

AGENDA ITEM 3-a

MINUTES OF FINAL PUBLIC HEARINGS (2) AND A REGULAR MEETING OF THE UTILITIES COMMISSION, CITY OF NEW SMYRNA BEACH, FLORIDA, HELD MONDAY, AUGUST 23, 2021, AT 3:00 P.M., AT 200 CANAL STREET, NEW SMYRNA BEACH, FLORIDA

Final Public Hearing No. 1 – Regarding Proposed Revisions to UCNSB’s Electric Service Rates and Miscellaneous Service Fees (Increases):

Chairman Holcomb called Final Public Hearing No. 1 to order, regarding the proposed revisions to UCNSB’s Electric Service Rates and Miscellaneous Service Fees. Initially stated Mr. Cloud, please, but then corrected to Mrs. Simmons call the roll.

Roll call confirmed a majority and legal quorum of the U.C. Commissioners were in attendance, Commissioner Hawes was absent.

Mr. Cloud stated this is Resolution No. 2021-07. A resolution of the Utilities Commission, City of New Smyrna Beach, Florida, modifying rates, charges and fees related to electric service, providing findings, providing for severability, conflicts and an effective date. And now it would be appropriate to declare the public hearing open.

Chairman Holcomb stated at this moment I’d like to ask if anybody would like to come up and speak for or against the proposed amendment. Seeing none, I will close it. Mr. Cloud?

Mr. Cloud stated yes, unless there’s any questions the appropriate act would be to secure a motion or to make a motion to approve Resolution No. 2021-07.

(Agenda item 7-a., listed on the agenda for the Regular U.C. Meeting, was considered by the Commission at this point.)

(7-a) Proposed U.C. Resolution No. 2021-07 – Modifying Rates, Charges and Fees Related to Electric Service:

Commissioner Smith stated so moved; specifically a motion to approve Resolution No. 2021-07 revising the U.C.’s rates, charges and fees related to electric service. The resolution will become effective October 1, 2021.

Commissioner Davenport stated second.

Chairman Holcomb requested Mrs. Simmons to call the roll.

Commissioner Smith’s motion then passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

Chairman Holcomb stated now close that meeting (sic hearing).

Mr. Cloud stated yes sir.

Final Public Hearing No. 1 closed at 3:02 p.m.

Final Public Hearing No. 2 – Regarding Proposed Revisions to UCNSB’s Water, Irrigation, Wastewater and Reclaimed Water Service Rates and Miscellaneous Service Fees (Increases):

Chairman Holcomb stated okay, we closed that meeting and now we’re going to open, call to order the Final Public Hearing (No. 2), of the Utilities Commission, City of New Smyrna Beach, Florida to be held August 23rd regarding the proposed revisions to the UCNSB’s water, irrigation, wastewater and reclaimed water service rates and miscellaneous service fees. He then requested Mrs. Simmons to call the roll – for attendance.

This roll call confirmed a majority and legal quorum of the U.C. Commissioners remained in attendance; Commissioner Hawes was absent. (Same as Final Public Hearing No. 1)

Mr. Cloud stated Resolution No. 2021-06, a resolution of the Utilities Commission, City of New Smyrna Beach, Florida, modifying rates, charges and fees related to water, wastewater and reclaimed water service, providing findings, providing for severability, conflicts and an effective date.

Chairman Holcomb stated at this time I’d like to call if there’s anybody opposed or against this motion, please feel free to stand, public participation. Seeing there are none, close that.

Mr. Cloud stated we just need a motion to approve Resolution No. 2021-06.

(Agenda item 7-b., listed on the agenda for the Regular U.C. Meeting, was considered by the Commission at this point.)

(7-b) Proposed U.C. Resolution No. 2021-06 – Modifying Rates, Charges and Fees Related to Water, Wastewater and Reclaimed Water Service:

Commissioner Smith stated so moved; specifically a motion to approve Resolution No. 2021-06 revising the U.C.’s rates, charges and fees related to water, wastewater and reclaimed water service. This resolution will become effective October 1, 2021, with additional rates becoming effective October 1, 2022 and October 1, 2023.

Commissioner Davenport stated second.

Chairman Holcomb requested Mrs. Simmons to call the roll.

Commissioner Smith’s motion then passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

Chairman Holcomb stated all right, close that meeting (hearing).

This Final Public Hearing No. 2 closed at 3:04 p.m.

REGULAR U.C. MEETING:

Chairman Holcomb then stated now I’m going to call to order the Regular scheduled meeting of the Utilities Commission, August 23, 2021. Commissioner Davenport led in the Pledge of Allegiance and Commissioner Conrad provided the invocation.

Safety Message by Efren Chavez – School Safety Protocols – Volusia County:

Chairman Holcomb then stated Efren Chavez, safety message.

Mr. Chavez came to the podium and stated so what we want to do is just give you a quick, ties us to the community and kind of preparation for COVID and what we've got going on. So this is just within the community, but I wanted to stress the focus on safety. He then requested Mrs. Simmons to play the video (WESH 2 news local video on School Safety Protocols).

After completion of the video, Mr. Chavez continued by stating what we've done is well consistent with the masks and the uptick in cases, we've issued revised guidance here as we are within our own personal spaces, masks aren't required but as we go through the offices or go throughout the building folks are required to wear their masks; so just from the standpoint of the increase in cases. In addition from a participation with the school the U.C. recently had its back-to-school drive which was a success. So there were school supplies collected from the employees and their families and donated to our local school. That's from a safety perspective, that's my safety message.

Chairman Holcomb asked if anybody had any questions for Mr. Chavez. There being none, then stated thank you.

Chairman Holcomb then requested Mrs. Simmons to call the roll for attendance at the Regular U.C. Meeting.

Roll Call: A majority of the U.C. Commissioners were in attendance as follows:

Commissioner James Davenport
Commissioner Richard Hawes (ABSENT – *Out of State*)
Chairman Jack Holcomb
Commissioner James Smith
Commissioner Lillian Conrad

Others in attendance were as follows: J. Bunch, General Manager/CEO; E. Chavez, Director, Finance/ CFO; J. Couillard, Director, Engineering; T. Beyrle, Director, System Ops.; B. Keehn, Director, Information Technology; T. West, Director, Water Resources; B. Beck, Director, Central Services; V. Steele, Director, Electric Operations; John McMurray, Director, Strategic Programs; E. Fisher, Community Relations | Public Information Officer; J. Michel, I.T. Manager, Infrastructure (at beginning); #Laquavius Green; Help Desk Technician; M. Spellars, Sr. Help Desk Technician; D. Simmons, Exec. Services Mgr./ Recording Secretary; General Counsel Thomas Cloud Esquire – Gray| Robinson Attorneys at Law; Mayor Russ Owen, City Manager Khalid Resheidat, Tadd Kasbeer, P.E., Volusia County Engineer; Glenn Storch, Esq., and John Moss, members of the public.#

(8-a) Presentation – Appreciation for Honorable Service – Jack Holcomb
(Proposed U.C. Resolution No. 2021-09):

(Item consideration moved up on the agenda to accommodate Mayor and City Manager's participation.)

Chairman Holcomb stated Possible Other Business.

Mr. Bunch stated I'd like to pick up your words, that Commissioner Conrad selected for the invocation this afternoon, I think they were very appropriate. And in keeping with that we want to recognize Chairman Holcomb's service to the community and we've got some folks here that want to say a few words on your behalf. We have Mayor Russ Owens and the City Manager Khalid Resheidat; so gentlemen feel free to step up to the podium. We wanted to give them the opportunity to speak because they've got some busy agendas today.

Mayor Owens stated good afternoon everyone, good afternoon to the Commission. Chairman Holcomb, just wanted to stop by, I guess this is your last meeting unless you have a complete change of heart in the next couple of... I guess give him until the end of the meeting, maybe he'll have the change of heart by then. Most knows, reflect back for us, I've only been here for about two, two and half years of those served. Mr. Bunch and I have the pleasure of starting our respective roles at roughly the same time, so we've only heard tale of some of the things and some of the progress that has been made under the leadership and the time that you've been on this Utilities Commission. So certainly from what I hear from my staff and from your team, we have made a lot of progress. Like when you took over six years ago, when you joined the Commission six years ago, there were a lot of opportunities. One of those key being for the City and the Utilities Commission staffs to work closer together, for the respective Commissions to work closer together. And I'm very proud of where we are today, I think thanks to your leadership as you've been Chairman and then just your time on the board, I think we have made tremendous strides in that area. Again, this is from what I hear, I kind of don't know any better, Mr. Bunch and I are blissfully ignorant in some ways. You know we've had great relationships, been many issues we've worked on, I have no hesitation shooting him an email and the team always jumps right on it and handles those issues. So again on behalf of the City Commission, the City residents, we just wanted to say thank you and you know its tough. It's tough to have folks like you that are not going to be in leadership any more, but you know for those of you that probably all know, he's got family, he's got other activities, he's got a son in the NFL. Recorded two tackles this past weekend, 45 tackles last season. He's got things to be, places to see, and a career to follow, so certainly I don't believe any of us begrudge you that. So again, on behalf of the City and the City Commission and staff we thank you for your service.

Chairman Holcomb stated thank you Mayor.

Those in attendance applauded.

City Manager Resheidat stated I don't know what to say Chairman Holcomb but I think the City is so fortunate as well as the Utilities Commission for having somebody like you being a Commissioner and Chairman of the U.C. I have known you for a long time obviously, we worked so closely together on so many projects. That your vision and your involvement in

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(Proposed U.C. Resolution No. 2021-09) (cont.):

this City has been always valuable and I think you could see the difference when you joined the Commission. I know you'd always be calling me on some issues even outside the utilities but we enjoy the relationship and the collaboration. And partnership with the utilities, with the utilities staff, I could tell that this is probably the best, I've been here 32 years, this is the best relationship that we ever had with the Utilities Commission since I've been here. And that goes to the leadership of the Utilities Commission, you and Mr. Davenport, and Mrs. Conrad, and also Mr. Smith, and some of the other Commissioners that have been in the past. So on behalf of the staff I want to tell you thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your service and your leadership and you'll always be a true friend.

Chairman Holcomb stated thank you, I appreciate that.

After the applause, Mr. Bunch stated thank you gentlemen. And then stated so the formal side to this is a resolution that I have the pleasure of reading and then there might even be a plaque involved. So this is Resolution 2021-09. A resolution of appreciation for the honorable service of Jack Holcomb as a Utilities Commission on behalf of the Utilities Commission, City of New Smyrna Beach, Florida. Whereas the City Commission appointed Jack Holcomb to serve as a Utilities Commissioner commencing in September 2015 for an initial three-year term. Whereas Commissioner Holcomb provided professional knowledge and business acumen acquired through private business ownership, service on various City board, active participation within the community, development processes and personal participation in various community service activities. These attributes were then utilized in fulfilling the obligation of his public service position as a Utilities Commissioner. The Utilities Commission, City of New Smyrna Beach, Florida does hereby express our appreciation to Jack Holcomb for this dedication and honorable service as a Utilities Commissioner for a total of two full terms, six consecutive years, commencing September 2105 through September 2021. During his tenure Mr. Holcomb contributed significantly to the business performance of the Commission through effectively and diligently performing the various official roles of the Commission, including Chairman.

Commissioner Davenport stated I'll make a motion to move forward with this acknowledgement and recognition; specifically a motion to approve U.C. Resolution No. 2021-09. This resolution becoming effective immediately upon passage.

Mr. Bunch stated thank you, there's a motion, do we have a second?

Commissioner Conrad stated second.

Chairman Holcomb then requested Mrs. Simmons to call the roll.

Commissioner Davenport's motion then passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

Chairman Holcomb stated thank you all. Just wanted to say thanks and to everybody that's here, I know the Mayor and City Manager will be leaving but you know there's a lot of friendships. This is a community that's done, you know for my family and the growth of my

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(Proposed U.C. Resolution No. 2021-09) (cont.):

business you feel a cause to serve, a need to serve, and you folks here, the staff it's the little things that make a great business. And over the last six years we've gotten really good I think you folks have at the little things, the little things at the end. You know taking the time with the customer that doesn't understand a fee. Taking our I.T. Department, Ms. Keehn where we started, if we had one, what it was, where it's at now, you feel good about that. Looking at the consent items today when you have reference to the budget, for a new Commissioner that sits up here, to be able to look at that consent item, understand if its in the budget, if there's going to be any changes coming down the road how we would affect the budget. These are all the little things that we might take for granted and they were pretty quick at one point and there's a lot more. If you go to Tim Beyrle's, I saw he and his wife out a couple of weeks ago and what he does, the purchased power, how the community benefits from that. Ms. Beck, working on the benefits for our staff to give the very best but be fiscally responsible to the ratepayers to make sure we're not overspending. And Mr. Chavez and Mr. Bunch, coming on board when we started this, you know I was done at that point, there was a conversation with Counsel Cloud and Ms. Beck while we were literally interviewing people, that kind of left me to go we're going to hire a person and I'm going to leave him, so that doesn't seem like the right thing to do. I've never hired somebody and then just left them, so it didn't make sense. So, I really appreciate my time, you will never know, you guys taught me probably more than I've ever given you as a staff. And it's Ms. Couillard, the community, the business leaders, the developers, the way that people speak of you in this community now, the trust to be able to come to you and talk to you in finding a solution or way. And again the only reason I was ever asked to do this was to build a better relationship between the Utilities Commission or utilities staff and the City because the community benefitted from a great working relationship between the two. So I say thank you for letting me serve and it's been a privilege to sit up here and I've learned a lot from all of you, and I just again want to say thanks to everybody because you've shown me a lot more about the utilities than I've ever shown up with and thank you. And I wish you the best of luck because you've got the money, you've got the plan, now let's just go do it, but I appreciate it, thank you for your kind words.

Mr. Bunch stated very well said Chairman. Then stated I don't know what the appropriate protocol is, but I think it would be very nice if the Mayor could award this plaque to you; so I'll step out of the picture.

Mayor Owens stated all right, for dedicated service, we appreciate it.

Chairman Holcomb stated thanks, appreciate it.

Mr. Cloud commented it's a shame it doesn't involve a free car.

Chairman Holcomb commented it's not a good business model.

After laughter, Mr. Bunch stated see, always thinking business.

Mayor Owens stated while leaving the meeting room, you all have a good meeting.

(1) Agenda Changes, Additions and Deletions:

Chairman Holcomb stated back to business, Mr. Bunch, any changes or deletions, additions?

Mr. Bunch confirmed none.

(2) Public Participation:

Chairman Holcomb stated okay, at this time I would like to ask if anybody wants to participate please come to the front and speak. Seeing that there's none, close that section.

(3) Approval of Consent Items:

Chairman Holcomb stated and we'll move on to the approval of the consent items. Open that up to the Commissioners if you would like to pull any.

Commissioner Davenport stated I'd like to pull e. please.

Chairman Holcomb stated with that I need a motion to approve all consent items a. through g., minus e.; need a motion.

Commissioner Smith stated so moved; specifically to approve consent items – item a. Minutes of Regular U.C. Meeting Held 7-26-21 (including 2 preliminary public hearings), annotated version, approve as submitted; item 3-b. Granted and Accepted Third Party Utility Easements (3), ratify acceptance of easements granted to UCNSB for Coastal Woods, Residential, Phase D from Coastal Woods Homeowner's Association, Inc.; for Sporty's Car Wash from Colony Park Condominium Association, Inc.; and for Sarinna Lakes from Meritage Homes of Florida, Inc.; as attached to the agenda item; item 3-c. Interlocal Fuel Agreement - County of Volusia, approve agreement effective 10-1-21 through 9-30-24, at the scope and rates set forth in the Amendment and Attachment 1 – Scope of Services / Schedule of Charges attached to the agenda item; 3-d. Feeder Reliability Improvement – Level 1 Projects Continued, approve remaining eight (8) feeder reliability level 1 projects in the total combined amount of \$1,536,000 and authorize the General Manager/CEO or his designee to execute all documents associated with this matter; (3-e. pulled for discussion); 3-f. New Regional Lift Station – Airport Road Project, approve this new project in the total amount of \$2,055,000 and authorize the General Manager/CEO or his designee to execute all documents associated with this matter; and item 3-g. Purchase of Portable and Mobile Radio Communication Equipment and Participation in Volusia County 800 MHz Communication System, approve participation in the County's safety radio system and the purchase of UCNSB upgraded radio equipment utilizing Communications International (Ci) as a sole source vendor (County), in a total not-to-exceed amount of \$375,000 and authorization for the General Manager/CEO or his designee to executed all documentation associated with this matter.

Commissioner Davenport seconded the motion.

Chairman Holcomb requested Mrs. Simmons to call the roll on the motion.

Commissioner Smith's motion then passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

(3-e) Washington Street NSB Streetscape Project – KCI Technologies, Inc. (Electric Design):

Chairman Holcomb stated all right, item e., Commissioner Davenport.

Commissioner Davenport stated yes sir, I was reading this, and I've seen where Ms. Couillard had been working on it. And I guess one of the biggest things when you're out over the years and being involved with the Utilities Commission, one of the things you hear is from people is when are we going to fix Washington Street, the telephone poles go up the middle of the sidewalk. So are those going to go away out of the middle of the sidewalks, it's what I'm hoping.

Ms. Couillard stated yes sir, we are planning to put Washington Street underground, we're working on the funding for that, but yes, they will be out of the middle of the street.

Commissioner Davenport stated I just, if you've ever been down the sidewalk. That's all I needed, I'm just excited to hear that's going to happen and I can tell people now it's going underground.

Chairman Holcomb stated all right, any other comments on that? There being none he said with that I need a motion to approve consent item e.

Commissioner Conrad stated so moved; specifically a motion to approve the attached proposal from KCI Technologies, Inc. in the amount of \$80,374 for the electrical design portion of the Washington Street Streetscape Project, in a total budget amount of \$100,000 and authorize the General Manager/CEO or his designee to execute the documents associated with this matter.

Commissioner Smith stated second.

Chairman Holcomb requested a roll call vote and Commissioner Conrad's motion then passed unanimously.

(4) General Manager's Report:

Chairman Holcomb stated with that we'll move on to the General Manager's Report.

Mr. Bunch stated okay, with that I'll ask Mr. Chavez to come up to talk about the financial status and the metrics.

(4-a) Financial Status – July 2021:

Mr. Chavez came to the podium, stated okay and then commenced his financial presentation entitled "July 2021 Financial Performance". July 2021 fiscal year to date results, change in net assets of about \$3.8 million. Increased revenue and higher capital contributions, as you've noticed we've had a lot of good hot weather. We also have, last year, we had the fuel charge suspension for \$1.6 million. So when you look at a year over year our revenues are greater than last year just for the very fact that we discontinued the fuel charge for two months last year. And we did have increased reclaimed and water usage. Offset by increased operating

(4-a) Financial Status – July 2021 (cont.):

expenses and the higher debt expense. And we'll go through a little more details on the waterfall slides. On the fiscal year to date capital expenditures, we're at \$13.1 million - \$7.3 million in major and \$5.8 million in annual projects. So that's a pretty good year, we're forecasting from a total system perspective approximately \$15.5 million. Ms. Couillard's team and the major projects, we're looking pretty good, so we are increasing and getting better at our execution. We did have some delays of course with COVID but we are definitely getting better line of sight on the bigger projects. And on the annuals our team is, you know new construction, the pole replacements, all that normal stuff, we do that and that's going fairly well. Some of the major projects, really lift station number 5, reconstruction, Barracuda Bridge Relocation, and we've done a number of projects around facilities security. On the annual projects, typical, standard, pole inspection and replacement, water meter installations, electric extensions.

Mr. Chavez went to the next slide and stated so last year's year to date loss from an operating, income loss perspective, was \$847,000 of a loss. This year, July year to date, \$370,000. So the big green bar, that's the fuel charge suspension that we had last year, of course offsetting, increased depreciation and amortization and the operating expense increase. But those are things we've budgeted appropriately for and these are just the plusses or minuses from the prior year. If you look at the upper right-hand corner, you'll see the growth and the year over year customer growth. So 2% on electric, water 1.3%, 2.6% on the wastewater, and of course almost 10% on the reclaimed. But that will continue to grow as we have more residential developments complete.

Mr. Chavez went to the next slide, net assets, we're at \$2 million last year to date. We're at \$3.8 million July year to date. So similar drivers as the prior slide, the fuel charge suspension last year, but we do have increased capital contributions of about \$1 million. So just to focus on that a little bit, right now our capital contributions, \$4.9 million, that's a million greater than the prior year. Those capital contributions are \$1.3 million in cash, \$1.7 million in easements, and \$1.9 million in contributed assets. And the contributed assets come when the developments are complete, they transfer to us, so based on Ms. Couillard and the team's engineering forecast, contributed capital assets will be about \$4.4 million for forecast versus \$2 million fiscal year 2020 of \$1.4 million. So we have a couple of big developments coming up towards the end of the year, Coastal Woods D and Palms Phase 5. So good, we know where we're at and we're forecasting through the end of the year.

(4-b) Balanced Scorecard and Enterprise Metrics – July 2021:

Mr. Chavez then went to the next slide, key performance indicators, primarily green on this slide. The two areas, PMVA's, preventable motor vehicle accidents and SAIFI. On the PMVA side, we had no accidents June and July and on the SAIFI side we've have some issues on it, we're forecasting to be red but we're doing the SAIFI improvements and the TripSavers and reclosers that we've started doing. Over time that will help to minimize the frequency.

Mr. Chavez went to the next slide and stated on the I.T. side, pretty much green. Had a slight dip in the cybersecurity just because we've had folks transitioning to be working remote so

(4-b) Balanced Scorecard and Enterprise Metrics – July 2021 (cont.):

we did not have as high participation, but overall that's more of a blip not a sign of a bigger trend.

Mr. Chavez went to the next slide and stated so on the safety and risk as we talked about, no OSHA, no PMVA's June or July. Now to address the whole preventable motor vehicle accidents, we had the defensive driving course, it was held virtually, was completed in July and the rest of them the week of August 9th. In addition, the Safety Handbook has been developed and will be distributed shortly. So Ms. Beck and her team are continuing looking at, to involve safety procedures to make sure that we get ahead of any of these trends that we identify now. On the reliability side, SAIFI or the frequency, .32 for the month of July, 9,662 customers interruptions and then the worst performing feeder was line 29. But as we start going forward these SAIFI numbers will get better as we start to implement the devices, the Tripsavers, the reclosers, it will be over a period of time, that will be over the next two to three years; and we are starting those in August. The SAIDI on the duration side, which is continually green, even though we had a few, four feeder outages and one substation related outage, but still a really good story.

Mr. Chavez went to the next slide and stated really good numbers on the Customer Service. We had a slight up trend on the accounts pulled for disconnection, so in July this came substantially down. And a lot of times these are pulled for disconnection but many, often times the customers end up paying and getting caught up but the number just pulled for disconnection dropped significantly. On the accounts receivable side we had our best month in the last two years, so right now over 98% of our receivables are less than 30 days old. Which is unheard of in pretty much any business, so it's really, our folks really focus on working with our customers to make sure we get caught up and you know, even during COVID. We had a slight dip last year, but this is by far the best month in the last two years. The rest of the metrics, materials management P.O. (purchase orders) days are green. Human Resources side, seven positions under budget, which we always have that every year, just have natural churn because of positions we're actively recruiting for or positions becoming vacant, as they do during the year. And we're actively recruiting for four positions. On the I.T. side, just as I mentioned earlier, lower due to the COVID and the necessity for some employees to work remotely. But the help desk ticket resolution remains green and our overall risk score as it relates to cyber is still low; so that's a good story.

Mr. Chavez then stated I'll pause there for a second, any questions?

Chairman Holcomb confirmed there were none.

(4-a) Financial Status – July 2021 (cont.):

Mr. Chavez then went to the next slide and stated consistent with our bond resolution and how we secured the financing for the long-term stability of our infrastructure, what we've also looked at is, and what we're in the process of doing, is looking at our investment policy. Our investment policy is pretty old in the sense of the language, the terms, similar to what we did with the Master Bond Resolution. We brought that to current based on feedback from our attorneys and other experts, we're going to do the same with the investment policy, leveraging

(4-a) Financial Status – July 2021 (cont.):

FMPA (Florida Municipal Power Agency), and so that's a really good resource that we're not going to have to pay for. In addition, as part of that clean up on the investment policy, they are going to assist us in investing some of our bond proceeds. But overall the primary focus consistent with ours is preservation of capital and trying to earn as much yield as you can right now. It's a tough environment no matter where you're at but they're doing it in-house and they're able to get slightly better, and at no cost to us, no incremental costs to us. So I just wanted to give you a heads up that that will be coming up in the next couple of months. Then concluded by stating unless there's any other questions, that's everything for today.

There were no questions and Mr. Bunch then thanked Mr. Chavez for his presentation.

(4-c) Approval of Commissioner's Travel Expenses – FMEA/FMPA 2021 Annual Conference – Comms. Smith:

and

(4-d) Approval of Commissioner's Travel Expenses – FMEA/FMPA 2021 Annual Conference – Comms. Davenport:

Mr. Bunch then stated the next two items, c. and d., are Commissioner Travel Expenses. Commissioners Davenport and Smith attended the FMEA/FMPA Annual Conference last month in Naples, along with Mr. Chavez and I. There are two expense reports, I think really the only difference was we were able to get a scholarship for Commissioner Smith's conference fees, but not for Commissioner Davenport's (only one per entity). (Additional note, Comms. Davenport completed entire conference program. Comms. Smith had to leave on Thursday – Comms. Davenport had one additional night at the hotel.) But they're essentially the same, so what I would need is a motion to approve items c. and d. Also confirmed this with Mrs. Simmons.

Mrs. Simmons indicated yes, and each item needed approval for their respective amounts.

Mr. Bunch stated in different amounts; so let me state the amounts.

Mrs. Simmons also stated that's the total amounts for the whole trip (registration fees, lodging expenses, food – per diem, etc.).

Mr. Bunch stated correct, Commissioner Smith's was \$782.14, that is item 4-c. Item 4-d., Vice Chairman Davenport was \$1,686.88. That's items c. and d. and we would need a motion to approve.

Chairman Holcomb reiterated we need a motion to approve items c. and d.

Commissioner Smith stated so moved; specifically to approve Commissioner Smith's travel expenses in the amount of \$782.14 and Commissioner Davenport's expenses in the amount of \$1,686.88, for attendance at the FMEA/FMPA 2021 Annual Conference which took place on July 20th through July 22nd in Naples, Florida.

Commissioner Conrad seconded the motion.

(4-c) Approval of Commissioner's Travel Expenses – FMEA/FMPA 2021 Annual Conference – Comms. Smith (cont.):

and

(4-d) Approval of Commissioner's Travel Expenses – FMEA/FMPA 2021 Annual Conference – Comms. Davenport (cont.):

Commissioner Davenport stated I would just like to say something, the big difference on those right there, between mine and Mr. Smith's was he was there only two days.

Commissioner Smith stated two nights.

Commissioner Davenport stated so he didn't stay the extra day. So I just wanted you to know.

Chairman Holcomb jokingly commented you're always more expensive. – financially and mentally.

Commissioner Davenport added, I even paid for it myself.

Chairman Holcomb stated all right, Mrs. Simmons please call the roll.

Commissioner Smith's motion then passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

(4-e) Update on UCNSB Modernization Branding Initiative:

Mr. Bunch stated okay, thank you, item e., I'm going to ask Ms. Britney Beck to come up and talk to us about branding, a discussion on that. Thank you.

Ms. Beck came to the podium and addressed the Commission by stating hello, good afternoon. So this is just an informational only, we're just looking to update you, we're not asking for any action on your part for tonight. A couple of years ago you may recall when we finalized our new Vision, Mission, and Values we talked about a rebranding initiative. And at that time it was determined that that was not the right time to embark on something. It was important for us to first begin moving in the direction that we had established, becoming the utility that we had envisioned. So fast forward to today, and you can see that we have come a very long way, we completed various studies showing us where our priorities should be, we have a roadmap routing us to becoming what we've been calling the Utility of the Future and have begun seeing the benefits of all the hard work our staff has been doing and still is doing. A few months ago, Mr. Bunch and I met with Chairman Holcomb and discussed among a number of things the potential of us beginning a process to what we're calling modernize our brand. A chance to make a clear distinction of who we once were and who we are now and still striving to be. He was supportive and agreed that we were now at that right time. So since that day we have engaged a consultant to help us with this process and we're currently working with them to develop a basic modernized brand that complements all the work we're doing to modernize our systems, all for the benefit of our community and our customers. So again this is just for your information, when we have a final work product, we will communicate that to you, but I do want to assure you that we do not plan on an extravagant rebranding event. We are remaining sensitive about changes, ensuring that they don't

(4-e) Update on UCNSB Modernization Branding Initiative (cont.):

communicate the wrong thing to our stakeholders, and we'll implement such strategically at the right time.

Chairman Holcomb stated Commissioners, any questions? There being none, the Chairman stated so I'd just like to say in the process because I was the one, it's nice to say that I wasn't, but I was the one that kind of opposed this, become who you are before you tell everybody who you are, let me see it first, and obviously you've seen it. But what I liked about the meeting that Mr. Bunch and you had with me, was what they saw the budget to be to bring this back that I didn't agree with maybe two years ago, they were explaining to me what their new vision was, their direction was, and that it was probably the budget was going to be less than they really needed to come to the Commission for approval. So the integrity in that process, bringing me in, sitting me down, explaining to me where you're at, you didn't find a way to just go around the board. You found a way, even though you are going to save money or possibly save money in rebranding the U.C., it's the integrity and the process in which you did it with; and that to me is what your reputation is. So for me when I walk away, I'm going to say they didn't need to bring me in there, didn't need to explain that to me, and you could have done what you wanted to do without this Commission's approval with where you were headed. And I just think that's what I keep talking about the little things, that integrity in your process to still achieve your goal, I just commend you on it. Thank you for all your hard work, so thanks.

Mr. Bunch stated that's it and that is it for the General Manager's Report. So Chairman, over to our fine General Counsel.

(5) Commission Counsel's Report – General Counsel:

Mr. Cloud stated yes sir, we have two items today and then just a comment I'd like to make at the end.

(5-a) Modification to Management and Governance Guidelines – Proposed Resolution No. 2021-10:

Mr. Cloud stated the first one relates to a modification to the management and governance guidelines which involves a request to adopt Resolution No. 2021-10. You may recall earlier this year we adopted a resolution drafted and conceived by the General Manager related to management and government polices which seeks to preserve what we've learned. And set it out there so that future Commissions don't have to go back and reinvent the wheel. In the process of doing that, staff discovered some policy documents that were run past the Commission in 2009 but were never articulated in the form of a written resolution, it was a voice vote that purported to set in place a process that isn't used and even if it were used it wouldn't make any sense. Running internal policies past Department heads and not the CEO is really you know probably not the way it should operate and it's certainly inconsistent with your current management and governance resolution. So Mr. Bunch brought that to my attention right before the last meeting, we sat down and worked on a means of trying to define when something should be handled by the CEO and when it's a policy directive that is external if you will. And that's really the dividing point, if it's internal then that's something that the

(5-a) Modification to Management and Governance Guidelines – Proposed Resolution No. 2021-10 (cont.):

CEO will be primarily responsible for setting internal policy. If it's external, contracts, labor matters, rates, services, things where you're dealing with people outside of the Commission, these need to come before the Commission, and they do. We have enough written policies to make sure that occurs. And so that is the basis of the modification in subsection 5 of section 2 which is really the heart of Resolution 2021-10, and that's where it draws the line. Mr. Bunch and I would be happy to entertain any questions you might have. But the purpose of it is to get rid of this old policy that's not being followed, that doesn't make any sense and is inconsistent with your current policies; other than that I guess it's okay. And then replace it with an effective statement that will enable Mr. Bunch to do exactly what he's been doing with the rest of staff since he's been here.

Chairman Holcomb stated Commissioners, any questions?

There being none, Mr. Cloud stated we just need a motion to approve the resolution.

Commissioner Davenport stated I make a motion to approve the resolution based on what Mr. Cloud just went over; specifically a motion to approve Resolution No. 2021-10. Said resolution becomes effective immediately upon passage.

Commissioner Conrad stated I second it.

Chairman Holcomb requested Mrs. Simmons to call the roll on the motion.

Commissioner Davenport's motion then passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

(5-b) Exclusive Road Easement Agreement for Williamson Boulevard Extension:

Mr. Cloud stated the second item relates to Williamson Boulevard and I'm going to try and simplify this. You may have questions and there may be people here who can add, certainly add more detail than I can. But big picture, two years ago we got a request to consider a right of way alignment agreement for a future arterial road facility parallel to Interstate 95. It is in the County's thoroughfare map in their comprehensive plan, projected road. So that, some of you may not be as familiar with comprehensive planning as I am having been General Counsel to the Volusia Growth Management Commission for its first quarter century. I have a little familiarity with the comprehensive plans of this county. And so a road facility like this is a big deal and it's not the kind of thing that local governments should easily blow off, something that we all have to consider, and that has to be balanced. So we start with the idea that this is a critical link in the County's comprehensive plan and the thoroughfare map. More importantly it's a parallel facility to Interstate 95 and having done development work for a long time I can tell you that parallel facilities, road facilities that are parallel to interstates are very important. Because they enable the Interstate to function the way it's supposed to function. And if you don't know what that means, take a hike down to Orlando sometime and try and find that parallel facility for Interstate 4, because it doesn't exist, and we pay an awful price for that. So this is a fairly important parallel facility to Interstate 95 for the region, not just New Smyrna Beach or the County, but for this part of Florida.

(5-b) Exclusive Road Easement Agreement for Williamson Boulevard Extension (cont.):

Mr. Cloud continued, there were five parties involved in these negotiations. The first one would be Volusia County of course, but DOT was also involved because they had issues they wanted to see were properly addressed. The landowners out there who are contributing the right of way besides us, who obviously are planning on making significant contributions to the construction of this roadway, that's what makes the wheels go around for building houses and making sure that they provide concurrent, adequate public facilities I think is the term we used to use, when there were something like real comprehensive planning laws in Florida. And then of course the City has a major concern and its really the simplest way to express the City's concern is to make sure that this facility fits into the overall City's plan as well as those parts of the City including the Utilities Commission that the City has a vested interest in. And of course, we're the fifth party, and this is major deal for us because this entity, the Utilities Commission acquired this property 20 years ago in eminent domain. I have more than a passing familiarity with the specific process, but I can tell you generally any time an entity has to go out and condemn property, it's a big deal. And I don't think it's likely to be replaced any time soon. So that's why there were two years of negotiations, we had an awful lot of things to balance, interests to balance for these five parties, and it comes down to an alternatives analysis for the alignment, which I'm not the guy to do that. That is your Engineer and she's spent a great deal of time liaising with DOT as well as the County engineer. And I believe there is someone here from the County who is a representative, thank you Mr. Kasbeer for coming, because it has to work for all five parties.

Mr. Cloud continued, our firm did the alignment for what is now the 417, south of the airport, that runs from Interstate 4 around to the beachline, and I can tell you that took about 10 years out of my life. I had a full head of hair before I started. And there are so many things that have to be taken into account to make sure that you pick the right alignment. It's not like the old days, my senior partner used to be Turnpike Authority Chairman and he told me when they were working on the alignment of the Turnpike that they just call up the Federal Government and said hey, how about moving I-75 six miles to the east so that it will connect. I'm not sure you could do that today, you know, but in the 1960's they could do that and then say oh, by the way, would you delay the construction of Interstate 95 so we can pay off the bonds for the Turnpike. If you look at the road maps from the 1960's and 70's, you'll see proof of that. It is exactly what happened in order for this, the road facilities of that magnitude to work. And a similar effort went into this. For the County of course it's route, easement with safety and of course cost. For FDOT it's the traffic signal spacing and the I-95 Interchange spacing because you don't want to have a traffic light right jam up on an interchange. We have many examples in Florida and the rest of the country on why that doesn't work. And just go down I-75 sometimes, south of Interstate 4 and you'll know what I mean. Landowners of course have three concerns, connectivity, it's got to, the pieces of the puzzle have to connect together in manner that allows it to function like a roadway. The cost is very important because they're going to be fronting it and the capacity that the roadway creates. The City of course, again, how does this fit into the big picture of the City of New Smyrna Beach, is this consistent with the essence of the City's plan. And finally for us it's campus preservation, future functionality on site with no relocation costs – big deal, okay. Which is why it's not a right of way dedication, a conveyance of fee, but it is in fact a transfer of an easement and we keep the fee. And then of course, capital costs for what we build on-site, that was one of the toughest things that your Engineer had to deal with in coming up with the right answer was to make sure we

(5-b) Exclusive Road Easement Agreement for Williamson Boulevard Extension (cont.):

had buildable parcels there for what we're going to build on-site. Which is not going to be another shopping center, it's going to be all utilities facilities, we're going to need every single acre for utility facilities. And then of course, access points and preservation of title.

Mr. Cloud continued, I've tried to cover all the bases and I would be happy to answer any questions, but we also have landowner's representatives, Mr. Storch and Mr. Kasbeer is the engineer for the County, as well as Julie Couillard your engineer who could answer any questions that you may have on this matter. And our request is to approve the agreement subject to of course the City's confirmation and approval.

Chairman Holcomb stated Commissioners, any questions?

Commissioner Conrad stated none at this point.

Commissioner Davenport stated none at this point.

Commissioner Smith stated this is Williamson from whence to whence, what's the beginning and end point?

Mr. Cloud stated I believe that the southern terminus is S.R. 44 and the northern terminus is...

Ms. Couillard interjected Pioneer Trail.

Mr. Cloud stated thank you, Pioneer Trail.

Commissioner Smith stated okay.

Mr. Storch then stated the start on Pioneer Trail has already been transferred, has been set aside as part of the Shell Pointe development, this is the one segment from Pioneer Trail to the U.C.'s property.

Mr. Cloud stated correct, and that was Mr. Storch who represents the landowners that have more than a passing familiarity with the exact details of the alignment.

Chairman Holcomb stated Commissioners, the other thing too is you know we went back, and I don't know when everybody kind of came on to the Commission, so I'm going to kind of go back. When this was first brought up there was a conversation of just getting people to talk. There's an idea of a road, Williamson made sense, the feedback was no one has approached us. Mr. Storch brought the County in, the County was here, we had a question and the conversation started to take place. And then I think we started with A, B, and C at the Pond Group Study and I think we settled on "G" right, that's where you're at right? So when you say that taking the considerations of all five parties in place, each consideration came up through the process because I don't remember hearing FDOT until about, I don't know a year ago. So there was a lot that went into this but the one thing that I looked at was if we're going to make the investment out on the 1,000 acres that we have west of 95, it's going to serve us basically north and south and then obviously east. It made a lot of sense on behalf of the

(5-b) Exclusive Road Easement Agreement for Williamson Boulevard Extension (cont.):

ratepayer, shareholder, that no matter what we develop out there to the point where you heard Mr. Cloud and Ms. Couillard talk about making sure we have enough space to build what we need to build. But in the middle of that, you still have to service all that, we still need employees to get there, we still need to go north and south and east and west and sometimes the traffic patterns don't always work out, they get clogged up in certain areas, so it gives us better solutions. And then the costs, it's a pretty nice fee that went with that which was zero. So we're getting a road through our massive infrastructure that we're going to build, you know to service this community for the next 100 years, that's to me, those are your partners that you want to play with. You know the County is very important for us to have a good working relationship with. Why are we building out west? One of the things I've always said is we're exposed here, what's the biggest fear to me is storm surge. I mean we're literally 200 yards or 300 yards from storm surge, how do we get back operational if the worse case scenario. And all you have to do is walk to the business or the building and look at the people working in their offices and know this is not a, for what \$65 or \$70 million business, this isn't the proper facility, and the investment we're going to make out west is what we need.

Chairman Holcomb continued, so through the Pond Study, I think it was Pond, right, I'm going to screw this up, we've looked at the investments, the relocations. There's been a lot of work other than just a road. This isn't just a road conversation, this is the next taking the U.C., the investment, moving it the next 50 years forward with our partners which is the County, the private citizens that own the properties and obviously the City of New Smyrna Beach. So like I said I'm not sure where everybody came into the two year to three year window, but that's kind of summarizing that. Mr. Storch, if you wanted to say something.

Mr. Storch stated first of all I think it's important to note that you guys are getting, it's less than zero.

Chairman Holcomb stated correct, right, it's a negative.

Mr. Storch stated because on top of the fact that this is going to take place, the County has agreed to provide impact fee credits to the Utilities Commission in exchange for the right-of-way itself. Because this is a thoroughfare road.

Chairman Holcomb stated right.

Mr. Storch continued, this is a thoroughfare road that has been designed to go all the way from Ormond Beach, all the way to Edgewater, and it's in their comprehensive plan as part of that thoroughfare. So they're able to grant impact fee credits to any thoroughfare roads. So that's why you're able to get the impact fee credits. This is going to happen, it's got to happen, and it has already been built from Ormond Beach to Pioneer Trail. We've already got the right-of-way from Pioneer Trail to the U.C. property line. And I've already got it set up so that we have the right-of-way from 44, now that we know where it's going to be, from 44 all the way to 442. So this was the missing link, this is the missing link, and it's so important to the public because if you see what happened in Brevard County. Brevard County has 95 going through there and they have no alternatives, and you see it all the time where on the news 95 is shut down. A crash happens, it's shut down and people can't go anywhere, there's no place to go,

(5-b) Exclusive Road Easement Agreement for Williamson Boulevard Extension (cont.):

there's no way to get around, you saw the same thing happen to us in New Smyrna. The fire that happened at a GEOSAM property, it shut down the interstate and there's nothing to do. Now on top of that you've got a new interstate interchange coming in at Pioneer Trail within five years, probably less. And when that happens that traffic will have to go somewhere, and what's logically going to happen, if you don't have an alternative like this where you can make the north, south traffic going, it's going to go down Sugar Mill, and Sugar Mill's simply not prepared for that and it's not made for that; so that's what we're worried about. So we're trying to plan for the future, I've got to tell you the County's done a great job of planning for the future, the Utilities Commission is stepping up to the plate, and at the same time this provides for the future of the Utilities Commission because now you know where you can design your buildings, where you can put your campus, how it will all flow. So I've got to tell you when I see people working together like this, I love it.

Chairman Holcomb stated right, and I appreciate your help there also Mr. Storch, Mr. Cloud too obviously. The reason we said FDOT didn't come in, it's his due diligence of working through this, you know just again I'm a pretty simple person to like, come on, why is this so tough. Obviously, A to G, there was a lot of little things that took a lot of people to agree on when you go through that many changes or different ideas. So it gives you faith in the process that five bodies, including the public sector, the County, the Utilities Commission, City, FDOT, could actually cooperate because this for me is probably the easiest thing we've done in the six years. This road makes the most sense, it's just one of those you look at it and you go, let's just make sure we do it right, which I have confidence that Ms. Couillard, Mr. Cloud, Mr. Bunch, your team, you guys have done that, and again this isn't something that was just done, thrown together, because it's been a couple of years. So I think it's been a couple of years, and with that said I just need a motion now, right, to approve this.

Commissioner Davenport stated so moved; specifically a motion to approve the Exclusive Road Easement for proposed Williamson Boulevard Extension, subject to New Smyrna Beach City Commission approval of the Agreement.

Chairman Holcomb stated we need a second.

Commissioner Conrad stated I'll second.

Chairman Holcomb requested Mrs. Simmons to call the roll.

Commissioner Davenport's motion then passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

Mr. Cloud stated I'll just close by saying there's two things really lawyers have to do, one's try to give the right advice and the second is pray that our client takes it. And it's really been a pleasure to work for all of you but also to work with you Chairman Holcomb because you actually listen to what people have to say. And you'd be amazed at how often in my life that hasn't been the case and you give your best advice and you just pray that, you know, people are willing to listen to it. I know that this community is in good shape with you being here and I know that we're going to continue to have people like you come to the Commission; and I just wish you the best.

(5-b) Exclusive Road Easement Agreement for Williamson Boulevard Extension (cont.):

Chairman Holcomb stated I appreciate it, it's been a privilege and honor to work with you, learned a lot from you. A lot of history from this guy, he never lets us make a decision without a reference or somewhere in the state of Florida this is what happened, this was done right, this was when it was done wrong. As you just heard in his presentation there, so, again when you have those types of references it's a little easier to take counsel and I appreciate your time and serving with you.

(6) Old Business:

Chairman Holcomb then stated Old Business.

There were no items to consider.

(7) New Business:

Chairman Holcomb stated New Business.

Mr. Bunch stated New Business, Mrs. Simmons correct me if I'm wrong, but I believe 7-a. and 7-b. were taken care of by resolution vote.

Chairman Holcomb stated a. and b. are done, yes.

(7-a) Proposed U.C. Resolution No. 2021-07 – Modifying Rates, Charges and Fees Related to Electric Service:

U.C. Resolution No. 2021-07 was approved at the conclusion of the Final Public Hearing No. 1, at the beginning of the meeting. Commissioner Smith moved to approve Resolution No. 2021-07 revising the U.C.'s rates, charges and fees related to electric service and the resolution will become effective October 1, 2021 and Commissioner Davenport seconded.

(7-b) Proposed U.C. Resolution No. 2021-06 – Modifying Rates, Charges and Fees Related to Water, Wastewater and Reclaimed Water Service:

U.C. Resolution No. 2021-06 was approved at the conclusion of the Final Public Hearing No. 2, at the beginning of the meeting. Commissioner Smith moved to approve Resolution No. 2021-06 revising the U.C.'s rates, charges and fees related to water, wastewater and reclaimed water service and the resolution will become effective October 1, 2021, with additional rates becoming effective October 1, 2022 and October 1, 2023, with Commissioner Davenport seconding the motion.

(7-c) Risk Management Insurance Coverage for FY2023:

Mr. Bunch stated okay, that takes us to 7-c., Ms. Beck is going to talk a little bit about risk management insurance coverage.

Ms. Beck addressed the Commission and stated okay, so last month I had before you, health

(7-c) Risk Management Insurance Coverage for FY2023 (cont.):

care insurance renewals and this month I have before you risk management insurance renewals. So for the new fiscal year, starting October 1 of this year through September 30th of 2022, I have before you our recommended insurance coverages through the Florida Municipal Insurance Trust, FMIT. For property, crime, general liability, professional, inland marine, auto and workers compensation. We're looking at a total premium this year, for the coming year, of \$487,578. That is representative of about a 20% premium increase. The main driver of that premium increase was the 12% rate increase that the FMIT board approved across all entities. We were previously on a two-year rate guarantee, so we didn't actually have that impact us until this year which is when it expires. And that rate increase was approved to help cover the cost of re-insurance. I'm not going to go through it tonight, but I did include an article that kind of gives some insight into that in your packet. Some additional factors that affect our premiums are of course increase in insured value, so property, we have redone New Smyrna Sub. and South Beach Pumping Station, new vehicles, new equipment, that's going to increase our property values. And then our increased payroll for workers' compensation and that was a 4% increase from last year.

Ms. Beck continued, and then I also have on here our contractor's pollution liability coverage through CHUBB. I don't have the formal renewal yet, but I've estimated on the high end what the renewal may be based on previous years' renewal. And that's there for you at \$15,132, if it happens to come in above that we'll put in for ratification at next month's meeting. So unless there's any questions?

Chairman Holcomb stated Commission Smith?

Commissioner Smith asked do we have flood insurance on properties?

Ms. Beck stated we do have flood insurance.

Commissioner Smith stated is this included in this?

Ms. Beck stated that's separate from this.

Commissioner Smith stated separate, okay.

Chairman Holcomb stated any other questions?

Commissioner Conrad stated no.

Chairman Holcomb then stated looking for a motion?

Ms. Beck stated I'm looking for a motion to approve the insurances.

Chairman Holcomb stated okay, need a motion to approve.

(7-c) Risk Management Insurance Coverage for FY2023 (cont.):

Commissioner Smith stated so moved; specifically a motion to approve the continuance of risk management insurance coverages for Fiscal Year 2022, with the listed carriers/coverages in the summary section of the agenda item (Florida Municipal Insurance Trust – FMIT and CHUBB), in the amount of \$487,578 for FMIT and estimated high end premium amount of \$15,132 for CHUBB.

Chairman Holcomb stated need a second.

Commissioner Davenport stated second.

Commissioner Smith's motion then passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

(8) Possible Other Business – Time for Commissioners:

(8-a) Presentation – Appreciation for Honorable Service – Jack Holcomb
(Proposed U.C. Resolution No. 2021-09):

Item moved up for consideration and presentation at the beginning of the Regular U.C. Meeting.

(8) Possible Other Business – Time for Commissioners (cont.):

Chairman Holcomb stated Time for Commissioners, anything to say, Commissioner Smith?

Commissioner Smith stated out of respect, this is your last meeting, I'm not going to raise any issues.

Chairman Holcomb laughed and added I appreciate that. Commissioner Davenport?

Commissioner Davenport stated Chairman, it's been great serving with you, had some good times up here and learned an awful lot sitting up here together in the last, I've been five years, you're six, you arrived before I did.

Chairman Holcomb stated yes.

Commissioner Davenport continued, I really appreciate your leadership and the things I've learned from you, thank you very much.

Chairman Holcomb stated appreciate it, adding it's been a privilege. Commissioner Conrad?

Commissioner Conrad stated I would echo Commissioner Davenport.

Chairman Holcomb stated thank you, I appreciate it. For me it's goodbye but I'll see you guys in town and like I told Mr. Bunch, you know, we're connected now. I'm always here to help the community, and just like Mr. Resheidat and the Mayor would sit here and tell you, there's a lot of projects that we talk about, I think sometimes just as a sounding board to be

(8) Possible Other Business – Time for Commissioners (cont.):

fair. Not just always where it benefits you in the decision but having a perspective. But also, I've forgotten somebody, Mrs. Simmons has been here for the six years with me, and I think about her job and different CEO's and the counsel and the Commissioners and all the, you know, the fun she gets to get in the middle of. So Mrs. Simmons I appreciate all of your help, I could always send her an email, ask a question, she would you know, it's always nice to not have to ask the question up here, being able to get the answer there. And I appreciate that, I know you've been here quite a while, I appreciate you; I just wanted to say it before I left. Mr. Bunch I think you've assembled one heck of a team, I'm excited that you have the money in place, the plan in place, and the team. You know all I have is, hire good people, get the heck out of the way, and that's what I'm going to do when this meeting is adjourned, I'm getting the heck out of the way.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the Regular U.C. Meeting closed at 4:01 p.m.

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