

BOARD MANAGEMENT AND PLANNING COMMITTEE AGENDA

MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2008

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

COUNTY COMMISSION CHAMBERS

1. DISCUSS PARTICIPATION IN FORT MYERS/COUNTY CITIZEN'S TASK FORCE

PRESENTER: Don Stilwell, County Administration

TIME REQUIRED: 15 Minutes

2. REVIEW CALOOSAATCHEE RIVER WATERSHED PROTECTION PLAN

PRESENTER: Wayne Daltry, Smart Growth

TIME REQUIRED: 5 Minutes

BOARD COMMENTS/DISCUSSION

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**MANAGEMENT & PLANNING COMMITTEE
AGENDA REQUEST FORM
COMMISSION DISTRICT #**

PRESENTED BY: Don Stilwell,
County Administration
Name/Department

REQUESTED BY: County Administration

TITLE OF ITEM FOR AGENDA: Discuss request from the City of Fort Myers to participate in a City/County Citizen's Task Force to improve the safety and quality of life of the citizens of the City of Fort Myers and Lee County.

1. DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVE OF THE ISSUE

Resolution from the City of Fort Myers attached.

2. PROPOSED POLICY, PROCEDURE OR PLAN OF ACTION

The task force is to recommend specific proposals to address violence and public safety

3. OPTIONS (List Advantages/Disadvantages of Each Option Listed)

1. Appoint a Lee County Commissioner to participate in this City request.
2. Allow the City police and the Lee County Sheriff to specifically address concerns of violence and public safety.

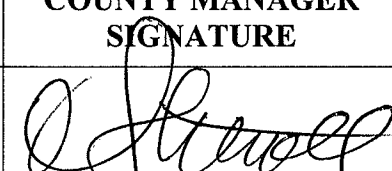
4. FINANCIAL IMPACTS/FUNDING SOURCE

Financial impacts could be significant. No specifics have been presented to date.

5. STAFF RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION FOR RECOMMENDATION

Allow the City and Lee County Sheriff to address the issues of violence and public safety.

6. MANDATED? Y N BY WHAT AUTHORITY?

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		10/6/08	15 min.

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A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT MYERS, FLORIDA, REQUESTING THE LEE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO SERVE WITH THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT MYERS IN THE CREATION OF A CITIZEN TASK FORCE TO RECOMMEND SPECIFIC PROPOSALS TO THE LEE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT MYERS TO IMPROVE THE SAFETY AND QUALITY OF LIFE OF THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF FORT MYERS AND LEE COUNTY AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS: There have been alarming acts of violence committed in the City of Fort Myers involving young men gunning down other young men on the streets; and

WHEREAS: These acts were committed without regard for the life of the victims and the potential for deadly harm to innocent residents and citizens including women and children; and

WHEREAS: The acts of violence reflect adversely on the entire City, affecting its quality of life, self image and national reputation; and

WHEREAS: The violence creates fear and undermines its citizen's sense of well being, safety and security in their homes and in their travels in the City; and

WHEREAS: The entire City has to take responsibility and devote its energies and resources to working to ensure all of the City's residents and citizens are given opportunity to live in a safe, secure and enriching community; and

WHEREAS: Social and economic conditions in the City contribute to these acts of violence; and

WHEREAS: In some areas of the City where it shares boundaries and borders with Lee County, social and economic conditions in the County influence conditions and the quality of life in the City; and

WHEREAS: Deteriorating conditions confronting residents of the City and County need to be a high priority for the local residents,

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businesses, City of Fort Myers, Lee County Board of Commissioners, and State of Florida; and

WHEREAS: It is important to identify the factors contributing to these conditions and to eliminate their influence; and

WHEREAS: The failure to address the social and economic conditions will result in continued street violence in the City of Fort Myers and a substandard quality of life for the residents of the City and the residents of Lee County.

WHEREAS: There is a dearth of recreation opportunities, youth activities, county parks and community service providers for youth and families; and

WHEREAS: The City of Fort Myers and Lee County share responsibility for providing services in the City of Fort Myers; and

WHEREAS: The City's current and future generations must be prevented from developing the attitudes that enable violence against peers and fellow citizens in childhood or adulthood; and

WHEREAS: The City of Fort Myers and Lee County must identify, create, and reinforce the influences needed for the development of healthy attitudes and citizenship among their citizens.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT MYERS, FLORIDA, that:

1. The City Council of the City of Fort Myers recognizes the social and economic conditions in the City of Fort Myers and Lee County may contribute to intolerable acts of violence by young men in the City and declares it a high priority to work to eliminate conditions conducive to inhumane acts of violence and to improve the quality of all life of the citizens of City of Fort Myers.

2. City Council requests the Lee County Board of County Commissioners join with the City Council in the creation of a committee

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of leading citizens, called the City of Fort Myers and Lee County Citizens Committee Against Violent Crime, to study conditions and recommend programs and services to improve living conditions to reduce the crime, reduce gang related activities, increase economic opportunities, and identify greater opportunities for recreational activities for the youth.

3. As each of its members appoints one citizen to the committee, the City Council requests that each member of the Lee County Board of Commissioners appoint one (1) citizen to serve on the committee and to direct the County Manager to designate the necessary staff persons to support the committee.

4. The City Council directs the City Manager to designate the necessary staff persons to support the committee so they may conduct meetings and develop recommendations to present to both the Lee County Board of County Commissioners and the City Council.

5. The City Council requests the Lee County Board of Commissioners fully consider the recommendations of the committee and utilize its resources to implement recommendations deemed by the Lee County Board of Commissioners necessary to improve the quality of life in areas where local social boundaries and economical conditions exist between City and County.

6. The City Council will fully consider the recommendations of the committee and utilize its resources to implement recommendations deemed by the City Council necessary to improve the quality of life in these areas of the City.

7. The committee will conduct regular open meetings in the sunshine to develop recommendations to present to the City Council and the Lee County Board of Commissioners.

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8. The City Clerk is hereby directed to send a certified copy of this resolution to the Chairman of the Lee County Board of County Commissioners.

9. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

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PASSED IN PUBLIC SESSION of the City Council of the City of Fort Myers, Florida, this 21st day of July, A.D., 2008.

Absent

Warren J. Wright

Aye

Johnny W. Streets, Jr.

Aye

Levon Simms

Aye

Michael Flanders

Aye

Randall P. Henderson, Jr.

Aye

Thomas C. Leonardo
Council Members

APPROVED this 21st day of July, A.D., 2008, at 7:22 o'clock p.m.

Aye

Jim Humphrey
Mayor

FILED in the Office of the City Clerk this 21st day of July, A.D., 2008.

Marie Adams
Marie Adams, CMC
City Clerk

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE AND FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE ORIGINAL THEREOF ON FILE IN MY OFFICE. WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID CITY THIS 29th DAY OF July, A.D. 2008

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Nancy J. Hebble
DEPUTY CITY CLERK, CITY OF FORT MYERS, FLORIDA

**MANAGEMENT & PLANNING COMMITTEE
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PRESENTED BY: NatRes, VCB, Smart **REQUESTED BY:** Wayne Daltry
Name/Department

TITLE OF ITEM FOR AGENDA:

1. DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVE OF THE ISSUE

Caloosahatchee River Watershed Protection Plan: Review and Deadlines

This plan is the result of the 2006 Legislation the Board of County Commissioners supported for reducing and eliminating adverse river flows. This is a draft, and once adopted will be periodically updated

2. PROPOSED POLICY, PROCEDURE OR PLAN OF ACTION

Staff is enlisting the appropriate County departments (Natural Resources, Utilities, VCB, Smart Growth, DCD, County Lands, County Attorney) for the review, and will endeavor to coordinate with the municipalities of the County. The target date for the review will be the 28th of October, to coincide with the presentation on the Plan by SFWMD.

County staff has been deeply involved in the preparation of the plan and extends its thanks to the SFWMD staff for the openness and thoroughness they have afforded us for what has been a very rushed but professional process, leading to the preliminary plan that is before the Board for review.

3. OPTIONS (List Advantages/Disadvantages of Each Option Listed) N/A

4. FINANCIAL IMPACTS/FUNDING SOURCE N/A

5. STAFF RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION FOR RECOMMENDATION

N/A

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