

**MAYOR-ELECT JERRY L. DEMINGS
TRANSITION TEAM
SUSTAINABILITY AND GROWTH COMMITTEE
Orange County Administration Center
Room #105 1st Floor
Friday, September 28, 2018
12:00 p.m.**

I. Call to Order and Opening Remarks (5 minutes) – Ken LaRoe, Chair

Sustainability – Not good enough!

Educate and Influence – Very, very few people on either side of the isle really understand environmental issues. Therefore, we should approach this project from the perspective that we have to educate and influence all stakeholders if there is any chance of being able to accomplish our objectives.

Its the Region stupid! - Mayor Elect Demings has a tremendous opportunity to work with the City of Orlando to take Orange County to the forefront of environmental stewardship. This should be a regional initiative that should include all the counties in the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council. In fact, they have greenlighted the formation of the Central Florida Resiliency Collaborative.

Branding - Change the name of the subcommittee to Sustainability and Resiliency or better yet, Environmental Regeneration and Resiliency? Branding is everything. We need to convey that Mayor Elect Demings is serious about this. Let's make this the greenest county in America!

II. Public Comment (5 minutes)

III. Introduce Committee Members (10 minutes)

Each committee member introduce themselves and articulate their reasoning for serving on the committee and what they would like to accomplish. There is no way we can present an impactful and cogent position paper to the Mayor Elect in 60 days if we don't divide and conquer.

IV. Introduce Staff and Explanation of Organization Chart (10 minutes)

–Assistant County Administrators

V. “Our Home for Life” Sustainability Plan Overview (10 minutes)

–Alan Marshall, Assistant to the Director, CEDS

VI. Planning for Growth and Regulatory Updates Overview (10 min)

- Tim Maslow, Chief Planner, Planning Division

VII. Process Discussion (30 min)

Steps

1. **Current Assessment** – The committee should divide and meet with county staff who head each department that has direct impact on all elements of sustainability and determine what is being done presently. The departments include: Capital Projects, Facilities Management, Fleet Management, Procurement, Assistant County Administrator, Roads and Drainage, Stormwater Management, Community Environmental and Development Services, Code Enforcement, Environmental Protection, Housing and Community Development, Parks and Recreation, Planning, Transportation Planning, Zoning, Utilities, Engineering, Solid Waste, Water and Water Reclamation. Mayor Elect Demings would like us to look within this structure to create the Office of Sustainability and Resilience within existing resources and recommend a structure that clearly puts someone “on point” to ensure success of the program.

We should collect and report any metrics, KPIs and achievements. The Sustainable Orange County Plan appears to be a platitude and outcomes or achievements are not reported. As an example, the County’s plan calls for a PACE (Property Assessed Clean Energy) and SELF (Solar Energy Loan Fund) programs yet neither program was done.

2. **Determine Gaps** – Based upon the assessment, we need to look at the gaps between what the county is doing and what can be done. Comparison and collaboration with the City are essential. A comparison with other jurisdictions would be germane.
3. **Recommendations** – After the assessment and analysis are performed, the committee should issue recommendations for the first 100 days, first year then long term. As an example there are now ISO standards for sustainable cities and communities. The City of Orlando has also developed a comprehensive plan that we should flagrantly plagiarize.

Short Term Objectives – First 100 days.

- Form an Office of Environmental Regeneration and Resiliency. Ideal structure would be a director who reports to both the Mayor and the County Administrator and a minimum of 3 support staff.
- Put together comprehensive plan.
 - Become carbon neutral in all county operations by 2025
 - Reduce land fill waste by 30% by 2021
 - Create industrial scale composting facility by?

Mid Term Objectives – Within 2 years.

Long Term Objectives – In first term and beyond.

VIII. Upcoming Meetings (5 min)

IX. Adjournment

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