

THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO COUNCIL MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, JULY 24, 2019  
9:30 A.M.

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09:30:01 >>Mayor Ribble: WE'RE GOING TO CALL OUR JULY 24th VILLAGE  
09:30:03 COUNCIL MEETING HERE TO ORDER.  
09:30:05 I WOULD ASK EVERYONE TO PLEASE SILENCE THEIR CELL PHONES.  
09:30:09 WOULD YOU PLEASE JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE TO THE FLAG.  
09:30:11 [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE]  
09:30:26 >>Mayor Ribble: WOW.  
09:30:31 CONGRATULATIONS.  
09:30:31 THAT'S THE BEST FLAG PLEDGE I'VE EVER HEARD AT THE VILLAGE  
09:30:35 COUNCIL.  
09:30:35 WE HAVE A LIVE GROUP HERE TODAY.  
09:30:38 I WANT TO WELCOME OUR MANAGER, STEVE SARKOZY, BACK FROM  
09:30:42 VACATION.  
09:30:42 STEVE, YOU LOOK GREAT.  
09:30:43 YOU MUST HAVE WALKED 20 MILES A DAY BECAUSE I SEE YOU LOST A  
09:30:48 COUPLE OF OUNCES.  
09:30:49 MAYBE YOU CAN PRESCRIBE THAT DIET FOR ME.  
09:30:51 I'D APPRECIATE IT.

09:30:52 THIS MORNING, WE HAVE THE PASTOR TIM CARSON FROM THE ESTERO  
09:30:56 UNITED METHODIST CHURCH.  
09:30:58 PASTOR TIM, WE HAVEN'T SEEN YOU IN A WHILE.  
09:31:01 WELCOME BACK.  
09:31:01 >> THANK YOU.  
09:31:02 LET'S PRAY TOGETHER.  
09:31:03 WELL, GOD, I ASK FOR THIS COUNCIL THAT YOU WOULD GIVE THEM  
09:31:09 WISDOM, THAT YOU WOULD GIVE THEM COURAGE OF THEIR  
09:31:12 CONVICTIONS AND, LORD, THAT YOU WOULD GIVE THEM HEARTS  
09:31:15 TOGETHER THAT ARE BOTH UNIFIED IN SEEKING WHAT'S BEST FOR  
09:31:19 THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN ESTERO.  
09:31:21 LORD, I PRAY FOR ALSO PROTECTION FOR THEM AS LEADERSHIP IS  
09:31:26 OFTEN HARD.  
09:31:28 SO, LORD, HELP THEM TO DO RIGHT, AND WE PRAY THIS IN YOUR  
09:31:32 NAME.  
09:31:33 AMEN.  
09:31:35 >>Mayor Ribble: THANK YOU, PASTOR, THAT WAS GREAT.  
09:31:38 MADAM CLERK, WOULD YOU PLEASE CALL THE ROLE?

09:31:40 >>Howard Levitan: HERE.  
09:31:41 >>Jon McLain: HERE.  
09:31:43 >>Jim Boesch: HERE.  
09:31:44 >>Nick Batos: HERE.  
09:31:45 >>Jim Wilson: HERE.  
09:31:46 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: HERE.  
09:31:48 >>Mayor Ribble: HERE.

09:31:49 NEXT ON THE AGENDA IS APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.  
09:31:52 DOES ANYONE HAVE ANY ADDITIONS, DELETIONS OR CHANGES TO THIS  
09:31:56 MORNING'S AGENDA?  
09:31:57 HEARING NONE, I MAKE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA.  
09:32:02 >> SO MOVED.  
09:32:03 >>Mayor Ribble: BY HOWARD.  
09:32:04 SECONDED BY MR. BATOS.  
09:32:05 WOULD YOU PLEASE CALL THE ROLL, MADAM CLERK.  
09:32:08 >>Howard Levitan: AYE.  
09:32:10 >>Jon McLain: AYE.  
09:32:12 >>Jim Boesch: HERE.  
09:32:13 AYE.  
09:32:13 >>Nick Batos: AYE.  
09:32:15 >>Jim Wilson: AYE.  
09:32:16 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: AYE.  
09:32:17 >>Mayor Ribble: AYE.  
09:32:18 WE'LL NOW TAKE PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS THAT ARE NOT ON THE  
09:32:23 AGENDA.  
09:32:24 MADAM CLERK, DO YOU HAVE ANYONE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK?  
09:32:28 >>Kathleen Hall: YES, I HAVE A FEW FOLKS SIGNED UP THIS  
09:32:30 MORNING.  
09:32:31 SUSAN PROCK.  
09:32:33 SUSAN WILL BE FOLLOWED BY BARBARA SAXTON.  
09:32:37 >> GOOD MORNING.  
09:32:38 I'M HERE TO TALK ABOUT THE RIVER OAKS PRESERVE AT THE

09:32:43 VILLAGE OF ESTERO.  
09:32:44 I WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL OF YOU PROFUSELY FOR LISTENING TO  
09:32:50 YOUR CONSTITUENTS IN PURCHASING GREENSPACE IN THE PAST FOR  
09:32:52 THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO.  
09:32:53 FIRST OF ALL, I REPRESENT THE EYES ON CONSERVATION 2020  
09:32:58 COALITION.  
09:32:59 THE MISSION OF OUR COALITION IS TO MONITOR THE ACTIVITIES OF  
09:33:02 OUR LOCAL GOVERNMENT AS THEY RELATE TO THE PURCHASE AND  
09:33:05 MANAGEMENT OF CONSERVATION LANDS AS WELL AS IMPORTANT ISSUES  
09:33:08 RELATING TO SMART GROWTH.  
09:33:11 WE FEEL PUBLIC PURCHASE OF THE 10 ACRES OF RIVER OAKS FULLY  
09:33:14 SUPPORTS OUR MISSION AND STRONGLY URGE THIS VILLAGE COUNCIL  
09:33:17 TO WORK TOWARDS THIS GOAL.  
09:33:18 NOW I'M SPEAKING AS MYSELF, SUSAN PROCK.

09:33:23 I DROVE TO WHERE THIS MAGNIFICENT PROPERTY IS LOCATED.  
09:33:26 I DROVE PAST THE -- AND THE SIDE ROAD THAT LEADS TO BAMBOO  
09:33:31 ISLAND.  
09:33:31 TRAVELING ON CORKSCREW ROAD AND ENCOUNTERING SPEEDING  
09:33:34 TRAFFIC, ACCIDENTS AND NEVER-ENDING DEVELOPMENT TO REACH THE  
09:33:38 SERENE LANE LEADING TO THIS PROPERTY WAS WELL WORTH MY  
09:33:41 EFFORT AS IT WAS SO GENUINELY PEACEFUL.  
09:33:44 IT IS THE PERFECT PROPERTY ACQUISITION TO PRESERVE  
09:33:46 GREENSPACE IN OUR VILLAGE OF ESTERO.  
09:33:48 PLEASE RESERVE MONEY IN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET TO  
09:33:51 PURCHASE ONE OF THE LAST REMAINING PROPERTIES THAT IS TRULY

09:33:55 OLD FLORIDA.  
09:33:55 FAMILIES IN ESTERO DESERVE WILD PLACES WHERE THEY CAN GO AND  
09:33:59 CONNECT TO BOTH VEGETATION AND ANIMAL SPECIES, NATIVE TO OUR  
09:34:02 AREA, IN A NATURAL SETTING.  
09:34:04 WE DESERVE TO HAVE OUR WATER QUALITY PROTECTED AND TO NOT  
09:34:08 ENCOUNTER FLOODING IN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS.  
09:34:11 RIVER OAKS PRESERVE IS AN EXEMPLARY OASIS OF TRANQUILITY  
09:34:15 THAT IS TRULY AN OLD-FLORIDA SANCTUARY AWAY FROM THE  
09:34:19 CONTINUOUS CONCRETE UGLY JUNGLE.  
09:34:21 ADDITIONALLY IT PROVIDES AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXPAND THE  
09:34:23 GREENSPACE ACREAGE THAT WAS PURCHASED AT THE CORNER OF  
09:34:27 CORKSCREW ROAD AND 41 TO PRESERVE DIMINISHING OLD-FLORIDA  
09:34:31 NATURE.  
09:34:31 PLEASE PURCHASE THIS GREENSPACE PROPERTY GEM BEFORE IT IS  
09:34:35 TOO LATE.  
09:34:36 I'M GOING TO END WITH A NATIVE AMERICAN PROVERB.  
09:34:39 WE DON'T INHERIT THE EARTH FROM OUR ANCESTORS; WE BORROW IT  
09:34:44 FROM OUR CHILDREN.  
09:34:45 THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING YOU DO.  
09:34:48 [ APPLAUSE ]  
09:34:49 >>Mayor Ribble: THANK YOU.  
09:34:54 >> GOOD MORNING, VILLAGE COUNCIL.  
09:34:55 I MIGHT LOSE MY VOICE.  
09:34:57 HOPEFULLY I WON'T, BUT HEADS UP.  
09:35:00 BARBARA SAXTON, REPRESENTING FRIENDS OF RIVER OAKS.

09:35:03 THANK YOU FOR THE COMMENTS PRIOR.  
09:35:04 THERE ARE A LOT OF SUPPORTERS IN THE ROOM.  
09:35:07 TODAY, THE FRIENDS OF RIVER OAKS AND THEIR SUPPORTERS WOULD  
09:35:10 LIKE TO ASK THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO TO FUND THE PURCHASE  
09:35:12 AND/OR TO MAKE A FINANCIAL COMMITMENT TO SECURE THE PROPERTY  
09:35:15 AT THE END OF EAST BROADWAY, BETTER KNOWN AS RIVER OAKS.  
09:35:18 CURRENTLY, THE PROPERTY IS LISTED ON THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT  
09:35:21 PLAN AND IS UNFUNDED AT 900,000.  
09:35:25 THIS INDICATES THAT THE VILLAGE KNOWS THE IMPORTANCE OF  
09:35:28 PURCHASING THIS LAND.

09:35:29 WE UNDERSTAND THAT THERE MAY BE FUNDS MADE AVAILABLE SOON  
09:35:32 THAT ARE EARMARKED FOR CONSERVATION LAND PURCHASE AND  
09:35:37 REQUEST THOSE FUNDS BE USED FOR THE PURCHASE OF RIVER OAKS.  
09:35:41 AS TAX-PAYING CITIZENS OF ESTERO, WE HAVE THE RIGHT TO WEIGH  
09:35:44 IN ON WHERE OUR MONEY AND RESOURCES ARE SPENT.  
09:35:47 THE CONSERVATION FOUNDATION OF THE GULF COAST OPTION TO  
09:35:50 PURCHASE THE PROPERTY AND TO ASSIST IN ITS PRESERVATION  
09:35:54 EXPIRES IN SEPTEMBER, AND WE ARE CONCERNED THAT THE  
09:35:57 DEVELOPER WHO OWNS THE PROPERTY WILL NO LONGER SUPPORT OR  
09:36:01 FAVORABLY NEGOTIATE ITS PURCHASE FOR CONSERVATION.  
09:36:05 AS YOU KNOW, THE PROPERTY IS IMPORTANT TO THE PORTFOLIO OF  
09:36:08 THE VILLAGE.  
09:36:09 IT PROVIDES A SOLID SOLUTION TO WATER MANAGEMENT AND FLOOD  
09:36:13 CONTROL IN THE NORTH RANCH.  
09:36:15 IT ALSO IS A KEY PIECE OF BUFFER TO MANY BACKYARDS AND

09:36:19 COMMUNITIES SURROUNDING IT.  
09:36:20 THEY, TOO, ARE CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT COULD BE DEVELOPED ON  
09:36:23 THAT PROPERTY.  
09:36:24 THE PROPERTY IS CURRENTLY ZONED AG-2, WHICH ALLOWS FOR MANY  
09:36:30 DIFFERENT USES, INCLUDING RESIDENTIAL HOMES, CHURCHES,  
09:36:33 FARMS, NURSERIES, ET CETERA.  
09:36:36 IN ADDITION, THE BIGGEST OPPORTUNITY AND RESPONSIBILITY THAT  
09:36:39 YOU HAVE BEFORE YOU IS IN PROTECTING THOSE HUNDRED-YEAR OLD  
09:36:45 OAK TREES, NUMEROUS NATIVE PLANTS AND, OF COURSE, WILDLIFE  
09:36:48 THAT OCCUPIES THAT LAND.  
09:36:51 THE PROPERTY IS LISTED FOR 1.9 MILLION.  
09:36:53 AND WE KNOW, ALL OF US KNOW THE PURCHASE PRICE COULD BE MUCH  
09:36:58 LOWER IF YOU SIMPLY MADE AN OFFER.  
09:37:03 IN ADDITION YOU KNOW, AND WE KNOW THAT CONSERVATION 2020 HAS  
09:37:07 RANKED THE PROPERTY HIGH ON THE PRIORITY LIST AT FOR WATER  
09:37:12 QUALITY.  
09:37:12 WE ALL KNOW THAT.  
09:37:13 THEY ARE SUPPORTIVE, AND THEY ARE LOOKING FOR YOU, OR US,  
09:37:17 THE VILLAGE, TO STEP FORWARD AND MAKE A CONTRIBUTION SO THEY  
09:37:22 CAN CONSIDER HELPING US OUT IN FUNDING THIS.  
09:37:25 THE FRIENDS OF RIVER OAKS MOMENTUM IS GROWING, AS YOU CAN  
09:37:27 SEE.  
09:37:29 AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO REQUEST THAT YOU PURCHASE THE LAND  
09:37:32 EVERY SINGLE CHANCE WE GET, UNTIL IT IS NO LONGER AVAILABLE.  
09:37:37 IT'S THE RIGHT THING TO DO.

09:37:39 IT IS THE OPINION OF THE FRIENDS OF RIVER OAKS AND COMMUNITY  
09:37:42 SUPPORTERS THAT YOU AS OUR LEADERS MUST ACT PRUDENTLY AND  
09:37:46 QUICKLY TO ENSURE THAT YOU PROTECT THIS PROPERTY BY  
09:37:48 PURCHASING THE LAND NOT ONLY FOR US TODAY, BUT FOR FUTURE  
09:37:52 GENERATIONS.  
09:37:52 I APPRECIATE YOUR TIME.

09:37:54 THANK YOU.  
09:37:56 [ APPLAUSE ]  
09:38:03 >>Kathleen Hall: BEVERLY IS NEXT FOLLOWED BY ADELE AMICO.  
09:38:09 >> GOOD MORNING, ESTERO COUNCIL.  
09:38:10 I'M SO HAPPY TO ADDRESS YOU AS THE ESTERO COUNCIL INSTEAD OF  
09:38:15 BONITA SPRINGS, WHICH COULD HAVE BEEN, RIGHT?  
09:38:18 WHEN BONITA SPRINGS STARTED ANNEXING AND SO FORTH INTO OUR  
09:38:23 PROPERTY.  
09:38:24 THE ESTERO COUNCIL OF COMMUNITIES, LED BY DON ESLICK, MADE A  
09:38:31 MAJOR MOVE TO BRING THIS PROPERTY INTO ITS OWN FRUITION.  
09:38:36 I AM HERE AS A SUPPORTER OF DON ESLICK.  
09:38:43 AS YOU KNOW, DON HAS ANNOUNCED HIS RETIREMENT, WHICH HAS  
09:38:47 MADE A LOT OF PEOPLE START RUNNING AROUND LIKE CHICKENS WITH  
09:38:52 THEIR HEAD CUT OFF.  
09:38:54 TO REPLACE DON, A WHOLE NEW -- WHOLE NEW STRATEGY HAS TO  
09:38:58 HAVE BEEN SET UP, THAT INCLUDES LIKE 20 DIFFERENT POSITIONS  
09:39:01 AND SO FORTH.  
09:39:01 AND WE AS THE ECCL WHICH REPRESENT ALL THE MEMBERS, OR MOST  
09:39:09 OF THE MEMBERS OF ESTERO, ARE PLANNING A FAREWELL AND A

09:39:15 THANK YOU FOR DON ESLICK AT SHADOW WOOD ON NOVEMBER 16th,  
09:39:24 SHADOW WOOD, NOVEMBER 16th.  
09:39:25 WE ARE TRYING TO KEEP THE TICKETS DOWN SO OTHER PEOPLE CAN  
09:39:31 COME WHO DON'T HAVE THE MONEY.  
09:39:32 WE ALSO PLANNED A WONDERFUL EVENT FOR THAT DAY.  
09:39:36 I AM HERE TO ASK THE COUNCIL IF THEY WOULD SUPPORT THIS  
09:39:41 EVENT BY BECOMING A PLATINUM SPONSOR.  
09:39:44 I BELIEVE -- HAVE I SENT THAT ALL TO YOU, THE SPONSORSHIP?  
09:39:50 THE SPONSORSHIP FOR A PLATINUM SPONSOR IS \$5,000.  
09:39:56 YOU GET SEVERAL AMENITIES.  
09:39:59 YOU GET A TABLE OF EIGHT AND SO FORTH AND SO ON.  
09:40:05 I WILL MAKE SURE THAT I SEND IT TO KATHY AND YOU ALL GET A  
09:40:09 COPY OF IT, OR TO STEVE, SO YOU CAN PURSUE IT.  
09:40:13 WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT.  
09:40:14 I WILL PUT YOU ON THE BACK PAGE WITH ALL YOUR PICTURES, AND  
09:40:17 EVERYTHING ELSE, IF YOU SUPPORT THIS, OKAY, BEING THE  
09:40:22 GRAPHIC ARTIST THAT WILL PUT THIS PROGRAM TOGETHER.  
09:40:24 WHAT ELSE CAN I SAY TO CONVINCING YOU TO SUPPORT THIS?  
09:40:28 WE WOULDN'T BE HERE IF IT WASN'T FOR DON ESLICK, CORRECT?  
09:40:33 THAT'S CORRECT, RIGHT.  
09:40:38 YOU PEOPLE ARE A TOUGH CROWD.  
09:40:41 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.  
09:40:48 >>Kathleen Hall: ADELE AMICO.  
09:40:52 >> GOOD MORNING.  
09:40:52 MY NAME IS ADELE AMICO.

09:40:55 I'VE BEEN A RESIDENT FOR 16 YEARS IN ESTERO.  
09:40:57 HI, EVERYBODY.

09:40:59 I WASN'T SURE WHAT I WAS GOING TO SAY ABOUT THE RIVER OAKS  
09:41:01 PROJECT BECAUSE I WASN'T GETTING INTO THE LOGISTICS AND THE  
09:41:04 COST AND ALL THAT BECAUSE EVERYONE ELSE IS DOING THAT PART  
09:41:07 OF IT.  
09:41:08 THIS MORNING, IT WAS AMAZING TO ME, BECAUSE I JUST READ THIS  
09:41:10 ARTICLE THIS MORNING, WHICH IS VERY APPROPRIATE, AND I'M NOT  
09:41:13 GOING TO READ IT.  
09:41:14 DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.  
09:41:15 IT WAS A STUDY.  
09:41:16 THE MORE TREES SURROUNDED BY THE -- LOWER THE STRESS LEVELS.  
09:41:22 IT IS AN INTERESTING ARTICLE.  
09:41:23 IT TALKS ABOUT THE PROTECTION OF FORESTS AND TREES AND HOW  
09:41:28 IT AFFECTS YOUR PSYCHIC AND THE CALM CONTINUES BRINGS  
09:41:31 COMMUNITIES AND TREE -- YOU KNOW, TREES LINED ON OUR  
09:41:35 BEAUTIFUL STREETS.  
09:41:36 BUT THE MORAL OF THE STORY WAS, SPEND AS MUCH TIME AS YOU  
09:41:40 CAN IN THE PRESENCE OF TREES, THE FOREST IS OUR NATURAL  
09:41:44 HABITAT.  
09:41:44 SO THEN I WAS THINKING, AND I SAID, OH, MY GOSH, I JUST  
09:41:47 REMEMBERED.  
09:41:48 I JUST GOT BACK FROM BOSTON A LITTLE WHILE AGO, WHERE I'M,  
09:41:52 FROM AND WE GREW UP IN THE SUBURBS OF BOSTON.  
09:41:55 AND BELIEVE IT OR NOT, BECAUSE IT'S SUCH A DENSE AREA, WE  
  
09:41:59 HAVE A LOT OF CONSERVATION LAND.  
09:42:01 WE CALL THEM WOODS.  
09:42:02 AND I GREW UP ABOUT SEVEN MILES OUTSIDE THE CITY.  
09:42:06 AND WE VERY -- VERY MOUNTAINOUS AREA, BELIEVE IT OR NOT.  
09:42:12 A LOT OF HILLS.  
09:42:13 THE TOP OF THE STREET.  
09:42:14 LIVED AT A DEAD END.  
09:42:16 TOP OF THE STREET WERE THESE WOODS.  
09:42:17 THAT'S WHERE WE PLAYED.  
09:42:20 AND IT WAS AWESOME.  
09:42:21 WE HAD TREES TO CLIMB AND WE CLIMBED AND WE WERE ALL  
09:42:24 TOMBOYS.  
09:42:25 AND I FELL OUT OF THE TREE AND BROKE MY ARM.  
09:42:27 THE WHOLE NINE YARDS.  
09:42:28 WE ALL DID CRAZY STUFF.  
09:42:29 BUT THAT'S WHAT WE DID.  
09:42:30 I JUST WENT UP THERE, AND I SAID I'M GOING TO GO BACK TO  
09:42:36 WHERE I GREW UP AND SEE WHAT HAPPENED.  
09:42:38 I HOPE THE WOODS WERE STILL THERE.  
09:42:39 AND THEY WERE.  
09:42:40 THEY WERE SUPPOSED TO BE DEVELOPED.  
09:42:41 IT HAS THIS BIG SIGN "CONSERVATION LAND."  
09:42:44 THERE'S A LOT OF CONSERVATION LAND OUTSIDE OF BOSTON.  
09:42:47 AND A LOT OF THE REASON, THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR.

09:42:53 A LOT OF THAT.

09:42:53 THIS IS PART OF THE HISTORY.  
09:42:54 THE PATH WAS THERE, I SAID, OH, MY GOSH, THE PATH IS THERE.  
09:42:57 THE PATH I TOOK TO GO TO SCHOOL.  
09:43:00 EVERY DAY WHEN I WAS IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, EXCEPT WHEN IT  
09:43:02 WAS SNOWING, WE HAD TO WALK AND IT STUNK.  
09:43:05 BUT IT BROUGHT SUCH A WONDERFUL, TRANQUIL FEELING THAT IT  
09:43:09 WAS STILL THERE, AND IT WAS JUST BEAUTIFUL.  
09:43:11 SO THAT WHOLE SECTION OF ESTERO, SANDY LANE, EAST BROADWAY,  
09:43:16 THAT TO ME IS ORIGINAL ESTERO.  
09:43:18 AND I'D LIKE TO SEE IT PROTECTED BECAUSE THE BEAUTY, ONCE  
09:43:22 YOU TAKE IT AWAY, YOU CAN'T GET IT BACK.  
09:43:24 THANKS.  
09:43:25 [ APPLAUSE ]  
09:43:32 >> GOOD MORNING.  
09:43:33 MY NAME IS ANONTON NAT.  
09:43:38 I AM NOT A DIRECTLY TAX-PAYING CITIZEN FOR VILLAGE OF  
09:43:41 ESTERO.  
09:43:41 I LIVE IN PELICAN LANDING RIGHT ON THE FRINGE OF THE  
09:43:45 VILLAGE.  
09:43:46 AND I AM RETIRED ENGINEER FROM THE SOUTH FLORIDA WATER  
09:43:49 MANAGEMENT DISTRICT.  
09:43:52 I KNOW THE VERY PULSE OF THE HYDRAULICS AND NATURAL SYSTEM  
09:43:58 OF THIS WATERSHED.  
09:43:59 I AM VOLUNTEERING TO TALK ON THE FLORIDA FRIENDS OF --  
09:44:08 AS YOU HAVE HEARD, RIVER OAKS IS A WONDERFUL PIECE OF

09:44:12 PROPERTY RIGHT ON THE NORTH TRIBUTARY OF ESTERO BAY, AND IT  
09:44:18 IS THE ONLY PIECE OF SMALL PARCEL OF LAND LEFT SO FAR.  
09:44:24 THESE DAYS, YOU HEAR EVERY DAY THE HORROR STORIES IN OUR  
09:44:30 NEIGHBORING WATERS, ABOUT THE BLUE-GREEN ALGAE SPROUTING  
09:44:33 EVERYWHERE.  
09:44:34 ESTERO BAY IS A VERY SHALLOW BAY, AND IT DOESN'T TAKE MUCH  
09:44:39 TIME BECAUSE IT DOESN'T HAVE THE TURBULENCE OR THE OTHER  
09:44:47 STUFF TO DISSIPATE POLLUTANTS.  
09:44:50 THIS PIECE OF LAND ON THE NORTH TRIBUTARY PROVIDES A  
09:44:56 WONDERFUL BUFFER TO ATTENUATE THE HIGH FLOWS AND ALSO  
09:45:04 FILTERING THE POLLUTANTS.  
09:45:06 ALL THE WONDERFUL PROPERTIES OF THE PROPERTY, I WOULD LIKE  
09:45:14 TO ENCOURAGE YOU TO CONSIDER PRESERVING THIS LAND FOR OUR  
09:45:18 PROSPERITY.  
09:45:19 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.  
09:45:21 [ APPLAUSE ]  
09:45:27 >>Kathleen Hall: JAMIE LEINHARDT ENGLE.  
09:45:31 >> GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE, COUNCIL MEMBERS.  
09:45:34 I AM JAMIE LEINHARDT ENGLE.  
09:45:37 A RESIDENT OF ROOKERY POINT.

09:45:38 AND I HAVE BEEN A RESIDENT OF ESTERO SINCE 2002.  
09:45:42 AND I HAVE BEEN A RESIDENT OF LEE COUNTY SINCE 1967.  
09:45:45 I HAVE SEEN NUMEROUS CHANGES IN OUR COUNTY, AND I, AS A  
09:45:52 RESIDENT, WOULD LIKE TO ALSO REPRESENT FRIENDS OF RIVER  
09:45:55 OAKS.

09:45:57 ROOKERY POINT, AS YOU KNOW, ABUTS THE PROPERTY IN QUESTION,  
09:46:02 THE TEN ACRES THAT WE'RE SPEAKING ABOUT.  
09:46:04 WE WOULD LIKE TO ENCOURAGE YOU TO ALSO PURCHASE THE LAND,  
09:46:09 BASICALLY BECAUSE WE, NOT AS A COMMUNITY, WOULD LIKE TO SEE  
09:46:15 THAT HAPPEN, BUT JUST AS MYSELF, AS A RESIDENT WOULD LIKE TO  
09:46:19 SEE NATURE KEPT LIKE MANY OF THE PEOPLE HAVE DISCUSSED.  
09:46:22 I ALSO AM PAST PRESIDENT OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF ESTERO.  
09:46:27 AND ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE DO IS REPRESENT THE INTERACT  
09:46:32 CLUB AT THREE OAKS MIDDLE SCHOOL.  
09:46:35 WE ARE TEACHING CHILDREN ABOUT SUSTAINABILITY, AND WE'RE  
09:46:38 ALSO TEACHING THEM ABOUT COMMUNITY SERVICE.  
09:46:40 WE FEEL THAT THIS WOULD BE AN AWESOME OPPORTUNITY FOR THEM  
09:46:44 TO BE ABLE TO ALSO ENJOY NATURE BUT ALSO LEARN QUITE A BIT  
09:46:49 FROM THE STUDENTS AT FGCU, WHO ALSO TAKE THEIR TIME FOR  
09:46:54 COMMUNITY SERVICE TO COME AND HELP US.  
09:46:57 I UNDERSTAND THAT THE PROPERTY PRICE IS 1.9 MILLION.  
09:47:02 I KNOW THAT WE CAN NEGOTIATE A BETTER PRICE THAN THAT.  
09:47:07 I'M A REAL ESTATE AGENT.  
09:47:08 I'D LOVE TO REPRESENT YOU.  
09:47:09 [ LAUGHTER ]  
09:47:10 SO IF YOU NEED A REALTOR WITH OVER 35 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE,  
09:47:14 I'M OFFERING THAT TO YOU AS WELL.  
09:47:16 THANK YOU.  
09:47:18 [ APPLAUSE ]  
09:47:24 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.

09:47:25 MOVING RIGHT ALONG, NEXT ON THE AGENDA IS THE CONSENT  
09:47:27 AGENDA.  
09:47:27 DO ANY COUNCIL MEMBERS HAVE COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS REGARDING  
09:47:32 THE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES?  
09:47:34 >> MOVE THE CONSENT AGENDA.  
09:47:35 >>Mayor Ribble: SECONDED BY MR. BATOS.  
09:47:38 WOULD YOU PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.  
09:47:39 >>Jim Wilson: AYE.  
09:47:41 >>Nick Batos: AYE.  
09:47:42 >>Jim Boesch: AYE.  
09:47:44 >>Jon McLain: AYE.  
09:47:45 >>Howard Levitan: AYE.  
09:47:47 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: AYE.  
09:47:48 >>Mayor Ribble: AYE.  
09:47:49 OKAY.  
09:47:53 AS YOU QUIETLY EXIT, AGAIN, I APPRECIATED YOUR ENTHUSIASM



09:47:57 FOR OUR PLEDGE TO THE FLAG, BUT NOW WE WANT TO GET BACK TO  
09:48:00 BUSINESS WITH ITEM 6A, RESOLUTION 2019-10.  
09:48:04 MR. SARKOZY, DO YOU WANT TO TAKE OVER THIS ONE?  
09:48:10 >>Steven Sarkozy: THANK YOU, MAYOR, MEMBERS OF COUNCIL, ITEM  
09:48:12 6A IS RESOLUTION 2019-10, WHICH ESTABLISHES A PROPOSED  
09:48:18 MILLAGE RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020.  
09:48:22 IT ALSO SETS FORTH THE DATE AND TIME AND PLACE OF PUBLIC  
09:48:27 HEARING FOR THE ULTIMATE CONSIDERATION OF OUR BUDGET AND  
09:48:32 FINAL MILLAGE RATE.

09:48:36 THE PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE THAT WE'RE PUTTING FORTH IS THE  
09:48:39 SAME AS IT WAS LAST YEAR AT .7750 MILLS PER THOUSAND DOLLARS  
09:48:44 OF ASSESSED PROPERTY VALUE.  
09:48:46 THAT IS THE LOWEST IN LEE COUNTY, AND WE BELIEVE THE LOWEST  
09:48:52 IN ALL OF SOUTH FLORIDA.  
09:48:53 COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER DROPPING THAT, BUT YOU CANNOT INCREASE  
09:48:57 IT AFTER ESTABLISHING THIS, UNLESS THERE IS A SUPERMAJORITY  
09:49:04 VOTE OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL.  
09:49:05 WE WILL HAVE TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS AFTER THE SUMMER BREAK.  
09:49:08 ONE ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4th AT 5:30 P.M.  
09:49:12 AND THEN THE FINAL ACTION ON THE BUDGET AND THE MILLAGE RATE  
09:49:16 WOULD BE ON SEPTEMBER 18th, AGAIN AT 5:30, PURSUANT TO THE  
09:49:21 STATE STATUTE.  
09:49:22 SO WE'RE RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF THIS AS A ROUTINE ITEM AS  
09:49:27 PART OF THE BUDGET PROCESS.  
09:49:29 >>Mayor Ribble: COUNCIL, QUESTIONS?  
09:49:35 >>Jim Wilson: I WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST OF STAFF THE  
09:49:37 FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR FOUR OTHER RATES, IF WE SHOULD  
09:49:41 DECIDE TO POTENTIALLY REDUCE THE RATE BELOW WHERE IT WAS  
09:49:45 LAST YEAR.  
09:49:45 AND THOSE RATES ARE .774, .773, .772, AND .771.  
09:49:52 IT WOULD BE IMPORTANT, IF WE WERE GOING TO CONSIDER REDUCING  
09:49:56 THE RATE TO KNOW WHAT THE FINANCIAL IMPACT WOULD BE ON OUR  
09:49:58 OVERALL BUDGET.  
09:50:00 AND IF WE HAD THOSE THEN BY SEPTEMBER 4th, WE CAN BEGIN

09:50:04 OUR THOUGHT PROCESS ON THAT.  
09:50:07 >>Steven Sarkozy: THAT'S EASY TO COMPUTE, AND WE'LL INCLUDE  
09:50:11 THAT.  
09:50:11 >>Jim Wilson: I'LL MOVE THAT WE MOVE FORWARD.  
09:50:16 >> WE DO NEED TO READ THE RESOLUTION.  
09:50:18 >> THE CLERK STILL HAS TO READ IT.  
09:50:23 >>Kathleen Hall: RESOLUTION 2019-10, A RESOLUTION OF THE  
09:50:26 VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO, FLORIDA,  
09:50:28 DETERMINING THE PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR  
09:50:30 2019-2020, SETTING THE DATE, TIME, AND PLACE FOR THE PUBLIC  
09:50:34 HEARINGS REQUIRED BY STATE LAW; DIRECTING STAFF TO TRANSMIT  
09:50:37 NECESSARY DOCUMENTATION PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF

09:50:40 FLORIDA STATUTES AND THE RULES OF AND REGULATIONS OF THE  
09:50:42 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA AND PROVIDING  
09:50:45 AN EFFECTIVE DATE.  
09:50:47 >>Mayor Ribble: NOW WE'RE BACK TO COUNCIL AGAIN.  
09:50:49 ANY OTHER COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS?  
09:50:54 >> IF I MAY, I MOVE WE ADOPT RESOLUTION 2019-10.  
09:50:59 >>Mayor Ribble: SECOND BY COUNCILMAN BOESCH.  
09:51:02 DO WE HAVE ANYBODY FROM THE PUBLIC SIGNED UP TO SPEAK?  
09:51:05 >>Kathleen Hall: I HAVE NO ONE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK.  
09:51:06 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.  
09:51:07 DO YOU WANT TO DO ROLL CALL?  
09:51:11 >>Howard Levitan: AYE.  
09:51:12 >>Jon McLain: AYE.

09:51:13 >>Jim Boesch: AYE.  
09:51:15 >>Nick Batos: AYE.  
09:51:16 >>Jim Wilson: AYE.  
09:51:16 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: AYE.  
09:51:20 >>Mayor Ribble: AYE.  
09:51:20 OKAY.  
09:51:22 THE NEXT ITEM ON THE AGENDA IS RESOLUTION NUMBER 2019-11.  
09:51:27 WOULD THE CLERK PLEASE READ THIS RESOLUTION TITLE?  
09:51:29 >>Kathleen Hall: 2019-11, A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE  
09:51:36 COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE  
09:51:40 SOVEREIGNTY SUBMERGED LANDS LEASE MODIFICATION TO REFLECT  
09:51:44 CHANGE IN OWNERSHIP FOR A PARCEL OF SOVEREIGNTY SUBMERGED  
09:51:48 LAND IN SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 46 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST, IN THE  
09:51:53 ESTERO RIVER BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO AND BOARD OF  
09:51:56 TRUSTEES OF THE INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT TRUST FUND OF THE STATE  
09:51:59 OF FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE  
09:52:01 AGREEMENT, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.  
09:52:05 >>Steven Sarkozy: THANK YOU, MAYOR, MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.  
09:52:07 THIS IS A ROUTINE ITEM.  
09:52:09 NOW THAT WE OWN HE THE PROPERTY THAT WE COMMONLY CALL ESTERO  
09:52:11 ON THE RIVER, ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE RIVER, THERE IS A  
09:52:16 DOCK THAT IS SUBJECT TO A LAND LEASE FROM THE STATE  
09:52:20 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.  
09:52:23 SO THE STATE REQUIRES AN ANNUAL LEASE FOR THAT DOCK.  
09:52:30 WE THINK IT'S APPROPRIATE WE CONTINUE THIS SO IT CAN BE USED

09:52:33 AS A DOCK RELATED TO THE ESTERO OUTFITTERS.  
09:52:35 WE WOULD NEED TO DO THIS ON AN ANNUAL BASIS.  
09:52:42 THIS IS A MODEST ANNUAL LEASE AMOUNT, BUT IT PROTECTS OUR  
09:52:46 INTEREST IN THAT DOCK AND SECURES THE RIGHT TO USE PART OF  
09:52:50 THE STATE WATERWAY, WHICH IS THE ESTERO RIVER.  
09:52:52 SO THIS COMES TO YOU WITH A RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL,  
09:52:58 WHICH WOULD INCLUDE THE ONE-TIME LEASE TRANSFER OF \$657 AND  
09:53:01 AN ANNUAL LEASE RATE OF \$531.

09:53:04 >>Mayor Ribble: COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE COUNCIL?  
09:53:07 HOWARD?  
09:53:08 >>Howard Levitan: JUST A MINOR QUESTION.  
09:53:09 I'M JUST CURIOUS AS TO WHY -- HOW WE GET INVOLVED IN THIS.  
09:53:16 DO WE OWN THE DOCK?  
09:53:19 >>Steven Sarkozy: WE OWN THE DOCK PILINGS.  
09:53:24 >>Howard Levitan: PILINGS.  
09:53:26 BUT NOT THE FACE OF THE DOCK.  
09:53:27 >>Steven Sarkozy: THAT, I'M NOT SURE ABOUT THE SURFACE OF  
09:53:30 THE DOCK.  
09:53:31 WE HAVE SECURED INSURANCE FOR THE USE OF THAT DOCK AND ALL  
09:53:38 OTHER ASPECTS, A VERY HEALTHY INSURANCE POLICY FROM ANY OF  
09:53:41 THE PRIVATE LEASERS OF THE PROPERTY.  
09:53:46 SO WE'RE WELL PROTECTED.  
09:53:47 >>Howard Levitan: WHO OWNS THE LAND ITSELF?  
09:53:51 >>Steven Sarkozy: THE VILLAGE.  
09:53:52 >>Howard Levitan: THAT ABUTS THE DOCK?

09:53:53 >>Steven Sarkozy: THE VILLAGE.  
09:53:54 >>Howard Levitan: SO THIS IS ON, AND WE LEASE IT TO ESTERO  
09:53:58 OUTFITTERS.  
09:53:59 >>Steven Sarkozy: CORRECT.  
09:54:02 >>Mayor Ribble: ANY OTHER COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS?  
09:54:04 I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION REGARDING THIS AGENDA ITEM.  
09:54:09 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: SO MOVED.  
09:54:11 >>Mayor Ribble: OH, PUBLIC COMMENT.  
09:54:13 ANYONE SIGNED UP?  
09:54:14 >>Kathleen Hall: NO ONE IS SIGNED UP.  
09:54:15 >>Mayor Ribble: KATY MADE THE MOTION.  
09:54:17 MR. BOESCH SECONDED THE MOTION.  
09:54:19 WOULD YOU PLEASE CALL THE ROLL, MADAM CLERK.  
09:54:21 >>Jim Wilson: AYE.  
09:54:23 >>Nick Batos: AYE.  
09:54:24 >>Jim Boesch: AYE.  
09:54:26 >>Jon McLain: AYE.  
09:54:27 >>Howard Levitan: AYE.  
09:54:29 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: AYE.  
09:54:29 >>Mayor Ribble: AYE.  
09:54:30 THE NEXT ITEM ON THE AGENDA IS THE ESTERO RIVER  
09:54:34 SEDIMENTATION ANALYSIS RFQ 2019-01.  
09:54:39 MR. WILLEMS, WOULD YOU LIKE TO INTRODUCE THIS ITEM?  
09:54:48 >>David Willems: GOOD MORNING.  
09:54:48 SO WE HAVE FINISHED THE NEGOTIATIONS WITH COASTAL

09:54:51 ENGINEERING CONSULTANT FOR THEM TO PERFORM RIVER ANALYSIS,  
09:54:57 DESIGN AND PERMITTING FOR REMOVING SOME SEDIMENT FROM SOME  
09:55:01 KEY AREAS OF THE RIVER.  
09:55:02 AS YOU CAN SEE HERE, THE TOTAL COST THAT WE HAVE IS JUST

09:55:05 UNDER \$95,000.  
09:55:08 THAT WORKS INTO THE BUDGET THAT WE HAVE FOR BOTH MAINTENANCE  
09:55:11 ON THE RIVER AND WATER QUALITY OF \$225,000.  
09:55:15 SO WE WOULD JUST BE LOOKING FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE THAT  
09:55:19 CONTRACT AND ALLOW THE MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT.  
09:55:25 >>Mayor Ribble: ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL?  
09:55:29 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: COULD YOU WALK US THROUGH HOW THIS  
09:55:34 DATA WILL BE COLLECTED IN ORDER TO DETERMINE WHERE THIS  
09:55:39 SHOULD HAPPEN ON THE RIVER?  
09:55:42 >>David Willems: ABSOLUTELY.  
09:55:44 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: JUST SO WE CAN VISUALLY SEE.  
09:55:47 >>David Willems: THE CONSULTANT WILL TAKE A BOAT.  
09:55:50 THEY'LL DO ONE RUN UP THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF THE RIVER GETTING  
09:55:53 SURVEY ELEVATIONS AS THEY GO.  
09:55:56 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: BEFORE YOU GO ANY FURTHER, WOULD  
09:55:58 THAT BE FROM THE BAY ALL THE WAY UP TO WHERE?  
09:56:01 >>David Willems: UP TO BASICALLY SANDY LANE, U.S. 41 AREA.  
09:56:07 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: UNDERNEATH THE BRIDGE?  
09:56:09 >>David Willems: YES, YES.  
09:56:10 THEY'LL DO ONE PASS TO GET FAMILIAR WITH THE RIVER AND  
09:56:15 UNDERSTAND.

09:56:16 THEY'LL BE ABLE TO SEE WHERE THE PROBLEMS ARE.  
09:56:17 THEY ARE GOING TO NOTE THOSE AREAS, AND THEN COME BACK AND  
09:56:20 DO A DETAILED SURVEY OF THAT ENTIRE SECTION.  
09:56:23 SO IF THEY IDENTIFY THREE OR FOUR AREAS WHERE THERE'S  
09:56:26 BUILT-UP SEDIMENT, THEY'LL COME BACK AND DO A DETAILED  
09:56:30 SURVEY OF THAT AREA SO THEY CAN UNDERSTAND WHAT THE VOLUMES  
09:56:34 THAT WOULD NEED TO BE REMOVED ARE.  
09:56:38 >>Jon McLain: JUST A TIMING OF THE SURVEY, I WORRY SINCE  
09:56:40 WE'RE JULY, ALMOST AUGUST NOW WITH HURRICANE SEASON AND  
09:56:43 COMING ALONG AT A PRETTY HIGH RATE.  
09:56:46 IT HAVE A VALUE TO WAIT UNTIL AFTER THE HURRICANE SEASON TO  
09:56:50 DO THIS JUST IN CASE?  
09:56:51 WHAT CAUSED A LOT OF THE SEDIMENTATION HAS BEEN HURRICANES.  
09:56:56 IS THERE VALUE IN MAYBE DELAYING THIS UNTIL THEN, AFTER THAT  
09:57:01 PERIOD?  
09:57:05 >>David Willems: I DON'T THINK SO.  
09:57:05 THE AREAS THAT PEOPLE HAVE BEEN CONCERNED ABOUT, IT SOUNDS  
09:57:08 LIKE THEY HAVE PRETTY MUCH BEEN THERE FOR A WHILE.  
09:57:11 I THINK THE STORMS REALLY AFFECT THE UPSTREAM AREAS MORE.  
09:57:15 I DON'T KNOW THAT IT AFFECTS THE DOWNSTREAM AS MUCH AS THE  
09:57:20 UPSTREAM.  
09:57:24 >>Howard Levitan: THIS IS DESIGNED TO GIVE US A BASELINE.  
09:57:26 >>David Willems: CORRECT.  
09:57:27 >>Howard Levitan: IF WE DO HAVE HURRICANES AND THE  
09:57:29 SEDIMENTATION BUILDS UP IN DIFFERENT AREAS, WE'RE GOING TO

09:57:31 BE ABLE TO DETERMINE THAT.  
09:57:33 SO THIS IS PROBABLY THE BETTER TIME TO --  
09:57:36 >>David Willems: YEAH, THAT IS A GOOD POINT.  
09:57:38 RIGHT NOW, WE DON'T KNOW WHAT THE BOTTOM OF THE RIVER LOOKS  
09:57:40 LIKE.  
09:57:41 IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE ANYBODY HAS LOOKED AT IT.  
09:57:43 AND THIS WILL PROVIDE A GREAT COMPARISON TO SEE WHERE IT  
09:57:47 MOVES.  
09:57:47 MAYBE IT STAYS IN THE SAME PLACE; MAYBE IT DOES MOVE.  
09:57:51 >>Mayor Ribble: ANY OTHER COMMENTS?  
09:57:54 NICK.  
09:57:55 >>Nick Batos: YOU MENTIONED EITHER SANDY LANE OR 41.  
09:57:58 I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO GET UP TO AT LEAST SANDY LANE  
09:58:00 SINCE WE'RE TALKING ABOUT A PIECE OF PROPERTY WE'RE PURCHASE  
09:58:04 THAT WE MAY USE FOR DIFFERENT THINGS.  
09:58:06 >>David Willems: I BELIEVE SANDY LANE, THE CONTRACT SAYS.  
09:58:10 >>Jim Boesch: BEFORE WE EVEN GOT INVOLVED AS A COUNCIL,  
09:58:13 THIS HAS BEEN A PROBLEM.  
09:58:15 PROBABLY IN 50 YEARS, NOBODY HAS DONE ANYTHING, ESPECIALLY  
09:58:17 IN ESTERO IN TERMS OF DETERMINING WHAT THE FLOW IS COMING  
09:58:21 FROM THE NORTH AND WHAT SEDIMENT -- WHERE THE SEDIMENT IS  
09:58:26 GOING.  
09:58:27 IT IS AN EXCELLENT ADVANCEMENT IN OUR OVERALL WATER PROGRAM  
09:58:29 AND HOW WE'RE SEEING HOW THE WATER AFFECTS NOT JUST ESTERO,  
09:58:35 BUT ALL THE DIFFERENT AREAS.

09:58:36 IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO BE ABLE TO HAVE INFORMATION TO TALK  
09:58:39 TO PEOPLE THAT ARE INVOLVED IN OUR WATER PROBLEMS, TO SAY  
09:58:43 WE'VE DONE THIS EXTRA EXAMINATION OF THE WATER, WHERE THE  
09:58:49 WATER IS COMING FROM, WHERE ITS LAND AND HOW IT'S AFFECTING  
09:58:55 THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO, AS WELL AS OTHER PEOPLE, BUT  
09:58:58 ESPECIALLY THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO.  
09:59:00 I THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT AS WE COMPLETE OUR OVERALL  
09:59:04 WATER STRATEGY, WE UNDERTAKE THIS PROJECT.  
09:59:09 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: ANOTHER QUESTION, AS YOU VENTURE OUT  
09:59:12 TO DO -- THE COMPANY DOES THE SEDIMENTATION EVALUATION,  
09:59:16 COULD SIGNS BE PUT UP JUST SAYING WHAT THEY'RE DOING SO  
09:59:19 PEOPLE CAN BE AWARE THAT THEY ARE JUST CHECKING OUT THE  
09:59:23 RIVER FOR SOME KIND OF ANALYSIS OF WHERE THE SEDIMENTATION  
09:59:29 IS AND TO HELP.  
09:59:31 PEOPLE ARE VERY CURIOUS, AND THEY WANT TO KNOW, SO THINK  
09:59:36 ABOUT THAT.  
09:59:37 I'M NOT SAYING TO DO IT.  
09:59:39 THINK ABOUT IT.  
09:59:40 WE HAVE GOTTEN SOME RESPONSES BACK FROM THE FLORIDA  
09:59:43 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH THAT UNLESS YOU BATHE IN THE RIVER,  
09:59:48 SWIM FROM THE RIVER, THEY DON'T DO MUCH WITH IT.  
09:59:51 BUT IF ANYBODY FALLS OFF --

09:59:54 >>David Willems: ARE YOU ASKING THAT WE HAVE SOMETHING ON  
09:59:56 THE RIVER THAT SAYS WE'RE DOING THIS STUDY OR SOMETHING  
09:59:59 ELSE?

10:00:00 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: LET THE PUBLIC -- I THINK THE MORE  
10:00:03 THAT WE CAN COMMUNICATE WITH THE PUBLIC TO HELP THEM KNOW  
10:00:06 INSTEAD OF EVERYBODY CALLING US SAYING, "WHAT ARE YOU DOING  
10:00:10 ON THE RIVER?"  
10:00:11 IT WOULD JUST HELP.  
10:00:11 >>David Willems: I TOTALLY AGREE WITH THAT.  
10:00:14 WELL, THE CONSULTANT UNDERSTANDS THAT, TOO.  
10:00:17 IN OUR DISCUSSIONS, WE HAVE DISCUSSED PUBLIC MEETINGS,  
10:00:20 MAKING SURE WE GET INFORMATION OUT TO THE PUBLIC.  
10:00:22 AND WE WANT TO GET INFORMATION IN.  
10:00:26 YOU KNOW, THE PUBLIC IS WHO USES THE RIVER ON A DAILY BASIS.  
10:00:30 SO THE CONSULTANT DEFINITELY WANTS TO GET THAT INFORMATION.  
10:00:33 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: ONLY TWO PLACES I SEE YOU COULD  
10:00:36 POSSIBLY DO THAT, THAT YOU COULD ASK WOULD BE THE STATE PARK  
10:00:40 AND ALSO AT THE OUTFITTERS, JUST TO SAY, WOULD YOU MIND,  
10:00:44 THIS IS WHAT'S GOING ON.  
10:00:49 >> WHAT IF WE PUT IT ON THE BOAT?  
10:00:51 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: WELL, THE BOAT WON'T BE VISIBLE ALL  
10:00:54 THE TIME.  
10:00:55 >> IT WOULD BE VISIBLE TO EVERYBODY WHO COMES BY.  
10:00:56 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: THAT COULD WORK.  
10:00:57 >>David Willems: THEY HAVE DONE THIS A LOT.  
10:01:01 IF SOMEBODY ASKS, THEY WOULD EXPLAIN WHAT THEY ARE DOING.  
10:01:03 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: KIND OF LIKE DRIVING BESIDE THE LAND  
10:01:07 BEING DEVELOPED AND PEOPLE SAYING, WHAT'S GOING ON?

10:01:11 IT REALLY HELPS THE CURIOSITY OF THE PUBLIC TO KNOW WHAT IS  
10:01:17 BEING BUILT.  
10:01:19 >>Jim Boesch: MAYBE WE SHOULD HAVE A WORKSHOP SESSION.  
10:01:22 WE TALK ABOUT ALL THE THINGS THAT WE'VE ACCOMPLISHED IN THIS  
10:01:25 THING, I DON'T THINK PEOPLE HAVE REALLY GRASPED EVERYTHING  
10:01:28 THAT WE'VE DONE.  
10:01:30 PROBABLY MORE THAN ANY OTHER MUNICIPALITY, EVEN THE COUNTY  
10:01:34 HAS DONE IN ORDER TO FOCUS ON THE WATER SITUATION IN ESTERO.  
10:01:40 MAYBE AFTER THIS, WE FINISH WITH THIS, WE HAVE A WORKSHOP  
10:01:44 SESSION OR EVEN JUST A NIGHT WHERE YOU AND THOSE INVOLVED  
10:01:49 INFORM THE RESIDENTS OF ESTERO WHERE WE ARE FOR THE  
10:01:54 COMMUNITIES NOW MAINTAINING THEIR WATERWAYS, WHICH THEY  
10:01:57 NEVER -- WON'T SAY NEVER -- HAS NOT BEEN TRADITION IN THE  
10:02:01 PAST.  
10:02:01 AND ALL THE THINGS THAT WE PUT TOGETHER IN THIS PROGRAM, I  
10:02:05 THINK IN THE SUPPORT OF THE VICE-MAYOR, THAT PEOPLE GET  
10:02:12 INFORMED OF ALL THINGS WE'VE DONE IN ORDER TO GET US SET FOR  
10:02:15 WATER SITUATIONS IN THE FUTURE.

10:02:16 >>David Willems: YEAH, WE DEFINITELY HAVE THE PLAN TO DO  
10:02:19 PUBLIC MEETINGS, AND I THINK IT'S A GOOD POINT IS THAT THIS  
10:02:23 PROJECT AND THEN FGCU PROJECT ARE BOTH KIND OF TRACKING ON A  
10:02:27 SIMILAR TIMELINE.  
10:02:28 SO MAYBE IN SIX MONTHS OR SO, WE'LL HAVE INFORMATION ON BOTH  
10:02:31 OF THOSE, AND MAYBE WE CAN DO A MEETING LIKE WE DID, I GUESS  
10:02:36 IT WAS SIX OR EIGHT MONTHS AGO, THE ONE AT PELICAN SOUND

10:02:39 WHERE WE JUST BROUGHT EVERYBODY THAT HAD AN INTEREST IN THE  
10:02:43 RIVER TOGETHER AND EXPLAIN EVERYTHING THAT WE'RE DOING AND  
10:02:45 THEN GOT INFORMATION BACK FROM THEM.

10:02:46 I THINK THAT'S DEFINITELY SOMETHING WE WOULD WANT TO DO.

10:02:53 >>Jon McLain: I THINK THIS IS IMPORTANT.

10:02:54 THIS IS A STUDY, IT'S NOT CORRECTIVE ACTION.

10:02:57 WE NEED TO MAKE SURE OUR CITIZENS DON'T THINK THAT THIS  
10:03:00 PROJECT IS GOING TO CLEAR UP THE CURRENT FLOWS THAT WE HAVE  
10:03:04 IN THE RIVER.

10:03:05 IT'S TELLING US WHERE POTENTIAL OBSTRUCTIONS ARE FOR FUTURE  
10:03:12 OPPORTUNITIES OF CLEANING UP THE RIVER.

10:03:13 IS THAT CORRECT?

10:03:18 >>David Willems: THAT IS THE FIRST PART.

10:03:18 THE FIRST PART IS IDENTIFYING THE CONCERNS WITH THE RIVER.

10:03:21 IN HERE IS THE DESIGN AND PERMIT SOLUTIONS, IF THERE'S

10:03:26 SOMETHING THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE.

10:03:28 IT'S NOT THE CONSTRUCTION IN HERE, BUT IT'S THE DESIGN AND

10:03:32 PERMITTING OF THOSE PROJECTS, IF THEY'RE NEEDED.

10:03:36 >>Jon McLain: OKAY.

10:03:37 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.

10:03:38 ANY OTHER COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL?

10:03:39 PUBLIC COMMENTS?

10:03:41 >>Kathleen Hall: NO ONE IS SIGNED UP.

10:03:44 >> MAKE A MOTION THAT WE APPROVE THIS.

10:03:46 >>Mayor Ribble: WE HAVE A MOTION.

10:03:47 SECONDED BY KATY.

10:03:48 MADAM CLERK, WOULD YOU PLEASE CALL THE ROLL?

10:03:52 >>Howard Levitan: AYE.

10:03:53 >>Jon McLain: AYE.

10:03:54 >>Jim Boesch: AYE.

10:03:56 >>Nick Batos: AYE.

10:03:57 >>Jim Wilson: AYE.

10:03:59 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: AYE.

10:03:59 >>Mayor Ribble: AYE.

10:04:00 THE NEXT ITEM ON THE AGENDA IS A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING  
10:04:05 RESOLUTION NUMBER 2019-09, ADOPTING THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT  
10:04:12 PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020.

10:04:14 WOULD THE CLERK PLEASE READ THE RESOLUTION TITLE?

10:04:17 >>Kathleen Hall: RESOLUTION 2019-09, A RESOLUTION OF THE

10:04:20 VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO, IS FLORIDA,  
10:04:24 ADOPTING THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR  
10:04:26 2019-2020 AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.  
10:04:29 >>Mayor Ribble: STEVE.  
10:04:30 >>Steven Sarkozy: THANK YOU, MAYOR, MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.  
10:04:33 THIS IS PART OF THE BUDGET PROCESS AND A REQUIRED ELEMENT,  
10:04:35 ACCORDING TO STATE STATUTES, IN ADOPTING OUR OVERALL BUDGET.  
10:04:39 WE HAVE A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM THAT IS STRUCTURED  
10:04:47 AROUND THE PROFESSIONAL STUDIES THAT WE'VE DONE IN EACH OF  
10:04:49 THE FUNCTIONAL AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE VILLAGE.  
10:04:52 THE CURRENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM LISTS TOTAL PROJECTS  
  
10:04:57 OF ABOUT \$26 MILLION.  
10:04:59 IT ALSO IDENTIFIES LONG TERM OTHER PROJECTS THAT ARE OF  
10:05:05 INTEREST TO THE VILLAGE SO THAT THEY ARE IN OUR MEMORY BANK,  
10:05:08 IF YOU WILL, AND ARE AVAILABLE FOR FUTURE PRIORITIZATION,  
10:05:12 DEPENDING UPON THE INTERESTS OF THE COMMUNITY AND THE  
10:05:15 COUNCIL.  
10:05:15 THIS IS A DYNAMIC PROCESS.  
10:05:18 IT PROVIDES SHORT-TERM DECISION AND ALLOCATIONS OF DOLLARS,  
10:05:24 BUT IT ALSO PROVIDES A LONG-TERM FOCUS ON OUR CAPITAL  
10:05:28 IMPROVEMENT NEEDS.  
10:05:29 WE'RE RECOMMENDING THAT YOU ADOPT THE BUDGET AND THE DETAIL  
10:05:34 OF THE BUDGET IS INCLUDED IN YOUR PACKET AND IS AVAILABLE TO  
10:05:38 THE PUBLIC ON THE WEB.  
10:05:41 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.  
10:05:42 COUNCIL, QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION?  
10:05:43 HOWARD?  
10:05:46 >>Howard Levitan: I JUST WANT TO REMIND STAFF THAT WE HAD A  
10:05:52 SERIES OF COMMENTS WHEN WE LAST TALKED ABOUT THE C.I.P. IN  
10:05:56 WORKSHOP, DEALING WITH THE FORMATTING AND DEALING WITH  
10:06:02 FUTURE YEARS PRIORITIZATION OF THE VARIOUS PROJECTS IN AN  
10:06:10 OPEN-TYPE FORUM, PROBABLY A WORKSHOP FOR US, EARLY IN THE  
10:06:15 SPRING, SO THAT WE DON'T JUST SEE IT AT ONE POINT IN THE  
10:06:19 BUDGET, THAT WE PROVIDE INPUT AS TO PRIORITIES.  
10:06:23 AND I THINK THAT'S GOING TO BE VERY IMPORTANT AS WE MOVE  
10:06:27 INTO THE ERA WHERE EVERYBODY IS COMPETING FOR A VARIETY OF  
  
10:06:36 PROJECTS THAT THEY MAY FAVOR.  
10:06:39 I'M VERY COMFORTABLE WITH ADOPTING THE C.I.P. FOR THIS YEAR,  
10:06:50 BUT WILL LOOK FORWARD TO THE PRIORITIZATION PROCESS NEXT  
10:06:53 YEAR.  
10:06:54 >>Mayor Ribble: ANY OTHER COMMENTS?  
10:06:56 NICK?  
10:06:57 >>Nick Batos: I WANT TO THANK STAFF FOR MAKING THE  
10:07:00 ADJUSTMENTS THAT WERE RECOMMENDED AT THE WORKSHOP AND ALSO  
10:07:05 ALONG WITH MR. LEVITAN.  
10:07:07 I THINK THE EARLIER THAT WE GET THAT STARTED, THAT PROCESS,



10:07:11 LATE WINTER OF THIS COMING YEAR, I THINK IT WOULD BE AN  
10:07:16 IMPORTANT THING, AND ESPECIALLY BEFORE STAFF STARTS WORKING  
10:07:20 AND SPENDING TIME ON DOING THEIR PLANNING THAT WE SHOULD  
10:07:23 HAVE OUR INPUT INTO IT.  
10:07:32 >>Jim Wilson: I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK STAFF.  
10:07:34 THE BEN HILL GRIFFIN PARKWAY LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENT NOW HAS  
10:07:38 THE FUNDING IN IT FOR THE COMING YEAR.  
10:07:40 IT'S IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER THAT THE SPECIAL SERVICES AREA OF  
10:07:42 THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT AREA THAT WAS ASSESSING THE VARIOUS  
10:07:46 PEOPLE RIGHT AROUND THAT STRETCH WENT AWAY.  
10:07:51 I MEAN, IT'S GONE.  
10:07:52 ALTHOUGH IT'S STILL A LEE COUNTY ROAD, IT'S AN IMPORTANT  
10:07:58 PART OF OUR COMMUNITY.  
10:07:59 WE JUST LOST A -- [ INAUDIBLE BECAUSE OF COUGH ] -- AND  
10:08:01 THERE IS A WHOLE SECTION WHERE THE COUNTY REMOVED

10:08:05 VEGETATION.  
10:08:07 IN FAIRNESS, MOST OF IT WAS DEAD, BUT WE'VE GOT ALL THE  
10:08:11 IRRIGATION STUFF IN PLACE.  
10:08:13 I'M HOPING THAT STAFF CAN START SOME KIND OF A PLAN TO MOVE  
10:08:17 THIS THING FORWARD SO THAT WE WILL HAVE A LANDSCAPE STRETCH  
10:08:21 THERE.  
10:08:22 THEN IN FUTURE YEARS, WE CAN DO A MORE EXTENSIVE  
10:08:26 LANDSCAPING.  
10:08:26 THANK YOU.

10:08:29 >>Mayor Ribble: WE HAD A CONVERSATION AT THE LAST MEETING,  
10:08:31 STEVE, ABOUT THEM RIPPING OUT ALL THE VEGETATION AND HOW  
10:08:35 NASTY THAT WHOLE SECTION LOOKS OVER THERE RIGHT NOW.  
10:08:38 I KNOW YOU FOLKS WILL HELP US GET THAT FIXED.

10:08:40 >>Jim Wilson: THE SECTION FROM EVERBLADES DRIVE GOING SOUTH  
10:08:45 DOWN TO MIROMAR OUTLET DRIVE BEFORE YOU GET INTO THE  
10:08:48 SHOPPING CENTER.  
10:08:49 IT NEEDS SOME WORK.  
10:08:52 HOPE WE CAN EXPEDITE THAT.

10:08:54 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK STAFF FOR  
10:08:56 THE WORK ON THE U.S. 41 LANDSCAPING PROJECT, WHICH WILL  
10:09:02 BEGIN SOON, I HOPE.  
10:09:04 AFTER OVER FOUR YEARS, WE'VE LOOKED AT A LOT OF UGLINESS ON  
10:09:11 THE NORTH END.  
10:09:12 I AM SO EXCITED ABOUT WHAT WILL TAKE PLACE THROUGHOUT THE  
10:09:16 ENTIRE STRETCH OF, I GUESS, THE THREE MILES, THREE, FOUR

10:09:19 MILES.  
10:09:19 I ALSO WANT TO COMPLIMENT STAFF ON THE FACT THAT WE HAVE  
10:09:24 TRIED VIGOROUSLY TO HAVE ALL THE LANDSCAPING TO BE NATIVE  
10:09:32 PLANTS AND ALSO LIMITED WATER USE.  
10:09:37 AND I THINK THAT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT.  
10:09:40 THAT'S WHAT WE WANT TO BE ABLE TO TAKE, TO BE KNOWN AS A

10:09:45 COUNCIL THAT WE WERE THINKING AHEAD.  
10:09:49 WE'RE TRYING TO SAVE WATER.  
10:09:51 WE WANT TO HAVE BEAUTIFICATION IN THE MEDIANS.  
10:09:56 I KNOW THERE'S A STRUGGLE GOING ON NOW IN COLLIER COUNTY  
10:09:59 WITH THE LANDSCAPING.  
10:10:04 THE BEAUTY OF DRIVING TO COLLIER COUNTY HAS BEEN THE  
10:10:07 BEAUTIFUL LANDSCAPING.  
10:10:09 AND I THINK I READ IN THE NAPLES DAILY, EITHER TODAY OR  
10:10:13 YESTERDAY -- TODAY, THAT HELPS RESALE VALUE OF HOMES.  
10:10:19 IT MAKES PEOPLE FEEL -- IT'S LIKE A THERAPEUTIC DRIVE, AND  
10:10:25 IT'S VERY IMPORTANT.  
10:10:26 ALSO, ANOTHER THING THAT WE EMPHASIZED ON LANDSCAPING ON 41  
10:10:31 WAS THE SAFETY OF THE WORKERS AND NOT HAVING SOD RIGHT UP  
10:10:36 AGAINST THE AS FAULT AND THE BERMS THERE, SO THAT, AS YOU  
10:10:42 REMEMBER, A WORKER WAS KILLED IN BONITA SPRINGS THIS PAST  
10:10:48 YEAR, DOING WORK IN THE MEDIAN, I THINK OFF U.S. 41 AND U.S.  
10:10:54 41.  
10:10:54 SO VERY MANY COMPLIMENTS GO TO YOU, DAVID, FOR WORKING WITH  
10:11:00 THE FOLKS IN TAMPA AND WHO WERE OUR CONSULTANTS.

10:11:06 I GUESS IT'S YET TO BE SEEN.  
10:11:09 WOULD YOU REFRESH MY MEMORY.  
10:11:11 WHEN DO WE START AGAIN?  
10:11:13 WHEN WILL THEY START?  
10:11:16 I THOUGHT IT WAS AUGUST.  
10:11:18 >>Mayor Ribble: WE KNOW ESTERO PARKWAY IS DEFINITELY  
10:11:20 OCTOBER 1st.  
10:11:24 >>David Willems: U.S. 41, ALL WE'RE WORKING ON IS FINALIZING  
10:11:29 THE CONTRACT ITSELF.  
10:11:30 WE GOT F.D.O.T. APPROVAL TO WORK ON IT, SIGN THE CONTRACT A  
10:11:33 COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO.  
10:11:34 WE'RE WORKING WITH GETTING ALL OF OUR SIGNATURES, GETTING  
10:11:36 ALL OF THEIR SIGNATURES.  
10:11:37 IT'S A MATTER OF A COUPLE OF DAYS PROBABLY TO FINISH THAT.  
10:11:40 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: A COUPLE OF DAYS --  
10:11:43 >>David Willems: FOR US TO FINISH THE CONTRACT AND THEN  
10:11:45 THEY'LL START, I THINK, WITHIN 30 DAYS.  
10:11:48 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: IT COULD BE THE END OF AUGUST.  
10:11:49 OKAY.  
10:11:50 THANK YOU.  
10:11:52 >>Mayor Ribble: I'M GOING TO CALL ON MYSELF TO MAKE A  
10:11:54 COMMENT BECAUSE I TOTALLY AGREE WITH WHAT KATY JUST SAID.  
10:11:58 I'VE BEEN READING THE ARTICLES, AND I DON'T WANT TO PUT YOU  
10:12:00 ON THE SPOT HERE, BURT, I DON'T HAVE TO COMMENT ON THIS,  
10:12:04 ABOUT THE MONEY GOING FROM 48,000 A SQUARE MILE TO  
  
10:12:08 \$68,000 AND EVERYONE HAS TEARS IN THEIR EYES.  
10:12:12 AND THERE'S NO SCIENTIFIC STUDY OF, IS THERE A PAYBACK.

10:12:16 I'VE GOT NEWS FOR YA, YOU'VE GOT ALMOST 300 POUNDS OF STUDY  
10:12:21 RIGHT HERE THAT MOVED DOWN HERE BECAUSE OF THE BEAUTIFUL  
10:12:26 FOLIAGE, HOW GREAT THE COMMUNITIES LOOK, THE TREES, THE  
10:12:29 CUTTING OF THE GRASS AND ON AND ON AND ON.  
10:12:31 I COULD NAME YOU 20 OF MY BEST FRIENDS THAT CAME DOWN HERE  
10:12:36 FOR THE SAME REASON.  
10:12:37 I DON'T KNOW IF YOU WANT TO PUT THAT 300-POUND STUDY IN THE  
10:12:43 -- LET IT BE KNOWN, I TOTALLY AGREE WITH WHAT THE VICE-MAYOR  
10:12:47 SAID.  
10:12:47 ANY OTHER COMMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL?  
10:12:48 OKAY.  
10:12:50 ANYONE FROM THE PUBLIC SIGNED UP TO SPEAK?  
10:12:52 >>Kathleen Hall: I HAVE NO ONE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK.  
10:12:54 >>Mayor Ribble: I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION.  
10:12:56 >> SO MOVED.  
10:12:56 >>Mayor Ribble: SECOND BY KATY.  
10:12:59 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL, MADAM CLERK.  
10:13:02 >>Jim Wilson: AYE.  
10:13:04 >>Nick Batos: AYE.  
10:13:05 >>Jim Boesch: AYE.  
10:13:06 >>Jon McLain: AYE.  
10:13:08 >>Howard Levitan: AYE.  
10:13:10 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: AYE.

10:13:10 >>Mayor Ribble: AYE.  
10:13:11 NEXT, WE'LL TAKE COMMENT FROM THE PUBLIC ON NON-AGENDA  
10:13:17 ITEMS.  
10:13:17 >>Kathleen Hall: I HAVE NO ONE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS  
10:13:20 ITEM.  
10:13:21 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.  
10:13:22 HOWARD, WE'LL START WITH YOU FOR COUNCIL COMMENTS.  
10:13:25 >>Howard Levitan: I JUST WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A VERY SHORT  
10:13:28 COMMENT ON THE ARTICLE THAT APPEARED IN THE BANNER OVER THE  
10:13:32 WEEKEND ABOUT A LAWSUIT AFFECTING ESTERO.  
10:13:35 I THINK IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT CITY COUNCIL AWARE OF  
10:13:39 THOSE -- THAT TYPE OF LAWSUIT INVOLVING REAL ESTATE AND  
10:13:49 CONDEMNATION, THINGS LIKE THAT.  
10:13:52 I WASN'T AWARE OF THAT ONE.  
10:13:55 I'M PARTICULARLY SENSITIVE TO THAT AREA BECAUSE, WHILE IT'S  
10:13:59 NOT IN MY DISTRICT, IT'S RIGHT OUTSIDE THE GATES OF -- ONE  
10:14:05 OF THE GATES OF THE COMMUNITY THAT I LIVE IN.  
10:14:07 EVEN THOUGH IT'S A PARTICULARLY SMALL MATTER, THAT WAS A  
10:14:17 PAPER DEVELOPMENT, WE'LL CALL IT, THAT THEY SOLD OFF LOTS  
10:14:19 WITHOUT BUILDING STREETS AND ANY PUBLIC UTILITIES.  
10:14:29 IT HAS BEEN A SOURCE OF PROBLEMS IN THE PAST AND IT'S GOING  
10:14:32 TO BE.  
10:14:32 EVEN A SMALL SUIT INVOLVING ONE OR TWO LOTS CAN SET A  
10:14:37 PRECEDENT FOR THE WHOLE DEVELOPMENT AND COULD POTENTIALLY

10:14:42 COME BACK AND HAUNT US.

10:14:44 SO I THINK IT'S SOMETHING THAT COUNCIL NEEDS TO EXERCISE  
10:14:46 SOME OVERSIGHT ON, AT LEAST IN TERMS OF KNOWING WHAT WAS  
10:14:50 GOING ON.  
10:14:51 THAT WAS SORT OF A SURPRISE TO ME OVER THE WEEKEND.  
10:14:53 I'M SURE THAT BURT WILL HANDLE THAT.  
10:14:57 >>Mayor Ribble: YEAH, BURT.  
10:14:58 WE ALL WERE AMBUSHED ON THAT ARTICLE.  
10:15:02 >>Burt Saunders: I CAN ASSURE YOU, WE DID NOT CONTACT THE  
10:15:05 MEDIA TO GENERATE THE ARTICLE.  
10:15:07 >> AND THE MEDIA WON'T TELL US WHO --  
10:15:09 >> THE MEDIA, ACTUALLY, THEY ARE TYPICALLY CHECKING TO SEE  
10:15:12 WHO IS SUING WHO.  
10:15:13 IT'S NOT A SURPRISE ONCE A LAWSUIT IS FILED THAT IT'S OUT IN  
10:15:16 PUBLIC.  
10:15:17 WHAT I'LL DO IS DISTRIBUTE OUR MOTION TO DISMISS AND THE  
10:15:20 COMPLAINT SO YOU'LL HAVE THE FULL STORY FROM BOTH SIDES OF  
10:15:24 WHAT THE ISSUE IS.  
10:15:26 I'D RATHER NOT GET INTO ANY DETAIL HERE AT THIS POINT  
10:15:29 BECAUSE ANYTHING -- I DON'T WANT TO CREATE ANY PROBLEMS IN  
10:15:33 THE LITIGATION.  
10:15:34 WHAT WE WILL DO, AFTER YOU COME BACK FROM YOUR BREAK, IF THE  
10:15:38 MATTER IS STILL PENDING, THEN WE'LL SCHEDULE A CLOSED  
10:15:42 SESSION TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE ISSUES ASSOCIATED WITH IT AND  
10:15:47 HOW TO PROCEED GOING FORWARD.  
10:15:49 I'LL GET A COPY OF THE MOTION TO DISMISS OUT TO YOU TODAY.

10:15:52 IT MAKES FOR AN INTERESTING READ IN TERMS OF WHAT THE FACTS  
10:15:55 ARE AND WHAT THE LEGAL ISSUES ARE.  
10:15:59 >> I'LL MAKE A COMMENT THAT THIS IS NOT A NEW SITUATION.  
10:16:04 I CAN REMEMBER YOU GUYS TALKING ABOUT IT IN THE PLANNING  
10:16:10 DEPARTMENT.  
10:16:10 IT JUST KEEPS ON COMING BACK AND COMING BACK.  
10:16:12 MAYBE THIS IS A WAY TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM.  
10:16:20 >>Burt Saunders: WE'RE AT THE STAGE OF A MOTION TO DISMISS.  
10:16:23 OUR POSITION IS THAT THE PLAINTIFFS HAVE NOT EXHAUSTED ALL  
10:16:29 OF THEIR LOCAL REMEDIES SO THE CASE IS PREMATURE.  
10:16:32 WE THINK IT WILL BE DISMISSED.  
10:16:34 IT WILL BE REFILED AT A SOME POINT.  
10:16:36 IT WILL BE IN FRONT OF YOU AT SOME POINT, EVEN IF THAT  
10:16:39 HAPPENS.  
10:16:39 WE'LL GET THE INFORMATION TO YOU SO YOU KNOW WHAT THE ISSUES  
10:16:41 ARE AND THEN WE'LL TALK ABOUT HAVING A CLOSED SESSION  
10:16:44 SOMETIME IN THE FALL TO GET INTO SOME REAL DETAIL ON HOW TO  
10:16:48 PROCEED GOING FORWARD.  
10:16:54 >>Mayor Ribble: KATY.  
10:16:55 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: YES.

10:16:56 THE COMP PLAN WITH THE WETLANDS, READING THAT, AND ALSO MY  
10:17:04 LOVE FOR THE IMPORTANCE OF WETLANDS AND THE VALUE THAT THEY  
10:17:09 BRING, THERE'S A NEW BOOK THAT IF COUNCIL IS INTERESTED,  
10:17:13 THAT YOU MAY WANT TO PURCHASE.  
10:17:14 IT CAME THROUGH THE ECO MODERATOR.

10:17:19 IT'S CALLED "THE WETLANDS" AND IT'S BY WILLIAM MITSCH.  
10:17:22 IN THIS BOOK, HE TALKS ABOUT FREEDOM PARK IN COLLIER COUNTY.  
10:17:28 IT'S A 50-ACRE PARK, AND WITH TWO MILES OF BOARDWALK THAT  
10:17:32 GOES THROUGH IT, AND HOW IT'S JUST SO BEAUTIFUL AND THE  
10:17:37 VALUE IT HAS FOR COLLIER COUNTY FOR STORMWATER MANAGEMENT.  
10:17:42 SO YOU NEED TO THINK ABOUT THAT BECAUSE THE MORE WE KNOW  
10:17:47 ABOUT WETLANDS AND THE VALUE OF WETLANDS AND IT'S VERY, VERY  
10:17:53 IMPORTANT TO THIS AREA.  
10:17:54 I THINK ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT THINGS THAT WE CAN DO ON  
10:17:57 COUNCIL IS TO LEAVE A LEGACY THAT WE REALLY WORKED HARD TO  
10:18:02 MAKE THIS COMMUNITY SAFE AND TO HAVE GOOD, CLEAN DRINKING  
10:18:05 WATER AND ADEQUATE DRINKING WATER, AND A PLACE WHERE THE  
10:18:09 WILDLIFE CAN LIVE.  
10:18:10 SO THIS IS AN EXCITING TIME FOR ESTERO.  
10:18:16 BUT, AGAIN, THE NAME OF IT IS "THE WETLANDS."  
10:18:19 IT WILL PUT TO YOU SLEEP AT NIGHT, BILL.  
10:18:21 [ LAUGHTER ]  
10:18:24 >>Mayor Ribble: I'M SURE IT WILL.  
10:18:25 JIM, YOU'RE UP.  
10:18:28 >>Jim Boesch: THE ONLY ANNOUNCEMENT I WOULD LIKE TO MAIN  
10:18:30 IS ON MONDAY, THE -- OR TUESDAY, THE PAPERS FOR ESTERO  
10:18:36 FOREVER FOUNDATION WERE SIGNED AND FORMALIZED AND WILL BE IN  
10:18:41 CONJUNCTION WITH THE SOUTHWEST FOUNDATION COMMUNITY, WHICH  
10:18:48 CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION IS WELL KNOWN.  
10:18:51 SERVES MANY, MANY COMMUNITIES ALL THROUGH SOUTHWEST AND

10:18:55 SOUTH FLORIDA, AND YOU'LL GET MORE AND MORE NEWS AS WE GO  
10:19:02 FORWARD.  
10:19:04 >>Mayor Ribble: NICK?  
10:19:05 >>Nick Batos: NOTHING.  
10:19:06 >>Mayor Ribble: JIM?  
10:19:10 >>Jim Wilson: YES, I THINK WE ARE BLESSED WITH STRONG  
10:19:12 FINANCIAL HEALTH.  
10:19:13 I THINK THE ACTION THAT WE TOOK A FEW MINUTES AGO TO APPROVE  
10:19:16 THIS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET PROVES THAT SOME OF THE  
10:19:20 MONEY THAT WE'VE ACCUMULATED AND PEOPLE HAVE WONDERED, WELL,  
10:19:24 WHAT IS THE VILLAGE GOING TO DO WITH ALL THIS MONEY?  
10:19:26 I THINK WE'VE STARTED TO SHOW THEM EXACTLY WHAT WE'RE DOING.  
10:19:30 AT OUR LAST COUNCIL MEETING, I ASKED A QUESTION DEALING WITH  
10:19:35 THE FIVE-YEAR ASPECT OF THIS PLAN AND THE VARIOUS ITEMS THAT  
10:19:38 WERE PLANNED AND ACTUALLY HAD DOLLAR AMOUNTS ASSOCIATED WITH  
10:19:41 THEM, AND I ASKED OUR FINANCE DIRECTOR WHETHER OR NOT IN HER

10:19:47 OPINION WE HAD THE SUFFICIENT CASH FLOW TO FUND THAT.  
10:19:50 AND I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND THAT HER ANSWER AT  
10:19:52 THAT TIME WAS YES.  
10:19:55 AND I'M LOOKING TO HER -- I THINK THAT'S REALLY GOOD.  
10:19:59 BECAUSE WITH OUR WONDERFUL TAX BASE AND WITH THE MONEY WE  
10:20:04 GET FROM THE STATE AND OTHER SOURCES, WE'RE ABLE TO DO ALL  
10:20:09 SORTS OF THINGS THAT FOCUS ON ESTERO INSTEAD OF OTHER AREAS  
10:20:12 OF THE COUNTY.  
10:20:13 THANK YOU.

10:20:13 >>Mayor Ribble: I WANT TO MAKE IN CLOSING COMMENTS, A LOT OF  
10:20:15 YOU FOLKS KNOW I WAS AT A MEETING UP IN ORLANDO ON FRIDAY.  
10:20:19 I'M ON THE TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE FOR THE STATE  
10:20:22 THROUGH THE FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES.  
10:20:24 I KNOW JIM AND NICK KNOW FROM BEING ON THE MPO, AND, OF  
10:20:29 COURSE, NOW KATY, THE F.D.O.T. HAS A \$10.8 BILLION BUDGET  
10:20:35 THAT THEY OPERATE OFF OF EVERY YEAR, AND 2.5 BILLION OF THAT  
10:20:40 COMES FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.  
10:20:43 BUT THERE'S SOME TALK -- I KNOW WE'RE TALKING ABOUT LOWERING  
10:20:47 THE MILLAGE RATE, BUT ON THE OTHER HAND, THEY ARE TALKING  
10:20:49 ABOUT RAISING THE FUEL TAX, OR THE GASOLINE TAX, AND WE  
10:20:53 SPENT ABOUT THREE HOURS TALKING ABOUT THAT AND ABOUT THE  
10:20:56 FAILING INFRASTRUCTURE THAT WE HAVE NOT ONLY IN THE STATE OF  
10:20:58 FLORIDA BUT ALL THE STATES.  
10:20:59 I UNDERSTAND THAT THE TAX HADN'T BEEN RAISED SINCE 1984.  
10:21:05 THE PERSON FROM F.D.O.T. MAKING THE PRESENTATION HAD A GREAT  
10:21:08 ANALOGY.  
10:21:09 HE WENT AROUND THE ROOM ASKING EVERYBODY HOW MUCH THEY PAID  
10:21:12 FOR INTERNET.  
10:21:13 I THINK THE AVERAGE WAS \$75.  
10:21:18 AND HE SAID, IF I WENT AROUND THE ROOM AND ASKED YOU HOW  
10:21:22 MUCH YOU SPENT IN FUEL TAX PER MONTH, IT WOULD BE WAY LESS  
10:21:27 THAN \$75.  
10:21:28 I THINK THE MESSAGE IS OUT THERE.  
10:21:29 DON'T BE AFRAID TO SUPPORT IF THEY COME UP WITH A FUEL TAX.

10:21:36 IF YOU LOOK AT SOME OF THE BRIDGES AND SOME OF THE  
10:21:37 INFRASTRUCTURE THAT WE HAVE, WE NEED A LOT OF HELP IN THAT  
10:21:41 AREA.  
10:21:41 THE LAST THING I'LL CLOSE WITH IS A COMMENT ABOUT ELECTRIC  
10:21:46 VEHICLES AND THE CONCERN OF NOT BEING ABLE TO COLLECT A TAX  
10:21:49 ON SOMEONE THAT CHARGES THEIR CHECK TRICK VEHICLE.  
10:21:52 SO WE NEED TO PUT SOME LEGISLATION FORWARD.  
10:21:54 BY 2040, THE STATE IS GOING TO HAVE TO COME UP WITH 20,606  
10:22:01 LEVEL 2 CHARGING STATIONS.  
10:22:03 THOSE ARE CHARGING STATIONS THAT TAKE A COUPLE OF HOURS.  
10:22:06 AND AN ADDITIONAL 2741 ADDITIONAL DC FAST-CHARGING STATIONS  
10:22:12 FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLES.

10:22:14 BY THAT TIME, 10% OF OUR VEHICLES WILL BE ELECTRIC.  
10:22:18 SO IT'S COMING.  
10:22:20 I DON'T KNOW IF I'LL SEE IT, BUT IT'S COMING RIGHT AROUND  
10:22:22 THE CORNER.  
10:22:24 SOMETHING TO KEEP YOUR EYE ON.  
10:22:25 OKAY.  
10:22:26 BURT?  
10:22:27 >>Burt Saunders: I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING TO ADD.  
10:22:29 >>Mayor Ribble: STEVE?  
10:22:30 >>Steven Sarkozy: NOTHING.  
10:22:30 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.  
10:22:32 MOVING RIGHT ALONG.  
10:22:33 WE HAVE ON THE AGENDA THE FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 2019-23

10:22:41 TO ADOPT AN AMENDMENT TO THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO'S  
10:22:43 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.  
10:22:44 THIS IS A PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC COMMENTS WILL BE TAKEN  
10:22:49 AT THIS HEARING.  
10:22:49 IF THE ORDINANCE IS PASSED ON THE FIRST READING, IT WILL BE  
10:22:53 TRANSMITTED TO THE STATE FOR COMMENTS.  
10:22:55 AFTER THE VILLAGE RECEIVES STATE COMMENTS, THE ORDINANCE  
10:22:59 WILL HAVE A SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE IT IS  
10:23:03 ADOPTED.  
10:23:03 MADAM CLERK, HAS THE ORDINANCE BEEN PROPERLY ADVERTISED?  
10:23:08 >>Kathleen Hall: IT HAS.  
10:23:08 >>Mayor Ribble: WOULD THE CLERK PLEASE READ THE TITLE OF THE  
10:23:10 ORDINANCE.  
10:23:11 >>Kathleen Hall: ORDINANCE 2019-23, AN ORDINANCE OF THE  
10:23:14 VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO, FLORIDA, ADOPTING  
10:23:17 AN AMENDMENT TO THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TO  
10:23:19 CHANGE THE TEXT TO REFERENCE THE VILLAGE'S 10-YEAR WATER  
10:23:22 SUPPLY FACILITIES WORK PLAN AS PROVIDED ON ATTACHMENT A AND  
10:23:25 MADE A PART HEREOF; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL OF THE  
10:23:28 AMENDMENT TO THE STATE OF FLORIDA AND OTHER REVIEWING  
10:23:30 AGENCIES AS REQUIRED BY STATUTE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY;  
10:23:33 PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.  
10:23:36 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.  
10:23:37 MARY GIBBS, YOU HAVE A PRESENTATION FOR US?  
10:23:43 >>Mary Gibbs: GOOD MORNING, COUNCIL.

10:23:44 WE HAVE TWO COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS FOR CONSIDERATION  
10:23:48 TODAY.  
10:23:48 THE FIRST ONE IS CALLED THE WATER SUPPLY FACILITIES WORK  
10:23:52 PLAN.  
10:23:53 JUST KIND OF GOT A BIG LONG NAME.  
10:23:55 I'LL GIVE YOU A QUICK BACKGROUND ABOUT WHY WE HAVE THIS  
10:23:59 TODAY AND OTHER THAN WE'RE REQUIRED TO DO IT.  
10:24:01 ALL THIS IS DOING IS CHANGING ONE POLICY IN OUR

10:24:06 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.  
10:24:07 IT'S REQUIRED BY THE STATE, SO THE STATE STATUTE SAYS THAT  
10:24:13 ONCE YOU ADOPT A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND ONCE THE WATER  
10:24:17 MANAGEMENT DISTRICT HAS DEVELOPED A REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY  
10:24:21 PLAN THAT WE HAVE 18 MONTHS TO PUT TOGETHER OUR OWN WATER  
10:24:24 SUPPLY FACILITIES WORK PLAN.  
10:24:26 SO BASICALLY, THE STATE REQUIRED THE SOUTH FLORIDA WATER  
10:24:31 MANAGEMENT DISTRICT HAS ALREADY ADOPTED ITS REGIONAL WATER  
10:24:34 SUPPLY PLAN 18 MONTHS AGO, SO IT'S TIME FOR US TO ADOPT OUR  
10:24:37 WORK PLAN.  
10:24:37 BUT THERE IS A GOOD THEORY BEHIND IT.  
10:24:41 THE IDEA BEHIND IT IS THAT YOU SHOULD COORDINATE YOUR LAND  
10:24:45 USE PLANNING WITH YOUR WATER SUPPLY PLANNING.  
10:24:48 SO THAT'S THE PREMISE BEHIND IT.  
10:24:50 WE HIRED JOHNSON ENGINEERING TO PUT THIS TOGETHER FOR US  
10:24:53 BECAUSE IT'S A TECHNICAL DOCUMENT.  
10:24:55 IT'S GOT A LOT OF VERY SPECIFIC STATUTORY THINGS THAT HAVE  
  
10:24:59 TO BE IN IT.  
10:25:00 SO JOHNSON PUT TOGETHER THIS DOCUMENT FOR US.  
10:25:03 IT'S IN YOUR PACKET.  
10:25:04 IT'S 45 PAGES LONG.  
10:25:07 AND I HAVE TO SAY, IT'S PRETTY DRY.  
10:25:09 IT WILL PUT YOU TO SLEEP IF YOU WANT TO READ THE WHOLE  
10:25:12 THING.  
10:25:12 BUT BASICALLY, I'M NOT EVEN EXAGGERATING, SERIOUSLY.  
10:25:17 BUT -- WE'RE FORTUNATE BECAUSE WE HAVE WATER SUPPLY BY LEE  
10:25:23 COUNTY UTILITIES AND BONITA SPRINGS UTILITIES.  
10:25:25 SO WE DON'T DO OUR OWN WATER SUPPLY.  
10:25:28 SO THERE ARE LIMITS TO WHAT WE CAN DO.  
10:25:30 BUT WHAT WE HAVE TO DO IN THIS WATER SUPPLY PLAN, AND WHAT  
10:25:34 JOHNSON ENGINEERING DID FOR US IS THEY TOOK THE POPULATION  
10:25:37 OF ESTERO, AND YOU HAVE TO PROJECT IT OUT TEN YEARS INTO THE  
10:25:40 FUTURE, AND THEN FIGURE OUT WHAT THE WATER SUPPLY IS BY  
10:25:44 THESE TWO ENTITIES, AND WILL THERE BE ENOUGH WATER SUPPLY  
10:25:47 FOR OUR POPULATION IN TEN YEARS?  
10:25:49 AND BASICALLY, THEY SAID, YES, THERE WILL BE ENOUGH WATER  
10:25:52 SUPPLY TO THE YEAR 2030 IS WHAT WE PROJECTED OUT.  
10:25:56 AND THEN THERE ARE A FEW CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS.  
10:25:59 THEY WOULD BE IN BSUs, CIP, AND LEE COUNTY UTILITIES HAS A  
10:26:04 FEW CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO MAKE SURE THAT THERE'S ENOUGH  
10:26:07 WATER SUPPLY.  
10:26:08 THERE'S ALSO SOME THINGS, IT'S NOT JUST THE WATER SUPPLY,  
  
10:26:12 BUT IT'S CONSERVATION AND REUSE, SO WE'VE GOT A LOT OF  
10:26:15 POLICIES IN OUR PLAN RIGHT NOW THAT SAY, YOU KNOW, WE  
10:26:18 ENCOURAGE REUSE.  
10:26:19 WE ENCOURAGE CONSERVATION TECHNIQUES.



10:26:22 FLORIDA FRIENDLY LANDSCAPING.  
10:26:23 SO ALL WE'VE GOT TO DO IS CHANGE ONE POLICY IN OUR PLAN.  
10:26:27 AND THE POLICY IS KIND OF -- I WON'T SAY IT'S SILLY BUT IT'S  
10:26:33 KIND OF UNDERSTOOD.  
10:26:33 WE HAVE A POLICY IN OUR PLAN THAT SAYS WE WILL DEVELOP A  
10:26:36 WATER SUPPLY PLAN WITHIN 18 MONTHS OF WATER MANAGEMENT.  
10:26:39 NOW WE'RE GOING TO GO BACK IN THAT POLICY AND SAY WE  
10:26:43 DEVELOPED A WATER SUPPLY PLAN WITHIN THE 18 MONTHS.  
10:26:45 CHECK.  
10:26:45 WE DON'T HAVE TO DO ANY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS OF OUR OWN  
10:26:49 BECAUSE WE DON'T CONTROL THE WATER SUPPLY.  
10:26:51 IN YOUR STAFF REPORT, THE POLICY THAT WE NEED TO CHANGE IS  
10:26:56 WRITTEN OUT, AND THAT'S ALL IT SAYS.  
10:27:00 WE HAVE ALREADY COORDINATED WITH THE STATE TO TELL THEM THIS  
10:27:04 IS COMING.  
10:27:06 WE COORDINATED ALREADY WITH THE WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT TO  
10:27:08 MAKE SURE WE'RE NOT MISSING ANYTHING AND WE'RE DOING THE  
10:27:11 RIGHT THING.  
10:27:12 WE'VE GOTTEN SOME PRELIMINARY COMMENTS FROM THEM.  
10:27:14 WE'VE ALREADY INCORPORATED IT INTO THIS POLICY.  
10:27:18 WE TOOK IT TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD.

10:27:21 THEY RECOMMENDED APPROVAL.  
10:27:22 THE NEXT STEP WILL BE TO TRANSMIT THIS TO THE STATE  
10:27:25 REVIEWING AGENCIES, WHICH IS THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT  
10:27:28 OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY, THE WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT AND A  
10:27:31 FEW OTHERS.  
10:27:32 AND THEN WE'LL GET COMMENTS BACK FROM THEM.  
10:27:35 WHEN WE GET THE COMMENTS BACK, IF WE NEED TO MAKE ANY MORE  
10:27:38 CHANGES, WE'LL REVISE IT.  
10:27:40 THEN WE'LL COME BACK TO THE COUNCIL FOR THE SECOND PUBLIC  
10:27:42 HEARING, WHICH IS CALLED AN ADOPTION PUBLIC HEARING.  
10:27:44 I DON'T EXPECT THAT WE'RE GOING TO GET TOO MANY COMMENTS  
10:27:49 BECAUSE WE'VE ALREADY COORDINATED WITH THEM.  
10:27:50 BUT YOU NEVER KNOW.  
10:27:51 I'M HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS, BUT THAT'S BASICALLY ALL  
10:27:56 WE'VE DONE.  
10:27:57 >>Mayor Ribble: ANY QUESTIONS FROM THE COUNCIL FOR MARY?  
10:28:00 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: I HAVE A QUESTION, MARY.  
10:28:01 WHEN WE LISTEN TO THE POSSIBILITY OF MINES BEING -- THE  
10:28:11 MINES THAT WILL HAPPEN OFF EAST CORKSCREW, TELL ME, THE  
10:28:18 ENGINEERS CAN PROJECT OUT 40 YEARS IS WHAT HAS BEEN SAID  
10:28:24 THAT THERE WILL BE LIMESTONE, LIME ROCK AVAILABLE.  
10:28:27 AND HERE WE SAY TEN YEARS OF WATER.  
10:28:31 CAN THAT NOT BE PROJECTED OUT TO 20 TO 30 YEARS OF WATER  
10:28:37 SUPPLY FOR ESTERO INSTEAD OF JUST TEN YEARS?  
10:28:42 I MEAN, I UNDERSTAND THE TEN.

10:28:44 THAT'S SAFER, BUT IN EIGHT OR NINE YEARS, WOULD A NEW  
10:28:52 COUNCIL THEN HAVE TO BE ON GUARD TO BE ABLE TO SAY WE NEED  
10:28:56 TO HAVE ANOTHER GUARANTEE THAT WE HAVE TEN MORE YEARS.  
10:28:59 IS THAT THE WAY IT WORKS?  
10:29:01 >>Mary Gibbs: WELL, THE STATUTE ONLY MAKES YOU PROJECT OUT  
10:29:04 TO TEN.  
10:29:04 THEN THE WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT WILL UPDATE ITS WATER  
10:29:08 SUPPLY PLAN.  
10:29:09 THEN YOU HAVE TO GO BACK AND DO IT AGAIN.  
10:29:11 IT'S TEN.  
10:29:11 THEN YOU HAVE TO DO IT AGAIN FOR TEN.  
10:29:13 BUT I THINK THESE WATER SUPPLY UTILITIES, YOU KNOW, BSU AND  
10:29:18 LCU, THEY WILL DO LONGER RANGE PROJECTIONS BECAUSE I DON'T  
10:29:22 THINK THEY CAN FUNCTION JUST ON A TEN-YEAR BASIS.  
10:29:24 THEY'LL LOOK AT THE LONG RANGE.  
10:29:26 AGAIN, ONCE YOU GET PAST 20 YEARS, IT'S REALLY HARD TO  
10:29:29 PROJECT.  
10:29:29 BUT THEY DO LOOK AT THE LONG TERM.  
10:29:31 THIS IS JUST A REQUIREMENT THAT YOU ONLY HAVE TO DO TEN  
10:29:34 YEARS.  
10:29:34 WE COULD PROJECT IT, BUT I DON'T THINK IT WOULD THAT BE  
10:29:38 VALUABLE AT THIS POINT.  
10:29:40 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: SO THEN IN ANOTHER TEN YEARS --  
10:29:42 >>Mary Gibbs: WE'LL BE DOING ANOTHER UPDATE.  
10:29:45 >>Mayor Ribble: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS FROM COUNCIL FOR MARY?

10:29:48 HEARING NONE, WE'LL MOVE ALONG.  
10:29:52 I'LL NOW OPEN THE HEARING FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.  
10:29:56 IF YOU'D LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT, PLEASE FILL OUT A SPEAKER  
10:29:59 CARD AND GIVE IT TO THE VILLAGE CLERK.  
10:30:00 WHEN YOU COME TO THE PODIUM, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND  
10:30:02 ADDRESS FOR THE RECORD.  
10:30:05 PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE LIMITED TO FIVE MINUTES.  
10:30:07 WE'RE GIVING YOU TWO MORE MINUTES THAN NORMAL.  
10:30:09 YOU GET A WHOLE FIVE.  
10:30:10 ANYONE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK?  
10:30:12 >>Kathleen Hall: NOT ON THIS PARTICULAR ORDINANCE BUT ON THE  
10:30:14 NEXT ONE I DO.  
10:30:15 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.  
10:30:16 I WILL NOW CLOSE THE PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION OF THIS HEARING.  
10:30:19 COULD I HAVE A MOTION?  
10:30:23 >> I MAKE A MOTION WE ACCEPT THIS ORDINANCE 2019-23.  
10:30:28 >>Mayor Ribble: SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN ERRINGTON.  
10:30:32 >>Howard Levitan: AYE.  
10:30:35 >>Jon McLain: AYE.  
10:30:36 >>Jim Boesch: AYE.  
10:30:38 >>Nick Batos: AYE.  
10:30:39 >>Jim Wilson: AYE.

10:30:41 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: AYE.  
10:30:41 >>Mayor Ribble: AYE.  
10:30:42 NOW ON THE AGENDA WE HAVE THE FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE  
  
10:30:49 2019-24 TO ADOPT THE AMENDMENT TO THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO  
10:30:52 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.  
10:30:53 THIS IS A PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC COMMENTS WILL BE TAKEN  
10:30:57 AT THIS HEARING.  
10:30:58 IF THE ORDINANCE IS PASSED ON FIRST READING, IT WILL BE  
10:31:01 TRANSMITTED TO THE STATE FOR COMMENTS.  
10:31:03 AFTER THE VILLAGE RECEIVES STATE COMMENTS, THE ORDINANCE  
10:31:06 WILL HAVE A SECOND READING AND A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE IT'S  
10:31:10 ADOPTED.  
10:31:11 MADAM CLERK, HAS THIS ORDINANCE BEEN PROPERLY ADVERTISED?  
10:31:14 >>Kathleen Hall: YES, IT HAS.  
10:31:15 >>Mayor Ribble: WOULD THE CLERK PLEASE READ THE TITLE OF THE  
10:31:17 ORDINANCE?  
10:31:18 >>Kathleen Hall: ORDINANCE 2019-24, AN ORDINANCE OF THE  
10:31:21 VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO, FLORIDA, ADOPTING  
10:31:23 AN AMENDMENT TO THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TO  
10:31:25 CHANGE THE TEXT OF FUTURE LAND USE POLICY 1.2.3, RELATING TO  
10:31:30 WETLANDS; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL OF THE AMENDMENT TO THE  
10:31:32 STATE OF FLORIDA AND OTHER REVIEWING AGENCIES AS REQUIRED BY  
10:31:36 STATUTE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR  
10:31:39 CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.  
10:31:44 >>Mayor Ribble: MARY, YOU ARE UP AGAIN.  
10:31:48 >>Mary Gibbs: GOOD MORNING AGAIN.  
10:31:50 THIS AMENDMENT IS A WETLANDS POLICY LANGUAGE AMENDMENT TO  
10:31:54 THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.  
  
10:31:55 IT WAS INITIATED BY THE STAFF AS A RESULT OF THE LEGAL  
10:32:01 CHALLENGE TO OUR NEW COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.  
10:32:03 SO THIS IS AN AMENDMENT TO ONE POLICY, 1.2.3, THAT WE ARE  
10:32:10 PROPOSING.  
10:32:12 IF YOU RECALL WHEN THE COUNCIL APPROVED A SETTLEMENT  
10:32:15 AGREEMENT ON THIS LEGAL CHALLENGE ON MAY 1st, THERE WAS  
10:32:19 LANGUAGE IN THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT THAT SAID WE WOULD  
10:32:22 CONSIDER A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT.  
10:32:24 SO THAT'S WHAT THIS AMENDMENT IS.  
10:32:26 IT CLARIFIES LANGUAGE ABOUT WHEN YOU GET TO TRANSFER  
10:32:30 DIZZINESS FROM PRESERVE TO WETLANDS.  
10:32:32 TO ADJACENT PROPERTIES.  
10:32:34 IF YOU PRESERVE WETLANDS, THE PREMISE IS YOU CAN GET A  
10:32:37 HIGHER DENSITY.  
10:32:38 BUT YOU CANNOT COUNT THE DENSITY ON IMPACTED WETLANDS OR  
10:32:42 FILLING THE WETLANDS.  
10:32:44 YOU WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO COUNT THAT IN THIS LANGUAGE.  
10:32:46 UNLESS THERE'S AN EXCEPTION, THIS IS VERY SPECIFIC THAT SAYS

10:32:52 UNLESS YOU HAVE A ZONING THAT'S APPROVED BY LEE COUNTY  
10:32:55 BEFORE THE YEAR 2010, AND ONLY IF THE VILLAGE FINDS THAT THE  
10:33:00 DEVELOPMENT HAS SUFFICIENTLY ADDRESSED ADVERSE IMPACTS TO  
10:33:04 THE WETLANDS.  
10:33:05 SO THIS IS OUTLINED ON PAGE 3 AND 4 OF THE STAFF REPORT.  
10:33:09 THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD REVIEWED IT AT THEIR LAST  
10:33:12 MEETING.

10:33:12 THEY RECOMMENDED APPROVAL.  
10:33:14 AND THE STAFF IS RECOMMENDING WE TRANSMIT THIS TO THE STATE.  
10:33:17 AGAIN, ONCE YOU TRANSMIT IT, THAT MEANS THE STATE AGENCIES  
10:33:20 REVIEW IT.  
10:33:21 THERE'S PROBABLY EIGHT OR NINE DIFFERENT AGENCIES THAT IT  
10:33:24 GOES TO.  
10:33:26 AND THEN THEY SUBMIT THEIR REVIEW COMMENTS BACK TO US.  
10:33:31 THEN ONCE WE RECEIVE THOSE COMMENTS, WE SEE IF WE NEED TO  
10:33:34 MAKE MODIFICATIONS.  
10:33:35 WE BRING IT BACK TO THE COUNCIL FOR WHAT WE CALL THE  
10:33:38 ADOPTION PUBLIC HEARING.  
10:33:40 WE'RE LOOKING AT TENTATIVELY, I DON'T HAVE A DATE BECAUSE IT  
10:33:43 REALLY DEPENDS ON HOW LONG IT TAKES THE STATE TO GET US  
10:33:46 COMMENTS.  
10:33:47 BUT WE'RE TENTATIVELY THINKING THAT WILL BE AROUND  
10:33:49 SEPTEMBER 25th.  
10:33:51 BUT AGAIN, IT DEPENDS ON WHEN WE GET THE COMMENTS.  
10:33:56 THAT'S REALLY ALL I HAVE, UNLESS YOU HAVE ANY PARTICULAR  
10:33:58 QUESTIONS.  
10:33:59 >>Mayor Ribble: ANY QUESTIONS FOR MARY OR NANCY?  
10:34:02 HOWARD?  
10:34:05 >>Howard Levitan: I JUST HAD ONE PARTICULAR QUESTION.  
10:34:08 IN THE EXCEPTION LANGUAGE WITH RESPECT TO AN RPD APPROVED  
10:34:14 PRIOR TO OCTOBER 20th, 2010, THE CONDITION THAT YOU HAVE  
10:34:21 ADDED TO THAT OR THAT IS IN THERE SAYS THAT THE VILLAGE HAS

10:34:26 TO MAKE A FINDING THAT THE DEVELOPMENT SUFFICIENTLY  
10:34:30 ADDRESSED ADVERSE IMPACTS TO WETLANDS.  
10:34:32 THAT WILL BE MADE AT THE ZONING.  
10:34:35 >>Mary Gibbs: CORRECT.  
10:34:39 AT THE REZONING, CORRECT.  
10:34:40 >>Howard Levitan: SO THAT'S SOMETHING WE HAVE YET TO TAKE  
10:34:44 UP.  
10:34:45 >>Mary Gibbs: RIGHT.  
10:34:46 >>Mayor Ribble: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?  
10:34:48 I'LL MOVE THIS ALONG.  
10:34:50 FOR THE AUDIENCE, I JUST WANT YOU TO KNOW I'M REALLY NOT AN  
10:34:53 IDIOT BUT BY LAW I HAVE TO READ THIS.  
10:34:56 I'LL READ THE SAME THING AGAIN.  
10:34:58 I'LL NOW OPEN THE HEARING FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.

10:35:00 IF YOU'D LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT, PLEASE FILL OUT A SPEAKER  
10:35:03 CARD AND GIVE IT TO THE CLERK.  
10:35:04 WHEN YOU COME TO THE PODIUM, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND YOUR  
10:35:07 ADDRESS FOR THE RECORD.  
10:35:09 PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE LIMITED TO FIVE MINUTES PER PERSON.  
10:35:11 MADAM CLERK, ANYONE SIGNED UP?  
10:35:14 >>Kathleen Hall: THE FIRST PERSON IS PATTY WHITEHEAD.  
10:35:22 >> GOOD MORNING, COUNCIL.  
10:35:24 I'M HERE TO REMARK ON THIS ORDINANCE, AND I REALIZE THE  
10:35:31 PURPOSE OF THIS ORDINANCE IS ESSENTIALLY A CARVE-OUT OF  
10:35:36 RULES PERTAINING TO WETLANDS TO ALLOW A CERTAIN DEVELOPER TO  
  
10:35:39 DEVELOP A CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND.  
10:35:42 I GUESS I'M NOT SUPPOSED TO COMMENT ON THAT RIGHT NOW, BUT  
10:35:45 LET'S DISCUSS THE IMPACTS TO WETLANDS CAUSED BY THIS  
10:35:49 ORDINANCE -- THE LANGUAGE OF THIS ORDINANCE.  
10:35:51 WHAT CONCERNS ME IS THAT, AS WE OFTENTIMES KNOW, WETLANDS  
10:35:54 THAT DEVELOPERS WISH TO OBLITERATE ARE PART OF LARGER  
10:35:58 SLOUGHS OR FLOW WAY SYSTEMS.  
10:36:01 SO THE GEOGRAPHICAL CONTEXT OF THE WETLAND IS SIGNIFICANT.  
10:36:04 AND DISPLACING THAT WETLAND THROUGH LAND CONVERSION CANNOT  
10:36:07 BE OFFSET THROUGH RESTORATION EFFORTS, EVEN ON ADJACENT  
10:36:11 PIECES OF LAND.  
10:36:12 HERE'S WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW.  
10:36:17 WE HAVE A SLOUGH WAY IN ESTERO CALLED THE FLINT PEN STRAND  
10:36:23 SLOUGH.  
10:36:23 IT TRAVERSES FROM THE WILD BLUE PROPERTY ACROSS CORKSCREW  
10:36:29 ROAD THROUGH UNNAMED PROPERTY TO EDISON FARMS.  
10:36:33 WE KNOW FULL WELL THAT POTENTIAL IMPACT TO ANY WETLAND THAT  
10:36:39 FALLS WITHIN THAT SLOUGH WAY WILL POTENTIALLY CREATE  
10:36:43 FLOODING.  
10:36:44 IT WILL POTENTIALLY IMPACT WATER QUALITY.  
10:36:46 IT WILL POTENTIALLY AFFECT DRAINAGE.  
10:36:49 SO I'M ASKING YOU WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS?  
10:36:53 I ALSO HAVE SOME OTHER INFORMATION FOR YOU.  
10:36:56 IS IT OKAY IF I HAND THIS OUT, BURT, TO THE COUNCIL MEMBERS?  
10:36:59 I'D LIKE TO YOU READ ALONG WITH ME ON THIS.  
  
10:37:14 THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT WHITE PAPER THAT THE AUDUBON PUT  
10:37:18 OUT.  
10:37:18 IT'S CALLED "MELALEUCA AND EVALUATIONS OF WETLAND  
10:37:20 FUNCTIONS."  
10:37:21 IT'S SOME NEW SCIENCE THAT'S OUT THERE, RIGHT?  
10:37:24 I REALLY WOULD FOCUS ON THE TWO PASSAGES THAT I HIGHLIGHTED  
10:37:29 IN -- I DON'T HAVE A COLOR PRINTER, SO I PUT BLACK BOXES  
10:37:33 AROUND THEM.  
10:37:34 I'LL READ FROM THOSE PASSAGES.  
10:37:35 WHILE LONG ASSUMED TO DRAIN WETLANDS, MELALEUCA HAS NOT BEEN

10:37:39 DEFINITELY SHOWN TO LOWER GROUNDWATER LEVELS THROUGH  
10:37:42 EVAPOTRANSPIRATION AT ANY GREATER RATE THAN NATIVE SPECIES.  
10:37:46 CONSEQUENTLY, MELALEUCA-INVADDED WETLANDS RETAIN MOST OF  
10:37:47 THEIR NATURAL CAPACITIES TO STORE AND ATTENUATE FLOODWATERS,  
10:37:51 RECHARGE AQUIFERS, CLEANSE POLLUTANTS, AND REGULATE BASE  
10:37:55 FLOW IN WATERSHEDS.  
10:37:57 RECENT RESEARCH HAS CLEARLY ESTABLISHED THE INCREASING  
10:37:59 BIOLOGICAL FUNCTIONALITY OF MELALEUCA-INVADDED WETLANDS AS A  
10:38:02 RESULT OF SUCCESSFUL INTRODUCTION OF BIOLOGICAL CONTROL  
10:38:05 AGENTS, STARTING IN 1997 THROUGHOUT SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST  
10:38:08 FLORIDA.  
10:38:09 FURTHER DOWN ON THE NEXT PAGE, IT SAYS, MANY HYDROLOGICAL  
10:38:12 FUNCTIONS REMAIN IN MELALEUCA-INVADDED WETLANDS AND REPLACING  
10:38:15 THEM WITH DEVELOPMENT WOULD DAMAGE THE OVERALL ECOLOGY OF  
10:38:19 SOUTH FLORIDA.

10:38:20 HERE WE ARE TALKING ABOUT WATER QUALITY.  
10:38:22 RESTORATION OF OUR WATERWAYS.  
10:38:26 YOU KNOW, MITIGATING OR TRYING TO SOLVE THIS BLUE-GREEN  
10:38:29 ALGAE ISSUE, YET WE'RE DOING ALL THE WRONG THINGS OVER AND  
10:38:33 OVER AGAIN.  
10:38:33 HOW ARE WE GOING TO EXPECT TO -- THAT WE'RE GOING TO MAKE  
10:38:36 ANY STRIDES IN IMPROVEMENT IF WE'RE DOING BUSINESS AS USUAL  
10:38:40 TYPE OF PERMITTING DECISIONS.  
10:38:44 I FEAR AS MUCH AS, YOU KNOW, YOUR HEARTS ARE IN THE RIGHT  
10:38:48 PLACE, YOUR ACTIONS SPEAK A DIFFERENT OUTCOME.  
10:38:51 I KNOW TO SOME EXTENT THAT MY WORDS HERE TODAY ARE PRETTY  
10:38:57 USELESS.  
10:38:59 I BELIEVE THIS IS A FAIT ACCOMPLI BECAUSE THERE WAS ALREADY  
10:39:01 A LEGAL CHALLENGE AND LOTS OF TAXPAYER MONEY WAS PUT OUT FOR  
10:39:04 THIS -- TO SOLVE THIS CHALLENGE, AND I'M JUST TELLING YOU,  
10:39:09 WE'RE NOT GOING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION WITH THIS.  
10:39:11 THOSE ARE MY CONCLUDING COMMENTS.  
10:39:14 THANK YOU.

10:39:16 >>Kathleen Hall: THE NEXT PERSON SIGNED UP IS DAVID.  
10:39:21 IS DAVID STILL HERE?  
10:39:23 LAST CALL FOR DAVID.  
10:39:27 HE MUST HAVE HAD TO LEAVE.  
10:39:31 >>Mayor Ribble: NO ONE ELSE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK?  
10:39:34 I'LL NOW CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION OF THE HEARING.  
10:39:38 DO COUNCIL MEMBERS WISH TO DISCUSS THE ORDINANCE FURTHER?

10:39:44 OKAY.  
10:39:47 DO I HAVE A MOTION TO PASS ORDINANCE 2019-24 FOR THE FIRST  
10:39:51 READING AND TRANSMITTAL TO STATE.  
10:39:54 JIM.  
10:39:54 KATY, YOU HAVE TO SECOND IT BECAUSE YOU'VE BEEN SECONDING  
10:39:58 ALL OF HIS MOTIONS.

10:39:59 WE'RE ON A ROLL HERE TODAY.  
10:40:01 SECOND BY MS. ERRINGTON.  
10:40:05 WOULD YOU PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.  
10:40:06 >>Jim Wilson: AYE.  
10:40:08 >>Nick Batos: AYE.  
10:40:08 >>Jim Boesch: AYE.  
10:40:10 >>Jon McLain: AYE.  
10:40:12 >>Howard Levitan: AYE.  
10:40:13 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: AYE.  
10:40:14 >>Mayor Ribble: AYE.  
10:40:15 FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 2019-25, RELATED TO APPROVING  
10:40:22 WITH CONDITIONS A ZONING AMENDMENT WITH DEVIATIONS FOR  
10:40:26 PROPERTY LOCATED AT 12840 AND 12970 CORKSCREW ROAD.  
10:40:32 THIS IS NOT A PUBLIC HEARING.  
10:40:34 THE SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING WILL TAKE PLACE AFTER  
10:40:38 THE STATE REVIEW OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT IN  
10:40:42 ORDINANCE NUMBER 2019-24.  
10:40:45 WILL THE VILLAGE CLERK PLEASE READ THE TITLE OF THE  
10:40:48 ORDINANCE?

10:40:49 >>Kathleen Hall: ORDINANCE NUMBER 2019-25, AN ORDINANCE OF  
10:40:51 THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO, FLORIDA,  
10:40:53 APPROVING THE CONDITIONS -- I THINK A WORD IS MISSING -- OF  
10:41:01 A ZONING AMENDMENT WITH DEVIATIONS TO PERMIT A PROPOSED  
10:41:04 590-UNIT RESIDENTIAL PROJECT KNOWN AS CORKSCREW CROSSING FOR  
10:41:08 PROPERTY LOCATED AT 12840 AND 12970 CORKSCREW ROAD IN THE  
10:41:12 VILLAGE OF ESTERO, FLORIDA, AND COMPRISING APPROXIMATELY  
10:41:13 395.6 ACRES IN THE RESIDENTIAL PLANNED DEVELOPMENT;  
10:41:17 PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND  
10:41:19 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.  
10:41:21 >>Mayor Ribble: MARY, YOU'RE UP.  
10:41:27 >>Mary Gibbs: JUST TO GIVE YOU A QUICK OVERVIEW, THIS IS THE  
10:41:30 CORKSCREW CROSSING REZONING AMENDMENT FIRST READING.  
10:41:34 THE PROPERTY IS -- I THINK EVERYBODY KNOWS, BUT FOR THE  
10:41:37 PEOPLE IN THE STUDIO AUDIENCE, 395 ACRES.  
10:41:41 IT'S ON CORKSCREW ROAD AND IT'S BETWEEN WILDCAT RUN AND THE  
10:41:46 PRESERVE AND BELLA TERRA.  
10:41:48 AND THEY ARE PROPOSING 590 RESIDENTIAL UNITS AND A CLUBHOUSE  
10:41:53 ON THE PROPERTY.  
10:41:54 SO JUST A QUICK HISTORY.  
10:41:56 THIS PROPERTY WAS REZONED BY LEE COUNTY AROUND THE END OF  
10:42:00 THE YEAR 2007.  
10:42:01 THE PROJECT WAS KNOWN AS MONTE CRISTO AT THAT TIME.  
10:42:04 IT WAS APPROVED FOR 724 UNITS THEN.  
10:42:07 IT WAS NEVER BUILT.

10:42:08 AND SO IT'S BEEN PURCHASED BY THE APPLICANT WHO HAS  
10:42:13 SUBMITTED THIS REQUEST.

10:42:14 WE WILL BE REVIEWING THIS AMENDMENT AT THE SECOND READING,  
10:42:21 AND THIS WILL BE UNDER OUR NEW COMPREHENSIVE PLAN THAT WAS  
10:42:24 ADOPTED LAST YEAR, BUT IS NOT EFFECTIVE YET BECAUSE OF THE  
10:42:29 ADMINISTRATIVE CHALLENGE.  
10:42:30 AGAIN, AT THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT, THAT THE COUNCIL  
10:42:32 APPROVED ON MAY 1st, THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT SAYS WILL  
10:42:36 CONSIDER THE REZONING AMENDMENT.  
10:42:37 SO THE SECOND READING IS GOING TO BE SCHEDULED.  
10:42:42 WE ARE GOING TO WAIT UNTIL WE GET COMMENCE BACK ON THE  
10:42:44 WETLANDS POLICY AMENDMENT.  
10:42:46 WHEN IT GOES TO THE STATE AND IT COMES BACK AND WE GET THE  
10:42:49 COMMENTS, WE'RE GOING TO PACKAGE EVERYTHING UP AND COME BACK  
10:42:52 AT THE SAME TIME WITH THE WATER SUPPLY PLAN, THE WETLANDS  
10:42:55 AMENDMENT AND THE ZONING CASE.  
10:42:58 SO WE'LL COME BACK AGAIN.  
10:43:00 I'M LOOKING AT TENTATIVELY THE END OF SEPTEMBER, BUT WE'LL  
10:43:04 HAVE TO SEE, AGAIN, WHEN WE GET THE COMMENTS.  
10:43:06 THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD DID REVIEW THIS CASE AT THEIR  
10:43:09 MEETING ON JUNE 18th.  
10:43:11 THEY RECOMMENDED APPROVAL WITH THE STAFF CONDITIONS.  
10:43:14 AND SO SINCE THIS IS THE FIRST READING, IF THERE ARE ANY  
10:43:17 QUESTIONS THAT YOU ALL HAVE, THAT WE WANT THE APPLICANT TO  
10:43:21 ADDRESS AT THE SECOND READING, THIS WOULD BE THE TIME.

10:43:24 I DO WANT TO SAY THERE WERE A FEW QUESTIONS THAT CAME UP AT  
10:43:27 THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD MEETING THAT I AM GOING TO ASK  
10:43:30 THE APPLICANT TO MAKE SURE THEY ADDRESS THAT WHEN THEY COME  
10:43:33 BACK AT THE SECOND READING.  
10:43:36 >>Mayor Ribble: COUNCIL, NICK?  
10:43:38 >>Nick Batos: MARY, JUST TO CLARIFY IN MY OWN MIND.  
10:43:41 HYPOTHETICALLY, IF THIS GOES TO THE STATE, OUR COMPREHENSIVE  
10:43:44 PLAN, GOES TO THE STATE AND COMES BACK THE END OF AUGUST,  
10:43:49 AND THEN WE VOTE ON IT AND WE ADOPT IT, DO WE HAVE TO WAIT  
10:43:54 THE 30 DAYS BEFORE TAKING ANOTHER ACTION SO WHAT WE'VE  
10:44:02 ADOPTED GOES THROUGH THAT 30-DAY PERIOD WHERE PEOPLE CAN  
10:44:05 CHALLENGE IT?  
10:44:07 >>Mary Gibbs: WELL, THIS MIGHT BE A GOOD QUESTION FOR NANCY.  
10:44:12 I THINK --  
10:44:13 >> AFTER A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN IS ADOPTED, THERE IS A 30-DAY  
10:44:16 PERIOD DURING WHICH A CHALLENGE CAN BE BROUGHT.  
10:44:18 WHAT WE PLAN TO DO IS BRING THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT  
10:44:22 AND THE REZONING BACK AT THE SAME HEARING FOR ADOPTION, AND  
10:44:27 THEN THERE IS A 30-DAY PERIOD, AND THEN IT BECOMES EFFECTIVE  
10:44:33 ASSUMING IT'S ADOPTED.  
10:44:34 WE LINED IT UP SO THAT THINGS COULD FALL IN PLACE AFTER THE  
10:44:38 30-DAY PERIOD.  
10:44:41 >>Nick Batos: WE CAN PASS THIS AT THE SAME TIME THE ADOPTION  
10:44:47 IS PASSED.



10:44:48 >>Nancy Stroud: RIGHT.

10:44:50 IT IS THE EFFECTIVE DATE.  
10:44:51 THAT IS THE IMPORTANT THING.  
10:44:52 YOU CAN ADOPT IT AND MAKE IT EFFECTIVE, YOU KNOW, DEPENDING  
10:44:55 ON THE COMP PLAN BECOMING EFFECTIVE AND EVERYTHING ELSE THAT  
10:44:58 NEEDS TO HAPPEN.  
10:44:59 >>Nick Batos: OKAY.  
10:45:00 THANK YOU.  
10:45:00 >>Mayor Ribble: ANY OTHER COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL?  
10:45:05 >> IT MIGHT BE HELPFUL TO KNOW WHAT QUESTIONS WERE RAISED AT  
10:45:09 THE PLANNING, BUILDING AND ZONING COMMITTEE THAT YOU'RE  
10:45:11 GOING TO ASK THE DEVELOPER OR THE PETITIONER TO --  
10:45:14 >>Mary Gibbs: OKAY.  
10:45:15 I'M TRYING TO THINK BACK NOW BECAUSE IT WAS A COUPLE OF  
10:45:18 WEEKS AGO.  
10:45:19 BUT A COUPLE OF THINGS THAT COME TO MIND.  
10:45:23 THERE WERE SOME QUESTIONS FROM THE NEIGHBORS ABOUT THE  
10:45:25 WILDLIFE AND THE WILDLIFE CROSSING, WHICH I THINK WAS  
10:45:31 SETTLED BUT THERE WERE QUESTIONS ABOUT WILDLIFE COMING ON TO  
10:45:33 BELLA TERRA AND SOMEBODY SHOULD BUILD A FENCE.  
10:45:37 AND THAT WAS DISCUSSED.  
10:45:38 I THINK I WOULD LIKE THE APPLICANT TO ADDRESS, I THINK I  
10:45:41 KNOW WHAT THE ANSWER WOULD BE.  
10:45:42 BUT I WOULD LIKE THE APPLICANT IS ADDRESS ALL THOSE  
10:45:45 QUESTIONS THAT WERE BROUGHT UP, BECAUSE THEY WERE LEFT A  
10:45:47 LITTLE BIT HANGING.

10:45:54 >> THERE WAS A QUESTION ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT THE APPLICANT  
10:45:57 SHOULD OR SHOULD NOT BUILD A FENCE ALONG THE SOUTHEAST  
10:46:03 CORNER WITH THE PRESERVE TO KEEP THE ANIMALS OUT OF BELLA  
10:46:06 TERRA.  
10:46:07 >>Mary Gibbs: RIGHT.  
10:46:11 >>Howard Levitan: THE APPLICANT I THOUGHT RESPONDED TO THAT.  
10:46:14 >>Mary Gibbs: WELL, THOSE ARE THINGS THAT I WOULD LIKE TO BE  
10:46:16 RESTATED AT THE HEARING, BECAUSE I THINK, WHAT I'M ASSUMING  
10:46:19 IS THAT THE PEOPLE, SAME PEOPLE WILL COME BACK TO THE SECOND  
10:46:23 READING AND ASK THOSE QUESTIONS AND THERE WERE A FEW I DON'T  
10:46:28 THINK WERE TOTALLY CLEAR ABOUT THE ANSWER, WHICH I'LL GET  
10:46:31 WITH THE APPLICANT AND MAKE SURE.  
10:46:34 >> MARY, COULD YOU LIST THE QUESTIONS THAT WERE BROUGHT UP  
10:46:36 IN OUR NEXT BOOK THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE GETTING?  
10:46:39 >>Mary Gibbs: YEAH.  
10:46:40 IN FACT, I CAN PROBABLY HAVE LIKE AN EXCERPT FROM THE  
10:46:43 MINUTES OF THE MEETING THAT MIGHT LIST SOME OF THOSE  
10:46:46 QUESTIONS, AND WHEN WE UPDATE YOUR BOOKS, BECAUSE YOU'RE  
10:46:52 GOING TO GIVE US OUR BOOKS BACK TO UPDATE, WE'LL PUT THAT IN  
10:46:55 THERE.

10:46:56 >> WOULD IT BE BETTER TO ASK THE APPLICANT TO RESPOND TO  
10:46:58 THOSE TWO?  
10:46:59 >>Mary Gibbs: YEAH.  
10:47:04 >>Howard Levitan: I JUST WANTED TO MENTION THAT THIS IS THE  
10:47:06 FIRST TIME I HAD SEEN THE FINAL ZONING CONDITIONS, AND I  
  
10:47:08 HAVE A COUPLE OF COMMENTS THAT I'LL MAKE TO STAFF, AND YOU  
10:47:12 CAN CONVEY THAT TO THE APPLICANT.  
10:47:14 I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANYTHING IN THERE THAT MERITS EVEN ANY  
10:47:18 CONCERN.  
10:47:20 BUT I HAVE A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS.  
10:47:22 >>Mayor Ribble: KATY?  
10:47:24 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: YES, MARY.  
10:47:25 I THINK ONE OF THE AREAS THAT I BELIEVE WAS MENTIONED WAS  
10:47:30 THE CULVERT FOR THE WILDLIFE TO GO UNDER THE CORKSCREW ROAD.  
10:47:36 >>Mary Gibbs: THERE'S A WILDLIFE CROSSING THAT'S FURTHER  
10:47:39 EAST.  
10:47:40 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: UNDERNEATH, THROUGH A CULVERT.  
10:47:41 I THOUGHT THAT WAS --  
10:47:42 >>Mary Gibbs: RIGHT, RIGHT.  
10:47:43 THAT'S NOT ON THIS PROPERTY.  
10:47:45 IT'S FURTHER EAST OF THIS PROPERTY.  
10:47:49 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: OH, IS IT?  
10:47:51 >>Mary Gibbs:  
10:47:51 >> IT'S NOT PART OF THIS.  
10:47:53 >>Mary Gibbs: NO, BUT THE QUESTIONS CAME UP.  
10:47:54 SO THERE WAS A LITTLE CONFUSION ABOUT THAT AND WHETHER THE  
10:47:57 COUNTY WAS FUNDING THAT.  
10:47:58 THAT I THINK WOULD BE HELPFUL TO BE CLARIFIED AT THAT  
10:48:01 HEARING.  
10:48:02 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: IT'S VERY IMPORTANT, BECAUSE YOU  
  
10:48:04 HAVE TO KNOW HOW THE WILDLIFE CAN GET ACROSS THE ROAD.  
10:48:06 >>Mary Gibbs: RIGHT.  
10:48:07 AND I THINK THE APPLICANT WILL BE -- WHEN THEY DO THE WHOLE  
10:48:09 PUBLIC HEARING PRESENTATION, I THINK THEY WILL BE TALKING  
10:48:12 ABOUT THAT.  
10:48:15 >>Mayor Ribble: OKAY.  
10:48:17 ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?  
10:48:18 >> MAKE A MOTION WE PASS THIS ORDINANCE FIRST READING,  
10:48:24 2019-25.  
10:48:25 >>Mayor Ribble: JON, YOU'LL SECOND THAT?  
10:48:27 OKAY.  
10:48:27 MADAM CLERK, WILL YOU PLEASE CALL THE ROLL?  
10:48:31 >>Howard Levitan: AYE.  
10:48:32 >>Jon McLain: AYE.  
10:48:33 >>Jim Boesch: AYE.  
10:48:35 >>Nick Batos: AYE.

10:48:36 >>Jim Wilson: AYE.  
10:48:38 >>Vice-Mayor Errington: AYE.  
10:48:39 >>Mayor Ribble: AYE.  
10:48:40 OKAY.  
10:48:43 WE'RE AT ADJOURNMENT.  
10:48:44 I'D LIKE TO ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO ADJOURN.  
10:48:46 >> MAKE THAT MOTION.  
10:48:48 >>Mayor Ribble: NICK.  
10:48:48 SECONDED BY MR. BOESCH.

10:48:49 MR. BOESCH, WOULD YOU PLEASE NOTATE THAT WE ADJOURNED AT  
10:48:53 EXACTLY 10:59.  
10:48:56 OR 10:49.

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