

Palm Coast agenda packets: the Dec 19, 2023 file metadata

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TECHNICAL: the posted Dec 19, 2023 agenda file
(123_A_City_Council_23-12-19.pdf, 1,952,592 bytes. It's byte for byte
the same as library/docs/cascades-cc-agenda-packet-2023-12-19-full.pdf.)

Document metadata (XMP and the Info dictionary):

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dc:title      AgendaPacket_2023-12-19_Final.pdf
dc:creator    (author field: a staff name, withheld from
               publication until identified)
xmp:CreatorTool  Microsoft Office Word
pdf:Producer   Acrobat Distiller 23.0 (Windows)
xmp:CreateDate  2023-12-15T17:11:19-05:00
xmp:ModifyDate  2023-12-15T17:12:12-05:00    (53 seconds later)
xmpMM:DocumentID  uuid:83dece9d-91e6-4d20-a95e-c0939df4c7d8
xmpMM:InstanceID  uuid:e51579e4-3f22-4653-81eb-19be4d3bdd4e
xmpMM:History     none (the file keeps no edit log)
Pages           47
Tagged          yes. Structure tree present, 1,921 lines in a
               structure dump. That's thorough tagging for 47 pages.
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Page numbers:

- The printed numbers run 1-5, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 94, 95, 145 ...
1105, 1119, 1121.
- In the page content, each number is written inside a marked-content
block that looks like this (page 7):
/Artifact <</Attached [/Bottom /Right] /BBox [531.1 28.95 539.98
35.19] /Subtype /Footer /Type /PageNumbering /PageNumbering
That's the signature of Acrobat's Header & Footer tool, a page
number stamped onto the PDF. It isn't text typed into the Word
document.
- A simple scan finds this footer on 30 of the 47 pages. The other 17
print their numbers in a way the scan didn't catch, probably the
agenda pages, since their numbers also appear in the text.

Bookmarks:

- 26 bookmarks named 00.pdf through 25.pdf, pointing to pages 1, 5,
6, 7, 9, 11, 13 ... 47. Each points to the first page of the agenda
or of an item's cover memo.
- Acrobat's "Combine Files" names bookmarks after the source files.
So the packet was built by combining 26 separate PDFs (the agenda
plus one per item).

What follows, as fact:

1. The numbers were stamped across a document of at least 1,121
pages. Acrobat numbers the pages of the document it's working on,
so a 47-page file can't produce a "1121".
2. The posted file holds only 47 of those stamped pages: the agenda
and each item's first pages, the cover memos.

3. So the posted file was derived from the full numbered packet.
Either pages were removed after stamping, or each item's memo pages were extracted from the stamped master and recombined.
4. The file's internal title is the full packet's name, ending "_Final".

What does NOT follow:

- The metadata keeps no edit history, so it doesn't record a "delete pages" step or who performed it. "Created, then pages deleted" is the most likely sequence, but it's an inference from 1-3, not a logged event.
- The 53-second gap between create and modify doesn't tell us which steps happened when. Acrobat can keep the original creation time through later saves. The gap fits a quick routine as well as a one-off edit.
- Nothing in the file shows why it was done.