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over before Kenton Road is even designed, permitted and constructed.

Wilhite conferred with developers and offered a concession: extending the ban to three years.

The sharpest opposition, however, has been centered on the vertically integrated self-storage building, with 5,000 square feet of first-floor retail, and the hotel.

Michael Pultorak, a longtime proponent for the county to follow the Connected City Master Plan and deliver the amenities promised, said the project was unacceptable in the middle of a residential community hub.

He said the community hub zone is supposed to be home to a mix of recreational, cultural and social uses, and storage facilities and high-rise hotels belonged in the north and south innovation zones.

“Do you want this in your neighborhood?” he asked commissioners, showing an AI-generated rendering of a hotel and storage facility towering over a neighborhood to make his point.

“We’re talking about a five-story hotel and a three-story storage unit in the middle of our residential community hub,” he added. “This is unacceptable. I am not opposed to growth. I’m not opposed to things being built. This is silliness.”



Pasco County commissioner Kathryn Starkey argued for an extension of a two-year ban on certain businesses in the upcoming Kenton road project, as well as a more aesthetically pleasing storage facility.

Starkey pressed for stronger standards on the storage unit’s aesthetics, presenting examples of other visually pleasing storage units that had first-floor retail and well-designed facades.

Wilhite suggested the board add conditions requiring “a common color palette. We can add some architectural standards to make sure that we’re consis-

tent amongst all of our buildings.”

Commissioner Jack Mariano praised the project, saying the Kenton Road extension and signalized intersections at Elam Road and Overpass Road were “a very important missing piece” for the area’s transportation needs.

The board voted unanimously to approve the project.

Pets of the Week

Anyone interested in adopting or fostering any of this week’s featured pets can make an appointment to meet them at the Pasco County Animal Services by calling 813- 929-1212 or going online to <https://www.pascocountyfl.net/175/Pets-and-Animals>.



Duke (A043546) is a social, gorgeous 6-year-old neutered Carolina Dog weighing 45 pounds. Duke was featured a few weeks ago on NewsChannel 8 — so he’s a star! Duke is a lovable guy who is equally great with people and other dogs. He participates in playgroup here at PCAS, and his play style is push/pull. His playgroup notes call him a “rockstar.”

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You Shouldn’t Have to Live With Foot Pain

On any given day in Wesley Chapel, it’s common to see residents staying active—walking the neighborhood, enjoying a round of golf, or meeting friends on the pickleball or tennis court. These are the moments that make an active lifestyle meaningful.

But for many, those same activities come with discomfort.

- Sharp pain in the heel with the first few steps.
- Burning sensation in the ball of the foot.
- Nagging ache that worsens the longer you stay on your feet.

Too often, people accept this as part of getting older or staying active. They adjust, slow down, or sit out altogether. The truth is, **you should not have to live with foot pain**—especially not during the activities you enjoy.

At Comprehensive Foot & Ankle Specialists, **Dr. Bryan Raymond** works with patients who want to stay active without limitations. His focus is not simply on relieving pain temporarily, but on identifying the cause and providing solutions that allow patients to return to their normal routines with confidence.

Dr. Raymond offers a range of treatment options designed to meet patients where they are. For many, this begins with conservative care, including custom orthotics to improve alignment and reduce stress on the feet during movement.

For those who require more advanced care, the practice provides **non-invasive regenerative**



therapies, such as **SoftWave therapy**, which may help stimulate circulation and support tissue healing. Biologic treatments, including **stem cell and platelet-rich plasma (PRP) injections**, are also available for patients seeking alternatives to traditional approaches.

When structural problems are the source of pain, **minimally invasive procedures** can offer a more definitive solution. These techniques are performed with precision and are designed to correct the issue while minimizing disruption to surrounding tissue. Many of these procedures can be performed in the office procedure suite, which utilizes the same or similar sterile equipment and standards found in hospital operating rooms—without the added complexity of a hospital setting.

The goal is simple: to help patients move without hesitation.

Whether it is returning to a morning walk, finishing a full game without discomfort, or keeping up with an active lifestyle, treatment should support—not limit—how you live.

Patients are often surprised by how manageable the process can be once they understand their options. You don’t have to sit out, you don’t have to push through pain, and you don’t have to accept discomfort as normal.

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