

# SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY BOARD

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Orange County Administration Center 201 S. Rosalind Avenue Orlando, FL 32801 3rd Floor, OMB Conference Room Thursday, January 23, 2020 12:00 – 1:30 pm

12:00	Call to Order	Melvin Pittman (Vice-Chair)
12:05	Public Comment	Public
12:10	Approval of Minutes	Melvin Pittman (Vice-Chair)
12:15	Welcome from the new Chief Sustainability & Resilience Officer	Jeff Benavides
12:20	Overview of SAB work tasks for the OC Government Operations Plan	Jeff Benavides & Lori Forsman
1:10	Topics of Interest from Board Members	Melvin Pittman (Vice-Chair)
1:30	Adjourn	Melvin Pittman (Vice-Chair)

The times provided are estimates and matters may be taken up at any time during the meeting.

## **Sustainability Advisory Board Mission**

Oversee implementation of the Sustainability Plan, review progress toward goals and targets, and make adjustments as necessary.

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# ORANGE COUNTY SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Orange County Administration Center 201 S. Rosalind Avenue Orlando, FL 32801 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, OMB Conference Room Thursday, November 21, 2019 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** 

John Martinez Melvin Pittman Chair Vice-Chair

**Madeline Almodovar** 

Shana Carson Samuel Graham

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** 

Roland Ball
Tommy Boroughs
Byron Knibbs
Kenneth Peach

**STAFF ATTENDANCE:** 

Alan Marshall – PEDS Lori Forsman – PEDS Carla Bell Johnson – OCCC David Jones – EPD

Renee Parker – EPD Jane Gregory – EPD

John Roberts - Convention Center

Jim Ward - Planning

#### Call to Order

At 12:10 p.m., Chair John Martinez called the meeting to order and noted a quorum.

#### **Public Comment**

The floor was opened for public comment. No members of the public were in attendance.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Upon a motion by Samuel Graham, seconded by Shana Carson and carried by all present members voting AYE by voice vote; Roland Ball, Tommy Boroughs, Byron Knibbs, and Kenneth Peach being absent; the Sustainability Advisory Board (SAB) approved the September 26, 2019 meeting minutes.

#### **Transportation Town Hall**

Ms. Carla Bell Johnson, Manager Strategic Planning & Development, Orange County Convention Center, gave an indepth presentation about Mayor Demings' Transportation Initiative. Data was provided about all methods of transit as well as analysis of that data to support the Mayor's proposal of a 1-cent sales tax for transportation improvements. A summary was given about the Transportation Town Halls taking place throughout the county aimed at gathering input from residents about transportation challenges and needed improvements. Comparisons to other cities and counties were presented and a regional approach to the issue was discussed. Other question-and-answer topics included tourist input, development patterns, housing and transportation linkages, and intermodal connectivity. Ms. Johnson ended the presentation noting that Mayor Demings wants to the lead the region with transformational changes in transportation that can improve the lives of Orange County residents.

### **Single-Use Plastics Policy Update**

Sustainability Programs Manager, Lori Forsman summarized the material previously presented to the SAB in July about a potential single-use plastics policy for Orange County internal operations. After reviewing the suggested policy framework, Chair Martinez stated it would be appropriate for the SAB to submit a letter of recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) in support of this policy direction.

Upon a motion by Chair Martinez, seconded by Samuel Graham and carried by all present members voting AYE by voice vote; Roland Ball, Tommy Boroughs, Byron Knibbs, and Kenneth Peach being absent; the SAB signed a letter of recommendation to the BCC in support of the proposed policy, siting the positive influence this County lead-by-example approach will have throughout Orange County.

It was asked that part of the Communications Plan include social messaging to share how the County is changing internal practices and inspire residents and businesses to make similar choices.

#### **Status Items**

Alan Marshall, Assistant to the Director for Planning, Environmental and Development Services announced the hiring of the County's Chief Sustainability and Resilience Officer who will start on December 16, 2019. Mr. Marshall also gave updates on several topics in work including data benchmarking of County operations, Orange County's inputs for Volkswagen Mitigation funding, a review of legislative initiatives put forward by Florida Commissioner of Agriculture Nikki Fried, and the gathering of more information about PACE for internal discussions with County Administration. The legislative information will be emailed to SAB members. An update on PACE for the SAB will be scheduled in early 2020. Annual data collection is underway and will be available in January.

At 1:32 p.m., Chair Martinez adjourned the meeting.		
Sustainability Advisory Board Chair	Date	
Prepared by Alan Marshall		