



Brevard County Board of County Commissioners

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Legislation Text

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Subject:

Discussion Regarding Letter from Palm Bay Mayor, District 2

Fiscal Impact:

Unknown

Dept/Office:

District 2

Requested Action:

Summary Explanation and Background:

A letter was recently received from the Mayor of Palm Bay which requires decisions on the part of the Board of County Commissioners (hereinafter "BOCC"). It is requested that the BOCC provide guidance on the below questions and concerns.

Explanation / Background:

On or about Thursday, February 13, I received a letter from the City of Palm Bay (hereinafter "City") Mayor regarding roadwork connecting St. John's Heritage Pkwy to Babcock St.

Brevard County Commissioners and City staff were copied, though there is no indication that any Brevard County staff members were copied on this letter despite the extensive involvement of Assistant County Manager John Denninghoff and others.

The letter demands a joint meeting of the County Commission and City Council be held within 90 days of the request (which was dated February 7, despite not having been received until February 13) and additionally insists that any such meeting be held within the City.

While I have the ability, as Chair, to unilaterally call a special meeting of the County Commission, I request direction from the BOCC in determining whether such a meeting is desired. I would also like to discuss the following.

If a meeting is desired:

(1) Given the wide geographic spread of County employees and elected officials, would the BOCC like to request and/or insist that Mayor Capote move that the City Council waive any requirement(s) mandating that the demanded meeting take place within City limits? If he does not do so, what, if any, action would the BOCC

prefer be taken?

(2) Would the BOCC like to set any condition(s) on the meeting (e.g., mandate who would chair any such meeting, insist that County staff be permitted to speak on the history of negotiations with the City, etc.)?

If a meeting is not desired:

1. Decline to meet without explanation.
2. Decline to meet with explanation.
3. Do not respond/take no action.
4. Direct staff to send notice of intent to terminate the Joint Planning Agreement (JPA) in 60 days. However, the Board should be aware that action would trigger a clause requiring a joint meeting if requested by the City.

Clerk to the Board Instructions: