

Notice of Public Meeting of the Technology Advisory Board
Official Agenda
May 16, 2022 @ 5:30 pm
City Hall Council Chambers
9101 Bonita Beach Road
Bonita Springs, FL 34135

	<u>TIME</u>	<u>INFO</u>	<u>DISCUSSION</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
I. MEETING CALL TO ORDER	5:30			Action

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL				Action
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Present

Rob Sypniewski
Tim Deaton
Sue Bickel
John Poldoian
Ron George
Jim Kauffman

Staff

Addison Smelko
Chris Corrie

III. PUBLIC COMMENT	5:35			
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No public present.

IV. COUNCIL LIAISON ITEMS	5:31			
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Councilman Corrie advised he had spoken to council about an impending green sheet regarding cell phone tower heights as this needs to be addressed to improve cell phone coverage. Mr. Deaton spoke about the information he had sent after the last meeting which some did not receive. (The information was resent on Tuesday, May 17th at 9:53 a.m.). This item will be revisited after everyone has reviewed it and Councilman Corrie will put it on the agenda under council items, when it is set.

V. STAFF INFO & UPDATES	5:32		Discussion	
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Addison shared information about the Internet agreement between the Biden Administration and Internet service providers. He distributed a copy of the poverty guidelines. He noted that Arleen would be having a call with a Comcast representative this coming week.

Tim Deaton communicated that he had researched some potential suppliers on the list and identified Universal Services Administration Company as the company responsible for the program. Mr. Deaton questioned the validity of the program as it seems like the websites he has looked at only offer \$30 off each plan rather than \$30 service. He feels it is a marketing strategy.

Some suppliers are for tablet only. Some programs are for home phone, some for internet and some for alerts.

Councilman Corrie believes the city will be putting out the information that Arleen got from Comcast. Discussion ensued about the best way to put the information out with local print and electronic media, through non-profits and school channels being mentioned.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Discussion

No new business was discussed.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5:49

Discussion

Electric vehicles – Councilman Corrie has spoke to Attorney Spear, who knows the Wyatt family, regarding the Sunshine Plaza. John Poldoian has also made a connection and feels they are about 90% there in deciding about installing a level 3, high speed charging station there. Their biggest concern was whether the charging station would connect to their power meters, which it will not. It will be a separate power meter connecting to FPL. They were also concerned about the installation preferably in the retail space rather than in the office space.

The Publix location has communicated they are on hold for now and reassessing a charging station. John hopes to reconnect with them in early June to see if their mindset has changed.

There was discussion about the protection and security of the charging stations and the possibility of security cameras and LCSO weighing in on protecting the charging stations.

Cell Tower Heights- Tim Deaton spoke about FCC regulations and that they take away some local control. He mentioned it is difficult to discriminate against providers installing when another company has been able to put one in. He cautioned about language when it comes to cell towers vs. cell antennas – cell towers represent the base and antennas are the antenna. He mentioned our language should follow 47CFR (FCC rules).

Chairman Kauffman supposes if Community Development develops a new set of standards for cell tower heights, they could reach out to colleague cities that may have done the same thing in the last couple of years.

VIII: NEXT MEETING

Discussion

June 20, 2022.

IX: ADJOURNMENT

6:01

Action

Councilman Corrie made a motion to adjourn, Susan Bickel seconded; meeting adjourned at 6:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Vallante, 05/09/2022

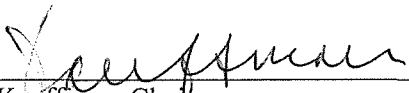
Debbie Vallante, Office Assistant

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TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY BOARD:

Date: 9.12.22

AUTHENTICATED:



Jim Kauffman, Chairman

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