

Partnership for Public Facilities and Infrastructure Act Guidelines Task Force Meeting

Meeting Date: Oct. 24, 2013

110 Senate Office Building
404 South Monroe Street
Tallahassee, FL

Agenda

- I. Call to Order, Introduction, and Adoption of Minutes
- II. Staff Overview of House Bill 85
- III. Presentation from the National Council on Public-Private Partnerships
- IV. Presentation from the Canadian Consulate General
- V. Presentation from the Florida School Boards Association
- VI. Presentation on Local Government Infrastructure Financing
(Break for Lunch)
- VII. Panel discussion on Financing of Public-Private Partnerships
- VIII. Presentation from the Florida Department of Transportation
- IX. Presentation from the Florida Association of Counties
- X. Presentation from the Florida League of Cities, Inc.
- XI. Other Business and Public Testimony
- XII. Adjourn

Call to Order

Meeting called to order and welcome at 9:09 a.m. by Chair Nichols

Roll Call

Roll was called at 9:10 a.m. by task force staff

Members present:

Craig Nichols, Chair
Frank Attkisson, Vice Chair
George Burgess
Sonya Little
Michael Oelnick
John (Jay) Smith
Andy Tuck

Members absent:

None

Business

Motion for Approval of Meeting Minutes from 8-28-13 task force meeting at 9:14 a.m.

Vote: All in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained

Resolved: Motion carried

Staff Overview of HB 85 began at 9:15 a.m.

DMS staff provided an overview of HB 85, signed into law as Chapter 2013-223, Laws of Florida.

Presentation from the National Council on Public-Private Partnerships began at 9:30 a.m.

Mr. Rick Norment, Executive Director of the National Council on Public-Private Partnerships provided an overview of the use public-private partnerships (P3s) in other states with case studies to include best practices and lessons learned. Mr. Norment answered questions from task force members.

Presentation from the Government of Canada began at 10:28 a.m.

Mr. Marc-Andre Hawkes, Consul and Sr. Trade Commissioner, provided testimony on the use of P3s by the Canadian government. Mr. Hawkes provided testimony regarding Canada's 20 years of P3 experience, best practices, lessons learned, and information relating to the centralization and decentralization of P3 processes. Mr. Hawkes answered questions from task force members.

Fifteen Minute Break began at 11:16 a.m.

Testimony from Florida School Boards Association began at 11:30 a.m.

Dr. Wayne Blanton, Executive Director of the Florida School Boards Association, provided testimony relating to use of P3s by Florida's school boards and the needs, interests, and concerns of school boards relating to P3s. Mr. Bill Graham, a former school board member in Florida, provided testimony relating to the effectiveness of using alternative financing to meet school board infrastructure needs. Both representatives answered questions from task force members.

Presentation on Local Government Infrastructure Financing began at 11:52 a.m.

Mr. Randall C. Clement, Bryant Miller Olive, provided information relating to the traditional structure of local government financing of infrastructure projects, local government powers, tax exempt financing concepts, and considerations for local governments regarding the use of P3s. Mr. Clement answered questions from task force members.

Break for lunch at 12:30 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 1:50 p.m.

Panel Discussion on Financing of Public-Private Partnerships at 1:51 p.m.

A moderated panel with representatives from both the public and private sectors to discuss how P3 projects can best use the strengths of both the public and private sectors, including balancing the financial needs of both parties. The panel discussed potential project revenue streams and availability payments, value for money analysis, and providing insight into how a public entity should evaluate the economics of P3 projects. The panel answered questions from task force members.

Moderator: Mr. Lee Weintraub, Becker & Poliakoff

Panelists: Mr. Lowell Clary, Clary Consulting
Mr. Randall C. Clement, Bryant Miller Olive
Mr. John Dionisio, Meridiam Infrastructure
Mr. Chris Kinsley, Florida Board of Governors

Presentation from the Florida Department of Transportation at 2:50 p.m.

Mr. Leon Corbett, Project Finance Manager for the Florida Department of Transportation, provided information regarding current use of P3s for infrastructure construction in Florida, including case studies and best practices, the need for education and outreach, and information relating to value proposition and appropriate revenue streams. Mr. Corbett answered questions from task force members.

Motion for One Hour Meeting Extension at 3:25 p.m.

Motion by George Burgess, Second by Jay Smith

Vote: All in favor, 0 abstained

Resolved: Motion carried

Five Minute Break at 3:25 p.m.

Presentation from the Florida Association of Counties at 3:30 p.m.

Mr. Chip Fletcher, County Attorney, Hillsborough County provided information regarding examples of county P3 projects, practical challenges for counties regarding the P3 law, questions and suggestions for task force clarifications regarding the law. Mr. Fletcher answered questions from task force members.

Presentation from the Florida League of Cities at 3:50 p.m.

Mr. Michael Parker, City of Tallahassee, and Mr. Kevin Crowder, Redevelopment Management Associates, provided testimony regarding the P3 law, use of P3s by municipalities, suggestions for task force clarifications regarding the law. Both presenters answered questions from task force members.

Other Business and Public Testimony at 4:15 p.m.

The Floor was opened for comment, questions and statements from members.

The Floor was opened for public comment, questions and statements. No public comment was provided.

Adjournment at 4:20 p.m.