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## **Comments from the County Manager regarding beaches in the unincorporated areas**

- County staff is NOT in favor of privatizing the beach in the unincorporated areas
- The Beach Community Working Group conducted sixteen (16) public meetings and reviewed hundreds of e-mails and many photographs. The Committee prepared a recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners.
- The Beach Community Working Group at public meetings discussed the recommendation and basically agreed with the recommendation included in the final report prepared by Kimley Horn dated Nov. 6, 2019
- The overriding issues are:
  1. Enforcement due to bad behavior
  2. Federal law as to endangered species
  3. Creating one Ordinance to address regulation of beach uses
  4. How to address beach camping
- The Board of County Commissioners will hold publicly advertised Workshop Sessions with staff as to the recommendation of the Beach Community Working Group
- The Board of County Commissioners will hold public hearings regarding an Omnibus Beach Ordinance for the unincorporated areas of the beach
- The Board of County Commissioners will make a final decision regarding an Omnibus Beach Ordinance.
- The Board of County Commissioners has directed staff, pursuant to federal law, to pursue an "incidental taking permit" from the Federal Department of Environmental Protection. This will be accomplished jointly with the City.

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