

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LIVING STUDY COUNCIL

March 13, 2009
12 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
(12 p.m. – 3 p.m., Council Workshop;
3 p.m. – 6:30 p.m., Public Input)

Tampa Airport Marriott Hotel
Tampa International Airport
Tampa, Florida 33607

Call To Order

Meeting called to order at 12:02 p.m. by Mark Benson, Chair.

Members Present

Mark Benson, Chair
Rosa de la Camara, Vice-Chair
Lawrence Wigdor
Kevin Stanfield, ex officio

Division Staff Present

Debbie Miller

Verification of timely publication of meeting notice in Florida Administrative Weekly.

PUBLIC INPUT

- A. Members categorized the emails received from the public by subject matter.
- B. Public Testimony:
 1. Deborah Stasiak addressed the Council regarding cooperative issues. She suggested that the community association manager (CAM) should educate the board regarding Chapter 719, Florida Statutes (FS).
 2. Dale Graves addressed the Council regarding the handling of CAM complaints by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation's Division of Regulation. She requested that the Division of Regulation provide periodic status updates to the complainant.
 3. Richard Ruby addressed the Council regarding homeowners' association (HOA) issues. He recommends incorporating Chapter 718, FS, provisions into Chapter 720, FS.
 4. Federico Pollicina addressed the Council regarding homeowners' association issues. He recommended legislation limiting Developer's control of the board.
 5. Tamara Du Jardin addressed the Council regarding homeowners' association issues. She recommended legislation requiring education for board members and protection of HOA's from developers.

6. Ron Birkhead addressed the Council regarding homeowners' association issues. He recommended legislation limiting Developer's control of the board and suggested that the State approve documents governing homeowners' associations.
7. Penny Fyrogennis addressed the Council regarding homeowners' association issues. She recommended legislation limiting Developer's control of the board and incorporating Chapter 718, FS, provisions into Chapter 720, FS.
8. Jim Slater addressed the Council regarding cooperative association issues. He recommended legislation requiring education for board members.
9. Barbara Roduner addressed the Council regarding condominium association issues. She expressed her dissatisfaction with the Division's handling of her condominium complaint case. Member Stanfield will review her complaint case.
10. Ken Reed addressed the Council regarding cooperative association issues. He recommended that Chapter 719, FS, mirror Chapter 718, FS, and legislation requiring education and term limits for board members.
11. Harry Cullard addressed the Council regarding cooperative association issues. He recommended legislation requiring education for board members.
12. Ronald Bergeron addressed the Council regarding homeowners' association issues. He recommended that Chapter 719, FS, mirror Chapter 718, FS, and legislation requiring term limits and spending limits for board members.
13. Charles Coffey addressed the Council regarding homeowners' association issues. He recommended criminal sanctions for certain HOA offenses.
14. Patricia Mitchell addressed the Council regarding cooperative association issues.
15. Bobbie Richter addressed the Council regarding homeowners' association issues. She recommended legislation limiting the control the builder can have over a community.
16. Barbara Billiot Stage addressed the Council regarding condominium and homeowners' association issues. She recommended legislation that would provide legal assistance to homeowners and require term limits for board members.
17. Jan Bergemann addressed the Council regarding community association issues. He recommended uniform language in Chapter 718, 719, 720, and 723, FS, regarding community associations.
18. Adelle Blackman addressed the Council regarding homeowners' association issues. She recommended a strong HOA reform bill with teeth of a regulatory agency with enforcement power to protect homeowners.

19. John Copeland urged the Council to not make recommendations to the Legislature that would negatively impact well-run community associations.
20. Victoria Laney addressed the Council regarding homeowners' association issues. She recommended legislation that would strengthen HOA laws, and advocated education for board members.
21. Patricia Slattery addressed the Council regarding homeowners' association issues. She recommended legislation that would prevent the charging of fees for reviewing records.
22. James Cosgrove addressed the Council regarding homeowners' association issues. He recommended that Chapter 617, FS, associations that conform to the definition of a Chapter 720, FS, homeowners' association should be governed by Chapter 720, FS.
23. Theresa Ferlito addressed the Council regarding condominium association issues. She recommended legislation that would provide legal assistance to homeowners.
24. John Fletcher addressed the Council regarding homeowners' association issues. He recommended legislation that would give the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services authority to regulate HOA's.
25. Erin Sullivan addressed the Council regarding condominium association issues. She recommended stronger enforcement of condominium laws and legislation requiring education for board members that would also be open to non-board members.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.