SUMMARY MINUTES
BROWARD COUNTY PLANNING COUNCIL
AUGUST 27, 2026

Members Present:	Thomas H. DiGiorgio, Jr., Chair City of Pembroke Pines Mayor Angelo Castillo, Vice Chair City of Tamarac Mayor Michelle J. Gomez, Secretary Ms. Jessica Abramson City of West Park Mayor Felicia Brunson Broward County Commissioner Lamar P. Fisher (via CMT) Mr. Adam M. Geller (via CMT) Ms. Ryann Greenberg City of Pompano Beach Mayor Rex Hardin (via CMT) City of Plantation Councilmember Denise Appleby Horland City of Hollywood Mayor Josh Levy City of Oakland Park Commissioner Letitia Newbold (via CMT) City of Coconut Creek Commissioner Jackie Railey (via CMT) Mr. David Rosenof (via CMT) City of Sunrise Mayor Michael J. Ryan (via CMT) School Board Member Dr. Allen Zeman
Members Absent:	Dr. Mireidy Fernandez
Also Present:	Barbara Blake Boy, Executive Director Andy Maurodis, Legal Counsel Karen Pannell, Real Time Reporter

A meeting of the Broward County Planning Council was held on Thursday, August 27, 2026, at 10:00 a.m., in Room 422 of the Broward County Governmental Center, Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

The meeting quorum and format were consistent with Section 1-233 of the Broward County Code of Ordinances regarding advisory boards utilizing communications media technology in the form of telephonic conferencing.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair DiGiorgio called the meeting to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Levy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Following the Roll Call by the Real Time Reporter, Chair DiGiorgio declared that a quorum was present.

Chair DiGiorgio congratulated School Board Member Zeman and Commissioner Fisher on their re-elections.

CONSENT AGENDA

C 1 APPROVAL OF FINAL AGENDA FOR AUGUST 27, 2026 – Including Additional Agenda Material.

C 2 AUGUST 2026 PLAT REVIEWS FOR TRAFFICWAYS PLAN COMPLIANCE

C 3 APPROVAL OF SUMMARY MINUTES OF JUNE 25, 2026

C 4 ATTENDANCE RECORD/EXCUSED ABSENCE REQUESTS – Dr. Mireidy Fernandez.

Mayor Castillo made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mayor Gomez seconded the motion. Without objection, the motion passed unanimously.

REGULAR AGENDA

R 1 LOCAL PLANNING AGENCY REVIEW: PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE BROWARD COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 5 – BUILDING REGULATIONS AND LAND USE, ARTICLE IX – BROWARD COUNTY LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, DIVISION 1. – GENERAL PROVISIONS

Ms. Boy provided a brief overview of this item. She explained that it has been considered by the Executive Committee at the meeting immediately preceding today's Planning Council meeting. Ms. Boy stated that the revisions to the Broward County Code of Ordinances will address the deletion of concurrency and related fees in compliance with Florida statutes and the discontinuation of Broward County's Impact Fees related to transportation and parks. She stated that if it changes in the future, a new study will be done in order to implement transportation or park Impact Fees, and the County Plan would need to be amended at that time.

Ms. Boy explained that the Executive Committee found the code change to be in conformity with the Broward County Land Use Plan.

Mayor Castillo acknowledged the change to the Broward County Code of Ordinances is due to the change made to the State statute. He stated his concerns for transportation and safety with the reduction of the Impact Fees.

Darby DeSalle, Director of Housing and Urban Planning, stated that a majority of the Impact Fees were used toward bus shelters, noting that the reduction would not

impact safety. Mr. DeSalle explained that the ability for traffic engineering to work with applicants to address modification or accessibility to sites during development will be kept in the code. Much discussion ensued on the fiscal impact of the reduction of Impact Fees and the potential of additional funding streams.

Mayor Gomez made a motion to approve Item R 1. Mayor Levy seconded the motion. Without objection, the motion passed unanimously.

R 2 ANNUAL EVALUATION: PLANNING COUNCIL ATTORNEY

Chair DiGiorgio stated that the Annual Evaluation had been discussed and recommended for approval by the Executive Committee and then reviewed the same for Planning Council Attorney Andy Maurodis. He read a summary and the conclusion of the evaluation aloud showing much support of Mr. Maurodis. The Planning Council members thanked Mr. Maurodis and showed much appreciation of him and his hard work. Mr. Maurodis thanked the Planning Council and expressed his gratitude in working with this group.

Mayor Castillo made a motion to approve the Annual Evaluation of the Planning Council Attorney. Councilmember Horland seconded the motion. Without objection, the motion passed unanimously.

R 3 ANNUAL EVALUATION: PLANNING COUNCIL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Chair DiGiorgio stated that the Annual Evaluation had been discussed and recommended for approval by the Executive Committee and then reviewed the same for Planning Council Executive Director, Barbara Blake Boy. He read a summary and the conclusion of the evaluation aloud showing much support of Ms. Boy. The Planning Council members acknowledged and thanked Ms. Boy for her hard work. Ms. Boy thanked the members of the Planning Council for their support and kind works and staff for their hard work.

Mayor Castillo made a motion to approve the Annual Evaluation of the Planning Council Executive Director. Mayor Brunson seconded the motion. Without objection, the motion passed unanimously.

R 4 COUNSEL'S REPORT

(None.)

R 5 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- **BrowardNext Update-** Ms. Boy indicated that a letter from Florida Commerce was provided in the backup material. She explained that the Broward County Commission had transmitted the BrowardNext Amendment to the State in June and that a finding of null and void per SB180. Ms. Boy stated that the incentive-based amendments were found to be more restrictive or burdensome in two policies. She discussed the resolution and communication with Florida Commerce, which would allow it to proceed to adoption by the Commission.

- **October Meeting Date-** Without objection, the Planning Council kept the October 29th meeting date.
- **Combined November/December 2026 Meeting Date-** Without objection, the Planning Council decided the combined November/December meeting date would be held on December 3, 2026.

R 6 CORRESPONDENCE

(None.)

PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA

Ms. Boy stated that there were no members of the public signed up to speak on items PH 1 or PH 2 other than applicants, agents, and local governments. Ms. Boy provided a brief overview of the items, noting staff recommended approval of each item.

QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARING - Waived

PH 1 RECERTIFICATION PCR 26-6

Public Hearing on Recertification of the City of Tamarac Future Land Use Element – Map Amendments (two sites)

PH 2 RECERTIFICATION PCR 26-7

Public Hearing on Recertification of the City of Coral Springs Future Land Use Element – Map Amendment

END OF QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARING

Mayor Castillo made a motion to move PH 1 and PH 2 per Planning Council staff recommendations. School Board Member Zeman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

PLANNING COUNCIL COMMENTS

- Mayor Gomez announced that October is Breast Cancer Awareness month. She invited the Planning Council to an event in support and awareness on October 10, 2026.
- School Board Member Zeman spoke on school closures and the potential to develop the sites into workforce housing or other beneficial spaces for the community. He explained that there will be community meetings in search of feedback from community members. Dr. Zeman requested feedback and ideas from the Planning Council members on what is needed in the way of parks, affordable housing, or redevelopment of commercial spaces. Much discussion

ensued on possible uses and benefits of the closing schools at the Broward County District sites. Dr. Zeman answered questions from the Planning Council members.

- Commissioner Railey congratulated Dr. Zeman and Commissioner Fisher on their re-elections. She acknowledged Mr. Maurodis, Ms. Boy, and staff on their great work with the Planning Council.

NEXT REGULAR SCHEDULED PLANNING COUNCIL MEETING

Without objection, the September Planning Council meeting was canceled. The next Planning Council meeting is scheduled for October 29, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 422 of the Broward County Governmental Center.

ADJOURNMENT

Without objection Chair DiGiorgio adjourned this day's meeting at 10:48 a.m.