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Re: Objections to Charlotte County FLUM Amendments
PA -08-11-43-LS; PA-08-11-45-LS and PA-08-05-29-LS

Dear Department of Community Affairs and Charlotte County:

The above-referenced plan amendments are “not in compliance” based on the following:

PA-08-11-43-LS, PA-08-11-45-LS and PA-08-05-29-LS

(1) Failure to meet statutory notice requirements. Pursuant to 163.3184(15) (e) Florida Statutes,

*“(e) If the proposed comprehensive plan or plan amendment changes the actual list of permitted, conditional, or prohibited uses within a future land use category or changes the actual future land use map designation of a parcel or parcels of land, the **required advertisements** shall be in the format prescribed by s. **125.66(4)(b) 2. for a county**”*

As set forth in 125.66(4) (b) (2) Florida Statutes for a county, the two required public hearings **must include a geographic map of the subject area:**

*“2. The **required** advertisements shall be no less than 2 columns wide by 10 inches long in a standard size or a tabloid size newspaper, and the headline in the advertisement shall be in a type no smaller than 18 point. The advertisement shall not be placed in that portion of the newspaper where legal notices and classified advertisements appear. The advertisement shall be placed in a newspaper of general paid circulation in the county and of general interest and readership in the community pursuant to chapter 50, not one of limited subject matter. It is the legislative intent that, whenever possible, the advertisement shall appear in a newspaper that is published at least 5 days a week unless the only newspaper in*

the community is published less than 5 days a week. The advertisement shall be in substantially the following form:

NOTICE OF (TYPE OF) CHANGE

The (name of local governmental unit) proposes to adopt the following by ordinance or resolution: (title of ordinance or resolution).

A public hearing on the ordinance or resolution will be held on (date and time) at (meeting place).

*Except for amendments which change the actual list of permitted, conditional, or prohibited uses within a zoning category, the **advertisement shall contain a geographic location map which clearly indicates the area within the local government covered by the proposed ordinance** or resolution. The map shall include major street names as a means of identification of the general area.”*

Charlotte County has continually failed to include the geographic location map as required by Florida Statute. See attached notices.

It is difficult, if not impossible, for the general public to understand the geographic extent of FLUM amendments that address thousands of acres from a single street address. This violates the specific legislative intent of the statutory notice requirements. Persons reading the newspaper should be able to view a map of the area in question to determine when they read the notice whether or not they have any environmental or neighborhood planning concerns and whether they should review the application(s), appear at public meetings and/or provide written comments. Public participation should be encouraged and the cost of including a geographic map is a small price to pay to ensure wider public knowledge and increased public participation in the planning and growth management process.

PA-08-11-45-LS

Charlotte County Comprehensive Plan Policy 2.2.18.f contains the submittal requirements for applications seeking the MRE designation and is unambiguous when it requires that certain standards be met when, and if an amendment is sought to this designation;

“Any person applying for this designation must submit:

- 1. A concept plan showing the approximate boundaries of any area(s) that would be excavated, along with the probable size, shape, and depth of the excavation area(s), recharge trenches and settling ponds.*
- 2. A map of all man-made features on the site and within 500 feet of the site.*
- 3. A survey of wetlands on the site and a map showing approximate locations of wetlands and other water features within ½ mile of the site, as applicable; discuss how a proposed excavation will not be a detriment to those resources.*
- 4. A discussion of quality of life issues, in particular, the affect of a proposed excavation upon the health, safety and welfare of residents within 2,640 feet (1/2 mile) of the site.*

Petition PA-08-11-45-LS seeks to amend the Future Land Use Map (FLUM) from Agricultural to Mineral Resource Extraction (MRE) for ten properties totaling approximately 3,754.26 acres in area. In this petition, staff repeats numerous times the

statement that, information which is otherwise required as a part of the review of large scale amendment proposals is: *“Not Required - county initiated petition.”* Apparently, the county staff feels that because they are initiating this proposed large scale amendment, they are not held to the same standards that apply to anyone else that proposes similar amendments.

Additionally staff has taken the position in the staff report, that because there are existing mining permits on these properties, there is no need to submit adequate information in support of a proposal to amend the Future Land Use Map designation of those properties.

Specifically, in response to item 21 “MRE Submittal Requirements;” which list the four submittal requirements for *“Any person applying for this designation...”*, staff responds as follows:

“These have not been included with this amendment because the subject properties of this plan amendment have already been given mining permits; it is redundant and unwarranted to discuss them at this stage.”

There is nothing in Policy 2.2.18.f, nor anywhere else in the Charlotte Comprehensive Plan or Florida Statutes that allows the County to fail to comply with its submittal requirements or exempts it from providing the required information when proposing to amend the Future Land Designation to MRE by any person, regardless of the existing uses on the properties. The question is whether Mineral Resource Extraction is an appropriate use on the individual properties for which the amendment is proposed. Policy 2.2.18.f anticipates that based on improved knowledge of potential direct, indirect and cumulative impacts currently available to decision makers, it is entirely warranted to discuss them at this stage, and indeed the County has an obligation to do so.

Please find the plan amendments not in compliance, require both proper notice and remedial amendments further addressing these valid, planning concerns.

Sincerely,

Steven Brown
Conservancy of SW Florida, Inc.

Cc: Nicole Ryan, Conservancy of Southwest Florida
Jennifer Hecker, Conservancy of Southwest Florida
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR ONE OR MORE CHANGES TO THE FOLLOWING MATTERS: PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP AND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ELEMENTS, DEVELOPMENTS OF REGIONAL IMPACT OR CHANGES THERETO, REZONINGS, PRELIMINARY PLATS, STREET AND PLAT VACATIONS

A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSALS AND PETITIONS AS DESCRIBED BELOW WILL BE CONDUCTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AT A REGULAR MEETING ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2009, AT 9:00 A.M. OR AS SOON THEREAFTER AS THE MATTER MAY BE HEARD DURING THE COURSE OF ACTION. THE HEARING WILL BE HELD IN COMMISSION CHAMBERS, ROOM 119, FIRST FLOOR, BUILDING A, THE CHARLOTTE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION CENTER, 18500 MURDOCK CIRCLE, PORT CHARLOTTE, FLORIDA. THE BOARD IS NOT BOUND TO CONSIDER THE PETITIONS IN THE ORDER LISTED IN THIS NOTICE. ANY OF THESE PETITIONS MAY BE CONSIDERED AS SOON AS THE MEETING COMMENCES.

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PETITIONS

NC-08-11-04

Legislative Commission Dist. II
Charlotte County Growth Management Department. Addressing Section, has received a request from applicant Kevin McKayton to re-name a portion of one street in Jacks Replat of LaVilla Subdivision. The street, more particularly described as the northern portion of Scott Street commencing at the intersection of Marion Avenue, running northerly, to the south end property line of lots 0008 and 0020 at Jacks Replat of LaVilla Subdivision, has been requested to be renamed to Landings Way. The aforementioned street is located in Jacks Replat of LaVilla Subdivision, as recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 62 of the Public Records of Charlotte County, Florida. This street is located in Section 05 of Township 41 South, Range 24 East, in Commission District II.

PA-08-05-29-1S

Legislative Commission District IV
Pursuant to Section 163.3184(3), Florida Statutes, adopt a Large Scale Plan Amendment to amend the Charlotte County 1997-2010 Comprehensive Plan to 1) expand the Urban Service Area, 2) reduce the Urban Service Area elsewhere on the site to protect environmentally sensitive lands and change the Charlotte County Future Land Use Map from Low Density Residential to Preservation; 3) change the Charlotte County Future Land Use Map from Low Density Residential to Commercial Center, Commercial Corridor, Recreational Vehicle Park, and Low Density Residential to Compact Growth Mixed Use (CGMU) Type I; and 4) add an appendix to the Future Land Use Element to declare: a) a base density of 1,830 units, of which no more than 978 units shall be permitted within the Coastal High Hazard Area, b) a maximum density of 3,962 units, and c) a maximum Floor Area Ratio (FAR) of 0.0292 for the development site. For property located east of SR 776 and CR 771, north of Delamere Boulevard and Marathon Boulevard, west of Butterford Waterway, and south of the Myakka River, in the Englewood area, containing 1,187± acres; Commission District IV, Petition No. PA-08-05-29-1S; applicant: Dennis Fullenkamp.

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Do you have a consumer issue or problem? Contact IN YOUR CORNER c/o The Sun, 23170 Harborview Road, Port Charlotte, FL 33980 or e-mail inyourcorner@sun-herald.com. Read archived columns at www.sunnewspapers.net under "News Features."

EW: Shop celebrates

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For more information or to make an appoint- ment, contact Sophie Kaminsky at 941-423-3588 or stop by her shop at 14524 Tamiami Trail.

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PA-08-05-30-1S

Legislative Commission District III and IV

Pursuant to Section 163.3187(1)(c), Florida Statutes, adopt a Large Scale Plan Amendment to amend the Transportation Element of the 1997-2010 Charlotte County Comprehensive Plan, by the addition of 1) a map identifying those roadways designated as the Lemon Bay/Myakka Trail Scenic Highway, 2) corresponding language adding discussion of this designation to Chapter 2 Section III, and 3) a new Objective and Policy supporting the efforts of the Scenic Highway Corridor Management Entity; Commission District III and IV; Petition No. PA-08-05-30-1S; Applicant: Charlotte County Board of County Commissioners.

Legislative Commission District III

SV-08-06-12

Bernard Bruns has applied for a Street Vacation to vacate an un-named six foot (6') alley between Lot 3 and Lot 4 of Block 4 of Bay Heights subdivision as recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 79 of the Public Records of Charlotte County, Florida. The site is bounded on the northeast by Bay Street, on the northwest by Lot 3, on the southeast by Lot 4, and on the south by Lemon Bay. The six foot wide alley is 174.6 feet long, and consists of 1,047.57 square feet or 0.024 acres, located in Section 6, Township 41, Range 20, in Commission District III.

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PETITIONS

PA-08-11-41
Legislative
An Ordinance pursuant to Section 163.3187(1)(C), Florida Statutes, for an amendment to the Future Land Use Map of the Charlotte County Comprehensive Plan from High Density Residential to Commercial Corridor, for property located at 1010 Lavilla Road, in the Punta Gorda area, containing 0.85± acres; Commission District II; Petition No. PA-08-11-41; applicant: Mario Lopez.

Z-08-11-42
Quasi-Judicial
An Ordinance pursuant to Section 125.66 and 166.41, Florida Statutes, amending the Charlotte County Zoning Atlas from Residential Multi-family 10 (RMF-10) to Office, Medical, and Institutional (OMI), for property located at 1010 Lavilla Road, in the Punta Gorda area, containing 0.85± acres; Commission District II; Petition No. Z-08-11-42; applicant: Mario Lopez.

PA-08-11-43-LS
Legislative
Pursuant to Section 163.3184(3), Florida Statutes, transmit a Large Scale Plan Amendment to the Department of Community Affairs for an Objections, Recommendations, and Comments Report; the amendment request is to change the Future Land Use Map from Agriculture to Mineral Resource Extraction for property located north of Belmont Road, south of the DeSoto County line, east of Duncan Road (US 17), and west of SR 31, containing 140.71± acres, in the East County Planning District; Commission District I; Petition No. PA-08-11-43-LS; Applicant: George and Christina Davis.

Z-08-01-12
Quasi-Judicial
An Ordinance pursuant to Section 125.66 and 166.41, Florida Statutes, amending the Charlotte County Zoning Atlas from Residential Single-Family 3.5 (RSF-3.5) to Commercial General (CG), for property located at 525 Bowman Terrace, in the Fort Charlotte area, containing 12.42± acres; Commission District IV; Petition No. Z-08-01-12; Applicant: SW Florida Commercial Group, LLC.

Z-07-11-84
Quasi-Judicial
An Ordinance pursuant to Section 125.66 and 166.41, Florida Statutes, amending the Charlotte County Zoning Atlas from Residential Multi-family 5 (RMF-5) to Commercial General (CG), for property located at 8399, 8389, and 8379 Cypress Road, in the Englewood area, containing 15.76± acres; Commission District III; Petition No. Z-07-11-84; Applicant: Jerry and Kristina Paul.

Z-05-05-29
Quasi-Judicial
An Ordinance pursuant to Section 125.66 and 166.41, Florida Statutes, amending the Charlotte County Zoning Atlas from Agriculture Estate (AE) and Residential Single-Family 3.5 (RSF-3.5) to Commercial General (CG), for property located at 2351 and 3011 Duncan Road, in the Punta Gorda area, containing 17.11± acres; Commission District I; Petition No. Z-05-05-29; Applicant: American Services of SW FL Inc.

Grove City Community Plan
Legislative
Pursuant to Objective 2.9 (Community Planning) of the Future Land Use Element of the 1997-2010 Comprehensive Plan, a public presentation is being made by the Growth Management Department and the Grove City Planning Committee regarding the Grove City Community Plan. The Grove City Community Planning Committee is seeking acceptance of the Community Plan and formation of the Grove City Advisory Board by the County.





Happy 9th birthday to Cheyenne Lufkin on her special day Dec. 25.



Happy 16th birthday to Hannah Rigatti on her special day Dec. 31.

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Grove City Community Plan **Legislative** **Commission District III**
Pursuant to Objective 2.9 (Community Planning) of the Future Land Use Element of the 1997-2010 Comprehensive Plan, a public presentation is being made by the Growth Management Department and the Grove City Planning Committee regarding the Grove City Community Plan. The Grove City Community Planning Committee is seeking acceptance of the Community Plan and formation of the Grove City Advisory Board by the County.

Amend Sec. 3-9.5.1 **Quasi-Judicial** **Countywide**
An ordinance amending Chapter 3-9 of the Code of Laws and Ordinances of Charlotte County, Florida, by amending Section 3-9.5.1 Site Plan Approval, by renaming the section, redefining and reorganizing the applicability, initiation, application requirements, preliminary and final site plan review, providing for conflict with other ordinances, providing severability, and providing an effective date; Commission Districts I, II, III, IV and V; applicant Charlotte County Board of Commissioners.

PV 08-11-17 **Legislative** **Commission District II**
Cesna, LLC has applied for a Plat Vacation for a portion of Solona Subdivision, namely Parcel P2 of Block A, and Lots 1, 2 and 7 of Block 6 along with the 66' wide right of way between Lot 7 of Block 6 and Parcel P2 of Block A known as Acacia Street, as recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 5 of the Public Records of Charlotte County, Florida. The site is located in Section 33, Township 40, Range 23 and consists of 3.16 acres, more or less, in Commission District II.

PP 06-07-05 **Quasi-Judicial** **Commission District I**
Mr. Todd Heldt, Project Manager for Palmetto Plantation, has requested a one-year extension of the preliminary plat for Palmetto Plantation. Preliminary Plat approval was granted by the Board of County Commissioners on October 17, 2006 with six (6) conditions. The preliminary approval was for 89 residential lots and a clubhouse. The site, consisting of 25.62 acres ±, located in Sections 25 & 26, Township 40 south, Range 23 East lies north of Riverside Drive, east of the Seaboard Coastline Railroad right-of-way, south and southeast of Shell Creek, and west of a drainage ditch and residential property in Commission District I. The original applicant, Argosy Advisors, LLC is no longer involved in the project, and the new owner, Palmetto Plantation LLC and Palmetto Plantation Punta Gorda, LLC has taken over the project.

PA-08-11-45-1S **Legislative** **Commission District I**
Pursuant to Section 163.3184(3), Florida Statutes, transmit a Large Scale Plan Amendment to the Department of Community Affairs for an Objections, Recommendations, and Comments report, amending the Charlotte County Future Land Use Map from Agriculture to Mining and Resource Extraction, for property located in the East County Planning District, containing 4083.93± acres; Commission District I; Petition No. PA-08-11-45-1S; applicant: Charlotte County Board of County Commissioners.

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he said, "And it just wasn't there this year."

And because the district itself was faced this year with \$7 million to \$8 million in budget cuts, Whittaker said the district isn't in a position to cover the cost of the carnival, which is traditionally held at Charlotte Sports Park.

"We decided — just for this year — to not conduct the extravaganza," he said. "We're going to try and come back next year and pick it back up, so this is just a one-year postponement."

But parents shouldn't worry.

The Cultural Center of Charlotte County, at 2280 Aaron St., has stepped up to the plate, as center marketing manager Donna Barrett said the need for it in the community is great.

"This year, moreso than any year in the past, our community has been affected by the economy, and an event like this is just needed," she said.

"It's very exciting, and it really is an honor to be able to put on this event for the community."

While the focus of the event is giving away school supplies, the center's Inaugural Back to School Carnival, set for Aug. 9 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., will also feature face painting, carnival games and the Tampa Bay Rays' Street Team.

AAA and the Charlotte County Sheriff's Office will be on hand to talk about bicycle safety and other programs, and members of the Lions Club will offer free eye screenings.

Charlotte County's Family Services Center will also be offering free immunizations — while supplies last — as well as free physicals throughout the carnival.

The center has even arranged for some local barbers and hairstylists to be on site for free haircuts.

"If there is one family that can start off the new school year without the stress of not having their child prepared for school,

this is all worth it," Barrett said.

And while the event has really taken off since planning began, Barrett said the center is still looking for donations.

So far, more than \$6,000 has been donated, with another \$4,000 in donated supplies. This is enough to give school kits to at least 1,000 students, officials say.

Last year's event, which drew about 8,000 people, provided approximately 3,100 supply packs to students.

Volunteers, Barrett said, are also needed, with a special call going out to licensed beauticians, hairstylists and nurses.

To participate in the carnival, Barrett said attendees must bring identification to prove they are Charlotte County residents. The center asks that each adult bring no more than three children.

For more information about the carnival, call Donna Barrett at 941-625-4175, ext. 253. E-mail: psstahk@sun-herald.com

DISTRICT: Candidates bring diversity

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used in Tennessee, to attract companies to Murdock Village.

"What are we willing to give so we can get?" Sinclair said. "I would like my children to have good

ees and fewer monogrammed shirts bearing the county emblem on county workers' backs.

Instead, he'd prefer to see staff reduced through attrition rather than

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PETITIONS

PA-07-11-88

Legislative Commission District V
An Ordinance pursuant to Section 163.318(1)(C), Florida Statutes, adopting a Small Scale Plan Amendment to the Charlotte County Future Land Use Map from Medium Density Residential to Parks and Recreation for 3.6 acres, and to Preservation for 3.3 acres, for property located at 4368 and 4336 Lister Street, or 4399 and 4331 Willow Street, in the Port Charlotte area, Florida, containing 6.3+ acres; Commission District V; Petition No. PA-07-11-88; Applicant: Charlotte County Board of County Commissioners.

PA-08-05-29-LS

Legislative Commission District IV
Pursuant to Section 163.3184(3), Florida Statutes, transmit a Large-Scale Plan Amendment to the Department of Community Affairs for an Objections, Recommendations, and Comments report; the request is to amend the Charlotte County 1997-2010 Comprehensive Plan to: 1) expand the Urban Service Area including approval of an increase in density per the Transfer of Density Units ordinance; 2) change the Future Land Use Map from Preservation, Public Lands & Facilities, Commercial Center, Commercial Corridor, Recreational Vehicle Park, and Low Density Residential to Compact Growth Mixed Use Type I; 3) add an appendix to the Future Land Use Element to declare both a maximum density and maximum FAR to which the desired project will be developed; 4) revise the Capital Improvement Element to update the CIP with improvements to surrounding roadways; for property located east of SR 776 and CR 771, north Englewood Boulevard and Marathon Boulevard, west of Butlerford Waterway, and south of the Myakka River, in the Fullenkamp.

PA-08-05-30-LS

Legislative Commission District III and IV
Pursuant to Section 163.3184(3), Florida Statutes, transmit a Large Scale Plan Amendment to the Department of Community Affairs for an Objections, Recommendations, and Comments report; the request is to amend the Transportation Element of the 1997-2010 Charlotte County Comprehensive Plan by the addition of a map identifying those roadways designated as the Lemon Bay/Myakka Trail Scenic Highway, as well as corresponding language adding discussion of this designation to Chapter 2 Section III, and a new Objective supporting the efforts of the Scenic Highway Corridor Management Entity; Commission District III and IV; Petition No. PA-08-05-30-LS; Applicant: Charlotte County Board of County Commissioners.

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our community has been affected by the economy, and an event like this is just needed," she said.

that can start off the new school year without the stress of not having their child prepared for school,

about the carnival, call Donna Barrett at 941-625-4175, ext. 253. E-mail: pstalk@sun-herald.com

DISTRICT: Candidates bring diversity

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August primary will face Democrat Percy Angelo, 32, in the Nov. 4 general election. A retired lawyer, Angelo serves on the Lemon Bay Conservancy board.

The Republican candidates weighed in on Murdock Village, the budget and taxes:

As his term draws near expiration, District 3 incumbent Moore considers Murdock Village "a problem that is about to start to go away."

He expects plans for the village to be completed that will include breaking the property up into commercial and residential sections. Challenges will include keeping the design and purpose consistent as the area is developed, he said.

Skidmore is opposed to the concept of county as developer, but said he hopes as commissioner to attract businesses to Murdock Village by offering incentives. Sinclair said he'd like to explore the concept of giving land away, an idea

ees and fewer monogrammed shirts bearing the county emblem on county workers' backs.

Instead, he'd prefer to see staff reduced through attrition rather than firing, to avoid despair.

"There are things we're bidding out that can be done locally or in-house," Sinclair said.

On the issue of real estate taxes, Sinclair said new residents are at a disadvantage since they cannot take advantage of tax portability.

"There's a lot of things off skew," Sinclair said. Moore defended the county's move in raising the millage rate, saying it allows flexibility to lower it between now and the end of September.

"We are not raising the taxes. We raised the millage rate," he said. Skidmore had a different view.

"Call it an MSBU, a permit fee or a user fee. At the end of the day, they're all taxes," Skidmore said. "We have to live within our means. That's what the government should do."

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PA-08-05-30-1-S

Legislative

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PA-08-05-31-1-S

Legislative

Commission District IV

Pursuant to Section 163.3184(3), Florida Statutes, transmit a Large Scale Future Land Use Map Amendment to the Department of Community Affairs for an Objections, Recommendations, and Comments Report; the request is to change the Charlotte County Future Land Use Map from Low Density Residential to RV Park, for property located north of the Myakka River, south and east of the Riverwood Development of Regional Impact, and west of S.R. 776, in the El Jobean Area, containing 23,33± acres; Commission District IV; Petition No. PA-08-05-31-LS; Applicant: Myakka-El Jobean Properties LLC.

PA-08-07-32

Legislative

Commission District V

An Ordinance pursuant to Section 163.3187(XC), Florida Statutes, adopting a Small Scale Plan Amendment to the Charlotte County Future Land Use Map from Commercial Corridor to US 41 Overlay Mixed Use, for property located at 2500 Aaron Street, in the Port Charlotte area, Florida, containing 3,24± acres; Commission District V; Petition No. PA-08-07-32; Applicant: 2500 Aaron, LLC.

Revisions to U.S. 41 Zoning District Overlay (Boundary only)

Legislative

Commission District IV and V

An ordinance amending Charlotte County Code, Section 3-9-52, U.S. 41 Zoning District Overlay, extending the existing U.S. 41 Zoning District Overlay boundary to include property located at 525 Bowman Terrace, and properties located southeast of Olean Boulevard, northwest of Tamiant Trail (U.S. 41), and west of Harbor Boulevard, in the Port Charlotte area; Commission District IV and V; applicant: the Charlotte County Board of County Commissioners.

SV-08-06-12

Legislative

Commission District III

Bernard Bruns has applied for a Street Vacation to vacate an un-named six foot (6') alley between Lot 3 and Lot 4 of Block 4 of Bay Heights subdivision as recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 79 of the Public Records of Charlotte County, Florida. The site is bounded on the northeast by Bay Street, on the northwest by Lot 3, on the southeast by Lot 4, and on the south by Lemon Bay. The six foot wide alley is 174.6 feet long, and consists of 1,047.57 square feet or 0.024 acres, located in Section 6, Township 41, Range 20, in Commission District III.

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City Council reviewing three requests for upcoming events

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event and allows you to speak briefly to the group.
For more information or to reserve a spot at the next Breakfast Club meeting, call 941-423-5040, or fax your name, name of you business and e-mail address to 941-423-5042.
Email: annek@sun-herald.com.

Labor Day closings

STAFF REPORT

Charlotte County administration offices, the Charlotte County Justice Center and Punta Gorda City Hall will be closed today for the Labor Day holiday.

Local banks, schools, post offices and libraries will be closed. Mail will not be delivered, except for express mail. Edison State College will be closed; this includes all areas of the Charlotte Campus including the Vernon Peoples Learning Resource Center, the bookstore and YMCA Fitness Center. The Charlotte County Landfill on Zemel Road in Punta Gorda will be open 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. All other Charlotte County Solid Waste offices, including both mini-transfer and recycling facilities, will be closed. Waste Management customers will receive their regularly scheduled garbage pickups.

The city of Punta Gorda does not collect trash on Mondays. Punta Gorda city offices will be closed. Florida's Blood Center will be open to take donations, as well as serving hot dogs. The editorial offices of the Sun will be open all day, but business offices will be closed except for circulation calls between 7 a.m. and 10 a.m. The Punta Gorda office will be closed. The kiosk at the Port Charlotte Town Center mall will be open regular hours. The kiosk, near the food court, is open for all services. For more closings, see the community calendars Page 2.