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# **AGENDA ITEM V.**

## Meeting Summary



August 19, 2008  
1:30 p.m.  
Rescheduled 8/26/08



Tampa Union Station, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
601 N. Nebraska Avenue  
Tampa, FL 33602  
272-5940

**Hillsborough River Technical Advisory Council**  
Meeting Summary

Present

Peter Owens\*                      Suzanne Cooper\*  
Miller Dowdy\*                    Joe Gross x  
Thalia Potter\*                    Sylvia Espinola\*  
Tom Willett                        Richard Booth\*  
Kathleen Venzon                Chris Stiens  
Shawn College                  Robert Carnahan\*  
Samantha Fenger                Towanda Anthony

Absent

Ben Koplín x  
Renee Benton\*  
Ralph Lair\*  
Charles Kovach\*  
Charles Schnepel\*  
Mario Cabana x

\* Denotes TAC Members                      \*\* Denotes Alternates  
xDenotes Staff Ex Officio Members

I. Call To Order

TAC Vice Chair Peter Owens called the meeting to order at 1:37 p.m.

II. Roll Call

A quorum was present.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

The TAC joined in the pledge of allegiance.

IV. Moment of Contemplation

The TAC observed a moment of silent contemplation.

V. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes – 6/17/08

A motion was made by Mrs. Potter to approve the minutes of 6/17/08. This motion was seconded by Mr. Dowdy. The minutes were approved unanimously.

VI. City of Tampa, River Overlay

Mrs. Fenger described the proposed waterfront lot regulation changes for the City of Tampa. Included in these changes is a setback of 30 feet. Mr. Gross asked how many non-conforming lots this would create. Mrs. Fenger stated she did not know but would research the question. Mrs. Espinola asked about lots, that because of their small area, could not conform. Mrs. Fenger stated that they would be eligible for a variance. Mr. Gross stated that enforcement could be an issue if there were many non-conforming lots, and not knowing the current survey of each property. Mrs. Espinola suggested that the rules should be more defined. Mrs. Espinola motioned that a letter be sent to City Council requesting additional information. This motion was seconded by Mr. Dowdy and was passed unanimously.

The TAC asked that the River Consolidated Plan be available on the website. The TAC asked that Dock Rules be placed on the agenda for next month. The TAC asked that Tampa's proposed waterfront lot regulation changes be placed on the agenda for next month, and that we invite Mrs. Coyle, from City Staff to attend to answer questions from the TAC.

VII. Control Gate at Sulpher Springs

Mr. College explained that the presenter for this item could not attend, and that this item would be rescheduled for a future meeting.

### VIII. Update on Cruise-a-Cade

Mr. College explained that it is his understanding that the legal proceedings regarding Cruise-a-cade are ongoing, and that there is no resolution expected in the near term.

### IX. Consistency Determination – Tampa Port Authority Minor Work Permit Applications:

#### a. No. 08-018, Fernandez

Mrs. Potter questioned why property owners on the opposite side of the river were not notified, since docks can be a visual impact.

The TAC found this permit consistent with the River Consolidated Plan.

#### b. No. 08-103, Houchin/Mayo

The TAC found this permit consistent with the River Consolidated Plan.

### X. Status of Hillsborough River Flows and Levels

It was noted that a significant amount of water was now flowing over the dam due to the summer rains.

Mr. Owens asked about the status of the impairments of the River. Mr. College stated that Mrs. Greening from the Tampa Bay Estuary Program was coming to a future meeting to discuss this issue.

### XI. Notice of Upcoming Hillsborough River Related Events

No Items were identified or discussed.

### X. Agency Status Reports

There were no reports on this item.

### XI. Jurisdictional Status Reports

Mr. Gross discussed the upcoming Temple Terrace River Task Force Meeting.

### XII. Other Business

The TAC asked that the next agenda include an item on developing a clearing house of contacts for river issues.

The TAC declined to have a presentation on TBARTA due to the busy schedule of issues needing attention.