DOWN WITH THE SUPERINTENDENT AND TALK.

10:16:27 I WOULD LOVE TO HAVE THAT OPPORTUNITY.

10:16:30 I WOULD LOVE TO BE ABLE TO HEAR WHAT -- MAYBE SOME DIALOGUE
10:16:37 THERE.

10:16:38 I WANT TO HEAR MORE.

10:16:39 IF YOU FEEL COMFORTABLE WITH THAT, A COUPLE OF YOU SEEM LIKE
10:16:42 YOU DO FEEL COMFORTABLE WITH THAT.

10:16:46 WE NEED GREENSPACE IN ESTERO, AND WE CAN DO MORE TO HELP
10:16:52 WITH BALL FIELDS AND EVEN SOMETHING LIKE THREE OAKS WOULD
10:16:56 HELP US TO HELP THE SCHOOL SYSTEM AND ALSO HELP US TO HELP
10:16:59 THE RESIDENTS OF ESTERO WITH TRAILS AND SOME OF THE CIP
10:17:03 THINGS WE WOULD BE TALKING ABOUT TODAY.

10:17:08 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.

10:17:09 IS THAT IT, KATY?

10:17:10 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: THAT'S IT.

10:17:11 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.

10:17:11 WE HAVEN'T HEARD FROM JIM WILSON OR JON McLAIN YET.

10:17:16 JIM WILSON?

10:17:21 JON McLAIN IS ON THE PHONE.

10:17:23 >> EXCUSE ME, IT IS CAROL.

10:17:24 I DON'T KNOW IS ON THE PHONE WITH ME.

10:17:27 HE'S HAVING THE SAME ISSUE AS WILSON.

10:17:30 WE CAN'T SEEM TO GET HIS SCREEN UP.

10:17:32 I'M WORKING WITH HIM ON THAT.

10:17:35 IF KYLE CAN UNMUTE HIM, HE WOULD BE ABLE TO TALK AND YOU'LL
10:17:39 BE ABLE TO HEAR HIM.

10:17:40 KYLE, ARE YOU UNABLE TO UNMUTE HIM FROM DOWN STAIRS?

10:17:45 >> HE'S WORKING ON IT.

10:17:46 KYLE IS WORKING ON IT.

10:17:52 >> OKAY.

10:17:53 THANK YOU.
10:17:53 >>Mayor Ribble: HOW ABOUT JIM WILSON?
10:17:59 >>Jim Wilson: CAN YOU HEAR ME?
10:18:01 >>Mayor Ribble: YOU'RE ON, JIM.
10:18:02 >>Jim Wilson: VERY COMPLICATED ISSUE.
10:18:04 I'VE READ WITH INTEREST THE STAFF REPORT, INCLUDING STEVE --
10:18:12 WELL, THE WHOLE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION THAT THE SCHOOLS BE
10:18:15 LOCATED AT THE THREE OAKS SITE.
10:18:19 I'M CONCERNED THAT SOME OF THE VERY SYNERGIES THAT I SAW IN
10:18:27 A PLAN THAT STEVE DID ABOUT A YEAR AND A HALF AGO ARE GONE.
10:18:31 THE WHOLE SAFETY ISSUE THAT TAKES THEM AWAY.

10:18:35 WE'RE GOING TO CREATE THREE CAMPUSES, ALL WILL HAVE TO BE
10:18:40 SEPARATE FOR SECURITY REASONS.
10:18:43 I THINK THAT KIND OF PUSHES ME TOWARDS SAYING THAT I WOULD
10:18:49 HOPE THAT THE SCHOOL DISTRICT WOULD GO AHEAD WITH THE THREE
10:18:56 OAKS SITE.
10:18:59 IT'S ALSO INTERESTING TO ME THAT WITH THE CHANGE IN THE
10:19:04 COUNCIL THAT WILL OCCUR ABOUT A YEAR FROM TODAY THAT THERE
10:19:09 ARE FOUR OF US HERE ON THIS CALL THAT WILL BE INVOLVED IN
10:19:12 THE REZONING AND IN THE COMP PLAN AND ET CETERA.
10:19:16 SO I THINK -- I'M NOT SAYING THAT OUR OPINION WEIGHS ANY
10:19:22 HEAVIER THAN ANYBODY ELSE'S, BUT I REALLY LIKE KATY'S IDEA
10:19:28 ABOUT THE SCHOOL BOARD DONATING THE SITE TO THE VILLAGE IF
10:19:32 WE WERE TO LEAVE EVERYTHING OVER THERE, BECAUSE THEN ANY OF
10:19:35 THE CONCERNS RELATED TO THE AMOUNT OF GREENSPACE AND
10:19:38 RECREATIONAL FIELDS COULD BE SOLVED SINCE WE DON'T HAVE A
10:19:45 PARKS DEPARTMENT.
10:19:46 THE PARKS DEPARTMENT IS US, SO THAT THEN WE COULD SOLVE
10:19:49 THAT.
10:19:50 SO FOR THE SHORT HAUL, COUNT ME ON THE THREE OAKS SITE.
10:19:57 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
10:19:58 JON McLAIN?
10:20:07 >> IF KYLE CAN'T UNMUTE HIM, HE'S NOT GOING TO BE ABLE TO
10:20:12 TALK.
10:20:33 >>Jon McLain: OKAY.
10:20:34 GOOD.

10:20:35 I MISSED A LITTLE BIT TRYING TO GET BACK ON HERE.
10:20:39 BUT I GOT THE GIST OF MOST OF THE CONVERSATION HERE.
10:20:44 OBVIOUSLY, I'M GOING TO BE AROUND HERE FOR A WHILE.
10:20:48 I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR EDUCATION IS WELL.
10:20:52 I APPRECIATE CHRIS BEING HERE.
10:20:54 WE'RE ALL IN SUPPORT OF INCREASING OUR SCHOOL SYSTEM SO THAT
10:20:59 WE CAN ACCOMMODATE THE POPULATION GROWTH THAT WE HAVE NOW
10:21:01 AND GOING INTO THE FUTURE.
10:21:04 SO I'M VERY MUCH IN SUPPORT OF WHATEVER WAY WE DECIDE ON
10:21:09 THIS IS TO SUPPORT MOVING THIS FORWARD AND THE TIMETABLE

10:21:13 THAT'S GOING TO BE REQUIRED SO WE CAN OPEN THESE SCHOOLS UP
10:21:16 IN SEPTEMBER OF 2023.
10:21:19 HAVING SAID THAT, THIS IS A MONUMENTAL DECISION, I THINK,
10:21:24 FOR US.
10:21:25 WE'VE HAD LOTS OF DECISIONS.
10:21:27 WE HAVE A GREAT VILLAGE CONCEPT THAT WE'VE BEEN WORKING ON,
10:21:32 AND THIS PARCEL ALONG VIA COCONUT AND WILLIAMS IS A
10:21:37 STRATEGIC PART OF WHAT ESTERO IS GOING TO BE NOW AND INTO
10:21:41 THE LONG FUTURE.
10:21:42 WE DON'T KNOW WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN WITH ALL THE PARCELS
10:21:47 THAT SURROUND VIA COCONUT, CORKSCREW AND 41 AND ALL OF THAT.
10:21:53 BUT WE TALKED FOR MANY YEARS, THE YEARS I'VE BEEN AROUND,
10:21:56 ABOUT A VILLAGE CENTER AND BEING ABLE TO MAKE SURE THAT
10:21:59 ESTERO IS A WALKABLE, BIKEABLE, VERY FRIENDLY OUTDOOR AREA,
10:22:06 LOOKING HOPEFULLY TO THE RAILROAD SOMEDAY FOR BICYCLING AND

10:22:10 THE LIKE.
10:22:11 I LOOK AT THIS LAND ON THE VIA COCONUT, WILLIAMS AS A
10:22:15 CRITICAL PART OF WHO ESTERO IS GOING TO BE IN THE FUTURE.
10:22:18 NOW, HAVING SAID THAT, I'M IN SUPPORT OF THE SCHOOLS, AS I
10:22:23 SAID.
10:22:24 I'M CONCERNED ABOUT THE WILLIAMS ROAD SCHOOL SITE.
10:22:27 ONE, IT'S 15 ACRES.
10:22:29 CHRIS HAD INDICATED THAT'S ADEQUATE.
10:22:34 WHEN I LOOK AT THE FOOTPRINT THERE THAT I SEE, THERE ARE A
10:22:36 LOT OF THINGS I DON'T LIKE ABOUT IT.
10:22:39 ONE OF THEM BEING LITTLE RECREATION FIELD SURROUNDED BY
10:22:44 BUSES GOING IN THERE.
10:22:45 THAT LOOKS TO ME LIKE A SAFETY ISSUE ABOUT READY TO HAPPEN
10:22:48 FOR CHILDREN TRYING TO PLAY IN THAT AREA WITH BUSES LINING
10:22:52 UP, WITH PARENTS PICKING UP.
10:22:53 IT DOESN'T LOOK LIKE THERE'S ADEQUATE SPACE THERE TO PUT
10:22:57 BOTH OF THOSE SCHOOLS ONTO THAT SITE.
10:23:01 THE OTHER AREA THAT I'M CONCERNED WITH, WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE
10:23:05 CONCEPT OF THE VILLAGE, OF THE VILLAGE CENTER AND THE LIKE,
10:23:08 IF YOU LOOK AT THE CURRENT ESTERO REC CENTER, IT FLOWS
10:23:13 BEAUTIFULLY INTO THAT AVAILABLE PROPERTY FROM THERE ALL THE
10:23:16 WAY DOWN TO WILLIAMS ROAD ABUTTING VIA COCONUT.
10:23:19 WHEN YOU STICK THE SCHOOLS IN THERE, ALL OF A SUDDEN IT
10:23:23 ABUTS AND CHANGES THE FLOW IN THERE I THINK PRETTY
10:23:26 DRAMATICALLY WITH TWO ROADS GOING IN THERE, AND I THINK IT

10:23:30 AFFECTS THE USABILITY OF THAT PROPERTY INTO THE FUTURE, AND
10:23:35 I THINK THAT'S GOING TO AFFECT THE WHOLE IDEA OF ESTERO
10:23:41 BEING A WONDERFUL PLACE TO LIVE IN AND EXERCISE AND THE
10:23:44 LIKE.
10:23:45 SO I THINK IT JAMS INTO THAT LITTLE CORNER, BUT IT IMPACTS
10:23:49 THE WHOLE FLOW.

10:23:50 THE OTHER AREA THAT IS OF CONCERN IS THERE ARE NEIGHBORS
10:23:56 THAT ARE NOT AWARE THE SCHOOL WOULD BE IN THERE, FOUR, FIVE,
10:24:00 SIX HOMES THERE, NOT A LOT, BUT THOSE FOUR OR FIVE HOMES ARE
10:24:03 GOING TO BE IMPACTED VERY SIGNIFICANTLY BY THE BUS TRAFFIC
10:24:07 THAT'S GOING TO BE LINED UP THERE, PROBABLY WITH THEIR
10:24:09 DIESEL ENGINES RUNNING.
10:24:11 THAT'S AN IMPACT THAT I DON'T PARTICULARLY LIKE.
10:24:15 I DO THINK ALSO THAT FROM AN ARCHITECTURAL STANDPOINT, THE
10:24:23 SCHOOL SYSTEM HAS THEIR PLANS FOR ARCHITECTURAL AND IT
10:24:29 DOESN'T NECESSARILY FIT WITH WHAT WE'VE GOT, IF THAT'S GOING
10:24:32 TO BE OUR VILLAGE CENTER, WOULDN'T IT BE NICE TO HAVE
10:24:36 EVERYTHING TO BE LINED UP THE WAY WE'VE GOT THE
10:24:41 MEDITERRANEAN LOOK GOING RIGHT NOW.
10:24:43 I DON'T BELIEVE THAT SCHOOL SYSTEM, THE WAY IT IS RIGHT NOW,
10:24:45 THE SCHOOL PLACEMENT IS GOING TO FIT INTO THAT.
10:24:47 I'M NOT REALLY IN FAVOR OF THAT LOCATION FOR CRAMMING THAT
10:24:53 IN.
10:24:54 THE OTHER SITUATION IS, AND I'VE NOT TALKED LIKE NICK HAS TO
10:24:57 THE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL, BUT WHEN I LOOK AT IT, IF THERE'S

10:25:00 GOING TO BE A TURF IMPROVEMENT ON THE FOOTBALL FIELD FOR THE
10:25:04 HIGH SCHOOL, THAT'S GOING TO BE HELPFUL BECAUSE THEY CAN USE
10:25:06 IT YEAR ROUND, BUT IT STILL ALSO CUTS THE ACTIVITY
10:25:11 OPPORTUNITIES FOR OPEN FIELDS FOR A LOT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL
10:25:14 STUDENTS THAT ARE IN THERE NOW FOR LIKE ROTC AND BAND
10:25:18 PRACTICE AND THE LIKE.
10:25:19 I THINK WE'RE CUTTING INTO THAT OPPORTUNITY THAT GIVES
10:25:23 CHILDREN MORE THAN JUST EDUCATION BUT BROADENING THEIR
10:25:28 SHOTS.
10:25:29 BY PUSHING THESE TWO SCHOOLS INTO A 15-ACRE SITE JUST
10:25:33 DOESN'T -- IT DOESN'T WORK WELL WITH ME.
10:25:35 THE THREE OAKS SITE, NOT PERFECT BECAUSE OF THE WETLANDS,
10:25:38 AND I'M SENSITIVE TO THAT, BUT I THINK WE CAN REMEDIATE THAT
10:25:42 AND COME UP WITH A CONCLUSION.
10:25:44 I JUST THINK FOR THE FUTURE OF ESTERO, AND WHAT WE'RE TRYING
10:25:53 TO CREATE AS A VILLAGE, THAT THIS MAKES BETTER SENSE FOR US
10:25:57 TO PLACE THESE TWO SCHOOLS OVER ON THE THREE OAKS SITE AND
10:26:00 WORK WITH THEM TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN AS QUICKLY AS THEY NEED
10:26:03 FOR THIS TIMETABLE.
10:26:04 THAT'S ALL OF MY COMMENTS.
10:26:06 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
10:26:07 THE NICE THING IS, I'LL GO LAST.
10:26:09 I'M NOT GOING TO DO A FILIBUSTER.
10:26:11 I'M JUST GOING TO TELL YOU, QUITE FRANKLY, HOW I GOT
10:26:15 INVOLVED IN THIS.

10:26:16 DR. ADKINS ASKED ME, STEVE, AND MARY GIBBS TO COME UP AND
10:26:20 MEET WITH HIM.

10:26:21 WE MET WITH HIM AT 1:00 ON MARCH THE 11th.
10:26:24 I WENT IN THERE VERY NEUTRAL ON THE WHOLE SITUATION, BECAUSE
10:26:27 I'M NOT GOING TO FALL ON MY SWORD ONE WAY OR THE OTHER ON
10:26:31 THE ISSUE.
10:26:31 BUT THAT DR. ADKINS WAS EMPHATIC THAT HE WANTS THIS PROJECT
10:26:36 TO BE ON WILLIAMS ROAD, AND HE WANTS IT FOR PRUDENT REASONS
10:26:40 AND FOR ECONOMICAL REASONS AND FOR COST REASONS.
10:26:44 HE HAD THE WHOLE GAME PLAN THERE.
10:26:47 HE HAD HIS CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER THERE EXPLAIN THE WHOLE
10:26:51 CONCEPT ON THE STREET.
10:26:52 HE ALSO HAD A STATE CONTRACTOR THERE WHO EXPLAINED HOW
10:26:56 EVERYTHING WOULD WORK WITH THE REWORKING OF THE FIELDS.
10:26:59 SO THE FIRST TIME, THE FOOTBALL FIELD WOULD BE THE SACRED
10:27:05 COW FOR THE FOOTBALL TEAM BUT EVERYONE COULD USE THE FIELD.
10:27:08 THE MARCHING BAND, FOOTBALL TEAM, SOCCER TEAM, ON AND ON.
10:27:12 HE WENT THROUGH THE WHOLE SCENARIO WITH US.
10:27:15 WHEN I LEFT THERE, I WAS TOTALLY IN SUPPORT OF HIS REQUEST
10:27:19 THAT WE SUPPORT THIS PROJECT.
10:27:21 NOW WHERE IT WINDS UP, WE'RE NOT GOING TO DO A VOTE TODAY.
10:27:25 WE'LL HAVE THIS AT ANOTHER COUNCIL MEETING FOR THE VOTE, BUT
10:27:29 I WOULD LIKE TO GET AN IDEA OF CONSENSUS.
10:27:32 I THINK WE ALREADY PRETTY MUCH HAVE AN IDEA OF CONSENSUS OR
10:27:36 NOT HAVE A CONSENSUS FOR THE WILLIAMS ROAD, BUT DOES ANYBODY

10:27:43 WANT TO MAKE A MOTION OR A COMMENT?
10:27:52 NICK.
10:27:53 >>Nick Batos: I STILL WOULD LIKE TO JUST ADDRESS ONE THING
10:27:57 THAT WAS BROUGHT UP THAT JON BROUGHT UP AND YOU MENTIONED
10:28:02 ALSO.
10:28:02 THE PRINCIPAL IN HIS COMMENTS TO ME FELT THAT HE WOULD BE
10:28:08 FAR BETTER, AND THERE WOULD BE FAR MORE FIELDS AVAILABLE TO
10:28:11 THE DIFFERENT GROUPS BY HAVING THIS PROGRAM AND THE UPGRADE
10:28:17 THAN THEY HAVE NOW AND THAN THEY WOULD HAVE, IF THOSE
10:28:20 SCHOOLS ARE BUILT THERE.
10:28:24 I UNDERSTAND IT'S A DIFFICULT SITUATION.
10:28:27 IT'S NOT IDEAL, BUT I THINK IT'S STILL THE BEST THING FOR
10:28:29 THE VILLAGE, AND I WOULD LIKE TO SEE IF THERE IS CONSENSUS
10:28:35 TO GO TO THAT PROPERTY.
10:28:36 >>Mayor Ribble: JIM, YOU HAVE A COMMENT, BOESCH?
10:28:39 >>Jim Boesch: YES, I DO.
10:28:41 I THINK EVERYBODY ON THE COUNCIL HAS HEARD FROM ED WAIL.
10:28:45 THEY HAVE A TERRIFIC SOCCER PROGRAM, ESPECIALLY WITH THE
10:28:47 GIRLS, ALMOST FINISHING IN THE STATE.
10:28:49 THEY DON'T EVEN HAVE A FIELD FOR THEM TO PLAY.
10:28:51 PROVIDE ME WITH A FIELD.
10:28:56 THIS IS A HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM.
10:28:58 WHO IS KIDDING WHO?
10:29:00 I THINK MAYBE THE PRINCIPAL IS BEING DIRECTED BY THE

10:29:05 OLD-SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION, AND I UNDERSTAND THAT.

10:29:08 BUT LET'S BE HONEST ABOUT THIS WHOLE THING.
10:29:11 WE'RE CRAMPING THIS WHOLE THING IN TOGETHER.
10:29:18 LET'S BE REALISTIC ABOUT THIS CONCEPT.
10:29:22 IN TEN YEARS, THEY ARE GOING TO BE LOOKING FOR MORE ROOM FOR
10:29:25 THE SCHOOLS.
10:29:27 THEY NEED MORE ROOM FOR GRAMMAR SCHOOLS.
10:29:29 THEY'VE GOT IT AT WILLIAMS ROAD.
10:29:30 THEY NEED MORE ROOM FOR MIDDLE SCHOOLS, THEY'VE GOT IT ON
10:29:34 THREE OAKS.
10:29:38 THE HIGH SCHOOL, IF IT'S BUILT PROPERLY, ALL BUILT FOR THAT
10:29:42 AREA.
10:29:42 IT IS A SIMPLE SOLUTION.
10:29:44 THE MAIN THING IS, THAT PROPERTY IS GOING TO STAY FALLOW
10:29:51 FOREVER BECAUSE IT'S WETLANDS.
10:29:53 UNFORTUNATELY -- I MEAN, FORTUNATELY FOR THE SCHOOL, THEY'VE
10:29:54 GOT THE PERMITS TO GO AHEAD AND PUT SCHOOLS THERE.
10:29:56 BY THE WAY, IF IT'S SCHOOL PROPERTY, WHY ARE WE TALKING
10:30:00 ABOUT THEM GIVING US ANOTHER PIECE OF PROPERTY?
10:30:05 BECAUSE NOBODY ELSE IS GOING TO BE ABLE TO DO ANYTHING WITH
10:30:08 IT, INCLUDING US.
10:30:09 IT'S WETLANDS.
10:30:10 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
10:30:11 ANY OTHER COMMENTS ON THIS ISSUE?
10:30:18 KATY.
10:30:18 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: I AM AN ADVOCATE FOR THEM GIVING IT

10:30:20 TO US.
10:30:21 WE COULD MAKE A PARK OUT OF IT, COUNCIL MEMBER BOESCH, AND
10:30:25 WE COULD DO BALL FIELDS.
10:30:28 WE COULD DO A LOT OF THINGS FOR EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES.
10:30:33 WE COULD MAKE THAT A REAL PLUS AREA AND ALSO HAVE IT FIT IN
10:30:36 WITH THE CITIZENS.
10:30:37 IT COULD BE A GIFT, AND WE COULD TAKE THAT AND UTILIZE IT
10:30:40 AND MAKE IT A BENEFIT TO THE SCHOOL.
10:30:43 I DON'T SEE HOW YOU COULD SAY IT WOULD BE WORTHLESS VALUE TO
10:30:49 THE VILLAGE.
10:30:50 IT WOULD BE IMMENSE VALUE TO THE VILLAGE TO HAVE 76 ACRES OF
10:30:55 GREENSPACE AND TO USE THAT, UTILIZE IT FOR THE BENEFIT OF
10:30:58 THE STUDENTS.
10:31:02 THERE ARE THE SOCCER FIELDS, THE BASEBALL FIELDS.
10:31:04 THERE ARE ALL KINDS OF FIELDS THERE THAT COULD BE DEVELOPED.
10:31:07 I'M KIND OF IN DISAGREEMENT WITH THAT, BUT THOSE ARE MY
10:31:12 FEELINGS.
10:31:14 >>Mayor Ribble: ALL RIGHT.
10:31:15 HOWARD.
10:31:18 >>Howard Levitan: I GUESS I DON'T HEAR ANY CONSENSUS.

10:31:20 I HEAR THREE PEOPLE IN FAVOR OF THE WILLIAMS ROAD SITE.
10:31:23 THREE PEOPLE IN FAVOR OF THE THREE OAKS SITE.
10:31:26 KATY, I DON'T THINK YOU TOLD US WHICH SITE YOU ARE IN FAVOR
10:31:29 OF, OTHER THAN TO SAY YOU WANT THE THREE OAKS SITE TO BE
10:31:34 GIFTED TO US.

10:31:34 I GUESS WE DO NOT HAVE CONSENSUS.

10:31:38 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.

10:31:40 CHRIS, DO YOU HAVE A COMMENT?

10:31:43 >> I JUST WANTED TO ADDRESS A COUPLE OF THE CONCERNS THAT
10:31:45 WERE BROUGHT UP.

10:31:49 COUNCILMAN BOESCH, IN TERMS OF THE INTERACTIONS BETWEEN
10:31:51 OLDER STUDENTS AND YOUNGER STUDENTS, THAT WOULD NOT BE
10:31:54 OCCURRING ON A REGULAR BASIS.

10:31:55 WE HAVE DIFFERENT START TIMES FOR OUR SCHOOLS.

10:31:58 ACTUALLY, IT WOULD PROVIDE A TREMENDOUS OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR
10:32:02 MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TO MENTOR YOUNGER STUDENTS.

10:32:05 WE DON'T HAVE THAT OPPORTUNITY RIGHT NOW BECAUSE OUR SCHOOLS
10:32:08 ARE LOCATED TOO FAR AWAY FROM EACH OTHER, BUT I HAVE TOURED
10:32:12 OTHER SCHOOLS WHERE THERE'S AN ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL
10:32:15 CLOSE TO EACH OTHER WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE, AND THERE IS AN
10:32:18 ACTUAL VOLUNTEER PROGRAM SET UP IN THE MIDDLE SCHOOL TO GO
10:32:21 INTO THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND MENTOR.

10:32:22 SO THAT WOULD ACTUALLY PRESENT A TREMENDOUS OPPORTUNITY TO
10:32:26 OUR STUDENTS.

10:32:27 KATY, COUNCILMAN ERRINGTON, I'M HAPPY TO FORWARD YOUR
10:32:33 REQUEST TO DR. ADKINS FOR A MEETING.

10:32:35 I WAS COMPLETELY UNAWARE YOU WANTED SUCH A MEETING.

10:32:38 I'M HAPPY TO FACILITATE THAT FOR YOU.

10:32:42 IN TERMS OF THE ISSUE OF SAFETY, WITH CHILDREN PLAYING NEAR
10:32:45 THE BUS RAMP, THAT IS A VERY STANDARD DESIGN THAT WE HAVE AT

10:32:50 MANY OF OUR SCHOOLS.

10:32:51 IN FACT, PINWOODS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HAS THE SAME DESIGN.

10:32:57 IT IS A TRACK OF SORTS THAT WE USE AS A BUS RAMP AND IN THE
10:33:02 MIDDLE WE HAVE PLAYING FIELDS FOR P. E.

10:33:04 WE NEVER HAD A SAFETY ISSUE WITH OUR CHILDREN ON THOSE
10:33:08 LOCATIONS, AND IT'S SOMETHING WE DO QUITE FREQUENTLY.

10:33:11 FIELD SPACE FOR HIGH SCHOOL CHILDREN WILL NOT BE COMPROMISED
10:33:16 WITH THIS PLAN.

10:33:17 IN FACT, IT WILL BE ENHANCED WITH THIS PLAN.

10:33:23 I DON'T BELIEVE THAT PRINCIPAL AMABILE IS IN ANY WAY, SHAPE,
10:33:28 OR FORM RESPONDING TO DIRECTION FROM THE ADMINISTRATION IN
10:33:30 TERMS OF WHERE THE LOCATION OF THESE SCHOOLS SHOULD BE.

10:33:34 OUR ADMINISTRATION IS VERY, VERY, VERY OPEN TO THE IDEAS AND
10:33:43 THE NEEDS OF THE PRINCIPALS IN THE BUILDING.

10:33:46 THE PRINCIPALS IN THE BUILDINGS ARE THE ONES WHO KNOW THEIR
10:33:49 COMMUNITY WELL AND KNOW HOW BEST TO SERVE THE NEEDS OF THEIR

10:33:52 COMMUNITY.
10:33:53 I'VE HEARD TREMENDOUS FEEDBACK, ESPECIALLY SINCE THE
10:33:56 BEGINNING OF COVID-19 AND SURROUNDING SOME SCHEDULE CHANGE
10:33:59 DISCUSSIONS FROM PRINCIPALS ABOUT HOW FREE THEY FEEL TO GO
10:34:04 TO THE SUPERINTENDENT AND TALK TO HIM ABOUT THINGS THAT
10:34:07 MIGHT OR MIGHT NOT BE WORKING.
10:34:08 I DO THINK, COUNCILMAN BATOS, THAT IN THE BEGINNING, THE
10:34:14 PRINCIPAL WAS A LITTLE HESITANT ABOUT THIS.
10:34:16 HE WAS CONCERNED ABOUT LOSING JROTC TOWER, CONCERNED ABOUT

10:34:22 LOSING FIELDS, BUT WHEN THE PLAN CAME TOGETHER, HE WAS MORE
10:34:26 HAPPY WITH THAT PLAN THAN HE HAD BEEN WITH ANYTHING.
10:34:29 I'LL END BY SAYING, AGAIN, WE WANT TO BE GOOD PARTNERS.
10:34:33 IF WE CAN GET A STRONG SIGNAL FROM YOU AS TO WHERE YOU'D
10:34:37 LIKE US TO GO WE WILL WORK WITH YOU AT EITHER SITE.
10:34:41 STEVE AND HIS STAFF WILL BE INVITED TO SIT AT THE TABLE AS
10:34:44 WE'RE PLANNING SCHOOLS AT EITHER SITE.
10:34:46 THANK YOU.

10:34:47 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.

10:34:48 STEVE -- [BREAKING UP] -- KATY, YOU HAD A COMMENT?

10:34:59 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: YES, I HAVE A COMMENT.

10:35:02 I DON'T NECESSARILY HAVE TO MEET WITH DR. ADKINS, BUT I
10:35:06 WOULD LIKE TO SEE A LAYOUT OF EXACTLY WHERE THE FIELDS ARE
10:35:11 GOING TO BE.

10:35:12 I'M NOT COMFORTABLE RIGHT NOW WITH THE BALL FIELDS, THE
10:35:18 SPACE THAT'S BEING GIVEN UP FOR THE STUDENT EXTRACURRICULAR
10:35:23 ACTIVITIES.

10:35:24 I WAS IN THE BAND IN HIGH SCHOOL, YOU NEED A BIG FIELD, AND
10:35:27 YOU CAN'T BE ON THE FIELD WITH THE FOOTBALL TEAM.

10:35:29 WHILE THE BASEBALL TEAM IS PLAYING, YOU'RE OUT THERE IN THE
10:35:32 BAND, YOU HAVE TO HAVE FIELDS.

10:35:34 AND WHERE WILL THIS BE IN THAT AREA?

10:35:38 IF YOU CAN SHOW ME THAT AND MAKE ME FEEL COMFORTABLE WITH
10:35:41 IT.

10:35:42 THEN I GO BACK TO THE SAFETY ISSUE.

10:35:44 THE SAFETY IS MAJOR, MAJOR, MAJOR IN THIS BECAUSE NOW WE
10:35:48 WOULD HAVE ALL THESE SCHOOLS, SO WHO IS THE PERSON IN
10:35:51 CHARGE?

10:35:52 I WOULD THINK IT WOULD HAVE TO BE THE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL.

10:35:55 THE PRINCIPAL IS THE ONE BECAUSE OF THE LEVEL OF HIS -- THE
10:36:01 ROLE OF WORKING WITH THE HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS AND JUNIORS AND
10:36:07 ALL THE STUDENTS WHO MAKE UP THE HIGH SCHOOL, THAT WOULD BE
10:36:10 THE PERSON, IF ANYTHING CAME ABOUT THAT WAS OF ANY DETRIMENT
10:36:15 TO THAT AREA, THAT WOULD BE THE PERSON THAT WOULD FALL UPON.
10:36:19 SO THAT IS A TREMENDOUS RESPONSIBILITY.

10:36:21 WE HAVE TO KEEP IN MIND, TOO, AS MENTIONED BY COUNCIL MEMBER
10:36:24 WILSON, WE ALL WON'T BE HERE BY THE TIME THE SCHOOL IS

10:36:31 BUILT.
10:36:31 NONE OF US WILL BE HERE.
10:36:33 WHAT DO WE DO?
10:36:34 HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPALS GET MOVED AROUND.
10:36:36 WE COULD BE DEALING WITH HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL TODAY AND
10:36:38 TOMORROW HE MAY BE ASSIGNED TO ANOTHER SCHOOL.
10:36:40 SO WHAT WE DO IS VERY, VERY IMPORTANT, AND WE WANT TO DO
10:36:45 WHAT'S BEST FOR THE VILLAGE.
10:36:46 I KNOW THAT I LOOK AT IT -- AND I WANT TO DO WHAT THE
10:36:51 CITIZENS AND THE RESIDENTS OF ESTERO WANT US TO DO.
10:36:54 AND THIS IS VERY, VERY IMPORTANT DECISION.
10:36:57 WHAT IS IT THEY WANT US TO DO?
10:36:59 NUMBER ONE ON THE LIST, THEY WANT PARKS AND RECREATION.

10:37:02 WELL, HOW WOULD THAT FIT IN WITH THREE OAKS?
10:37:05 IT WOULD FIT IN IF A GIFT -- AND I SAY AS A GIFT, IF WE HAD
10:37:11 THAT AS A GIFT, THEN WE HAVE A PARK, WE HAVE ANOTHER PARK,
10:37:15 BUT WE COULD TAKE THAT AND MAKE IT INTO SOMETHING VERY, VERY
10:37:18 BEAUTIFUL AND NOT BE COMPETING WITH THE ESTERO COMMUNITY
10:37:23 PARK.
10:37:23 THE FLOW THERE IS CORRECT.
10:37:27 WOULD HAVE TROUBLE WITH HOW THAT FLOW WILL BE, AND WHENEVER
10:37:30 WE TAKE OVER THE PARK, SOMEDAY, SOMEHOW, SOMEWHERE, BUT --
10:37:36 SO AT THIS POINT IN TIME, I WOULD HAVE TO LEAN MORE TOWARDS
10:37:41 THE THREE OAKS, EVEN IF YOU DON'T WANT TO GIVE IT TO US AS
10:37:47 THE SCHOOL BOARD.
10:37:48 BUT THE THREE OAKS JUST BECAUSE OF THE FACT THAT I DON'T
10:37:51 FEEL COMFORTABLE WITH THE OTHER, AFTER I'VE REALLY GOTTEN
10:37:54 INTO IT AND LOOKED AT IT AND STUDIED IT AND LISTENED TO THE
10:37:57 COMMENTS HERE THIS MORNING.
10:38:00 >>Mayor Ribble: KATHY, YOU HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT?
10:38:02 >>Kathy Hall: I DO.
10:38:03 I HAVE TWO.
10:38:04 THE FIRST ONE IS FROM ED WEIL, ROOKERY DRIVE.
10:38:07 I APPLAUD THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO FOR CONDUCTING MANY
10:38:10 DIFFERENT STUDIES TO DISCOVER WHAT THE VILLAGE AND OUR
10:38:12 RESIDENTS VALUE AND WANT TO ENJOY WHILE LIVING IN OUR
10:38:15 VILLAGE OF ESTERO.
10:38:18 WE FOUND QUALITY EDUCATION WAS DEMANDED AND CRITICAL, AND

10:38:20 THIS WORKSHOP IS JUST ONE MORE STEP IN BEING OPEN-MINDED AND
10:38:24 MAKING PROPER DECISIONS GOING FORWARD FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE
10:38:26 VILLAGE, SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND THE TAXPAYERS.
10:38:28 THE RESEARCH POINTED OUT WHAT WE HAVE NOW AND WHAT WE NEED.
10:38:31 QUALITY EDUCATION FOR OUR CHILDREN.
10:38:33 THE SCHOOL DISTRICT REALIZES THAT TWO NEW SCHOOLS ARE NEEDED
10:38:36 TO MEET THE 140% GROWTH IN ESTERO AND MEET THE NEEDS OF LEE
10:38:40 COUNTY GROWTH PLANS FOR FAMILY HOUSING THAT IS BEING BUILT

10:38:43 UP CORKSCREW ROAD.
10:38:44 THE CURRENT DISTRICT PLAN IS TO PUT TWO NEW SCHOOLS NEAR THE
10:38:48 HIGH SCHOOL ON THE ESTERO HIGH CAMPUS AND PLACE 5100
10:38:52 STUDENTS ON TOP OF ONE ANOTHER.
10:38:53 WHY THIS IS -- WHY THIS IS ILL-CONCEIVED, SEVEN REASONS.
10:38:58 NUMBER ONE, THE CURRENT PLAN PUTS VERY YOUNG STUDENTS IN
10:39:01 VERY CLOSE PROXIMITY TO OLDER STUDENTS.
10:39:03 PROXIMITY OF YOUNG AND OLDER STUDENTS IN SUCH A HIGH DENSITY
10:39:06 USE AREA CAN CAUSE BULLYING WHICH CAN LEAD TO DEPRESSION AND
10:39:10 EVEN SUICIDE AMONG THE STUDENTS.
10:39:11 UNFORTUNATELY, I HAVE FIRSTHAND EXPERIENCE IN THAT AT --
10:39:15 REGIONAL HIGH IN MASSACHUSETTS WHERE I COACHED.
10:39:18 WE HAVE 8th GRADERS IN THE HIGH SCHOOL.
10:39:20 WE DID A STUDY ON THEM, AND IT REVEALED 40% OF THE STUDENTS
10:39:24 SUFFERED FROM DEPRESSION, 10% HAD OR WERE CONSIDERING
10:39:28 SUICIDE.
10:39:29 NUMBER TWO, ESTERO HIGH HAS ONE OF THE LARGEST ATHLETIC

10:39:33 PROGRAMS, TOP THREE AMONG THE 14 LEE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOLS.
10:39:36 IN TERMS OF TEAMS AND ATHLETES, THIS IS NOT RECOGNIZED NOR
10:39:38 SUPPORTED BY THESE PLANS.
10:39:39 THE PLAN ALSO FORGOT THE NEEDS OF THE MIDDLE SCHOOL ATHLETIC
10:39:42 PROGRAMS.
10:39:43 NUMBER THREE, ANOTHER REASON IS ESTERO HIGH USES THE
10:39:47 PROPOSED SITE AS PRACTICE FIELDS, ROTC TRAINING AND WELLNESS
10:39:51 PROGRAM CALLED BOOT CAMP.
10:39:52 THEY REPLACE THE FIELDS AND CURRENT PLAN DISTRICT BUSES
10:39:56 DRIVING AROUND THE VERY SMALL PRACTICE FIELD AND WILL HAVE
10:40:00 PLAYERS KICKING SOCCER AND THROWING FAST BALLS IN THE PATH
10:40:04 OF THE BUSES.
10:40:05 IS THIS CREATING A SAFE ENVIRONMENT?
10:40:07 SPORTS REQUIRE MULTIPURPOSE FIELD TO TEACH TACTIC AND
10:40:14 TEAMWORK, 40 YEARS OF COACHING ON MY PART.
10:40:17 FOUR, ROTC WILL RETAIN THE TOWER AND TRAIN ON -- WHAT ABOUT
10:40:21 THE WELLNESS PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS POSSIBLY
10:40:23 HELPING REDUCE DISTRICT INSURANCE COSTS.
10:40:25 NUMBER FIVE, SMALLER PRACTICE FIELD WILL TRY AND SERVE TWO
10:40:28 FOOTBALL TEAMS IN SEASON ONE, THEN NEXT SEASON, FOUR SOCCER
10:40:32 TEAMS AND FOLLOWED THE NEXT SEASON, THREE LACROSSE TEAMS.
10:40:35 PLEASE LET ME KNOW WHAT SOMEBODY WAS DRINKING WHEN THEY CAME
10:40:39 UP WITH THIS PLAN.
10:40:40 I WANT SOME.
10:40:41 HOW DO YOU GET FOUR TEAMS TO PRACTICE ON ONE SMALL FIELD IN

10:40:44 AN AFTERNOON?
10:40:45 WILL THE FIELD STAY PLAYABLE?
10:40:46 NUMBER SIX, THE PLAN SUBMITTED TURNS PARKING LOT AT THE END
10:40:51 OF -- LANE INTO A LAKE.

10:40:53 THIS PARKING AREA SERVED THE NEEDS OF BASEBALL, SOFTBALL,
10:40:56 FOOTBALL GAMES AND TEAM PRACTICES.
10:40:57 WE HAD A HUGE -- WITH THE PORTABLES.
10:40:59 NOW THEY ARE SOLVING IT BY PUTTING IT ALL UNDER WATER.
10:41:02 BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL ARE HUGE AT ESTERO HIGH.
10:41:05 WHAT DOES THE COMMUNITY THINK ABOUT THIS IDEA?
10:41:07 I THOUGHT WE HAD AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PARK
10:41:10 AND THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND ESTERO HIGH.
10:41:12 WHAT ABOUT THIS AGREEMENT?
10:41:13 NUMBER SEVEN, WHILE TALKING ABOUT AGREEMENTS, WE WERE
10:41:17 SUPPOSED TO HAVE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN US.
10:41:19 THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE VILLAGE.
10:41:21 THE PROPOSAL SHOWS THE TOTAL DISREGARD FOR THE VILLAGE
10:41:25 DESIRE TO CREATE AN EXPANDED EDUCATION PARK CAMPUS AND
10:41:28 WORKING TOGETHER TO MAKE IT HAPPEN.
10:41:30 ESSENTIALLY, THE CURRENT PLAN PREVENTS THE EXPANSION OF THE
10:41:33 EDUCATION PARK CAMPUS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE VILLAGE, FOR
10:41:36 ADDITIONAL FIELDS FOR A LOCAL RECREATION PROGRAM AND SUPPORT
10:41:39 THE SCHOOLS.
10:41:39 -- QUALITY EDUCATION WHICH THE TAXPAYERS OF ESTERO WANT AND
10:41:44 EXPECT FROM OUR SCHOOL DISTRICT.

10:41:45 THE PAST FEW YEARS, WE DELIVERED TO THE DISTRICT 135 MILLION
10:41:48 IN REVENUE FROM ESTERO.
10:41:51 WE DO DESERVE TO EXPECT MORE.
10:41:53 SMART SOLUTION IS TO MOVE THE TWO SCHOOLS OVER TO THE THREE
10:41:58 OAKS SITE.
10:42:00 I DO REMEMBER A PLAN FOR SCHOOLS ON THIS SITE WHICH HAD
10:42:02 ALREADY MITIGATED THE WATER REMOVAL AND EVENTUALLY MAKE USE
10:42:05 OF THE ENTIRE 70 ACRES -- CONDITION SCHOOLS ARE BEING BUILT
10:42:08 HERE.
10:42:09 THIS ENTIRE SITE CAN BE FURTHER DEVELOPED TO BENEFIT BOTH
10:42:11 THE DISTRICT, VILLAGE, AND EVEN LEE COUNTY.
10:42:13 WORKING TOGETHER IS STILL A GOOD IDEA.
10:42:16 LET US BEGIN HERE AND NOW.
10:42:17 THE SECOND COMMENT I HAVE IS FROM JOHN RUSSELL FROM ESTERO
10:42:21 PALMS AREA.
10:42:22 HIS COMMENTS ARE, SINCE THE NEW SCHOOL AREA ABUTS BLOCK
10:42:26 LANE, THE RESIDENTS WANT TO MAKE SURE THERE'S NO ACCESS OR
10:42:29 EGRESS FROM BLOCK LANE.
10:42:31 IS THIS IN THE PLANS?
10:42:33 I HAVE NO FURTHER COMMENTS ON THIS ITEM.
10:42:40 >>Mayor Ribble: BURT, YOU HAD A COMMENT?
10:42:45 >>Burt Saunders: NO.
10:42:46 I WAS JUST LISTENING AND MAKING A LIST AS TO WHAT THE
10:42:48 PREFERENCE WAS HERE.
10:42:49 YOU PROBABLY WANT TO GO THROUGH EACH MEMBER AND ASK WHAT

10:42:54 THEIR PREFERENCE IS AT THIS POINT OR WHEN YOU'RE READY TO DO
10:42:58 THAT, TO GET A FINAL COUNT SO YOU CAN MOVE FORWARD WITH
10:43:02 THIS.
10:43:03 >>Mayor Ribble: WE'LL HAVE TO VOTE ON IT -- THIS IS A
10:43:05 WORKSHOP.
10:43:06 WE CAN'T REALLY VOTE ON IT.
10:43:07 WE'LL HAVE TO SCHEDULE THIS FOR THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING
10:43:10 WHERE WE CAN ACTUALLY VOTE ON IT.
10:43:14 >>Burt Saunders: I THOUGHT WHAT YOU WANTED TO DO WAS GET
10:43:16 WHAT THE PREFERENCE WAS, NOT A FORMAL APPROVAL OF ANYTHING.
10:43:20 GET KIND OF THE PREFERENCE SO THAT THE SCHOOL DISTRICT CAN
10:43:23 MOVE FORWARD WITH WHATEVER THAT PREFERENCE IS.
10:43:27 ON THE OTHER HAND, IF YOU WANT TO DELAY THIS UNTIL A FORMAL
10:43:30 MEETING AND HAVE A VOTE, THAT'S FINE AS WELL.
10:43:32 IT'S JUST WHAT IS YOUR GOAL FOR THIS WORKSHOP?
10:43:34 IF IT'S TO GIVE SOME DIRECTION TO THE SCHOOL BOARD, THEN IT
10:43:37 WOULD BE I THINK APPROPRIATE TO KIND OF GET THE PREFERENCE.
10:43:41 IF YOUR GOAL IS TO SET THIS UP FOR A SUBSEQUENT MEETING FOR
10:43:45 A FINAL VOTE, THEN THAT IS A WHOLE OTHER --
10:43:49 >>Mayor Ribble: THAT'S WHAT I TALKED TO YOU EARLIER IN THE
10:43:51 WEEK, BURT.
10:43:52 I MENTIONED THAT.
10:43:54 A CHANCE TO VET THE IDEAS OUT AS A COUNCIL, AS A GROUP.
10:43:57 THAT WHY WE HAD THE WORKSHOP HERE TODAY TO TALK ABOUT ALL
10:44:01 THESE ISSUES.

10:44:02 STEVE, HELP ME OUT WITH THIS.
10:44:09 DO WE WANT TO LEAVE IT AT A CONSENSUS, 4-3 OR DO WE WANT TO
10:44:14 HAVE A COUNCIL VOTE ON THIS?
10:44:16 >>Steven Sarkozy: A CONCERN THAT I HAVE, AND I DEFER TO THE
10:44:20 ATTORNEYS, IS THAT ULTIMATELY EITHER SITE NEEDS TO COME BACK
10:44:23 TO THE VILLAGE COUNCIL FOR A FORMAL VOTE ON A REZONING
10:44:30 AND/OR -- I'M SORRY.
10:44:32 A COMP PLAN CHANGE AND/OR A REZONING.
10:44:35 I'D BE CONCERNED THAT A FORMAL VOTE NOW WOULD BE PREJUDICIAL
10:44:43 IN THAT, BUT I DEFER TO THE ATTORNEYS.
10:44:48 IDEALLY, WE'RE LOOKING FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENSUS HERE SO THAT
10:44:54 THE SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS A COMFORT LEVEL AS THEY MOVE
10:44:59 FORWARD.
10:45:00 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
10:45:01 BURT, DO YOU HAVE A COMMENT TO THAT?
10:45:04 >>Burt Saunders: JUST I GUESS TO BE A BIT REPETITIVE.
10:45:09 IF YOUR GOAL FOR THIS MEETING IS TO GIVE SOME NONBINDING
10:45:15 DIRECTION TO YOUR STAFF AND TO THE SCHOOL BOARD, THEN YOU
10:45:18 CAN GO THROUGH AND JUST GIVE WHAT EVERYBODY'S PREFERENCE IS.
10:45:22 IT'S NOT A BINDING VOTE OR ANYTHING.
10:45:25 THE PREFERENCE COULD CHANGE.
10:45:26 AT LEAST IT GIVES SOME DIRECTION TO YOUR STAFF AND TO THE

10:45:29 SCHOOL BOARD.
10:45:29 ON THE OTHER HAND, IF YOUR PREFERENCE IS -- YOU HAVE NOW
10:45:35 HEARD ALL THE DEBATE.

10:45:36 YOU WANT TO HAVE A FORMAL VOTE.
10:45:37 THEN YOU CAN SIMPLY SCHEDULE THIS FOR A FORMAL VOTE AT
10:45:40 ANOTHER MEETING AND LEAVE IT AT THAT.
10:45:42 IT REALLY IS WHAT IS YOUR GOAL OF THIS?
10:45:44 DO YOU WANT TO GIVE SOME INFORMAL, NONBINDING DIRECTION TO
10:45:49 STAFF TO CONTINUE TO EXPLORE THIS AND HERE'S WHAT THE
10:45:52 PREFERENCE IS, YOU CAN DO THAT OR, AS I SAID, YOU CAN SIMPLY
10:45:56 INDICATE THAT YOU'VE HEARD TESTIMONY AND YOU'RE GOING TO
10:46:00 SCHEDULE A FORMAL VOTE AT ANOTHER MEETING.
10:46:04 >>Mayor Ribble: I'LL REFER THAT BACK TO THE MANAGER, SINCE
10:46:06 THAT'S WHY HE GETS THE BIG BUCKS.
10:46:08 STEVE, WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT THAT?
10:46:10 >>Steven Sarkozy: I THINK AT THIS POINT, JUST GOING ALONG
10:46:14 LOOKING AT EACH OF THE COUNCIL MEMBERS AND ASKING FOR THEIR
10:46:20 VOTE, IF YOU WILL, OR DIRECTION, WOULD BE ADEQUATE, AND THEN
10:46:24 WE COULD REASSESS, IF NEED BE.
10:46:28 >>Mayor Ribble: NICK, YOU HAD YOUR HAND UP?
10:46:30 >>Nick Batos: YES.
10:46:31 JUST ONE POINT.
10:46:33 IF WE TAKE AND GIVE A CONSENSUS ON THIS TODAY, AND IT'S
10:46:37 SPLIT, WHICH APPARENTLY IT IS, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I
10:46:42 THINK IS GOING TO BE IMPORTANT TO THE SCHOOL BOARD BECAUSE
10:46:46 FROM WHAT I READ AND WHAT YOU'VE TOLD US, THEY WANT TO GET A
10:46:50 CONSENSUS SO THEY WOULD GO AHEAD.
10:46:53 IF SOME OF US ARE REALLY DEAD SET AGAINST USING THE THREE

10:46:58 OAKS PROPERTY FOR SOMETHING OTHER THAN A SCHOOL, IT ALSO
10:47:09 CHANGES WHAT THE POSITION IS FOR THAT.
10:47:13 IF WE FEEL WE'RE NOT GOING TO USE WILLIAMS, AND THEY FEEL
10:47:17 THAT WE WANT TO GO TO THE OTHER ONE, THE THREE OAKS, SOME
10:47:23 PEOPLE FEEL THAT PROPERTY IS NOT APPROPRIATE IS IT GOING TO
10:47:25 GIVE THEM ENOUGH DIRECTION THAT THEY'LL START GOING FULL
10:47:28 SPEED AHEAD ON THIS?
10:47:30 AND WE DON'T KNOW WHAT KIND OF A VOTE WE'RE GOING TO TAKE AT
10:47:33 THAT POINT.
10:47:35 >>Mayor Ribble: CHRIS, YOU HAVE A COMMENT?
10:47:37 >> YES, CAN I RESPOND TO THAT, COUNCILMAN BATOS, WITHOUT
10:47:41 UNANIMOUS APPROVAL, WE WOULD HAVE TO GO WITH OUR THIRD
10:47:44 OPTION WHICH IS LOOK FURTHER DOWN EAST ON CORKSCREW FOR
10:47:47 LOCATION OF THESE SCHOOLS.
10:47:48 BY THE WAY, THAT IS THE THIRD LEAST ATTRACTIVE OPTION TO THE
10:47:55 SCHOOL DISTRICT.
10:47:56 >>Mayor Ribble: I MISSED HER --
10:48:01 >> WITHOUT UNANIMOUS OR NEAR UNANIMOUS CONSENT ON THIS ITEM,

10:48:04 WE WOULD HAVE TO PURSUE OUR THIRD OPTION WHICH IS LOOKING
10:48:07 FOR LAND EAST ON CORKSCREW, AND, AGAIN, THAT IS OUR THIRD
10:48:11 LEAST ATTRACTIVE OPTION TO THE DISTRICT.
10:48:19 >>Mayor Ribble: ANY OTHER COMMENTS?
10:48:20 BURT, DO WE WANT TO POLL THE COUNCIL AT THIS POINT?
10:48:26 IT SOUNDS LIKE IT'S 4-3.
10:48:28 >>Burt Saunders: IT'S GOING TO BE 4-3.

10:48:33 UNLESS SOMEONE ELSE HAS CHANGED THEIR MIND.
10:48:36 THAT WOULD GIVE THE SCHOOL BOARD SOME INDICATION THAT THERE
10:48:40 IS SOME SUPPORT, BUT NOT SOLID SUPPORT.
10:48:44 THEY'LL REACT IN WHATEVER WAY THEY WANT TO REACT.
10:48:49 IF YOU WANT TO TURN THIS INTO A FORMAL VOTE, SCHEDULE
10:48:52 ANOTHER MEETING WITH VERY SHORT NOTICE.
10:48:55 I KNOW THE SCHOOL BOARD IS ON A VERY TIGHT SCHEDULE.
10:48:58 SO YOU COULD SCHEDULE A FORMAL MEETING FOR A FORMAL VOTE IN
10:49:02 THE NEXT COUPLE OF DAYS IF YOU WANTED TO DO THAT AND GIVE
10:49:04 EVERYBODY AN OPPORTUNITY TO REEVALUATE THE FACTS AND MAKE A
10:49:09 DECISION.
10:49:09 BUT IT SOUNDS LIKE THE SCHOOL BOARD IS PRETTY WELL PRESSURED
10:49:14 TO MOVE FORWARD PRETTY QUICKLY.
10:49:16 IT SOUNDS LIKE YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO MAKE A FORMAL
10:49:20 DECISION FAIRLY SOON.
10:49:22 YOU DON'T HAVE TO DO THAT.
10:49:23 OBVIOUSLY, YOU DON'T HAVE TO TAKE THAT CONSENSUS TODAY.
10:49:28 YOU CAN DELAY IT IF YOU WANT.
10:49:30 ON THE OTHER HAND, IF YOU WANT TO GET THE CONSENSUS, AS I
10:49:35 SAID, YOU CAN MOVE FORWARD WITH THAT.
10:49:37 >>Mayor Ribble: HOWARD, YOU HAD YOUR HAND UP FIRST.
10:49:39 HOWARD AND THEN JIM BOESCH.
10:49:41 HOWARD.
10:49:41 >>Howard Levitan: I WOULD JUST LIKE TO SAY I DON'T KNOW WHAT
10:49:44 A FORMAL VOTE IS SUPPOSED TO DO.

10:49:48 IF WE HAVE TO DO A COMP PLAN AMENDMENT AND A ZONING
10:49:52 AMENDMENT, EACH OF THOSE HAS NOTICE AND EVIDENTIARY
10:49:57 REQUIREMENTS, AND WE'RE NOT GOING TO DO THAT IN TWO DAYS.
10:50:00 DEREK, YOU CAN CHIME IN ON THAT AT SOME POINT.
10:50:06 BUT I'M GOING TO FINISH THIS.
10:50:08 WE HAVE A CONSENSUS ONE WAY OR THE OTHER.
10:50:09 IT SEEMS TO BE A 4-3 CONSENSUS.
10:50:11 IT LOOKS TO ME LIKE THOSE FOUR PEOPLE ARE PRETTY SOLID
10:50:15 BEHIND THE THREE OAKS SITE.
10:50:16 I THINK THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE SHOULD TAKE THAT -- WE LEARNED
10:50:20 TO COUNT TO FOUR FROM MARCH OF 2015.
10:50:24 WE KNOW WHAT FOUR MEANS.
10:50:26 THEY SHOULD, TOO.
10:50:30 IT DOESN'T LOOK LIKE ANYBODY IS GOING TO CHANGE.

10:50:35 WE'LL MAKE OUR ARGUMENTS AT THE COMP PLAN HEARING AND AT
10:50:38 WHATEVER -- THERE'S NO ZONING HEARING REQUIRED FOR THE THREE
10:50:41 OAKS SITE, BUT THERE IS A COMP PLAN HEARING, AND IT'S A
10:50:46 SIMPLE UP OR DOWN VOTE.
10:50:50 I THINK THAT'S THEIR ANSWER.
10:50:52 LET'S MOVE FORWARD.
10:50:53 >>Mayor Ribble: JIM, DID YOU WANT TO SAY SOMETHING?
10:50:56 YOU HAD YOUR HAND UP.
10:50:57 >>Jim Boesch: I WAS JUST GOING TO BRING IN THE POINT THAT
10:51:00 HOWARD JUST BROUGHT IN.
10:51:02 I DO BELIEVE THAT THERE ARE GOING TO BE APPLICATION OR COMP

10:51:05 PLAN AMENDMENTS, LEGAL OR NOT, I'M NOT A LAWYER, HOWARD IS,
10:51:11 BUT I DO BELIEVE THEY WILL, WHICH WILL ONLY EXTEND THIS AT
10:51:14 LEAST FOR ANOTHER YEAR GOING THROUGH THIS WHOLE PROCESS.
10:51:17 >>Mayor Ribble: JON, DID YOU WANT TO SAY SOMETHING?
10:51:19 >>Jon McLain: YEAH, I AGREE WITH HOWARD.
10:51:21 IT IS A 4-3 VOTE.
10:51:23 I THINK WHAT'S IMPORTANT TO THAT IS THAT IS A CONSENSUS,
10:51:27 THAT ALL OF US WILL SUPPORT MOVING THIS PROJECT FORWARD.
10:51:33 WE'RE GOING TO LOOK AT THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, BUT WE ALL
10:51:36 WANT THE SCHOOLS I BELIEVE IN THIS AREA, WE DON'T WANT TO
10:51:39 SEE THEM ALL GOING CLEAR OUT EAST, EVEN THOUGH IN THE FUTURE
10:51:43 THERE WILL BE SCHOOLS OUT THERE.
10:51:44 BUT I DO THINK FROM MY KNOWLEDGE OF WORKING WITH EACH OF
10:51:48 YOU, THAT WE'VE DONE A CONSENSUS ON THIS THING, THAT WE
10:51:53 BRING THAT TO THE SCHOOL BOARD, WITH THE SCHOOL BOARD'S
10:51:57 UNDERSTANDING THAT WE'RE GOING TO WORK WITH THEM ON THAT
10:51:59 SITE TO MAKE SURE IT CAN HAPPEN.
10:52:03 WE'LL HAVE TO TAKE HARD VOTES IN MEETINGS.
10:52:06 THIS IS NOT THAT.
10:52:07 BUT YOU'VE GOT A CONSENSUS.
10:52:09 I THINK IT WOULD BE SHORTSIGHTED FOR THE SCHOOL SYSTEM TO
10:52:11 SAY WE ONLY HAD A 4-3.
10:52:16 LET'S MOVE IT OUT TO THE EAST.
10:52:17 THAT I THINK IS NOT THE APPROPRIATE ACTION FOR THE SCHOOL
10:52:19 BOARD.

10:52:20 SO THOSE ARE MY COMMENTS.
10:52:21 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
10:52:22 STEVE ANY COMMENT?
10:52:25 >>Steven Sarkozy: NO.
10:52:26 IT'S JUST A QUESTION OF HOW YOU MOVE FORWARD.
10:52:33 WHAT I'VE HEARD IS THAT YOU WOULD RALLY AROUND THE MAJORITY
10:52:38 THAT IS TODAY, THAT'S BEEN EXPRESSED TODAY, AND IF YOU'RE
10:52:45 WILLING TO DO THAT TODAY, THAT WOULD GIVE THE SCHOOL BOARD
10:52:48 AND CHRIS --
10:52:49 >>Mayor Ribble: WELL, DEFINE RALLYING AROUND.

10:52:53 4-3 IS NOT A RALLY.
10:52:55 >>Steven Sarkozy: NO, IT'S 4-3, BUT IT'S AN INDICATION THAT
10:52:59 THE MAJORITY IS GOING IN THAT DIRECTION, AND THE OTHER THREE
10:53:04 SUPPORT THAT, AND WHAT CAN BE DONE TO HELP THOSE THREE
10:53:14 SUPPORT THAT DECISION.
10:53:16 MAYBE THAT'S PART OF THE DISCUSSION THAT HELPS US MOVE THIS
10:53:19 FORWARD.
10:53:22 >>Mayor Ribble: SO YOU WANT TO CONTINUE THE DISCUSSION ON
10:53:25 THIS?
10:53:25 IS THAT WHAT YOU'RE SAYING?
10:53:28 >>Steven Sarkozy: UNLESS THERE'S SOMETHING THAT HOWARD WAS
10:53:30 MENTIONING, YOU'VE GOT THE VOTES TO GO THERE, BUT THERE ARE
10:53:36 SOME ELEMENTS THAT WE COULD ADD TO THE DISCUSSION THAT WOULD
10:53:39 ALLOW THE THREE MINORITY VOTES TO FEEL MORE COMFORTABLE WITH
10:53:44 THREE OAKS SITE.

10:53:52 >>Mayor Ribble: I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THE OTHER TWO GENTLEMEN
10:53:55 HERE THAT ARE FOR IT, I'VE GOT TO TELL YOU, I'M NOT MOVING
10:53:58 OFF MY DIME ON THIS BECAUSE I HAD A MEETING WITH DR. ADKINS.
10:54:02 REMEMBER WHEN I TOLD HIM, I'M ONLY ONE OF SEVEN VOTES AND I
10:54:06 TOTALLY SUPPORT YOUR WISHES.
10:54:07 HE DROVE A HARD BARGAIN OF WHY HE WANTED IT THERE, AND I
10:54:10 GAVE HIM MY WORD.
10:54:11 IT DOESN'T MEAN I'M UPSET WITH ANYBODY ELSE ON THE COUNCIL.
10:54:17 WE HAVE TO BE ADULTS HERE.
10:54:18 WE'RE ALL GOING TO HAVE OUR OPINIONS.
10:54:20 BUT I'M NOT MOVING.
10:54:22 MIGHT WIND UP BEING 6-1, BUT I WILL BE THE LONE RANGER
10:54:26 BECAUSE I GAVE DR. ADKINS MY WORD.
10:54:29 NICK.
10:54:29 >>Nick Batos: JUST ANOTHER POINT.
10:54:32 I FEEL STRONGLY ABOUT THIS.
10:54:34 I EXPRESSED MY -- AND I UNDERSTAND OTHERS HAVE ALSO.
10:54:37 BUT ONE OF THE TONES THAT HAS GONE THROUGH THIS WHOLE
10:54:41 CONVERSATION IS THAT WE WANT TO WORK WITH THE SCHOOL
10:54:45 DISTRICT.
10:54:46 AND THEY ARE THE ONES WHO REALLY SHOULD BE THE ONES WE'RE
10:54:49 LOOKING AT AS TO WHERE THEY FEEL THEY CAN DO THE BEST FOR
10:54:53 THE CHILDREN AND THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.
10:54:55 THEY'VE MADE IT, I THINK IN MY MIND, VERY CLEAR WITH
10:55:01 APPARENTLY THE CONVERSATION THAT YOU HAD WITH DR. ADKINS AND

10:55:03 WITH ALL THE CONVERSATIONS I'VE HAD, THAT THIS IS WHERE THEY
10:55:08 PREFER IT TO BE.
10:55:09 THEY THINK IT WILL BE THE BEST PLACE.
10:55:22 >>Mayor Ribble: STEVE.
10:55:23 [BREAKING UP] -- HAND UP.
10:55:27 >>Steven Sarkozy: BILL, YOUR PICTURE IS FROZEN THERE.

10:55:31 IF PEOPLE COULD TAKE A LOOK AT THAT.
10:55:33 I WANT TO MAKE A COMMENT REGARDING OUR INTERESTS.
10:55:37 CERTAINLY, THE SCHOOL DISTRICT IS THE EXPERT IN THEIR FIELD,
10:55:43 AND I DON'T WANT TO AT ANY TIME SUGGEST THAT WE'RE
10:55:48 SECOND-GUESSING THEIR OPINIONS ON THE FUNCTIONING OF THE
10:55:53 SCHOOL DISTRICT.
10:55:54 BUT THE VILLAGE, PARTICULARLY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL, HAS
10:56:03 PURVIEW OVER THE LAND USE ISSUES, AND YOU ALSO HAVE THE
10:56:06 RESPONSIBILITY OF FOLLOWING THROUGH ON A LOT OF THE HEALTH,
10:56:12 SAFETY, AND RECREATIONAL ASPECTS FOR THE COMMUNITY.
10:56:15 THOSE ARE THE ISSUES THAT I LOOK AT, AND I THINK OUR MOST
10:56:26 IMPORTANT THING FOR THE VILLAGE TO BE INVOLVED IN.
10:56:28 SO I JUST WANTED TO CLARIFY THAT, JUST COME AT IT FROM A
10:56:34 DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE BECAUSE WE'RE RESPONSIBLE FOR
10:56:36 DIFFERENT ELEMENTS HERE IN BUILDING A COMMUNITY.
10:56:39 THANK YOU.
10:56:55 >>Howard Levitan: WE DON'T SEEM TO HAVE BILL AROUND ANYMORE.
10:56:59 >> WHY DON'T YOU GO AHEAD AND SPEAK.
10:57:01 >>Howard Levitan: WHAT I'D LIKE TO SAY IS THIS --

10:57:04 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
10:57:04 I CAN ONLY SEE ME.
10:57:05 I DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED HERE.
10:57:06 I CAN HEAR YOU, STEVE.
10:57:08 BUT I CAN ONLY -- I'M HERE.
10:57:13 CAN YOU HEAR ME?
10:57:15 >> WE CAN HEAR YOU.
10:57:16 >>Howard Levitan: BILL, DO YOU WANT ME TO --
10:57:18 >>Mayor Ribble: I CAN HEAR YOU.
10:57:20 >>Howard Levitan: BILL IS -- CAN I KEEP GOING?
10:57:24 LET ME FINISH UP FIRST.
10:57:31 I WOULD LIKE TO SAY AS ONE OF THE VOTES -- OR NOT VOTES BUT
10:57:35 PREFERENCES FOR WILLIAMS ROAD, IF WE DO HAVE A CONSENSUS TO
10:57:38 GO TO THREE OAKS, I WOULD JUST LIKE TO FOCUS IN ON THE THREE
10:57:43 OAKS SITE AND SEE IF WE CAN MAKE THE BEST OPPORTUNITY FOR
10:57:50 CLEANING UP THE WETLANDS THAT WILL SURVIVE, AND TO MAKE
10:57:56 CERTAIN THAT THE ACCESS TO THAT SITE IS BETTER THAN WHAT I
10:58:01 SEE ON THE PLANS.
10:58:02 I THINK THERE ARE MANY WAYS DURING A COMP PLAN HEARING THAT
10:58:07 WE CAN WORK TO IMPROVE THAT PLAN, DESPITE -- WITHOUT
10:58:14 IMPACTING THEIR TIME SCHEDULE.
10:58:16 SO I WOULD HOPE THAT WE CAN THINK ABOUT THAT AS WE MOVE
10:58:21 FORWARD.
10:58:21 THAT'S ALL I HAVE.
10:58:33 >>Jim Wilson: I THINK WE'RE MISSING AN OPPORTUNITY IF WE

10:58:34 DON'T GO DIRECTLY TO THE SCHOOL BOARD AND ASK THEM ABOUT
10:58:37 KATY'S SUGGESTION THAT THEY MAKE THE THREE OAKS SITE

10:58:40 AVAILABLE TO THE VILLAGE UNDER SOME TERMS SO THAT WE COULD
10:58:46 SOLVE PART OF OUR PARK ISSUE.
10:58:48 I THINK THAT MIGHT ACTUALLY CHANGE SOMEBODY'S MIND.
10:58:52 BUT I FEEL REALLY BAD TO HEAR WHAT CHRIS PATRICCA SAID
10:58:57 ABOUT, WELL, THEN WE'LL HAVE TO GO TO OPTION THREE AND GO
10:58:59 OUT INTO THE EASTERN CORRIDOR, BECAUSE I THINK IT SPEAKS
10:59:05 TOWARDS THE VILLAGE AND THE DISTRICT WORKING TOGETHER FOR
10:59:08 THE GOOD OF THOSE RESIDENTS OF THE VILLAGE.
10:59:14 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
10:59:17 CHRIS.
10:59:19 >> YES, THANK YOU.
10:59:20 I AM VERY, VERY UNCOMFORTABLE WITH A 4-3.
10:59:27 I KNOW THAT STAFF WILL BE VERY, VERY UNCOMFORTABLE WITH A
10:59:29 4-3 AS WELL.
10:59:31 COUNCILMAN McLAIN, I UNDERSTAND AND ALSO, MAYOR RIBBLE, I
10:59:38 UNDERSTAND WE ARE ALL ADULTS AND THAT YOU ALL GET BEHIND THE
10:59:41 DECISION.
10:59:42 HOWEVER, THE DISTRICT HAS BEEN TRAVELING DOWN THE PATH OF
10:59:44 PUTTING SCHOOLS ON THE WILLIAMS ROAD SITE FOR THREE YEARS
10:59:48 NOW.
10:59:48 UP UNTIL A RECENT PIVOT AND NOW WE'RE LOOKING AT THREE OAKS.
10:59:52 SO WE CAN'T POUR MILLIONS OF DOLLARS INTO A SITE WITHOUT
10:59:58 STRONG ASSURANCES FROM THE COUNCIL THAT THERE'S STRONG

11:00:01 SUPPORT ON THE COUNCIL TO ACCELERATE THE COMP PLAN CHANGE
11:00:05 PROCESS, AND I JUST DON'T THINK THAT WE HAVE THOSE KINDS OF
11:00:09 ASSURANCES WITH A 4-3.
11:00:15 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
11:00:16 I THINK WE NEED TO WRAP THIS THING UP.
11:00:23 >>Jon McLain: I DON'T WANT TO SPEAK FOR HOWARD, BUT WHAT I
11:00:26 HEARD HOWARD SAY IS THAT IF WE MOVE TO THE THREE OAKS SITE
11:00:30 THAT HE IS WILLING TO WORK WITH THE SCHOOL SYSTEM OF THE
11:00:34 VILLAGE AND STAFF TO MAKE SURE THAT WE WORK TO GET THIS
11:00:38 THING GOING ON THE TIMELINE THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD -- HE'S A
11:00:43 WILLING PARTICIPANT IN THAT.
11:00:44 AND I DON'T WANT TO PUT WORDS IN HIS MOUTH, BUT THAT'S WHAT
11:00:47 I THOUGHT I HEARD.
11:00:48 I'M GOING TO ASK, IF IT'S APPROPRIATE, I WANT TO ASK THE
11:00:53 MAYOR IF, IN FACT, THE COUNCIL, YOU'VE GIVEN YOUR WORD TO
11:00:57 DR. ADKINS, I UNDERSTAND THAT.
11:00:59 IT'S GOOD TO BE LOYAL THAT WAY.
11:01:01 BUT, IN FACT, WE MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS TO GO TO THREE OAKS,
11:01:05 YOU'RE NOT GOING TO BE A ROAD BLOCK DURING THE APPROVAL
11:01:08 PROCESS.
11:01:09 I DON'T THINK THAT'S WHAT I SENSE YOU'RE SAYING THERE, IS
11:01:13 THAT YOU PREFER THE WILLIAMS SITE, BUT IF WE AS A COUNCIL
11:01:17 ARE MOVING FORWARD, YOU'RE GOING TO BE A PARTICIPANT, ACTIVE
11:01:23 PARTICIPANT WHATEVER SITE WE MOVE TO TO GET THIS COMP PLAN.

11:01:29 >>Mayor Ribble: I'M NOT GOING TO ANSWER THAT BECAUSE THAT'S
11:01:31 KIND OF A WEASEL QUESTION.
11:01:33 WE'RE TALKING ABOUT WHICH SITE YOU PREFER TODAY.
11:01:35 THAT'S WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT.
11:01:36 >>Jon McLain: WELL, WE HAVE A 4-3 CONSENSUS.
11:01:39 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY, SO THAT'S WHAT THE VOTE WOULD BE.
11:01:42 UNLESS HOWARD OR NICK CHANGES THEIR MIND, IT'S A 4-3.
11:01:51 >>Jon McLain: OKAY.
11:01:51 WE GOT OUR OPINION.
11:01:53 GIVING IT TO HER.
11:01:54 IT IS A WEAK OPINION FOR HER, IT PUTS HER AND THE SCHOOL
11:01:57 BOARD IN A TOUGH POSITION.
11:01:59 BUT IF WE WERE TO SAY WE'RE WILLING TO WORK -- THE SCHOOL
11:02:02 BOARD IS GOING TO HAVE SOME SAY IN THIS ALSO.
11:02:05 THEY MAY, AS SHE'S SAYING, IF WE ONLY HAVE A 4-3 CONSENSUS,
11:02:09 THEY ARE MOVING IT OUT TO THE EAST.
11:02:11 THAT'S REALLY NOT THE BEST PLAN FOR ESTERO LONG TERM IN MY
11:02:15 MIND.
11:02:17 >>Mayor Ribble: -- TODAY.
11:02:18 WE SHOULD HAVE DR. ADKINS COME HERE TODAY WITH HIS STAFF
11:02:22 THAT WAS IN THE MEETING I WAS IN BECAUSE ALL THESE
11:02:25 OBJECTIONS THAT YOU FOLKS BROUGHT UP, STEVE BROUGHT UP
11:02:28 TODAY.
11:02:28 STEVE WAS VERY WELL PREPARED FOR THAT MEETING AND SO WAS
11:02:32 MARY GIBBS.
11:02:33 AND EVERY ONE OF THESE ISSUES THAT YOU FOLKS BROUGHT UP,
11:02:39 THEY HAD A SOLUTION FOR THE ISSUES.
11:02:40 THE FACT OF THE CAMPUS BEING DANGEROUS WITH BUSES DRIVING
11:02:42 AROUND, THERE ARE BUSES DRIVING AROUND ON EVERY ONE OF THESE
11:02:45 CAMPUSES.
11:02:46 THEY KNOW THAT.
11:02:47 THEY KNOW HOW TO MANAGE THEIR CAMPUS SAFELY.
11:02:50 HE HAD -- EVERY ONE OF HIS DIRECTORS SPOKE AT THAT MEETING,
11:02:54 AND THAT'S WHY I LEFT THERE WITH A HAND SHAKE WITH ADKINS
11:02:57 THE WAY I DID.
11:02:58 NOW, YOU FOLKS ARE ENTITLED TO YOUR OPINION, BUT DON'T ASK
11:03:02 ME TO ABANDON SHIP ON ADKINS WHEN I HAVE A GENTLEMAN'S
11:03:06 AGREEMENT WITH HIM.
11:03:06 IN FACT, STEVE, DID WE NOT CALL HIM TWO WEEKS AGO FROM YOUR
11:03:10 OFFICE?
11:03:12 >>Steven Sarkozy: YES, WE DID.
11:03:18 >>Mayor Ribble: NOTHING CHANGED IN DR. ADKINS' MIND FOR THAT
11:03:21 AGREEMENT, IS THAT CORRECT?
11:03:22 >>Steven Sarkozy: CORRECT.
11:03:23 >>Mayor Ribble: THAT'S KIND OF HOW I AM ON THAT.
11:03:25 I'M NOT TRYING TO PLAY HARD BALL.

11:03:27 I HAVE A COMMITMENT WITH THE GENTLEMAN.
11:03:31 IS MY WORD.
11:03:32 HE TOLD ME WHY IT SHOULD BE THERE.
11:03:34 IN MY OPINION I TOTALLY AGREE WITH HIM AND THAT'S HOW I LEFT
11:03:37 IT.

11:03:38 >>Jon McLain: LET ME ASK IT ANOTHER WAY ON THIS, BILL SO
11:03:41 THAT CHRIS CAN GO BACK AND TALK TO HIM.
11:03:43 IF, IN FACT, THEY SAY 4-3 IS GOOD ENOUGH FOR US TO MOVE
11:03:47 FORWARD WITH THIS PROJECT ON THE THREE OAKS SITE, THE
11:03:50 QUESTION TO YOU IS, OKAY, THEY ARE MOVING FORWARD, HE'S
11:03:54 SAYING THAT'S GOOD, ARE YOU GOING TO BE A ROAD BLOCK AS THEY
11:03:58 COME TO THE COMP PLAN AND THE TIMETABLE THEY HAVE TO DELIVER
11:04:02 THE SCHOOL OPENING ON SEPTEMBER 23rd.

11:04:06 >>Mayor Ribble: HERE'S WHAT I'LL CHANGE MY VOTE, WHEN
11:04:08 DR. ADKINS CALLS ME AND TELLS ME HE WOULD LIKE TO MOVE OVER
11:04:12 TO A DIFFERENT POSITION ON THE ISSUE, THEN I'LL CHANGE MY
11:04:15 VOTE.

11:04:15 BUT RIGHT NOW, I TOLD HIM I WAS GOING TO BE ONE OF SEVEN
11:04:18 THAT HE COULD COUNT ON, AND I'M HOLDING ONE TO SEVEN TODAY.
11:04:23 COULD THAT CHANGE NEXT WEEK?

11:04:25 POSSIBLY.

11:04:26 HOWARD.

11:04:26 >>Howard Levitan: I WANT TO SAY I DON'T SEE ANY REASON WHY
11:04:29 THE COUNCIL CAN'T HAVE A FULL CONSENSUS, A UNANIMOUS
11:04:34 CONSENSUS THAT WE'LL MOVE FORWARD ON THE TIME FRAME.
11:04:38 THAT DOESN'T HURT ANYBODY.

11:04:41 WE COULD MOVE FORWARD AND HAVE A COMP PLAN HEARING AS SOON
11:04:44 AS IT'S LEGALLY AVAILABLE, AND THEN EVERYBODY VOTES AND
11:04:51 MAKES THEIR DECISIONS.

11:04:53 IF IT'S 4-3, IT'S STILL 4-3.

11:04:56 SO I DON'T SEE WHY WE CAN'T REACH CONSENSUS ON THAT POINT, O
11:05:00 THAN SIDE OF IT, TO MOVE FORWARD TO MEET THEIR TIME FRAME.

11:05:07 >>Steven Sarkozy: MAYOR AND COUNCIL, WE'VE INCLUDED IN YOUR
11:05:10 PACKET, BOTH IN BRIEFINGS AND IN THIS PACKET THE TENTATIVE
11:05:14 SCHEDULE FOR THE SITES AND TO SPEAK TO COUNCILMAN LEVITAN'S
11:05:19 POINT, WE'RE LOOKING AT A COMMITMENT HERE TO GET A COMP PLAN
11:05:26 AND POSSIBLE REZONING AND THE DEVELOPMENT ORDER ALL DONE BY
11:05:32 SEPTEMBER OF THIS YEAR IRREGARDLESS OF THE SITE.

11:05:36 SO THAT'S THE PRESUMPTION GOING INTO THIS MEETING.

11:05:41 CHOOSE A SITE AND THEN WE GET THE PROCESS DONE.

11:05:45 THIS SCHEDULE WAS DEVELOPED BY MARY GIBBS.

11:05:50 IT'S A TIGHT SCHEDULE, BUT IT WAS DONE WITH THE

11:05:53 UNDERSTANDING THAT WE'RE COLLABORATING WITH THE SCHOOL
11:05:55 DISTRICT.

11:05:59 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.

11:05:59 ANY OTHER COMMENTS ON THIS?

11:06:01 CHRIS, YOU'RE GOING TO GO BACK AND SAY IT'S A 4-3 VOTE ON
11:06:11 THIS.
11:06:12 IS THAT WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO DO?
11:06:14 >> YES, SIR.
11:06:15 AND I WANT TO THANK YOU YET AGAIN FOR ALLOWING ME TO
11:06:19 PARTICIPATE IN TODAY'S MEETING.
11:06:20 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
11:06:21 ALL RIGHT.
11:06:22 WELL, GOOD DISCUSSION.

11:06:23 MOVING FORWARD, LET'S GO TO THE NEXT TOPIC.
11:06:28 DO WE WANT TO TAKE A BREAK FOR TEN MINUTES OR ARE WE OKAY?
11:06:31 TAKE FIVE?
11:06:35 HOWARD WANTS TO TAKE FIVE.
11:06:36 ALL RIGHT.
11:06:38 SO I'M GOING TO LEAVE -- WE'LL LEAVE OUR STUFF ON HERE.
11:06:41 DON'T SIGN OFF.
11:06:44 WE'LL START CHATTING AT 11:11.
11:06:50 [RECESS]
11:11:55 >> -- IS AN INTRODUCTION OF THE POSSIBLE PROJECTS THAT
11:12:00 RELATE TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.
11:12:02 THIS WAS INTENDED TO BE A VERY EARLY DISCUSSION IN OUR
11:12:06 BUDGET PROCESS.
11:12:08 WHAT WE'VE DONE IS COMPILED A LIST OF POSSIBLE CAPITAL
11:12:13 IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS.
11:12:14 THIS IS EVERYTHING WE CAN THINK OF, EVERYTHING THAT'S BEEN
11:12:17 IDENTIFIED BY THE PUBLIC, THE COUNCIL, AND SOME OF OUR
11:12:21 MASTER PLANS.
11:12:22 BY DEFINITION, IT'S UNLIKELY THAT WE'LL EVER -- ALL OF THE
11:12:32 ITEMS.
11:12:32 THIS IS THE EXPANSIVE LIST THAT THE COUNCIL CAN CHOOSE FROM
11:12:35 TO MOVE PROJECTS FORWARD.
11:12:37 I'D LIKE TO TURN IT OVER TO DAVID WILLEMS, OUR DIRECTOR OF
11:12:40 PUBLIC WORKS.
11:12:41 MOST OF THESE INVOLVE PUBLIC WORKS-TYPE ACTIVITIES.

11:12:45 I'LL LET DAVID GO THROUGH THE BINDER OF POSSIBLE PROJECTS.
11:12:54 >>David Willems: GOOD MORNING.
11:12:54 WHAT I WAS HOPING TO DO IS GO THROUGH THE BINDER THAT WE
11:12:58 WENT THROUGH IN THE BRIEFINGS.
11:12:59 ONLINE, THEY ARE GOING TO SEE THE ACTUAL BINDER AS WELL, BUT
11:13:03 I THINK THE COUNCIL IS JUST GOING TO SEE THE VIDEO FROM
11:13:06 ZOOM.
11:13:07 I'M GOING TO KIND OF GO OVER JUST IN CONCEPT WHAT THE BINDER
11:13:14 IS, WHAT INFORMATION WE HAVE IN IT, AND THEN GO OVER BRIEFLY
11:13:18 A LOT OF THE PROJECTS THAT ARE IN THERE.
11:13:21 THE WAY WE SET UP THE BINDER IS THERE ARE EIGHT DIFFERENT
11:13:24 CATEGORIES OF PROJECTS THAT WE HAVE, AND THIS IS VERY

11:13:27 SIMILAR TO THE WAY THE C.I.P. HAS BEEN DONE IN THE PAST IS
11:13:31 THAT WE HAVE ROADWAY INTERSECTION, BIKE-PED, LANDSCAPING,
11:13:36 PARKS REC, STORMWATER, BUILDING, AND LAND ACQUISITION.
11:13:39 AT THE END OF THE REPORT, WHAT WE DID WAS WE PROVIDED IN THE
11:13:43 APPENDICES, WE PROVIDED ALL THE BACKGROUND STUDIES AND
11:13:49 MASTER PLANS THAT WE'VE DONE OVER THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS TO
11:13:54 FIGURE OUT WHAT WE NEED IN EACH OF THOSE AREAS.
11:13:56 THE FIRST THREE APPENDICES ARE THE ROADWAY AND TRAFFIC
11:14:03 PROJECTS -- OR STUDIES.
11:14:05 THEY ARE THE INTERSECTIONS AND THEN THE COCONUT ROAD STUDIES
11:14:09 THAT WE'VE DONE.
11:14:10 AND THEN WE ALSO HAVE THE BIKE-PED MASTER PLAN, THE PARKS
11:14:16 REC MASTER PLAN, AND THE STORMWATER MASTER PLAN.

11:14:18 THE REASON WE PROVIDED THOSE IN HERE IS THAT IS REALLY THE
11:14:22 REFERENCE FOR A LOT OF THESE PROJECTS.
11:14:24 THE REASON THAT WE'RE PROPOSING A LOT OF THESE PROJECTS IS
11:14:26 BECAUSE THEY ARE IDENTIFIED AS NEEDS IN THOSE STUDIES AND
11:14:30 MASTER PLANS.
11:14:31 ON PAGE I, WHAT WE DID WAS WE JUST PROVIDED AN OUTLINE OF
11:14:38 WHAT IS IN THE REPORT AND HOW WE SET UP THE REPORT JUST SO
11:14:42 THE PUBLIC CAN READ IT AND UNDERSTAND AND GET AROUND,
11:14:46 NAVIGATE AROUND IN IT WHEN THE REPORT IS ONLINE.
11:14:49 AND THE FIRST SECTION THAT I'LL GO OVER IS I'LL START GOING
11:14:54 OVER THE ROADWAY PROJECTS.
11:14:55 WITH THOSE, THE FIRST ONE EVERYBODY IS FAMILIAR WITH IS
11:15:00 ESTERO PARKWAY IMPROVEMENTS.
11:15:02 THAT'S AN ONGOING PROJECT.
11:15:04 IT'S UNDER CONSTRUCTION RIGHT NOW.
11:15:06 IT WILL BLEED INTO THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR.
11:15:11 THE PROJECT IS NOT SCHEDULED TO BE COMPLETED UNTIL DECEMBER,
11:15:16 BUT MOST OF THOSE FUNDS WILL BE EXPENDED THIS YEAR.
11:15:19 AS EVERYBODY KNOWS, IT'S SIDEWALKS, BIKE-PED IMPROVEMENTS,
11:15:23 ROAD RESURFACING AND LANDSCAPING.
11:15:26 >>Mayor Ribble: WE'RE PLEASED WITH THE PROGRESS OF THE WORK
11:15:33 DONE OVER THERE, IS THAT CORRECT?
11:15:35 >>David Willems: YES, IT'S GONE VERY WELL.
11:15:36 THEY COMPLETED A LOT OF THE SIDEWALK ALREADY.
11:15:38 IF YOU DRIVE DOWN THE ROAD, THE SIDEWALK ON THE SOUTH SIDE

11:15:41 IS BASICALLY COMPLETED.
11:15:43 THEY GRADED THE SWALES, THEY SWITCHED OVER TO THE NORTH SIDE
11:15:47 OF THE ROAD, HAVE FINISHED QUITE A BIT OF THE SIDEWALK.
11:15:50 OVER THE NEXT TWO, THREE WEEKS, THEY'LL FINISH THE SIDEWALK
11:15:53 AND GRADE THOSE SWALES.
11:15:54 THEY ALSO ALREADY PUT IN THE FOUNDATIONS FOR A LOT OF THE
11:15:57 STREETLIGHTS AS WELL.
11:15:58 THAT'S GONE PRETTY WELL.

11:16:00 ON THE SECOND PAGE OF EACH PROJECT IS A LOCATION MAP.
11:16:07 WE PROVIDED THAT JUST SO THE RESIDENTS COULD REALLY
11:16:09 UNDERSTAND WHERE THE PROJECTS ARE LOCATED.
11:16:11 SOMETHING LIKE ESTERO PARKWAY IS PRETTY EASY.
11:16:14 MOST PEOPLE PROBABLY KNOW WHERE ESTERO PARKWAY IS, BUT SOME
11:16:17 OF THE SMALLER PROJECTS, THERE ARE RESIDENTS THAT PROBABLY
11:16:19 DON'T KNOW EXACTLY WHERE THAT'S LOCATED.
11:16:21 THE SECOND ROADWAY PROJECT THAT WE HAVE HERE IS CORKSCREW
11:16:25 ROAD WIDENING.
11:16:27 >>Mayor Ribble: DAVID, ONE MORE QUESTION.
11:16:29 I HAD TALKED TO A COUPLE OF FOLKS ABOUT THIS PROJECT, AND
11:16:33 EVERYBODY SEEMED PRETTY HAPPY WITH IT.
11:16:36 ARE WE LOOKING AT THE NUMBERS AS WE MOVE FORWARD?
11:16:42 >>David Willems: YEAH, YEAH, WE LOOK LIKE WE'RE FINE.
11:16:44 >>Mayor Ribble: WE'RE NOT GOING TO HAVE ANY SURPRISES AT THE
11:16:46 END OF THIS, ARE WE?
11:16:47 >>David Willems: NO, LITTLE CONFLICTS HERE AND THERE, BUT

11:16:49 THE ENGINEER AND THE CONTRACTOR AND THE CEI HAVE BEEN ABLE
11:16:53 TO WORK THROUGH THOSE.
11:16:54 NOTHING UNEXPECTED.
11:16:55 SO THE NEXT ONE IS CORKSCREW ROAD.
11:16:59 THIS IS A COUNTY PROJECT, AND REALLY WHAT THE VILLAGE'S
11:17:05 INVOLVEMENT WOULD BE IS REALLY ENHANCEMENTS TO THAT PROJECT.
11:17:08 I THINK WE TALKED AT SOME COUNCIL MEETINGS IN THE PAST THAT
11:17:11 THERE IS THE POTENTIAL THAT WE ENHANCE THE BIKE-PED AND MAKE
11:17:15 THE SIDEWALKS A LITTLE BIT WIDER, PULL THE SIDEWALKS OFF THE
11:17:18 BACK OF THE CURB, ENHANCE THE LANDSCAPING AND THEN INSTALL
11:17:23 DECORATIVE STREET LIGHTING.
11:17:25 SO THAT'S WHAT THIS COVERS.
11:17:27 THIS WOULD BE DONE IN SIMILAR TIME FRAME TO THE WORK THAT
11:17:31 THE COUNTY IS DOING.
11:17:32 THEY ARE DESIGNING THAT RIGHT NOW, AND IF WE MOVE FORWARD
11:17:36 WITH THIS, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT
11:17:39 WITH THE COUNTY FOR US TO PROVIDE THOSE IMPROVEMENTS.
11:17:44 THE IDEA WOULD BE THAT WE WOULD PROVIDE FOR THE
11:17:47 ENHANCEMENTS, BUT THE COUNTY WOULD ACTUALLY GIVE US THE
11:17:51 MONEY THEY WOULD HAVE SPENT OTHERWISE ON THOSE IMPROVEMENTS.
11:17:55 >>Mayor Ribble: HOW ARE WE DOING WITH AN AGREEMENT WITH
11:17:58 THAT, STEVE?
11:18:01 >>David Willems: SO WE -- OKAY.
11:18:04 WE HAVE THAT DRAFT.
11:18:05 THAT'S BEEN FORWARDED TO DEREK.

11:18:08 I THINK WE GOT IT LAST WEEK, SO WE'RE REVIEWING THAT
11:18:10 INTERNALLY.
11:18:11 THE COUNTY DID THE ORIGINAL DRAFT AND DEREK HAS IT.
11:18:16 WE'RE LOOKING AT IT AND WE'LL GET THAT BACK TO THEM WITH ANY

11:18:19 COMMENTS.
11:18:20 >> THE DRAFT IS CONSISTENT WITH PRINCIPLES THAT WE TALKED
11:18:22 ABOUT.
11:18:23 THEY WOULD DO THE PROJECT FIRST AND THEN WE WOULD PIGGYBACK
11:18:26 ONTO THAT AND DO OUR ELEMENTS AFTERWARDS.
11:18:29 OUR ELEMENTS BEING THE OFF-ROAD ELEMENTS ON THE SITE AND IN
11:18:33 THE LANDSCAPING.
11:18:36 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
11:18:40 >>David Willems: SO THE THIRD PROJECT UNDER ROADWAY
11:18:42 IMPROVEMENTS IS RIVER RANCH ROAD.
11:18:44 THIS IS ONE THAT'S BEEN IN THE C.I.P. PREVIOUSLY.
11:18:47 WE ARE CURRENTLY WORKING ON THE DESIGN OF THAT.
11:18:51 OVER THE LAST COUPLE OF WEEKS, THERE HAVE BEEN SURVEY CREWS
11:18:54 OUT ALONG RIVER RANCH ROAD.
11:18:56 WE'VE GOTTEN A LOT OF CALLS FROM RESIDENTS ASKING WHAT WE'RE
11:18:59 DOING.
11:19:00 THIS IS A ROADWAY PROJECTS BUT IT ACTUALLY HAS MORE TO IT
11:19:02 THAN THAT, IN THAT RIVER RANCH ROAD IS A ROAD THAT FLOODS.
11:19:06 WE'RE GOING TO BE TRYING TO FIX SOME OF THE FLOODING AND
11:19:08 THEN ALSO WITH ESTERO HIGH SCHOOL THERE, IT HAS SOME
11:19:12 INTERSECTION ISSUES AND SOME BIKE-PED NEEDS.

11:19:16 WE WOULD BE LOOKING AT THE ENTIRE CORRIDOR AND IMPROVEMENT
11:19:19 FROM ALL OF THOSE ASPECTS.
11:19:21 THE FOURTH PROJECT IS BROADWAY WEST IMPROVEMENTS.
11:19:27 THIS IS TO ADDRESS -- BROADWAY WEST IS A VERY OLD ROAD.
11:19:32 IT WAS BUILT YEARS AGO, AND IT'S REALLY NOT UP TO SOME OF
11:19:36 THE STANDARDS THAT YOU WOULD HAVE IN A ROAD TODAY.
11:19:38 THERE'S NO SHOULDERS.
11:19:40 THE SLOPES AT THE SWALES ARE REALLY STEEP, AND THIS WOULD BE
11:19:43 A STUDY OF THE ENTIRE CORRIDOR TO FIGURE OUT WHAT WE CAN
11:19:46 ACTUALLY DO TO IMPROVE THAT.
11:19:48 IT WOULD LIKELY INCLUDE DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS, MAYBE SOME OF
11:19:51 THOSE DITCHES GET FILLED IN, PUT IN PIPES, BUT THAT'S
11:19:57 SOMETHING THAT IS IMPORTANT JUST FROM A SAFETY STANDPOINT,
11:20:01 AND THEN ALSO A DRAINAGE STANDPOINT.
11:20:02 THE FIFTH PROJECT UNDER ROADWAYS IS WILLIAMS ROAD WIDENING.
11:20:11 THIS ISN'T NECESSARILY A NEED RIGHT NOW, BUT IF AND WHEN
11:20:16 NORTH POINT DEVELOPS, THAT SEGMENT OF ROADWAY BETWEEN U.S.
11:20:20 41 AND VIA COCONUT IS GOING TO PICK UP A LOT OF TRAFFIC AND
11:20:24 THE THINKING IS THAT'S GOING TO NEED TO BE FOUR-LANED WITH
11:20:29 HERTZ ON THE SOUTH SIDE AND THEN NORTH POINT ON THE NORTH
11:20:34 SIDE.
11:20:34 THIS INCLUDES FOUR-LANE WIDENING, STREETLIGHTS, LANDSCAPING.
11:20:38 THIS IS REALLY TO ADDRESS FUTURE DEVELOPMENT NEEDS.
11:20:41 THE NEXT PROJECT IS UNDER ROADWAY.
11:20:49 I PROBABLY WON'T GO OVER THEM INDIVIDUALLY BECAUSE THEY ARE

11:20:52 ALL THE SAME.
11:20:53 THEY ARE ALL RELATED.
11:20:54 WE BASICALLY HAVE THE GROUPING OF ALL THE DIFFERENT
11:20:57 STREETLIGHT PROJECTS THAT COULD HAPPEN WITHIN THE VILLAGE.
11:21:01 IT INCLUDES BOTH ROADWAYS THAT THE VILLAGE OWNS AND ROADWAYS
11:21:04 THAT THE COUNTY OWNS THAT AREN'T CURRENTLY LIGHTED.
11:21:09 SO WE HAVE VIA COCONUT POINT, THREE OAKS PARKWAY, CORKSCREW
11:21:14 ROAD, COCONUT ROAD, WILLIAMS ROAD, RIVER RANCH ROAD.
11:21:19 IT'S A SMALLER ROAD, BUT WITH THE SCHOOL BEING THERE, IT
11:21:23 MIGHT MAKE SENSE TO INSTALL STREETLIGHTS.
11:21:26 WE HAVE BROADWAY AND SANDY LANE.
11:21:29 SO I THINK THOSE ARE ALL THE KIND OF STREETLIGHT PROJECTS
11:21:33 THAT WE THOUGHT COULD OCCUR.
11:21:36 THAT DOESN'T MEAN THEY ARE ALL GOING TO.
11:21:38 IF COUNCIL OR THE PUBLIC THINKS OF ANY ROADWAYS THAT SHOULD
11:21:42 BE IN THERE THAT AREN'T, WE'RE OPEN FOR THAT TYPE OF INPUT.
11:21:46 THE LAST ONE ON HERE IS KIND OF A PLACE HOLDER, KNOWING THAT
11:21:50 AT SOME POINT VIA COCONUT POINT WOULD EXTEND INTO BONITA
11:21:54 SPRINGS.
11:21:54 SO THIS IS JUST SHOWING THAT THAT COULD HAPPEN.
11:21:57 THERE WOULD HAVE TO BE A LOT OF COORDINATION WITH THE CITY
11:21:59 OF BONITA SPRINGS FOR THAT TO EVER HAPPEN.
11:22:02 THE SECTION IN THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO, WE HAVE THE
11:22:07 RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR IT.
11:22:09 THE CITY OF BONITA WOULD HAVE A LOT OF WORK TO GET THE

11:22:11 RIGHT-OF-WAY AND CONNECT THEM INTO BUSINESS 41.
11:22:15 >>Mayor Ribble: HOW ABOUT COCONUT ROAD?
11:22:18 HOW COME THAT'S NOT IN HERE?
11:22:20 >>David Willems: AS FAR AS?
11:22:21 >>Mayor Ribble: THE ROUNDABOUTS AND THE ROAD IMPROVEMENTS.
11:22:23 >>David Willems: SO THE ROUNDABOUTS -- SO MOST OF THOSE
11:22:26 WE'RE CONSIDERING AS INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS BECAUSE IT'S
11:22:30 REALLY THE INTERSECTION OF THE ROADWAYS, AND YOU'LL ALSO SEE
11:22:33 COCONUT ROAD FOR BIKE-PED IMPROVEMENTS.
11:22:36 SO IT WASN'T REALLY A ROADWAY.
11:22:37 IT WAS MORE THE INTERSECTION AND THE BIKE-PED.
11:22:40 AND THEN THE LAST PAGE IN EACH SECTION IS AN OVERALL MAP
11:22:44 THAT SHOWS THE ENTIRE VILLAGE OF ESTERO.
11:22:47 AND IN THIS CASE, IT SHOWS WHERE ALL OF THE ROADWAY PROJECTS
11:22:51 ARE LOCATED.
11:22:52 IT JUST GIVES A GOOD OVERVIEW, IF YOU WANTED A REFERENCE OR
11:22:55 IF THE PUBLIC WANTED TO REFERENCE WHERE THE PROJECTS ARE.
11:22:59 SO THAT'S THE BACK OF EACH SECTION.
11:23:02 IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS, I CAN ANSWER QUESTIONS AS WE GO
11:23:08 OR WE CAN WAIT TILL THE END.
11:23:10 EITHER WAY IS FINE.
11:23:11 THE NEXT SECTION THAT WE HAVE ARE THE INTERSECTION

11:23:14 IMPROVEMENTS.
11:23:15 THE FIRST ONES ARE THE ONES THAT WE'VE TALKED ABOUT MANY
11:23:19 TIMES.

11:23:21 SOME OF THESE AREN'T NECESSARILY OUR PROJECTS.
11:23:24 FOR EXAMPLE, THE CORKSCREW ROAD AT TOWN COMMONS SIGNAL, THAT
11:23:28 IS THE LOWE'S TRAFFIC SIGNAL.
11:23:34 THAT'S NOT OUR REQUIREMENT TO DO.
11:23:35 BUT WE'RE SHOWING THIS IN HERE AS JUST KIND OF A PLACE SO
11:23:37 EVERYBODY KNOWS THE IMPROVEMENTS THAT ARE GOING TO BE
11:23:39 HAPPENING IN THE FUTURE.
11:23:41 I THINK AS COUNCIL KNOWS, WE'RE WORKING ON THAT RIGHT NOW.
11:23:43 WE'RE TRYING TO FINALIZE THE AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE VILLAGE
11:23:46 AND THE DEVELOPERS AND THEN ALSO THE COUNTY AND THE
11:23:49 DEVELOPERS.
11:23:50 DEREK HAS BEEN A LOT OF HELP TRYING TO GET THAT MOVED
11:23:54 FORWARD.
11:23:54 AND THEN THE SECOND ONE, ON PAGE B-3, ASSOCIATED WITH THAT
11:23:59 IS ONCE THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL IS PUT UP AT THE LOWE'S, THE
11:24:04 COUNTY HAS AGREED THAT THEY'LL CLOSE OFF THE CORKSCREW
11:24:07 WOODLANDS INTERSECTION.
11:24:08 THAT'S WHERE THE CORKSCREW WOODLANDS COMES OUT, IT'S THAT
11:24:15 LEFT TURN COMING OUT OF THERE IS A REAL CHALLENGE FOR THE
11:24:18 RESIDENTS.
11:24:19 THEY WOULD CLOSE THAT SO YOU WOULD BE ABLE TO MAKE A LEFT IN
11:24:24 BUT NOT A LEFT OUT.
11:24:25 AND THOSE RESIDENTS WOULD GO ALONG THE FRONTAGE ROAD INSTEAD
11:24:29 OF GOING OUT RIGHT AT CORKSCREW ROAD.
11:24:32 THE THIRD INTERSECTION PROJECT IS THE OTHER TRAFFIC SIGNAL

11:24:35 PROJECT THAT WE'RE TRYING TO WORK THROUGH ON U.S. 41.
11:24:40 WE'VE TALKED ABOUT THIS WITH COUNCIL THE LAST COUPLE OF
11:24:45 MONTHS OR SO.
11:24:45 WE'RE TRYING TO WORK WITH THE ADJACENT DEVELOPMENTS FOR THEM
11:24:49 TO PAY FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS.
11:24:52 SIMILAR TO THE OTHER TRAFFIC SIGNAL, WORKING ON IT, WE DON'T
11:24:55 HAVE THE AGREEMENT SIGNED YET, BUT WE'RE TRYING TO GET
11:25:00 THERE.
11:25:00 THE FOURTH PROJECT IS ANOTHER ONE THAT IS U.S. 41.
11:25:10 THIS IS AT U.S. 41 AND THE ATLANTIC GULF DRIVE.
11:25:16 THIS IS THE PROJECT THAT YOU HAVE THOSE ILLEGAL LEFT TURNS
11:25:23 COMING OUT OF WALGREENS.
11:25:24 WE FINISHED THE PRELIMINARY DESIGN, AND SO WHAT WE'RE GOING
11:25:28 TO WORK ON AS THE NEXT STEP IS GETTING TO THE MORE DETAILED
11:25:33 DESIGN AND MORE DETAILED COST.
11:25:34 THIS IS TO ADDRESS SOME ILLEGAL TURNS AND SOME SAFETY ISSUES
11:25:38 AT THE INTERSECTION OF 41 AND WILLIAMS AND ALSO TRAFFIC
11:25:41 VOLUMES.

11:25:45 THE NEXT PROJECT IS U.S. 41, COCONUT ROAD INTERSECTION
11:25:51 IMPROVEMENTS.
11:25:51 THIS IS THE ONE THAT, MAYOR, I THINK YOU QUESTIONED.
11:25:59 WHAT ARE WE DOING AT COCONUT ROAD?
11:26:00 THIS IS PART OF IT IS THE INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS THERE,
11:26:05 WHICH WOULD BE ADDITIONAL TURN LANES, ADDITIONAL THRU LANES
11:26:10 AT THAT LOCATION.

11:26:11 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
11:26:11 THANKS.
11:26:15 >>David Willems: AND THEN THE SEVENTH PROJECT IS 41 AND
11:26:19 WILLIAMS.
11:26:19 THIS IS A LITTLE BIT OF A SMALLER PROJECT.
11:26:23 REALLY, THE ONLY REASON THIS ONE HASN'T HAPPENED YET IS
11:26:27 BECAUSE OF -- IT'S ACTUALLY TO GET ANOTHER LEFT-HAND TURN
11:26:31 ONTO WILLIAMS ROAD WHEN HEADING SOUTH ON 41.
11:26:34 THE REASON THAT CAN'T HAPPEN RIGHT NOW IS BECAUSE WILLIAMS
11:26:37 ROAD IS ONLY ONE LANE.
11:26:38 SO ONCE WE EXPAND WILLIAMS ROAD, WE WOULD BE ABLE TO ADD
11:26:43 THIS LEFT TURN ON TO HELP WITH THE TRAFFIC FLOW ON U.S. 41.
11:26:46 THE 8th PROJECT, THIS IS THE FIRST OF THE COCONUT ROAD
11:26:53 ROUNDABOUTS, SO WE HAVE EACH OF THE ROUNDABOUTS AS A
11:26:57 SEPARATE PROJECT.
11:26:58 THE REASON BEING IS WE'RE EXPECTING THAT THE NEED FOR THOSE
11:27:01 ROUNDABOUTS ARE ACTUALLY GOING TO PROGRESS FROM EAST TO
11:27:05 WEST, SO COCONUT SHORES, BECAUSE OF THE TRAFFIC VOLUMES, IS
11:27:08 GOING TO BE THE FIRST ONE THAT NEEDS IT.
11:27:10 SO THAT'S HERE.
11:27:13 WE ARE WORKING ON A CONTRACT RIGHT NOW TO HIRE SOMEBODY TO
11:27:16 CREATE THE PRELIMINARY DESIGN FOR THESE ROUNDABOUTS SO THAT
11:27:20 WE KNOW -- WE KNOW THAT THEY ARE GOING TO FIT.
11:27:23 WE KNOW WHAT RIGHT-OF-WAY NEEDS THERE WOULD BE SO WE CAN
11:27:26 START MOVING FORWARD AND HAVE A LITTLE BIT BETTER COST OF

11:27:30 WHAT THOSE WOULD BE.
11:27:31 THE 9th ONE IS INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT U.S. 41 AND
11:27:36 PELICAN SOUND.
11:27:38 THESE IMPROVEMENTS WOULD PROBABLY GO ALONG WITH NORTH POINT,
11:27:43 ONCE NORTH POINT IS DEVELOPED.
11:27:45 THESE IMPROVEMENTS WOULD BE NEEDED.
11:27:47 EITHER THE DEVELOPER WOULD PAY FOR THOSE OR IT WOULD LIKELY
11:27:53 FALL ON THE VILLAGE.
11:27:54 THE 10th PROJECT IS U.S. 41 AT CORKSCREW ROAD.
11:27:59 THIS IS REALLY JUST TO ADD A RIGHT-TURN LANE WHEN YOU'RE
11:28:03 COMING UP TO CORKSCREW ROAD IN THE FUTURE.
11:28:05 IT'S EXPECTED TO FAIL, THAT RIGHT TURN TO THE NORTH.
11:28:09 SO THIS IS A PROJECT TO IMPROVE THAT.
11:28:12 THE NEXT ONE IS ANOTHER ONE OF THE ROUNDABOUTS.

11:28:16 THIS ONE IS THE ONE AT MEADOWBROOK.
11:28:19 SO IT IS THE NEXT ONE ON COCONUT TO THE WEST.
11:28:23 COSTS ARE SIMILAR.
11:28:24 WE EXPECT THE ROUNDABOUTS TO BE A SIMILAR SIZE, ALL OF
11:28:28 THOSE.
11:28:28 WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH POINT, THE VILLAGE IS LOOKING
11:28:34 TO HAVE A ROADWAY THAT IS GOING TO CONNECT VIA COCONUT TO
11:28:39 U.S. 41.
11:28:40 IN ORDER TO DO THAT, THERE'S GOING TO HAVE TO BE A CROSSING
11:28:43 OF THE RAILROAD, AND THIS IS JUST A HOLDING -- YOU KNOW, A
11:28:48 PLACE HOLDER IN CASE THAT HAD TO BE CROSSED, AND THAT

11:28:54 CROSSING HAD TO BE NEGOTIATED WITH THE RAILROAD.
11:28:56 HOPEFULLY IT WOULD BE GREAT IF WE WERE WORKING ON PURCHASING
11:29:01 IT AND THEN WE NEVER HAD TO ACTUALLY DO THIS.
11:29:03 WE JUST DON'T KNOW HOW THE TIMING IS GOING TO WORK OUT, SO
11:29:06 THAT IS A PLACEHOLDER FOR THAT PROJECT.
11:29:09 THE 13th ONE IS THE THIRD OF THE ROUNDABOUTS ON COCONUT,
11:29:14 AND THIS IS THE ONE AT EL DORADO ACRES.
11:29:18 IT'S ACTUALLY ALL THE WAY ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE VILLAGE.
11:29:21 BUT IT WILL HELP THEM MAKE THEIR LEFT TURNS OUT ONCE THERE'S
11:29:26 DEVELOPMENT.
11:29:26 THEN THE LAST PAGE HERE IS ALL --
11:29:28 >>Mayor Ribble: GO BACK TO THAT EL DORADO ACRES.
11:29:33 IS THE COUNTY GOING TO BE TAXED FOR SOME OF THIS?
11:29:35 ARE WE GOING TO ASK THE COUNTY?
11:29:37 BECAUSE THAT'S UNINCORPORATED THERE AT EL DORADO ACRES.
11:29:42 >>David Willems: CORRECT.
11:29:43 I THINK WHAT THE HOPE IS, IS THAT WE'RE GOING TO GET AT
11:29:46 LEAST SOME PARTICIPATION FROM THE CITY OF BONITA SINCE A LOT
11:29:48 OF THE ADDITIONAL TRAFFIC TRIPS WILL BE COMING FROM
11:29:51 DEVELOPMENTS WITHIN THE CITY OF BONITA.
11:29:55 SO WE'RE HOPEFUL THAT WE'LL BE ABLE TO GET THE MONEY FROM --
11:29:58 I DON'T KNOW IF THE COUNTY WILL, BUT I THINK THE DISCUSSIONS
11:30:00 HAVE BEEN WITH BONITA.
11:30:02 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
11:30:02 DAVID, THERE ARE A LOT OF ROUNDABOUTS THERE.

11:30:06 950, CLOSE TO A MILLION DOLLARS, IS THAT THE TYPICAL COST
11:30:12 FOR THE ROUNDABOUT?
11:30:13 FOR SOME REASON WE'RE LOOKING AT THAT FAMOUS ROUNDABOUT
11:30:16 DISCUSSION WE HAD A YEAR AND A HALF AGO.
11:30:19 I THOUGHT THEY WERE GOING TO BE LESS THAN THAT IN THE FIVE,
11:30:23 SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLAR RANGE.
11:30:25 >>David Willems: THE NUMBER -- SO THESE NUMBERS ARE
11:30:30 EVERYTHING FROM PLANNING, DESIGN, PERMITTING, EVERYTHING.
11:30:36 THE NUMBERS THAT WE WERE TALKING ABOUT BEFORE WERE JUST FOR
11:30:40 THE ACTUAL CONSTRUCTION OF THE ROUNDABOUT ITSELF.

11:30:42 SO, YEAH, I THINK THESE ROUNDABOUT COSTS ARE EVEN UNDER
11:30:47 \$500,000 BECAUSE THEY ARE SMALLER, BUT YOU HAVE TO FACTOR IN
11:30:50 THAT SOMEBODY HAS TO PLAN IT, DESIGN IT.
11:30:53 THERE'S GOING TO BE STREETLIGHTS.
11:30:55 THERE'S GOING TO BE LANDSCAPING.
11:30:56 THERE'S GOING TO BE IRRIGATION.
11:30:58 WHEN WE WERE TALKING ABOUT ESTERO PARKWAY, THOSE WERE ALL
11:31:01 REMOVED BECAUSE THOSE WERE IN DIFFERENT BUDGET AREAS.
11:31:04 SO THE COSTS WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HERE ARE SIMILAR TO THAT.
11:31:08 THERE ARE A LOT OF OTHER THINGS TO GET IT TO THE POINT THAT
11:31:10 WE CAN ACTUALLY BUILD IT.
11:31:11 SO WITH THE INTERSECTIONS, LIKE ALL THE OTHER SECTIONS, WE
11:31:16 HAVE AN OVERALL MAP THAT SHOWS WHERE THEY ARE ALL LOCATED.
11:31:19 AND THEN THE NEXT SECTION IS THE BIKE-PED.
11:31:24 I'M NOT PLANNING ON GOING OVER EVERY BIKE-PED PROJECT

11:31:28 BECAUSE THERE ARE A LOT OF PROJECTS, AND LIKE STEVE ALLUDED
11:31:32 TO EARLIER, WITH THE NUMBER OF PROJECTS THAT ARE IN HERE,
11:31:35 THERE'S A LOT OF THEM THAT ARE NOT GOING TO BE BUILT.
11:31:41 WE DON'T HAVE THE MONEY TO BUILD IT.
11:31:43 THE FUNDS WE HAVE.
11:31:44 THE FUNDS FOR THESE PROJECTS FAR EXCEED THE MONEY WE'LL HAVE
11:31:47 AVAILABLE IN THE NEXT FIVE OR TEN YEARS.
11:31:50 I WAS JUST GOING TO GO THROUGH KIND OF THE FIRST FEW.
11:31:52 IF THERE ARE SOME IN THE BACK THAT A COUNCIL MEMBER WANTED
11:31:55 TO TALK IN MORE DETAIL, WE CAN DO THAT, BUT I WAS GOING TO
11:31:58 GO OVER THE FIRST FEW OF THEM.
11:32:01 COCONUT ROAD BIKE-PED IMPROVEMENTS, THAT'S REALLY JUST
11:32:04 ADDING SOME SIDEWALKS AND SOME CROSSINGS TO IMPROVE THE
11:32:07 SAFETY FOR SOME OF THE COMMUNITIES TO THE NORTH.
11:32:10 THAT IS SOMETHING WE'RE WORKING ON.
11:32:13 WE'RE WORKING ON AN AGREEMENT WITH FPL BECAUSE ONE OF THE
11:32:17 SIDEWALKS WILL GO THROUGH THE FPL EASEMENT.
11:32:20 WE NEED TO GET AN AGREEMENT WITH THEM, AND WE'RE WORKING ON
11:32:23 FINALIZING THAT.
11:32:24 THE SECOND ONE IS WILLIAMS ROAD AND BIKE-PED IMPROVEMENTS.
11:32:28 WHAT THIS WILL DO IS CONNECT THREE OAKS PARKWAY TO VIA
11:32:35 COCONUT POINT.
11:32:36 THIS IS ONE OF THE PROJECTS, THE MASTER PLAN KIND OF
11:32:39 IDENTIFIED AS A WAY TO FILL IN A GAP.
11:32:44 GOOD BIKE-PED ON THREE OAKS, GOOD BIKE-PED ON VIA COCONUT

11:32:48 BUT DON'T REALLY HAVE A GOOD CONNECTION OTHER THAN DOWN
11:32:52 SOUTH AT COCONUT ROAD.
11:32:54 CORKSCREW ROAD IS NOT VERY GOOD AND NEITHER IS WILLIAMS.
11:32:56 THIS PROJECT WILL HELP MAKE THAT CONNECTION.
11:32:59 THE NEXT PROJECT IS AN INTERSECTION STUDY PROJECT.
11:33:08 WITH THE BIKE-PED MASTER PLAN, THEY IDENTIFY THAT THERE WERE

11:33:11 A LOT OF INTERSECTIONS THAT WEREN'T SAFE FOR BIKE-PED
11:33:15 CROSSING.
11:33:16 AND WHAT THEY RECOMMENDED IN THE MASTER PLAN WAS FOR US TO
11:33:22 STUDY A LOT OF THOSE INTERSECTIONS THAT THEY'VE IDENTIFIED
11:33:23 AS UNSAFE IN A LITTLE MORE DETAIL SO WE CAN COME UP WITH
11:33:28 IDEAS OF HOW TO MAKE THEM SAFER.
11:33:30 THAT'S WHAT THIS STUDY WILL DO.
11:33:32 A LOT OF THOSE INTERSECTIONS ARE ALONG U.S. 41.
11:33:35 THAT'S SEEN FROM A BIKE-PED STANDPOINT AS A BARRIER TO A LOT
11:33:38 OF OUR RESIDENTS.
11:33:40 THE RESIDENTS THAT ARE LOCATED WEST OF 41 A LOT OF TIMES
11:33:42 DON'T FEEL COMFORTABLE CROSSING IT.
11:33:44 AND THIS WOULD HELP IMPROVE THAT.
11:33:46 VICE-MAYOR, YOU HAD A QUESTION.
11:33:49 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: YES.
11:33:50 DOES THAT INCLUDE ESTERO PARKWAY AND U.S. 41?
11:33:54 >>David Willems: YES, IT WILL BE BASICALLY ALL THE
11:33:56 INTERSECTIONS.
11:34:01 >>Mayor Ribble: KATY.

11:34:02 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: WHAT?
11:34:04 >>David Willems: I THINK THE MAYOR MIGHT BE -- HIS WIFE
11:34:07 MIGHT BE GOING.
11:34:07 SO THE QUESTION WAS, WOULD ESTERO PARKWAY BE INCLUDED IN
11:34:10 THOSE INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS?
11:34:12 ABSOLUTELY.
11:34:12 YES.
11:34:13 THAT'S DEFINITELY -- ESPECIALLY WITH THE BIKE-PED ACCIDENTS
11:34:17 THAT WE'VE SEEN AND EVEN THE FATALITIES THAT WE'VE SEEN IN
11:34:20 THAT LOCATION, I WOULD SUSPECT THAT THAT WOULD BE ONE OF THE
11:34:23 TOP ONES THAT THEY WOULD BE LOOKING AT.
11:34:25 THE NEXT ONE IS SANDY LANE.
11:34:32 SO IT WOULD BE PROVIDING PROBABLY A MULTIUSE PATH ON THE ONE
11:34:37 SIDE OF THE EAST SIDE OF THE ROAD TO CONNECT UP TO BROADWAY.
11:34:42 THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WAS IDENTIFIED AS IMPORTANT IN THE
11:34:44 MASTER PLAN.
11:34:45 AND ULTIMATELY, WHAT THIS WILL HELP DO IS CONNECT THE
11:34:48 RESIDENTS ON WEST BROADWAY OVER TO VIA COCONUT SO THAT THEY
11:34:53 HAVE A LARGER AREA TO WALK AND BIKE RATHER THAN IT HAVING TO
11:34:57 BE ALONG U.S. 41.
11:34:59 PROJECT NUMBER FIVE IS THE CONTINUATION OF THE SANDY LANE
11:35:05 PROJECT.
11:35:05 SO WHAT SANDY LANE WILL DO IS GET PEDESTRIANS FROM CORKSCREW
11:35:10 ROAD UP TO EAST BROADWAY AND THEN TO GET THE RESIDENTS FROM
11:35:13 EAST BROADWAY TO U.S. 41, THIS PROJECT WOULD MAKE THAT, KIND

11:35:18 OF FINISH UP THAT CONNECTION.
11:35:20 AND THEN THE SIXTH ONE IS A SHARED USE PATH ON CORKSCREW

11:35:29 ROAD CONNECTING SANDY LANE AND THREE OAKS PARKWAY.
11:35:34 IF YOU WALK ALONG CORKSCREW ROAD RIGHT NOW, THERE'S ONLY A
11:35:37 SIDEWALK ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE ROAD, AND THAT SIDEWALK IS
11:35:40 DIRECTLY ON THE BACK OF CURB.
11:35:42 THIS PROJECT WOULD PROVIDE SOMETHING A LITTLE BIT NICER ON
11:35:44 THE NORTH SIDE.
11:35:45 ONE THING TO NOTICE ON THIS IS THAT BECAUSE OF RIGHT-OF-WAY
11:35:49 NEEDS AND OTHER CONSTRAINTS, IT'S A VERY EXPENSIVE PROJECT.
11:35:54 WHILE THE MASTER PLAN RECOMMENDED IT AS SOMETHING THAT WAS
11:35:59 IMPORTANT, IT COULD BE SOMETHING THAT'S DIFFICULT TO DO IN
11:36:01 THE SHORT TERM JUST BECAUSE OF THE COST.
11:36:04 THIS WILL BE THE LAST ONE -- I THINK THE LAST ONE I'LL GO
11:36:11 OVER.
11:36:12 IF YOU WALK ALONG COCONUT ROAD THROUGH THE BROOKS, THEY HAVE
11:36:16 REALLY NICE SIDEWALKS ON BOTH SIDES, BUT THEY ACTUALLY END
11:36:20 BEFORE YOU GET -- ON THE NORTH SIDE, THEY ACTUALLY END
11:36:23 BEFORE VIA COCONUT.
11:36:24 SO ANYBODY ON THE NORTH SIDE ACTUALLY HAS TO CROSS -- GO
11:36:28 ACROSS COCONUT ROAD TO HEAD FURTHER TO THE WEST.
11:36:31 WE WOULD LOOK AT MAKING THAT CONNECTION SO THAT WE COULD GET
11:36:34 RID OF SOME OF THOSE MID-BLOCK CROSSINGS WHICH ARE
11:36:37 RECOGNIZED AS NOT BEING VERY SAFE.
11:36:39 THERE'S A LOT OF OTHER PROJECTS IN HERE.

11:36:44 I CAN GO OVER THEM IF YOU WANT, BUT THOSE ARE THE ONES I
11:36:49 THOUGHT WOULD BE OF MORE INTEREST.
11:36:50 WE CAN GO OVER THE OTHER ONES, BUT I WAS GOING TO PASS
11:36:53 THROUGH THEM AND MOVE ON TO THE LANDSCAPE UNLESS ANYBODY HAD
11:36:56 QUESTIONS.
11:36:57 >>Mayor Ribble: DOES ANYBODY WANT TO GO OVER ANYTHING ELSE?
11:36:59 ANY QUESTIONS?
11:37:07 >>Jim Boesch: I HAVE A QUESTION.
11:37:08 >>Mayor Ribble: JIM BOESCH.
11:37:09 >>Jim Boesch: YES, I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT AS WE GO FORWARD
11:37:17 -- I THINK AS WE GO FORWARD, WE HAVE TO CONSIDER THAT THESE
11:37:22 PROJECTS ARE ALL WISH-LIST PROJECTS, AND THAT THE PROJECTS
11:37:29 THAT HAVE TO BE COMPLETED HAVE TO BE IN CONJUNCTION AS YOU
11:37:32 LISTED WHEN WE STARTED, MAYOR, PRICES ALONG WITH THE
11:37:35 PROJECTS.
11:37:36 AND IN CONJUNCTION WITH THAT, ALONG WITH THE PROJECTS THEY
11:37:40 HAVE TO BE IN CONJUNCTION WITH LEASES, PROJECTION FOR HOW
11:37:44 MUCH MONEY IS GOING TO BE AVAILABLE.
11:37:48 SO I THINK MY PERSONAL OPINION IS THAT WE SHOULD HAVE A
11:37:51 FIVE-YEAR LIST BASED ON PRIORITIES, WHICH IS FINE, BUT HOW
11:37:58 MUCH MONEY IS PROJECTED TO BE AVAILABLE.
11:38:03 RIGHT NOW, THE INCOME COMING INTO THE MUNICIPALITIES ARE
11:38:08 GOING TO BE LESS THAN WHAT THEY HAVE BEEN IN THE PAST AND
11:38:12 HAVE A PRICE THAT'S IN CONJUNCTION WITH LISA'S ESTIMATE SO

11:38:18 THAT WE CAN HAVE SOME TYPE OF CERTAINTY THAT SOME OF THESE

11:38:24 PROJECTS WILL BE GOING IN A CERTAIN YEARLY TYPE OF PERIOD OF
11:38:29 TIME.
11:38:30 RIGHT NOW IT'S MINIMAL.
11:38:32 SIT DOWN AND TALK ABOUT ALL THESE PROJECTS AND ALL THE
11:38:34 RESIDENTS SIT DOWN AND, SAY, OH, I'LL HAVE THESE HAPPEN NEXT
11:38:38 YEAR, BUT I THINK WE SHOULD HAVE SOME TYPE OF FIVE-YEAR
11:38:42 PROJECTED LIST BASED ON HOW MUCH IS AVAILABLE AND PRIORITIES
11:38:49 THAT ARE GOING TO BE ACCOMPLISHED.
11:38:52 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
11:38:53 I SENT YOU FOLKS OUT AN E-MAIL THE OTHER DAY THAT SHOWED YOU
11:38:58 THE IMPACT FROM EVERY ONE OF THESE BUSINESSES IN THE STATE
11:39:02 OF FLORIDA.
11:39:03 ON TOP OF THAT, THERE WAS A BLUE SHEET, FOUR BLUE SHEETS
11:39:07 THAT I GAVE YOU.
11:39:08 HOPEFULLY FOLKS LOOKED AT THAT BECAUSE THE GOVERNOR HAS GOT
11:39:12 TO REALLY DRILL INTO THAT BY FRIDAY AND COME UP WITH THE
11:39:15 RECOMMENDATIONS.
11:39:16 BUT TO YOUR POINT, JIM BOESCH, RIGHT ON THE MONEY.
11:39:22 SENATOR WAS ON THE CONFERENCE CALL THIS WEEK AND WAS TELLING
11:39:26 US THAT THE BUDGET, THE \$93 BILLION BUDGET FOR THE STATE OF
11:39:29 FLORIDA IS GOING TO BE HIT BY ABOUT \$12 MILLION RIGHT NOW
11:39:36 THAT THEY CAN ESTIMATE BECAUSE OF THE COVID-19 EPIDEMIC,
11:39:43 KEEPING EVERYTHING SHUT DOWN.
11:39:44 YOU'RE RIGHT ON THE MONEY WHERE WE HAVE TO TAKE A LOOK AT
11:39:47 THE DO-RE-MI COMING IN BECAUSE IT'S GOING TO BE FAR LESS, AT

11:39:52 LEAST TO NEXT YEAR ANYWAY.
11:39:54 >>Jim Boesch: EXACTLY.
11:39:56 >>Mayor Ribble: ANY OTHER COMMENTS, NICK?
11:39:59 >>Nick Batos: YEAH, DAVID, ON THE LAST ONE YOU WENT OVER,
11:40:03 THE COCONUT ROAD SIDEWALK FROM OAKWILD TO VIA COCONUT, I
11:40:11 BELIEVE THERE IS A SEGMENT OF ROAD -- SIDEWALK BETWEEN VIA
11:40:16 COCONUT AND 41 THAT ISN'T THERE EITHER.
11:40:21 >>David Willems: YEAH, I BELIEVE YOU'RE CORRECT.
11:40:24 >>Nick Batos: I THINK THAT IF WE'RE GOING TO GET SIDEWALKS
11:40:27 ON THE NORTH SIDE OF COCONUT, IT SHOULD GO RIGHT DOWN TO 41.
11:40:32 >>David Willems: WELL, YEAH, I MEAN, WE CAN TALK THROUGH
11:40:34 THAT.
11:40:35 I THINK THE IDEA FROM THE CONSULTANT THAT DID THE MASTER
11:40:39 PLAN, THAT I THINK THE DESTINATION IS TYPICALLY VIA COCONUT
11:40:45 OR THE MALL.
11:40:46 THE RESIDENTS TYPICALLY DON'T WANT TO WALK ALONG 41, SO THE
11:40:50 IDEA WAS TO GET THEM TO THE DESTINATION, BUT WE COULD
11:40:53 DEFINITELY LOOK AT EXPANDING THAT TO 41.
11:40:57 >>Nick Batos: JUST BROUGHT IT UP.
11:40:59 >>David Willems: NO.

11:41:00 IT'S A GOOD POINT.
11:41:01 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
11:41:02 DAVID, ANYTHING ELSE?
11:41:04 >>David Willems: THERE'S A LOT OF OTHER PROJECTS.
11:41:05 WE STILL HAVE LANDSCAPING.

11:41:07 I'LL TRY TO GO QUICKLY THROUGH THESE.
11:41:12 THESE HAVE FEWER PROJECTS.
11:41:14 I'LL GO THROUGH THEM QUICKLY.
11:41:15 ON THE LANDSCAPING, REALLY, THE PROJECTS THAT WE'RE LOOKING
11:41:20 TO MOVE FORWARD, YOU KNOW, SO WE HAVE THE FIRST ONES YOU SEE
11:41:25 HERE ARE THE MONUMENT SIGNS.
11:41:27 WE HAVE A MONUMENT SIGN AT EACH OF THE ENTRY LOCATIONS AT
11:41:32 THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO AND THEY ARE ALL SHOWN HERE.
11:41:35 THEY ARE NUMBERED TWO THROUGH SIX.
11:41:40 SO THOSE ARE ALL THE MONUMENT SIGNS.
11:41:43 IT'S JUST DIFFERENT COSTS AND DIFFERENT LOCATIONS.
11:41:46 SOME OF THEM HAVE TWO, LIKE U.S. 41 IS GOING TO HAVE TWO
11:41:49 LOCATIONS, BUT BEN HILL GRIFFIN PARKWAY WILL ONLY HAVE ONE.
11:41:53 SO THIS IS A SUMMARY OF ALL THOSE, SHOWS WHERE IT WILL BE
11:41:57 LOCATED.
11:41:58 THEN WE GET INTO WHERE DO WE WANT TO DO LANDSCAPING?
11:42:02 WE PUT ON HERE ALL OF THE ROADS BASICALLY WITHIN THE
11:42:06 VILLAGE, NOT ONLY THE ONES THAT THE VILLAGE OWNS, BUT ALSO
11:42:09 THE ONES THAT THE COUNTY OWNS.
11:42:13 SO WE HAVE A LISTING OF ALL OF THE PROJECTS.
11:42:15 I WON'T GO THROUGH THEM IN DETAIL JUST BECAUSE THEY ARE
11:42:18 BASICALLY ALL THE SAME.
11:42:28 >>Nick Batos: I KNOW THIS IS REALLY VERY PRELIMINARY, BUT I
11:42:30 JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND WHERE THE SIGNS ARE COSTING
11:42:35 \$200,000 A PIECE.

11:42:37 150 TO 200 THOUSAND DOLLARS SEEMS LIKE AN ENORMOUS AMOUNT
11:42:43 FOR AN ENTRANCE SIGN.
11:42:45 >>David Willems: IT COULD BE.
11:42:46 IT COULD BE.
11:42:47 OBVIOUSLY, THEY ARE NOT DESIGNED.
11:42:49 SO RIGHT NOW THEY ARE BUDGET ITEMS.
11:42:53 THE FEAR IS WE DIDN'T WANT TO -- WE DEFINITELY DIDN'T WANT
11:42:57 TO BE LOW, IN THAT WE DECIDED WE'RE GOING TO DO THE SIGN AND
11:43:01 SAY IT'S GOING TO BE 20,000 AND IT ENDS UP BEING MORE THAN
11:43:05 THAT.
11:43:05 BUT, YEAH, I DEFINITELY AGREE.
11:43:09 >>Nick Batos: AM I CORRECT IN SAYING THE LAST YEARS, THE
11:43:12 BUDGET WE'RE OPERATING NOW, DIDN'T WE HAVE SOME OF THE SIGNS
11:43:15 IN THERE ALREADY?
11:43:16 >>David Willems: YEAH, THEY WERE IN THE FIVE-YEAR PLAN, YES.
11:43:19 >>Nick Batos: WASN'T THERE A COUPLE IN THE FIRST YEAR?

11:43:25 >>David Willems: I DON'T RECALL OFF THE TOP OF MY HEAD.
11:43:28 THE THING THAT WE'RE WAITING ON, OBVIOUSLY, IS FINALIZING
11:43:32 THE BRANDING.
11:43:33 SO THOSE ARE ALL THE LANDSCAPE PROJECTS.
11:43:38 I CAN GO OVER IN MORE DETAIL IF YOU WANT.
11:43:41 BUT AT THE END IS A LISTING OF A MAP THAT SHOWS ALL THE
11:43:44 LOCATIONS WHERE WE COULD DO LANDSCAPING INTO THE FUTURE.
11:43:48 THE NEXT TAB IS THE PARKS AND REC.
11:43:53 BASICALLY WHAT WE FOCUSED ON HERE IS THE ESTERO ON THE RIVER

11:43:59 PROPERTY AND THEN ALSO THE ESTERO COMMUNITY PARK, SLASH,
11:44:03 SCHOOL PROPERTY, AND WHAT IMPROVEMENTS COULD BE THERE.
11:44:08 THESE ARE RIGHT NOW THEY ARE JUST BUDGET ITEMS.
11:44:11 WE SHOW SOME DETAILS AS FAR AS IF YOU LOOK AT THE THIRD ONE,
11:44:15 ESTERO COMMUNITY PARK EXPANSION.
11:44:18 WE SHOW SOME ASSUMPTIONS, BASEBALL FIELDS, SOFTBALL.
11:44:23 DON'T KNOW IF THAT'S REALLY WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN.
11:44:24 THAT'S JUST THERE FOR BUDGETING.
11:44:26 WE WOULD HAVE TO DO A MASTER PLAN FOR IT TO FIGURE OUT WHAT
11:44:30 WE NEED AND WHAT COUNCIL'S DIRECTION WOULD BE ON THAT, BUT
11:44:33 THESE ARE BUDGETS IN HERE JUST SO WE CAN HAVE MONEY
11:44:37 ASSOCIATED WITH THOSE PROJECTS KNOWING THAT THEY COULD BE
11:44:40 MOVING FORWARD.
11:44:42 >>Mayor Ribble: WELL, TO JIM BOESCH'S COMMENT ABOUT FINANCE,
11:44:45 SOME OF THESE THINGS ARE -- THEY MIGHT BE IN THE TEN-YEAR
11:44:49 PLAN.
11:44:50 >>David Willems: RIGHT, ABSOLUTELY.
11:44:51 >>Mayor Ribble: THE NEXT QUESTION, STORMWATER IMPROVEMENT
11:44:53 HAS GOT TO BE ON THE TOP OF THE LIST.
11:44:55 THAT'S THE LAST THING WE NEED TO HAVE SCREWED UP IS HAVING
11:44:59 FLOODING WHEN THE MONTH OF JUNE SHOWS UP HERE.
11:45:04 >>David Willems: I THINK THOSE ARE MORE IMPORTANT AND LUCKY
11:45:07 FOR US, OUR STORMWATER NEEDS AREN'T AS GREAT AS SOME OTHER
11:45:10 AREAS.
11:45:11 SO OUR STORMWATER PROJECTS ARE RELATIVELY CHEAP COMPARED TO

11:45:17 WHAT OTHER COMMUNITIES ADJACENT TO US ARE GOING TO BE
11:45:19 DEALING WITH.
11:45:19 THE FIRST ONE, AND THIS IS THE NUMBER ONE LISTED IN THE
11:45:24 MASTER PLAN.
11:45:25 ALL OF THESE ARE OUT OF THE STORMWATER MASTER PLAN.
11:45:27 THE FIRST ONE IS ENHANCING THE BYPASS DITCH AROUND COUNTRY
11:45:33 CREEK.
11:45:34 DURING THE FLOODS WE HAD IN 2017, VILLAGES OF COUNTRY CREEK
11:45:37 WAS A BIG CONSTRICTION.
11:45:41 WHAT THIS PROJECT WOULD DO IS ALLOW MORE WATER TO PASS
11:45:44 AROUND IT SO IT DIDN'T ACT AS A CONSTRICTION AND CAUSE
11:45:48 FLOODING WITHIN COUNTRY CREEK AND THEN ALSO UPSTREAM.

11:45:51 AND THEN TO KIND OF GO ALONG WITH THAT PROJECT, THE SECOND
11:45:56 ONE IS THERE IS A DRY CREEK BED THAT'S LOCATED BETWEEN
11:46:03 BAMBOO ISLAND AND COUNTRY CREEK.
11:46:05 IT HISTORICALLY HAD WATER FLOWING THROUGH IT, AND TALKING TO
11:46:09 SOME OF THE LANDOWNERS THERE, THEY THOUGHT THAT SOMEWHERE IN
11:46:11 THE EARLY '90s, WATER STOPPED FLOWING THROUGH THERE.
11:46:15 IF YOU GO OUT THERE, THERE'S A LOT OF SEDIMENT BUILDUP ON
11:46:19 BOTH ENDS.
11:46:19 SO THERE'S A DRY CREEK BED.
11:46:22 YOU CAN SEE WHERE THE WATER USED TO FLOW, BUT ENOUGH
11:46:24 SEDIMENT BUILDUP ON BOTH ENDS THAT NO WATER GOES IN THERE.
11:46:28 AND THIS PROJECT WOULD LOOK AT PULLING THE SEDIMENT OUT TO
11:46:32 ALLOW THE WATER TO FLOW THROUGH THAT AREA AND INCREASE THE

11:46:35 AMOUNT OF WATER THAT CAN GET OUT OF THE NORTH BRANCH.
11:46:39 THE FOURTH PROJECT IS TRAILSIDE DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS.
11:46:48 I MISSED THE THIRD PROJECT.
11:46:51 THE THIRD PROJECT IS SEDIMENT REMOVAL IN THE RIVER.
11:46:54 THE MASTER PLAN IDENTIFIED AN AREA AROUND SANDY LANE AND THE
11:46:59 RAILROAD THAT THERE IS SEDIMENT THAT IS REDUCING SOME OF THE
11:47:03 FLOW IN THE RIVER.
11:47:06 AND WHAT THIS WOULD DO IS REMOVE SOME OF THE SEDIMENT.
11:47:09 IF YOU LOOK AT THE RAILROAD WHEN IN THE RIVER, THE TRUSSES,
11:47:12 ACTUALLY ONE IS ALMOST FULL OF SEDIMENT.
11:47:14 AND THIS WOULD PROPOSE TO REMOVE THAT SEDIMENT TO INCREASE
11:47:17 THE CAPACITY OF WATER THAT FLOWS THROUGH THERE.
11:47:21 AND THEN THE FOURTH PROJECT IS SOME MORE LOCALIZED DRAINAGE
11:47:27 IMPROVEMENTS.
11:47:28 THE TRAILSIDE PLATTED AREA THAT'S KIND OF AT BROADWAY AND
11:47:32 U.S. 41, THIS WAS BUILT REALLY BEFORE ANY OF THE CURRENT
11:47:36 PERMITTING REQUIREMENTS.
11:47:38 SO IT WASN'T REALLY DESIGNED AS ONE DRAINAGE SYSTEM.
11:47:41 SO WHAT WE LOOK AT DOING IS REDESIGNING THE SWALES AND THE
11:47:45 DITCHES TO ACTUALLY FLOW A LITTLE BIT MORE EFFICIENTLY.
11:47:50 THAT WOULD TAKE WATER TO THE AREA THAT WE'VE ALREADY
11:47:54 IMPROVED THE PIPE UNDER BROADWAY, SO IT WOULD HELP GET SOME
11:47:58 OF THE WATER OUT OF THERE MORE EFFICIENTLY THAN WHAT IT DOES
11:48:01 TODAY.
11:48:01 THE LAST COUPLE OF PROJECTS ARE REALLY BIGGER PROJECTS THAT

11:48:06 MAY OR MAY NOT REALLY HAVE A MUCH INVOLVEMENT FROM THE
11:48:11 VILLAGE OF ESTERO.
11:48:11 THERE'S SOME PROPERTY THAT THE COUNTY OWNS JUST NORTH OF
11:48:16 VILLAGIO, BETWEEN VILLAGIO AND ESTERO PARKWAY, BETWEEN I-75
11:48:20 AND THREE OAKS PARKWAY.
11:48:22 IT'S A MITIGATION AREA, BUT WHAT THAT AREA DOES, IT'S HIGH
11:48:28 AND THERE'S A LOT OF VEGETATION IN THERE.
11:48:29 AND IT REALLY PREVENTS THE WATER FROM EFFICIENTLY FLOWING TO

11:48:33 THE BOX CULVERT ON THREE OAKS PARKWAY.
11:48:36 SO THE WATER IS FORCED FURTHER SOUTH AND THROUGH ANOTHER BOX
11:48:41 CULVERT.
11:48:42 IF WE COULD EVEN THAT OUT, YOU'D GET MORE FLOW UNDER THREE
11:48:45 OAKS PARKWAY AND MAYBE THREE OAKS PARKWAY THAT WOULDN'T
11:48:48 FLOOD LIKE IT DID IN 2017.
11:48:50 THE SIXTH PROJECT, 41, IF IN THE WET SEASON ANYBODY HAS
11:48:59 DRIVEN UP U.S. 41, YOU'LL NOTICE ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE
11:49:04 ROAD, JUST NORTH OF WILLIAMS, THE SIDEWALKS ARE UNDERWATER A
11:49:07 LOT, AND THAT'S JUST BECAUSE OF THE DESIGN OF U.S. 41.
11:49:12 THE WATER IS SUPPOSED TO FLOW FURTHER WEST, BUT IT'S REALLY
11:49:16 CUT OFF BY SOME OF THE DEVELOPMENT, SO THERE WOULD HAVE TO
11:49:19 BE A KIND OF REPLUMBING OF THAT AREA, AND WE WOULD LOOK AT
11:49:22 WORKING WITH F.D.O.T. TO GET THAT ADDRESSED.
11:49:27 THE LAST COUPLE OF PROJECTS ARE REALLY LOCALIZED PROJECTS.
11:49:30 THE FIRST THREE OR FOUR ARE MORE REGIONAL TO HELP A LOT OF
11:49:33 THE FLOODING IN THE AREA.

11:49:35 AND THEN FROM A STORMWATER STANDPOINT, ONE OF THE CRITICAL
11:49:39 THINGS THAT WE'VE BEEN WORKING ON OVER THE LAST YEAR OR TWO
11:49:42 IS REALLY ENHANCING THE MAINTENANCE THAT WE'RE DOING,
11:49:47 ESPECIALLY UP ON THE RAILROAD AND SOME OF THE FLOODING THAT
11:49:50 THE CASCADES SAW.
11:49:54 A LOT OF THAT WAS RELATED TO MAINTENANCE.
11:49:55 WE'VE GOTTEN KIND OF INTO A ROUTINE NOW THAT WE'VE BEEN
11:49:58 MAINTAINING -- ALL OF THE DITCHES THAT WE'RE TASKED WITH
11:50:01 MAINTAINING THREE TO FOUR TIMES A YEAR JUST TO MAKE SURE
11:50:04 THEY ARE CLEANED OUT AND WE DO GET RAIN, IT'S NOT GOING TO
11:50:07 CAUSE SOME OF THE FLOODING THAT HAPPENED IN 2017.
11:50:10 THE LAST COUPLE OF SECTIONS I'LL JUST GO THROUGH REAL QUICK.
11:50:15 BUILDING PROJECTS, THESE ARE JUST IDEAS OF WHAT THE VILLAGE
11:50:19 MAY NEED INTO THE FUTURE.
11:50:21 ONE IS A PUBLIC WORKS STORAGE FACILITY RIGHT NOW.
11:50:24 ANY PUBLIC WORKS MATERIALS THAT WE HAVE ARE -- WE HAVE A
11:50:28 STORAGE -- A PUBLIC STORAGE FACILITY THAT WE RENT OR A
11:50:33 PRIVATE STORAGE FACILITY THAT WE RENT.
11:50:35 IT MIGHT BE BETTER TO HAVE ONE THAT'S OUR OWN, AND THEN ALSO
11:50:38 MAYBE A VILLAGE HALL AT SOME POINT.
11:50:41 THOSE WOULD BE THINGS THAT WE CAN DISCUSS TIMING OF.
11:50:44 AND AGAIN, ESPECIALLY THE VILLAGE HALL IS MUCH MORE
11:50:46 EXPENSIVE.
11:50:48 THE THIRD ONE IS SOMETHING THAT CAME UP ON A LOT OF THE
11:50:53 STUDIES IS TO HAVE A PERFORMING ARTS CENTER WITHIN ESTERO.

11:50:59 IF THE VILLAGE PAID FOR IT, IT WOULD HAVE TO BE OUT OF THE
11:51:02 GENERAL FUND, BUT IT WOULD LIKELY BE SOME SORT OF A
11:51:05 PARTNERSHIP, AT THE VERY LEAST, JUST BECAUSE OF THE COST.
11:51:08 AND THEN THE LAST SECTION ARE JUST -- IT'S REALLY A SUMMARY

11:51:13 OF THE POTENTIAL AREAS WHERE THE VILLAGE COULD PURCHASE LAND
11:51:19 FOR OPEN SPACE, PRESERVATION, OR PARKS AND REC FACILITIES.
11:51:23 THE FIRST IS THE CHRIST COMMUNITY MINISTRIES PROPERTY.
11:51:27 AND THIS IS THE PROPERTY ON WILLIAMS ROAD THAT'S LOCATED
11:51:31 JUST TO THE WEST OF THE DRIVING RANGE.
11:51:33 IT'S ABOUT TEN ACRES.
11:51:35 I THINK STEVE HAS BEEN DISCUSSING THIS WITH COUNCIL OVER THE
11:51:38 PAST MONTH OR SO.
11:51:39 THE SECOND ONE, IF THE SCHOOL DOESN'T GO ON THE ESTERO HIGH
11:51:48 SITE, THERE'S LAND THERE THAT MAY BE AVAILABLE FOR THE
11:51:51 VILLAGE AT SOME POINT IN THE FUTURE TO PURCHASE AND MAYBE
11:51:55 PUT PARK FACILITIES ON THERE.
11:51:57 THE THIRD ONE, THESE ARE ALL KIND OF IN THE SAME AREA, IS
11:52:01 THE DRIVING RANGE PROPERTY.
11:52:03 IT MIGHT MAKE SENSE TO BUY THAT AND INCORPORATE THAT INTO
11:52:07 THE ESTERO COMMUNITY PARK.
11:52:11 AND THEN THE LAST ONE -- OR THE SECOND TO LAST ONE IS RIVER
11:52:16 OAKS PRESERVE, AND THAT'S THE AREA AT THE END OF BROADWAY
11:52:21 EAST, AND THAT WOULD LIKELY BE FOR PRESERVATION.
11:52:25 THAT WOULD NOT BE DEVELOPED.
11:52:28 IT WOULD BE FOR PRESERVATION PURPOSES.

11:52:30 THE LAST ONE IS, WOULD IT MAKE SENSE AT SOME POINT TO
11:52:33 PURCHASE THE SUN TRAIL FROM SEMINOLE GULF?
11:52:37 THAT WOULD NEED TO BE A PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN THE VILLAGE, LEE
11:52:40 COUNTY, CITY OF BONITA SPRINGS AND ALSO COLLIER COUNTY.
11:52:44 AND THEN THE LAST PAGE IS A LOCATION MAP.
11:52:50 THAT'S REALLY ALL THE PROJECTS WE'RE LOOKING AT.
11:52:52 THERE ARE A LOT OF THEM.
11:52:58 >>Mayor Ribble: ANY COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL?
11:53:00 STEVE?
11:53:02 DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS MOVING FORWARD HERE ON THIS CIP?
11:53:09 >>Steven Sarkozy: COUNCIL MEMBERS, MY HOPE IS THAT IN THE
11:53:11 NEXT WEEK OR SO TO SCHEDULE BRIEFINGS WITH THE COUNCIL, AND
11:53:17 WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO IS HEAR YOUR THOUGHTS ON THE C.I.P.
11:53:21 PROJECTS AND WHAT YOU THINK ARE THE PRIORITIES.
11:53:26 AT THE TIME, WE'LL START OFF THE DISCUSSION WITH AN OVERVIEW
11:53:28 OF OUR BUDGET AND GIVE YOU SOME THOUGHTS ABOUT WHAT THE
11:53:34 COVID-19 CRISIS MIGHT MEAN TO OUR BUDGET AND ANY POSSIBLE
11:53:42 REDUCTIONS IN REVENUE TO GET THE FULL PICTURE AT A VERY HIGH
11:53:47 LEVEL.
11:53:48 WE'LL START THOSE DISCUSSIONS HERE FAIRLY SOON.
11:53:54 >>Mayor Ribble: [INAUDIBLE]
11:53:58 >>Steven Sarkozy: YOU BROKE UP ON US, MAYOR.
11:54:00 WE COULDN'T HEAR YOU.
11:54:03 >>Mayor Ribble: STEVE, WHEN DO YOU THINK WE'LL HAVE OUR NEXT
11:54:05 MEETING?

11:54:06 ANY IDEA?
11:54:07 ANY IDEA ON THE NEXT MEETING?
11:54:10 >>Steven Sarkozy: NO, WE DON'T HAVE ANY PLANS AT THIS POINT.
11:54:13 THERE IS NOT A LOT OF URGENT BUSINESS.
11:54:16 WE'RE KEEPING THAT AT BAY BECAUSE OF THE COVID CRISIS.
11:54:19 WE CAN GET A LOT OF THE WORK DONE WITH THE VILLAGE COUNCIL
11:54:24 IN BRIEFINGS SO THAT YOU'RE UP TO SPEED ON PARTICULARLY THE
11:54:27 BUDGET.
11:54:28 IF THERE ARE CERTAIN ISSUES THAT YOU'RE CONCERNED ABOUT,
11:54:33 PLEASE LET US KNOW.
11:54:35 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY, THAT MAKES SENSE -- [BREAKING UP] --
11:54:40 STAFF.
11:54:47 >>Nick Batos: I HAVE TWO THINGS.
11:54:48 CAN YOU HEAR ME?
11:54:52 I HAVE JUST TWO.
11:54:55 ONE, ON THE C.I.P., IF WE'RE GOING TO JUST GO AHEAD ON A
11:55:01 ONE-TO-ONE ON THESE AND THEN COME BACK WITH OUR PRIORITIES,
11:55:08 I THINK WE'RE GOING TO END UP WITH A BIG VARIETY OF
11:55:11 DIFFERENT OPINIONS.
11:55:13 I DON'T KNOW WHETHER OR NOT WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO TACKLE A
11:55:17 COUPLE OF THESE SECTIONS AFTER WE'VE HAD A CHANCE TO WORK ON
11:55:20 THEM OURSELVES IN SOME SORT OF A WORKSHOP, I GUESS, THE SAME
11:55:25 WAY WE'RE DOING IT NOW, SO WE HAVE THE ADVANTAGE OF HEARING
11:55:30 WHY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL FEEL STRONGLY ABOUT ONE
11:55:33 PROJECT OR THE OTHER.

11:55:34 I THINK JUST COMING BACK AND ASKING US TO THROW WHAT OUR
11:55:41 PRIORITIES ARE, FIRST OF ALL, BY SECTION AND THEN OVERALL,
11:55:45 IT'S GOING TO BE DIFFICULT.
11:55:47 AND THE SECOND THING I WANTED TO MENTION, MAYOR, YOU HAD
11:55:52 MENTIONED ABOUT IF THE SUPERINTENDENT CHANGED HIS MIND.
11:55:59 THE WAY I SEE IT RIGHT NOW, IF NOTHING ELSE HAPPENS AND THE
11:56:04 SUPERINTENDENT DOESN'T COME BACK AND SPEAK TO US, WE'RE NOT
11:56:08 GOING TO HAVE ANY SCHOOLS IN ESTERO.
11:56:11 THE TWO NEW SCHOOLS ARE GOING TO END UP GOING, FROM WHAT
11:56:16 CHRIS SAID, TWO NEW SCHOOLS WILL END UP GOING OUT FURTHER
11:56:20 EAST.
11:56:20 I DON'T THINK THAT'S THE BEST THING FOR US AS FAR AS
11:56:28 SCHOOLS.
11:56:31 I THINK -- IF WE DON'T DO ANYTHING, AND MAYBE EITHER THE
11:56:38 MAYOR OR STEVE CAN CHECK ON THIS, I THINK THAT IF IT STAYS
11:56:43 THE WAY IT IS RIGHT NOW, I THINK WE'LL END UP WITH NO
11:56:46 SCHOOLS IN ESTERO.
11:56:47 FINISHED.
11:57:02 >>Mayor Ribble: DID YOU HEAR ME, NICK?
11:57:06 >> NO, WE DIDN'T, MAYOR.
11:57:11 >>Mayor Ribble: NICK -- [BREAKING UP] -- DID YOU COPY THAT?
11:57:20 >> NO.

11:57:22 >> YOU'RE BREAKING UP ON US, MAYOR.
11:57:26 >>Mayor Ribble: I THINK WHAT YOU'RE SAYING --
11:57:34 >> SORRY, GO AHEAD.

11:57:36 >> MAYOR, LET ME JUST --
11:57:38 >>Steven Sarkozy: MAYOR, LET ME JUST COMMENT, MARY GIBBS IS
11:57:41 BEHIND ME AND SPOKE --
11:57:42 >>Mayor Ribble: [BREAKING UP] NICK, YOU'RE THE LIAISON, WHY
11:57:47 DON'T YOU CALL --
11:57:54 >>Nick Batos: STEVE, YOU HAD SOMETHING TO SAY ABOUT THIS?
11:57:56 >>Steven Sarkozy: MARY GIBBS JUST WHISPERED IN MY EAR AND
11:58:00 SAID THE SCHOOL STAFF WANTED TO TALK TO US ON FRIDAY.
11:58:04 WE CAN DO THAT AND THEN LET THE COUNCIL KNOW WHAT HAPPENS IN
11:58:10 THAT CONVERSATION.
11:58:20 >> STILL BE A CONVERSATION WITH ADKINS RATHER THAN JUST
11:58:23 STAFF?
11:58:23 >> WE'RE BREAKING UP HERE.
11:58:32 >>Steven Sarkozy: COUNCIL MEMBER BATOS, I'M NOT SURE ON
11:58:35 THAT.
11:58:35 THEY ALREADY REACHED OUT TO US.
11:58:41 MAYBE WE GO THROUGH THE FRIDAY DISCUSSION.
11:58:53 >>Nick Batos: I WAS JUST RESPONDING TO WHAT THE MAYOR HAD
11:58:55 MENTIONED.
11:58:56 >>Mayor Ribble: STEVE, DID YOU HEAR NICK?
11:59:00 >>Steven Sarkozy: YES, I JUST WANT TO LEAVE IT OUT THERE,
11:59:03 I'LL LET THE COUNCIL KNOW WHAT WE FIND ON FRIDAY.
11:59:09 >>David Willems: YEAH, THE MAYOR DROPPED OFF.
11:59:12 >> I WOULD JUST LIKE TO.
11:59:14 >>Howard Levitan: I WOULD JUST LIKE TO SAY I THINK IT'S

11:59:16 IMPORTANT TO STICK WITH OUR LIAISON ASSIGNMENTS ON THESE
11:59:19 ISSUES.
11:59:20 I DON'T KNOW HOW BILL GOT INVOLVED IN THE FIRST PLACE.
11:59:22 ASSUMING THAT'S WHAT THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT WANTED, I THINK
11:59:26 NICK WOULD BE THE ONE THAT WOULD MAINTAIN THE CONTACT WITH
11:59:28 ADKINS.
11:59:40 >>Mayor Ribble: [INAUDIBLE] STEVE?
11:59:44 >>Steven Sarkozy: THAT'S CERTAINLY THE --
11:59:47 >>Mayor Ribble: CAN YOU HEAR ME?
11:59:50 >>David Willems: MAYOR, YOU'RE STILL BREAKING UP.
11:59:57 >>Mayor Ribble: ALL RIGHT.
11:59:57 KATY, YOU HAVE A COMMENT?
11:59:59 WHAT'S GOING ON WITH THIS ZOOM?
12:00:03 I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE ISSUE IS HERE BECAUSE EVERYTHING ELSE
12:00:09 WORKS IN MY HOUSE EXCEPT THIS ZOOM.
12:00:11 HOWARD?
12:00:23 >>Howard Levitan: YOUR ISSUE IS YOU DON'T HAVE ENOUGH
12:00:28 BANDWIDTH IN THAT BUILDING.

12:00:43 >>Mayor Ribble: WORKS FINE.
12:00:44 WE'VE DONE A BUNCH OF CONFERENCE CALLS --
12:00:58 >>Burt Saunders: GOING TO SUGGEST IN TERMS OF REGULATING THE
12:01:00 FLOW OF COMMENTS, PERHAPS THE VICE-MAYOR CAN CALL ON THE
12:01:05 MEMBERS.
12:01:06 IF YOU WANT TO CONTINUE HAVING THE DIALOGUE.
12:01:18 >>Mayor Ribble: KATY, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT WITH THAT?

12:01:21 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: YES, I CAN HEAR YOU WELL NOW.
12:01:24 ARE YOU OKAY NOW?
12:01:25 ARE YOU STILL FREEZING?
12:01:35 >>Mayor Ribble: I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE PROBLEM IS.
12:01:36 BURT IS SUGGESTING THAT YOU -- GO AHEAD.
12:01:44 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: WELL, I THOUGHT WE KIND OF GOT OFF
12:01:46 TRACK A LITTLE BIT ON THIS WHOLE ISSUE.
12:01:48 I THOUGHT WE NEEDED TO CLOSE EVERYTHING WITH THE C.I.P. AND
12:01:54 THEN FINAL DISCUSSION.
12:01:57 THAT'S WHERE I THOUGHT WE WERE.
12:01:58 BUT WE KIND OF GOT SIDETRACKED.
12:02:03 >>Mayor Ribble: THE C.I.P. IT SOUNDS LIKE STEVE WANTS US TO
12:02:10 COME UP INDIVIDUALLY WITH OUR TOP PRIORITIES, AND THEN WE
12:02:13 GET BACK TOGETHER AS A GROUP AND THEN EACH OF US CAN SHARE
12:02:16 OUR TOP PRIORITIES SO WE CAN TALK ABOUT THEM.
12:02:25 >>Steven Sarkozy: SEVERAL OF YOU HAVE ASKED FOR STAFF TO
12:02:27 PUT TOGETHER A SET OF RECOMMENDATIONS OR A STARTING POINT
12:02:32 FOR THE DISCUSSION.
12:02:34 AND PART OF THAT CONCERN BY COUNCIL MEMBERS WAS BECAUSE THE
12:02:39 C.I.P. IS IN VERY, VERY DIFFERENT BUCKETS OR CATEGORIES.
12:02:45 AND WOULD OFFER THAT AS A WAY OF STARTING THE DISCUSSION,
12:02:52 BUT CERTAINLY A DISCUSSION AMONG COUNCIL MEMBERS TO COME UP
12:03:02 WITH THE FINAL LIST.
12:03:03 WE WERE RESPONDING TO THE COUNCIL'S INTEREST AND NOT A
12:03:08 DESIRE TO FORCE FEED PROJECTS OR PRIORITIES TO THE COUNCIL.

12:03:16 >>Mayor Ribble: I THINK WE ALL HAVE TO BE PARTNERS HERE.
12:03:19 CERTAINLY, WE ALL HAVE OUR OWN AGENDA, BUT FOR THE MOST
12:03:22 PART, WE HAVE TO REMEMBER WE SERVE THE WHOLE COMMUNITY.
12:03:26 IN MY MIND, CORKSCREW ROAD WOULD BE THE NUMBER ONE PRIORITY,
12:03:30 AND IT'S BEEN THAT WAY.
12:03:32 IT SEEMS LIKE THE COUNTY HAS BEEN DRAGGING A LITTLE BIT ON
12:03:35 MOVING THIS THING FORWARD.
12:03:37 THAT'S MY THOUGHTS ON THAT.
12:03:41 KATY?
12:04:06 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: I THINK ALL OF US WANT TO WORK
12:04:08 COOPERATIVELY WITH THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.
12:04:09 WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT THE THIRD OPTION THAT WAS GIVEN TO US
12:04:13 TODAY, THAT IF WE CAN'T COME TO AN AGREEMENT THAT THEY WOULD
12:04:19 GO ON EAST CORKSCREW, WELL, FIRST OF ALL, THEY HAVE TO FIND

12:04:22 SOME LAND OUT THERE.
12:04:23 THEN THEY HAVE TO COME UP WITH THE MONEY TO BUY IT.
12:04:26 I DON'T SEE THAT AS HAPPENING REAL FAST.
12:04:28 I THINK THEY WANT TO STAY WITHIN ESTERO.
12:04:31 >>Mayor Ribble: WELL, MY COMMENT WASN'T ABOUT THE SCHOOL
12:04:34 DISTRICT.
12:04:34 MY COMMENT WAS ABOUT THE ROAD.
12:04:37 CORKSCREW ROAD IMPROVEMENT.
12:04:38 THAT'S MY COMMENT.
12:04:41 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: RIGHT.
12:04:42 WELL, YOU WERE BREAKING UP.

12:04:43 SO, SORRY.
12:04:51 >>Mayor Ribble: ANY OTHER COMMENTS?
12:04:53 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: I AGREE WITH THE CORKSCREW ROAD
12:04:56 AREA.
12:04:56 THIS IS WHAT WAS TALKED ABOUT EARLIER.
12:04:58 I THINK THAT IS A REAL TOP PRIORITY BECAUSE THAT AREA IS
12:05:02 GROWING SO RAPIDLY.
12:05:03 AND I DON'T THINK -- AND THAT WOULD BE A SEGUE INTO WHAT I
12:05:08 WAS SAYING, I DON'T THINK THE SCHOOL DISTRICT IS GOING TO
12:05:10 RUN OUT THERE AND TRY TO FIND LAND IF THEY THINK THAT THEY
12:05:13 CAN'T GET WITH US, WORK WITH US, BECAUSE WE DO WANT TO
12:05:19 COOPERATE WITH THEM.
12:05:20 SO IF THEY DO THAT, NOW THAT MEANS THEY WILL BE WORKING WITH
12:05:23 LEE COUNTY, NOT WITH US.
12:05:25 AND I DON'T THINK THEY WANT TO DO THAT.
12:05:27 SO WE WANT TO WORK WITH THEM AND I HOPE THAT CHRIS DIDN'T
12:05:33 LEAVE -- THIS TO ME, AS MANY OF YOU HAVE ALLUDED TO, IT'S
12:05:40 VERY IMPORTANT TO THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO.
12:05:42 I HAVE NO QUALMS ABOUT WHAT WE'RE DOING IS TRYING TO WORK
12:05:46 WITH THEM, NO MATTER WHICH SIDE YOU TAKE.
12:05:51 SO THAT'S WHERE I AM WITH THAT.
12:05:53 I HOPE THAT DR. ADKINS AND THE STAFF WILL LOOK AT WE ARE
12:05:58 REALLY TRYING TO WORK WITH THEM.
12:06:02 IT'S JUST THAT WE DIFFER IN OPINION ON SAFETY AND PARKING
12:06:05 AND BUSES AND ALL DIFFERENT KINDS OF ELEMENTS THAT THEY ARE

12:06:12 SAYING THAT -- I DON'T SEE HOW THEY CAN IGNORE IT.
12:06:25 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
12:06:26 ANY MORE COMMENTS?
12:06:27 HOWARD, DO YOU HAVE SOMETHING?
12:06:39 >>Howard Levitan: I WANTED TO TALK ABOUT ONE COMMENT THAT
12:06:40 WAS MADE DURING THE DEBATE.
12:06:43 IT IS TRUE THAT THE THREE OF US WILL ONLY BE ON THE COUNCIL
12:06:47 FOR 11 MONTHS SO THIS WILL BE OUR LAST BUDGET DISCUSSION.
12:06:51 I THINK EVERYBODY SHOULD REST ASSURED THAT WE'RE NOT GOING
12:06:54 TO DEFER TO ANYBODY ELSE ON COUNCIL THAT MAY BE CONTINUING,

12:06:57 AND WE'RE GOING TO SPEAK OUR MINDS AND VOTE THE WAY WE WANT.
12:07:01 SO I JUST WANT TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT EVERYBODY UNDERSTANDS
12:07:05 THAT.
12:07:18 >>Mayor Ribble: THAT'S A GOOD POINT.
12:07:19 ANY OTHER COMMENTS?
12:07:26 >> I'VE GOT A QUESTION.
12:07:27 I'M NOT SURE IF WE RESOLVED IT OR NOT.
12:07:32 >>Mayor Ribble: IS THERE ANYBODY FROM THE PUBLIC WHO WANTS
12:07:40 TO SPEAK, KATHY?
12:07:42 >>Kathy Hall: MR. MAYOR, I BELIEVE COUNCIL MEMBER McLAIN
12:07:46 AND COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON WOULD LIKE TO SAY SOMETHING BEFORE
12:07:50 PUBLIC COMMENT.
12:07:54 >>Mayor Ribble: [BREAKING UP] JIM WILSON, YOU HAVE YOUR MUTE
12:08:01 ON.
12:08:04 >>Kathy Hall: HE DOES NOW.

12:08:05 >>Mayor Ribble: JON, JIM CAN'T TALK BECAUSE HE HAS HIS MUTE.
12:08:08 >>Jon McLain: I'M GOING TO BE BRIEF.
12:08:11 >>Mayor Ribble: YEAH, HE'S TALKING --
12:08:22 >>Jim Wilson: THE SUBJECT IS FRIDAY'S SESSION WITH THE
12:08:25 SCHOOL BOARD PEOPLE THAT STEVE IS GOING TO HAVE.
12:08:29 IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE TAKE KATY'S SUGGESTION, SLASH, IDEA
12:08:35 ON THE THREE OAKS PROPERTY AND TURNING IT OVER UNDER SOME
12:08:41 TERMS TO THE VILLAGE TO KNOW WHETHER THEY SUPPORT THAT IN
12:08:45 ANY FASHION, BECAUSE THAT COULD HAVE A BIG IMPACT ON THE
12:08:50 WHOLE DISCUSSION, AT LEAST FOR ME.
12:08:53 I DON'T KNOW ABOUT OTHER PEOPLE.
12:08:54 THANK YOU.
12:09:01 >>Jon McLain: THE COMMENT I WAS GOING TO MAKE IS I BELIEVE
12:09:04 WE TALKED ABOUT NICK BEING PROACTIVE RATHER THAN JUST
12:09:07 WAITING ON FRIDAY, MAYBE REACH OUT -- YES.
12:09:18 I CAN'T HEAR YOU, BILL.
12:09:27 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: CAN YOU HEAR ME?
12:09:28 >>Jon McLain: I CAN HEAR YOU, KATY.
12:09:31 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: OKAY.
12:09:32 WHERE IS BILL NOW?
12:09:34 >> HE DROPPED OFF.
12:09:37 >>Jon McLain: PROACTIVE AND HAVE NICK REACH OUT AS A LIAISON
12:09:42 FOR THE SCHOOLS.
12:09:42 AND IF SO, WHAT'S THAT MESSAGE THAT WE'RE GOING TO PROVIDE?
12:09:48 WE OBVIOUSLY GOT A 4-3 SITUATION, BUT I WOULD KIND OF LIKE

12:09:54 TO KNOW HOW THAT CONVERSATION GOES.
12:09:57 I'M NOT 100% SURE WITH THE COMMENTS ABOUT IF THE SCHOOL
12:10:04 SYSTEM WERE TO GIVE US A THREE OAKS SITE, UNENCUMBERED, IS
12:10:14 THE POSITION THERE THAT WE WOULD OKAY MOVING TO THE WILLIAMS
12:10:17 ROAD SITE?
12:10:19 IS THAT WHAT I'M HEARING FROM A COUPLE?

12:10:23 KATY AND JIM?
12:10:32 >> JIM, YOU'RE ON MUTE.
12:10:38 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: MY POSITION AND THE REASON THAT I
12:10:40 SUGGESTED THAT WAS THAT -- OF CAN YOU HEAR ME?
12:11:14 >> YES.
12:11:14 OKAY.
12:11:15 IF EVERYBODY CAN HEAR ME.
12:11:17 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: MAYOR, YOU CAN'T HEAR ME?
12:11:19 MY THOUGHTS ARE THAT IF WE -- I'M NOT MUTED.
12:11:39 SO I'M NOT SURE WHY IT IS NOT COMING THROUGH CORRECTLY.
12:11:47 >>David Willems: VICE-MAYOR, WE CAN HEAR YOU.
12:11:50 >> I THINK THAT WHEN THE MAYOR TALKS, HE CUTS YOU OFF, KATY.
12:11:53 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: I THINK THAT'S IT.
12:11:55 YES.
12:11:55 MY THOUGHTS AGAIN ARE THAT IF WE ACQUIRED THE PROPERTY, THEN
12:12:01 THAT GIVES US THE AUTHORITY TO THEN GO IN AND CONTROL WHAT
12:12:05 GOES IN THERE.
12:12:06 I KNOW WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE WETLANDS VERY MUCH SO
12:12:10 BECAUSE 40 SOME ACRES ARE WETLANDS.

12:12:12 BUT WE CAN ALSO, IF THEY WANTED TO BUILD ONE SCHOOL THERE,
12:12:19 ONE SCHOOL, AND THEN HAVE PRACTICE FIELDS, OUR VILLAGE NEEDS
12:12:25 FIELDS AND SOCCER FIELDS, BASEBALL FIELDS.
12:12:28 THE STUDENTS HERE, WE'VE HEARD THAT OVER AND OVER AND OVER,
12:12:34 AND I KNOW THAT THE PROPERTY ON WILLIAMS ROAD JUST IS NOT
12:12:39 ADEQUATE FOR THAT.
12:12:41 I UNDERSTAND, STEVE, YOU CAN CORRECT ME ON THIS, WE WOULD BE
12:12:45 LOSING HALF A FIELD.
12:12:47 THOSE ARE BIG FIELDS.
12:12:48 I DON'T KNOW, BUT IT SURPRISES ME THAT IT WOULD BE PUT IN A
12:12:58 BOX LIKE THIS TO HAVE TO VOTE, 4-3, AND I THINK IN OUR
12:13:03 HEARTS WE ALL -- I KNOW IN OUR HEARTS WE WANT TO DO THE
12:13:08 RIGHT THING FOR ESTERO, AND SO HOW DO WE DO IT?
12:13:12 I DON'T WANT THE LEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION DICTATING TO
12:13:18 US WHAT WE ARE GOING TO DO.
12:13:20 WE WANT TO WORK AS PARTNERS WITH THEM.
12:13:22 THAT'S THE WAY I FEEL.
12:13:24 SO IF WE CAN COME UP WITH A PARTNERSHIP THAT BENEFITS US AND
12:13:29 THEM, WE HAVE TO REMEMBER, AS I SAID, I WAS A TEACHER AND A
12:13:33 SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR, WE HAVE TO REMEMBER AS ELECTED
12:13:36 OFFICIALS, WE ARE NOW SERVING THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO, SO I
12:13:41 HAD TO SWITCH MY HAT A LITTLE BIT.
12:13:43 I KNOW WHAT THE RESIDENTS WANT, AND SO WE CAN DO THAT.
12:13:47 IF WE ACQUIRED THE PARK THAT IS A PARK AND CAN MAKE IT INTO
12:13:51 SOMETHING FOR THE SCHOOL, THEN I THINK RESIDENTS WOULD HAVE

12:13:53 TO BE HAPPY BECAUSE IN THE STUDY THAT WE DID, THEY WANTED
12:13:57 MORE GREENSPACE, AND THEY WANTED PARKS, AND THIS WOULD HELP

12:14:01 THEM, AND IT WOULD SATISFY WHAT WE ARE TRYING TO DO, WHAT WE
12:14:05 SHOULD BE DOING, AND IT ALSO WOULD HELP THE STUDENTS.
12:14:09 I DO HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THE PARKLAND SHOOTINGS.
12:14:14 THAT CHANGED MANY, MANY THINGS IN EDUCATION, AND THE TERROR
12:14:21 THAT KIDS GO TO SCHOOL, I THINK WITH HAVING THAT MANY
12:14:23 BUILDINGS SIDE BY SIDE, EVEN WITH FENCES AROUND THEM, TO ME,
12:14:28 THE FENCES INDICATE A BLOCKAGE.
12:14:32 AND I HAVE REAL DIFFICULTY WITH THAT.
12:14:35 EVEN IF IT WERE LOCATED, IF IT WERE LOCATED ON THREE OAKS,
12:14:40 YOU STILL HAVE TO HAVE A FENCE AROUND IT, CORRECT, STEVE?
12:14:44 A FENCE.
12:14:47 >>Steven Sarkozy: WE UNDERSTAND THAT IS PART OF THE SECURITY
12:14:50 REQUIREMENTS IMPOSED ON ALL SCHOOL DISTRICTS FROM THE STATE.
12:14:55 MY GUESS IS WE'LL HEAR MORE DISCUSSIONS AND FEELINGS FROM
12:15:01 THE SCHOOL DISTRICT STAFF ON FRIDAY, AND I'M HAPPY TO REPORT
12:15:06 THAT OUT TO YOU IMMEDIATELY.
12:15:12 >>Mayor Ribble: -- BE THERE FRIDAY?
12:15:13 IS DR. ADKINS GOING TO BE THERE FRIDAY?
12:15:17 >>Steven Sarkozy: I'M NOT SURE.
12:15:18 MARY WAS THE ONE THAT GOT THE CALL WHILE WE WERE STILL IN
12:15:22 SESSION HERE.
12:15:23 I'M NOT SURE WHO IS INVOLVED.
12:15:27 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: I REPEAT.

12:15:28 I JUST DON'T THINK THEY CAN USE A THIRD OPTION AND GO OUT
12:15:31 AND FIND PROPERTY THAT QUICKLY.
12:15:32 AND FIND THE MONEY AND DO IT, AND THEN THEY ARE DEALING --
12:15:37 NOW LOOK AT THEIR TIMELINE.
12:15:38 SO WE HAVE TO REALLY WORK WITH US.
12:15:41 THEY HAVE TO WORK WITH US.
12:15:42 AND WE HAVE TO WORK WITH THEM.
12:15:47 AND WE SHOULD WORK WITH THEM.
12:15:52 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
12:15:52 ANY OTHER COMMENTS?
12:15:57 >>Jon McLain: -- SIT BACK AND WAIT FOR STAFF TO COME TO THE
12:16:01 VILLAGE MANAGER.
12:16:03 I THINK WE NEED TO BE A LITTLE MORE PROACTIVE.
12:16:08 I WOULD RATHER HAVE ONE OF US CONTACT THE APPROPRIATE PEOPLE
12:16:14 AT THE SCHOOL SYSTEM TO TELL THEM WHERE WE ARE.
12:16:19 WE ARE A 4-3 VOTE.
12:16:21 WE WANT TO WORK WITH THEM, BE PROACTIVE.
12:16:24 IF WE GET THE MESSAGE DELIVERED TO THEM TODAY AND TOMORROW,
12:16:27 STAFF IS GOING TO CONJURE UP WHAT THEY THOUGHT ABOUT THE
12:16:31 VOTE, THEN YOU'LL HAVE A CONVERSATION WITH THEM THAT'S GOING
12:16:36 TO BE NOT THE WAY I THINK WE SHOULD PARTICIPATE WITH THE
12:16:38 SCHOOL SYSTEM.
12:16:39 SO I REALLY THINK THAT WE NEED TO REACH OUT, LET THEM KNOW
12:16:43 WHAT THE VOTE WAS, WHAT IT MEANS.

12:16:45 I DON'T KNOW WHO'S GOING TO DO THAT, IF IT'S NICK.

12:16:53 >> [INAUDIBLE]

12:16:54 >> MAYOR, WE CAN'T HEAR YOU.

12:16:59 >>Mayor Ribble: -- FACE TO FACE.

12:17:04 STEVE HAVE --

12:17:09 >> MAYOR, WE CAN'T HEAR YOU.

12:17:15 >>Nick Batos: CAN I JUMP IN HERE?

12:17:16 I THINK BILL WAS SAYING THAT SINCE YOU -- BILL, CAN YOU HEAR

12:17:24 ME?

12:17:24 BILL?

12:17:25 >>Mayor Ribble: HELLO?

12:17:32 >> CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW?

12:17:34 >> MAYOR, WE HAVE A PROBLEM WITH I THINK THE CAPACITY

12:17:38 GETTING THROUGH TO YOUR COMPUTER.

12:17:42 WHEN YOU SPEAK, IT BREAKS UP, AND YOUR IMAGE IS OFTENTIMES

12:17:49 --

12:17:49 >>Mayor Ribble: WE HAVE TO END THIS IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF

12:17:52 MINUTES.

12:17:52 GO AHEAD, NICK.

12:17:57 >>Nick Batos: I'M SAYING THAT I THINK SINCE YOU -- I THINK

12:18:00 WHAT STEVE WAS SAYING OR YOU WERE SAYING, SINCE YOU AND

12:18:03 STEVE WERE AT THE MEETING --

12:18:06 >>Mayor Ribble: THIS ZOOM THING DOES NOT WORK FOR ME.

12:18:08 [BREAKING UP]

12:18:23 >> WE SHOULD PROBABLY END THE MEETING.

12:18:25 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: OKAY.

12:18:26 IS BILL GONE?

12:18:28 IS THE MAYOR GONE?

12:18:29 HE'S BACK.

12:18:31 >>Mayor Ribble: KATY.

12:18:33 HOW ABOUT THIS?

12:18:35 >>Nick Batos: KATY, HOW ABOUT THIS?

12:18:36 HOW ABOUT AFTER THE MEETING IS OVER, STEVE SHOULD SPEAK TO

12:18:39 BILL, AND IF BILL WANTS TO GO WITH STEVE AND SPEAK TO

12:18:43 ADKINS, FINE.

12:18:47 IF BILL WANTS ME TO GO, I'LL DO IT.

12:18:49 LET HIM AND STEVE DECIDE IT.

12:18:52 >>Mayor Ribble: STEVE AND I GET AHOLD OF ADKINS AND SEE IF

12:18:56 WE CAN MEET WITH HIM.

12:18:58 >> OKAY.

12:19:00 >>Kathy Hall: MR. MAYOR, IN THE MEANTIME, I HAVE A PUBLIC

12:19:03 COMMENT FOR THE C.I.P.

12:19:06 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.

12:19:08 >>Kathy Hall: IT'S FROM BOB DEON, PELICAN SOUND GOLF AND

12:19:11 RIVER CLUB.

12:19:13 THE ESTERO RIVER IS AN ESSENTIAL AND VERY IMPORTANT ASSET

12:19:15 FOR THE VILLAGE AND MUST BE PRESERVED AND MAINTAINED FOR
12:19:18 STORMWATER MANAGEMENT KEEPING IT CLEAN OF BACTERIA AND FOR
12:19:20 RECREATION PURPOSES.
12:19:22 SEDIMENTATION REDUCTION IS CRUCIAL AND SEPTIC CONVERSION
12:19:25 SEWER ALONG THE RIVER IS CRUCIAL.

12:19:27 IN ADDITION, THE VILLAGE SHOULD BE UTILIZING THE RIVER FOR
12:19:30 RECREATIONAL PURPOSES SUCH AS HAVING A SHUTTLE BOAT
12:19:33 AVAILABLE AT KORESHAN PARK.
12:19:35 CAPITAL EXPENSES ARE IMPORTANT THROUGHOUT THE VILLAGE, BUT
12:19:38 THE RIVER MUST WORK EFFECTIVELY TO SUPPORT ALL OTHER CAPITAL
12:19:41 IMPROVEMENTS.
12:19:42 THAT'S THE END.
12:19:46 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
12:19:47 ANYBODY ELSE HAVE ANY COMMENTS IN CLOSING?
12:19:51 >>Howard Levitan: LET'S ADJOURN.
12:19:52 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.
12:19:53 MEETING IS ADJOURNED.
12:19:54 THANKS.
12:19:56 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: THANK YOU.
12:19:57 [MEETING ADJOURNED]

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