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**APPROVED BY COUNCIL  
JANUARY 3, 2018**

**FINAL ACTION AGENDA/MINUTES**

**Village Council  
Comprehensive Plan Workshop**

**Village of Estero Council Chambers  
9401 Corkscrew Palms Circle  
Estero, FL 33928  
November 29, 2017 9:30 a.m.**

1. **OPENING EXERCISES:** (Includes call to order, roll call, pledge of allegiance, announcements, proclamations, and ceremonial presentations)

**Call to Order:** 9:30 a.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Led by Mayor Boesch

**Invocation:** Offered by Mayor Boesch

**Roll Call:** Present: Mayor Jim Boesch - District 5, Vice Mayor Bill Ribble - District 1, Councilmember Howard Levitan - District 2, Councilmember Jon McLain - District 3, Councilmember Katy Errington - District 4, Councilmember Nick Batos - District 6, and Councilmember Jim Wilson - District 7.

Also present: Village Manager Steve Sarkozy, Village Attorney Burt Saunders, Community Development Director Mary Gibbs, Assistant to Village Manager Kyle Coleman, and Village Clerk Kathy Hall.

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

**Motion:** Move to approve the agenda.

**Motion by:** Vice Mayor Ribble

**Seconded by:** Councilmember Wilson

**Action:** Approved the agenda.

**Vote:**

Aye: Unanimous

Nay:

Abstentions:

Mayor Boesch announced that Vice Mayor Ribble was recently appointed Southwest Florida League of Cities Vice President. He also announced that the Estero High School Booster Club was holding a Christmas tree fundraiser on Saturday, December 2.

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:**

Joe Miceli, Rookery Pointe, support for banning fracking.

Barbara Saxton, The Reserve, representing Friends of River Oaks Park, received email from Debbie Osborne, Conservation Foundation of the Gulf Coast, the board has approved their involvement with the park project; and the conservation foundation has applied for a grant.

**4. COMPREHENSIVE PLAN WORKSHOP:**

Village Manager Sarkozy introduced the workshop and Community Development Director Gibbs provided information regarding the Comprehensive Plan schedule and asked whether Councilmembers had any comments at this time.

**(a) Housing**

Ben Smith, LaRue Planning, Major Objectives – Neighborhood Integrity and Compatibility; Recognition of Historic Housing; Aging and Special Needs Populations; Affordable Housing; Sustainable Strategies; Maintenance of Housing Stock; Discussion and Decision Issues.

**Questions of Comments:** Councilmembers Batos, Levitan, and Wilson. Discussion included growing population of school age children and an inquiry regarding annexations.

**(b) Infrastructure**

Laura DeJohn, Johnson Engineering, Major Objectives: Water Services and Supply; Sewer Services and Conversion from Septic; Solid Waste; Surface Water Management; Green Infrastructure; Discussion and Decision Issues.

**Questions of Comments:** Councilmembers Errington, Batos, Levitan, and Mayor Boesch. Discussion included an inquiry regarding a description of “green roof”; quality of water from water providers; and an inquiry whether the Village should have franchise agreements with water providers.

**Public Comment:**

Mark Novitski, Bella Terra, redevelopment of commercial property; housing for the aging; redevelopment of golf courses; connectivity; health care monitoring, aging in place and eliminate the need to relocate; and infrastructure.

Don Eslick, ECCL, agreed with Mr. Novitski, addressed the residential element; system for monitoring rental housing; and residential properties redevelopment.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:**

Don Eslick, ECCL, addressed federal standards for redevelopment.  
Joe Miceli, Rookery Pointe, agreed with Mr. Eslick.

**6. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

Councilmember McLain: (1) Reminder that the "Light up Estero" event, put on by the Rotary Club, would be held this Saturday.

Councilmember Errington: (1) Money raised by the Rotary Club will be used for the Estero High School scholarship fund. (2) Ongoing issues with zip codes outside of 33928. (3) She will not be able to attend the Saturday morning event as she will be attending the League of Women Voters meeting. (4) Offered congratulations to the Vice Mayor on his appointment as Vice President of Southwest Florida League of Cities.

Councilmember Wilson: (1) Recently noticed a for sale sign on property on Corkscrew Road where a senior housing project was recently approved; he inquired whether the project was not going forward and asked Community Development Director Gibbs to reach out to them.

**7. VILLAGE ATTORNEY'S REPORT:** None.

**8. VILLAGE MANAGER'S REPORT:**

Village Manager Sarkozy stated that the traffic light at Bella Terra had been installed and should go active tomorrow.

A motion to adjourn was made and duly passed.

**9. ADJOURNMENT:** 10:36 a.m.

ATTEST:

VILLAGE OF ESTERO, FLORIDA

By: Kathy Hall  
Kathy Hall, MMC, Village Clerk

By: James R. Boesch, Mayor  
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