

City of Port St. Lucie

121 SW Port St. Lucie Blvd.
Port St. Lucie, Florida 34984



Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, June 17, 2026

1:30 PM

Room 366, City Hall

Citizen's Advisory Committee

Lynette Lockwood, Chair
Michael Bernard, Vice Chair
Raymond Pezzi, Member
Christy Romano, Member
Ingrid Sarmiento, Member
James Abbott, Member
Harry Williams, Member
Gabby Rothman, Alternate
Mark Bryant, III, Alternate

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Determination of Quorum**
4. **Approval of Minutes**
 - 4.a May 20, 2026 Citizen's Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes. [2026-545](#)
5. **Public to be Heard**
6. **New Business**
 - 6.a Roadway Project History and Update [2026-546](#)
7. **Unfinished Business**
8. **Adjourn**

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Agenda Summary

2026-545

Agenda Date: 6/17/2026

Agenda Item No.: 4.a

Placement: Minutes

Action Requested: Motion / Vote

May 20, 2026 Citizen's Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes.

Submitted By: Jasmin Padova, Executive Assistant.

Executive Summary: May 20, 2026, meeting minutes.

Presentation Information: N/A.

Staff Recommendation: Move that the Committee review and approve the May 20, 2026, meeting minutes.

Alternate Recommendations:

1. Move the Committee amend the recommendation and approve the meeting minutes.
2. Move that the Committee not approve the minutes and provide staff direction.

Attachments: May 20, 2026, minutes.

NOTE: All of the listed items in the "Attachment" section above are in the custody of the City Clerk. Any item(s) not provided in City Council packets are available upon request from the City Clerk.

City of Port St. Lucie
Citizen's Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes - Draft

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1. Call to Order

A Regular Meeting of the CITIZEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE of the City of Port St. Lucie was called to order by Vice Chair Bernard on May 20, 2026, at 1:40 p.m., at Port St. Lucie City Hall, Room 366, 121 Port St. Lucie Boulevard, Port St. Lucie, Florida.

2. Roll Call

Members Present:

Michael Bernard, Vice Chair

Raymond Pezzi

Ingrid Sarmiento

James Abbott

Gabby Rothman, Alternate (Arrived at 1:50 p.m.)

Members Not Present:

Lynette Lockwood, Chair

Christy Romano

Harry Williams

Mark Bryant, Alternate

3. Determination of Quorum

It was determined that there was a quorum.

4. Approval of Minutes

4.a January 21, 2026 Citizen's Advisory Committee Meeting
Minutes.

[2026-458](#)

There being no discussion, Ms. Sarmiento moved to approve the meeting minutes. Mr. Abbott seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

5. Public to be Heard

There was nothing heard under this item.

6. New Business

6.a Budget (Capital Improvement Plan) Update

[2026-459](#)

Carolyn Sturgis, Director, Office of Management and Budget, presented the Capital Improvement Plan Update. (Clerk's Note: A PowerPoint presentation was shown at this time.)

Mr. Bernard questioned why the Mobility Fees were down by 50%, to which Ms. Sturgis responded that construction activity has slowed, resulting in fewer fees collected.

Mr. Pezzi stated that years ago, the Committee reviewed the Mobility/Impact Fees being held by the County that were not being allocated toward City projects and questioned how it was resolved, to which Kate Parmelee, Deputy City Manager, responded that a new agreement was negotiated and collaboration with the County has since improved.

Ms. Sturgis presented the Capital Projects and explained the selection process. Ms. Parmelee stated that projects were also prioritized based on responses from the Citizen's Survey and Citizen's Summit. She added that traffic was identified as the number one issue reported by residents; therefore, infrastructure funding would be a top priority in the budget.

Mr. Pezzi questioned why California, Village Parkway, and St. Lucie West kept getting pushed back, to which Ms. Parmelee responded that those were top priorities, and they were looking at creative funding solutions. She added that there was an innovation team working on traffic to look at it in a multifaceted way.

Mr. Bernard questioned how the half-cent sales tax was distributed to which Ms. Parmelee responded that it was based on population. Mr. Bernard stated that there was a County Finance Board and expressed interest in knowing how the members were selected or who made the decision, as he believed that 3 of the 5 members should be from the City since the City represents two-thirds of the population.

Mr. Bernard stated that 75% of the population of the State of Florida, is

within 3 hours of Port St. Lucie.

(Clerk's Note: At this time, Ms. Sarmiento left the meeting.)

Ms. Sturgis presented Goal 5, High Quality Infrastructure & Facilities, which included road widening and stormwater projects, the sidewalk program, and the annual roadway resurfacing program. Goal 6, Culture, Nature & Recreation, outlining key capital investments including park improvements, playground replacement, parking expansion, lighting upgrades, and facility repairs across several City parks and recreational facilities. Goal 7, High Performing Government, highlighting key capital investments including the City Hall expansion and new parking garage, Council Chambers modernization, a new Facilities Maintenance Building, and the expansion of Utility Systems administrative space and warehouse facilities.

Mr. Pezzi questioned the City's position on AI data centers and noted that many cities are opposed to having generating facilities in their communities. He commented that there is available land and asked whether any entities have approached the City, emphasizing that such facilities cannot be connected to the grid or have costs passed on to residents. Mr. Abbott responded that these projects required special criteria to be considered.

Ms. Rothman informed the Committee that the Stars and Stripes Ribbon Cutting would be held on June 4th at 6:00 pm and that she was very proud of the City. The Committee commended staff on doing a great job and Ms. Parmelee announced that Stephen Okiye, Finance Director, was selected as the recipient of the Hometown Hero Award.

7. Unfinished Business

There was nothing heard under this item.

8. Adjourn

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 3:02 p.m.

Michael Bernard, Vice Chair

Calleigh Nazario, City Clerk Administrator



Agenda Summary

2026-546

Agenda Date: 6/17/2026

Agenda Item No.: 6.a

Placement: New Business

Action Requested: Motion / Vote

Roadway Project History and Update

Submitted By: Summary provided by Jasmin Padova, Executive Assistant. Presentation and discussion to be led by Eric Sexauer, Manager / CIP & Sales Tax Project Group and Beth Zsoka, Executive Project Manager of Community Outreach.

Executive Summary: The Public Works team will respond to project specific questions stemming from the 5/20/2026 committee meeting

Presentation Information: Staff will provide a presentation that will review specific road projects that were included as part of the CIP budget update at the 5/20/2026 meeting

Staff Recommendation: Move that the Committee review the project update

Alternate Recommendations:

1. Move that the Committee amend the recommendation and review the Project Update
2. Move that the Committee provide staff direction.

Attachments: Presentation.

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Public Works Update

Citizen Advisory Committee



CITY OF
PORT ST. LUCIE
HEART OF THE TREASURE COAST

Strategic Planning

Transportation Planning Helps Make Decisions for Our City

- Prioritize needs and funding
- Inform and involve residents
- Meet all federal and state requirements
- Framework to build a long-term program
- Effectively allocate resources
- Active approach planning into the future and building for growth and safety



City Infrastructure

10- Year Sidewalk Masterplan

- Safer, More Connected City
- 45+ miles of new sidewalks planned
- Focus on schools, neighborhoods and major roads

• Smart Use of Your Tax Dollars

- Half-Cent Sales Tax support dedicated Projects
- Extra support from state and federal grants

10- Year Repaving Masterplan Stronger, Smoother Roads

- 423 miles of neighborhood streets scheduled for resurfacing
- Focus on extending pavement life and improving driving conditions
- Balanced investment across all City Council districts

• Funded by ½ Cent Sales Tax

- Half-Cent Sales Tax and City budget combine to repave 40-50 miles each year
- Preservation methods, like rejuvenation, stretch tax dollars further

2050 Long - Range Transportation Plan

- Road widening, intersection upgrades, and I-95 improvements
- Planned infrastructure projects

• Funding Sources

- Local Option Gas Tax
- Stormwater Fees

◦ Regulatory Fees

- Mobility Fees
- Grants

◦ Developer Contributions

- Half Cent Sales Tax
- State and Federal Funds

Phases of a Project

Intro to Roadway Projects

Projects typically progress through multiple phases before becoming a reality. Each of these stages is integral to the transportation planning process.

Planning

Determine the need and action plan for a project. Outline vision, goals, objectives, funding and priorities for your project.

PD&E

Conducts a study for a specific roadway or corridor. Defines alternatives, evaluates social, cultural, physical and natural environmental impacts.

Design

Detailed design plans used to construct a project. Includes drainage plans, landscaping etc.

Construction

The last phase involves putting the shovel in the ground and commencing the work.

Data Driven

Transparency Driven Government

Improve Decision
Making

Innovation

Technology

Sales Tax Projects

- **PROJECT FUNDING**

Funding is from the voter approved Half Cent Sales Tax from November 2018.

- **10- YEAR PROGRAM**

This program outlines a ten-year plan featuring specific projects and their corresponding timelines, organized to align with incoming funds over time.

- **SALES TAX OVERSITE COMMITTEE**

A committee of seven residents that ensure the half-cent sales tax money approved by voters is aligned with the city's approved list of projects.



Sales Tax Projects

ST LUCIE WEST BOULEVARD

- CASHMERE INTERSECTION
- BAYSHORE INTERSECTION
- PEACOCK INTERSECTION

CALIFORNIA WIDENING

- CALIFORNIA INTERSECTION

SIDEWALKS

- IMPORT DRIVE
- ABINGDON DRIVE
- LAKEHURST DRIVE
- SW BRESCIA STREET

REPAVING

FLORESTA DRIVE

- SOUTHBEND TO ELKCAM
- ELKCAM TO CROSSTOWN
- CROSSTOWN TO PRIMA VISTA

TORINO INTERSECTION

- CALIFORNIA ROUNDABOUT
- CASHMERE ROUNDABOUT

US 1 IMPROVEMENTS

- LANDSCAPING / IRRIGATION



California Blvd.



Widen 1.32 miles of SW California Boulevard between SW Crosstown Parkway and SW St. Lucie West Boulevard. The project will expand the roadway from two to four lanes and introduce multimodal improvements. The project helps ease congestion, enhance safety and support future growth while preserving the neighborhood character.

- Public Information Meetings: September 2022 and January 2024
- Meetings with HOA's along the corridor - ongoing
- Design criteria is currently in the procurement process and is criteria is anticipated to be finalized by Spring 2027.
- Pending funding, Design-Build firm would be selected after the criteria is established.
- Design-build method used to help expedite the project. Firm will finalize the design and construct the project.
- California Boulevard construction may be phased.

Tradition and Village Parkway

Background

Intersection was expedited in 2004 as part of a developer masterplan to support growth and safety

Originally part of the County, the Intersection was annexed into the City in 2011.

The 2021 Southern Grove Master Plan recommended improvements to the intersection



Upcoming Improvements

Proper Planning

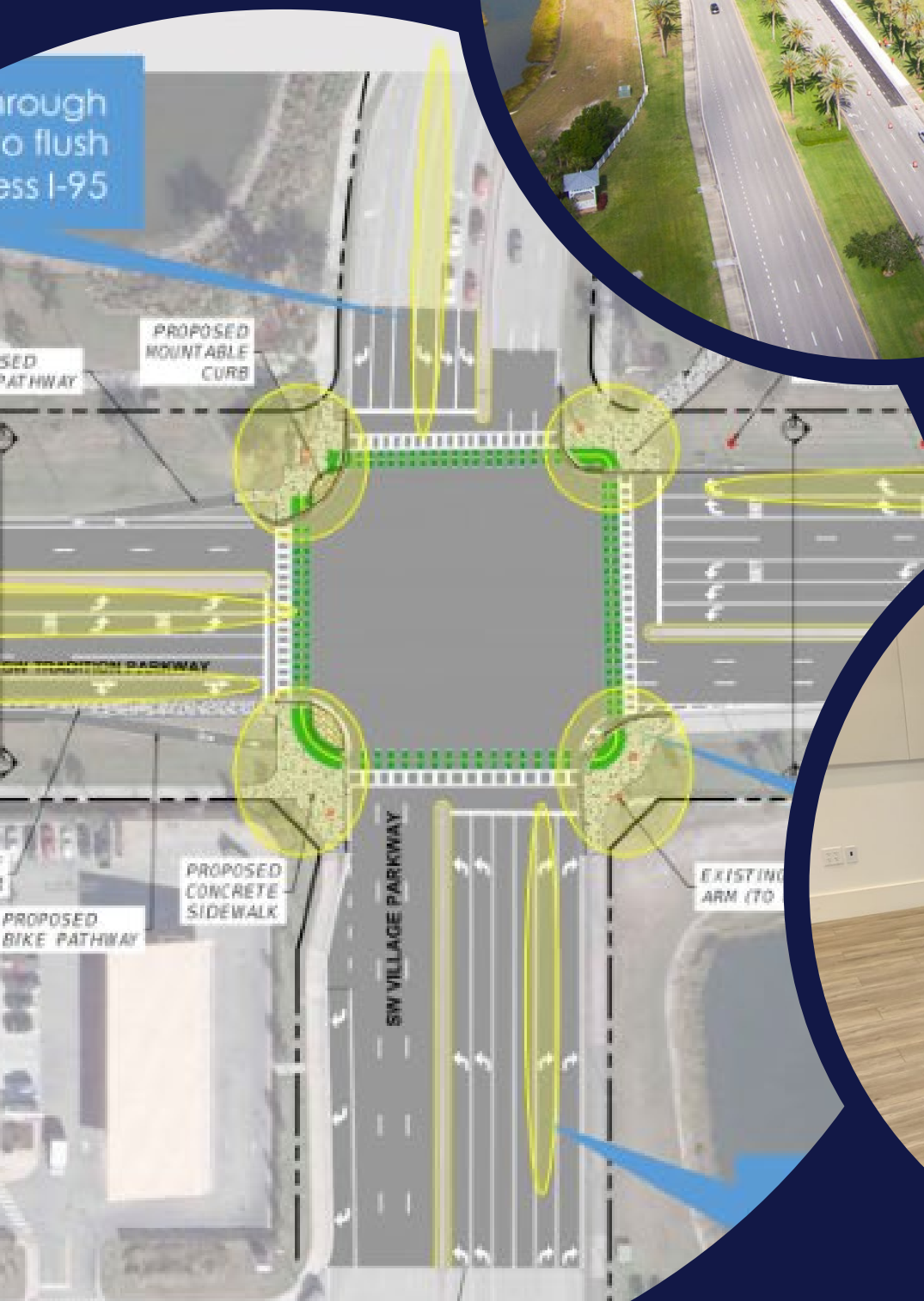
- THE PROJECT BEGAN AS A MINOR SAFETY ENHANCEMENT AND EVOLVED INTO A MAJOR INTERSECTION CAPACITY IMPROVEMENT TO MANAGE TRAFFIC CONGESTION

Project Milestones:

- *Traffic Analysis*
- *Scenario Development*
- *Public Meeting, August 19, 2025 - Resident Engagement*
- *Design is currently complete*
- *Construction anticipated by the Fall 2026*

Purpose:

- *Neighborhood Connection*
- *Access to I - 95*
- *Congestion Relief*
- *Safer environment for all road users*



Improvements

Westbound

- Add a second dedicated right-turn lane
- Extend left turn lanes
- Add a dedicated right turn signal
- Add a "No Turn on Red Except from Right Lane" sign
- Add a "Right Turning Vehicles, Stop for Pedestrians" blank out sign for when pedestrian button is pushed
- Add a Leading Pedestrian Interval (LPI)
- Add "No U-Turn" Sign

- Relocating street lighting from the median along the eastern leg to maximize eastbound left turn lane space

Eastbound

- Add a second left turn lane and extending lanes for more storage
- Dedicated right turn lane is maintained and a third through lane is added
- Physical separation for the bike lane
- Add a Leading Pedestrian Interval (LPI)
- Add a "Right Turning Vehicles, Stop for Pedestrians" blank out sign for when pedestrian button is pushed
- Add a "No U-Turn" Sign

- Relocating the bus stop on the south side of Tradition's western leg further west to allow for more vehicle space

Northbound

- Convert one of the through lanes into a second dedicated right-turn lane
- Add a Leading Pedestrian Interval (LPI)
- Add "U-Turn Yield to Right Turn" Sign
- Add a "Right Turning Vehicles, Stop for Pedestrians" blank out sign for when pedestrian button is pushed
- Add a "No Turn on Red Except from Right Turn Lane" sign

Southbound

- Convert one of the through lanes to a third left turn lane
- Extend left turn lane stripping
- Add a "Right Turning Vehicles, Stop for Pedestrians" blank out sign for when pedestrian button is pushed
- Add "No U-Turn" Sign

Public Works

THANK YOU

For Your Attention

