

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA  
REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 12, 2019**

The Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida met in regular session at 3:00 p.m. with Chairman Jimbo Jackson presiding. Present were Vice Chairman Bryan Desloge and Commissioners Nick Maddox, Bill Proctor, Kristin Dozier, Mary Ann Lindley, and Rick Minor. Also present were County Administrator Vincent Long, County Attorney Herb Thiele, and Clerk to the Board Beryl Wood.

Chairman Jackson called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Invocation was provided by Elder Darrick McGhee, Sr., Bible Based Church. Commissioner Maddox then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS**

- REMOVED FROM THE AGENDA - Proclamation Recognizing the FAMU Marching 100 Band for Participating in the Rose Bowl Parade.
- Proclamation Recognizing April 7- 13, 2019 as National Crime Victims' Rights Week
  - Commissioner Maddox recognized April 7-13, 2019 as National Crime Victims' Awareness Month.
  - Ms. Agnes Fury thanked the Commission on behalf of crime victims. She asserted that crime victim survivors are stakeholders in the criminal justice system and that many believe in healing through action which makes it better for others.
- Proclamation Recognizing March as Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Month
  - Commissioner Dozier recognized March as Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Month.
  - Kelley Williams, an advocate for those with Multiple Sclerosis, accepted the Proclamation. Ms. Williams shared that her orange attire was on behalf of the 2.3 million individuals with Multiple Sclerosis. Ms. Williams thanked the Commission for acknowledging Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Month and welcomed all to join them April 6, 2019 for the Multiple Sclerosis Walk at Lake Ella.
- Proclamation Recognizing March 3-9, 2019 as Women in Construction Week.
  - Commissioner Dozier recognized March 3-9, 2019 as Women in Construction Week.
  - Jackie Wilson accepted the Proclamation and thanked the Board for its continued support. Ms. Wilson proudly stated they have been recognized since 1955. Ms. Wilson echoed sentiments for more female participation in those roles.
- Presentation of the Consolidated Dispatch Agency Update (Steve Harrelson, Interim Consolidated Dispatch Agency (CDA) Director)
  - Mr. Harrelson gave an updated overview. Mr. Harrelson reported on the four different areas of importance: Staffing, 911 Call Taking, Training, and Technology. Mr. Harrelson mentioned the CDA was well on their way to being fully staffed by September 1. Mr. Harrelson highlighted the essential services of the CDA.
  
- Presentation by the Council of Culture and Arts (COCA) (Amanda Thompson, Interim Executive Director)
  - Ms. Thompson, joined by COCA Chair Lucia Fishburne, expressed how delighted they were to be before the Board to give an update on COCA. Ms. Thompson explained the search had begun for the new leadership of COCA. She confirmed they were seeking

an experienced leader to take them into the next phase and the position had been advertised on the Regional, State and National Level. Ms. Thompson reported they anticipate a hire by early May and a start date in June. She presented information about the four different grant programs: Cultural Facilities Matching Grant Program, Cultural Tourist Market Grant Program, Arts Education Grant Program, and Cultural Grant Program. Mrs. Thompson commented on the almost 20 years contracted with Leon County to distribute grant dollars.

- Commissioner Maddox applauded Ms. Thompson for her leadership through the process of hiring a new director and the work of COCA.
- *Commissioner Maddox moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Desloge, for postponing the agenda item in order to come back within a year so that the new Executive Director can have the opportunity to provide a review.*
- Commissioner Dozier acknowledged staff for the work they had done thus far, and the committee implemented to look at the grant review process/appeals process. Commissioner Dozier expressed how elated she was to have recommendations implemented by the COCA Board and one of the things was clarity on the appeals process. Commissioner Dozier acknowledged with the COCA transition she would be interested in having it come back in the fall (October/November), to get ahead of next year's grant cycle.
- *Commissioner Dozier offered a substitute motion, to have agenda item come back in October, knowing that the Commission would get an update on the grant process. Commissioner Dozier expressed her stance was to have it before budget season. The motion died for lack of a second.*
- Commissioner Desloge recognized both Commissioner Dozier and Commissioner Maddox's comments. Commissioner Desloge voiced he was trying to find a median and agreed with waiting until a new director was hired. Commissioner Maddox concurred. Commissioner Desloge offered an amendment to have the presentation at the end of the year and a revised agenda item in a full year.
- Commissioner Proctor shared he was not in favor of consolidating the Cultural Board with the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) and further noted he was not supportive of the CRA's practices and would not support the consolidating of COCA with CRA. Commissioner Proctor urged the Board to move with caution and include the minority community in cultural programs.
  - Commissioner Minor commended COCA. He expressed how he saw firsthand their passion and dedication for promoting culture and arts in the community.
  - Commissioner Maddox amended his motion to include a presentation at the end of the year and revisiting the agenda item in a full year with the Executive Director.
  - *Commissioner Maddox moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Desloge to table the agenda item for a year with a presentation coming back by the end of this year by the Executive Director. The motion carried 6-1. (Commissioner Dozier in opposition).*

**Consent:**

*Commissioner Desloge moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Lindley to approve the Consent Agenda, except for Item # 12 and # 14, which was pulled for further discussion. The motion carried 7-0.*

**1. Minutes: December 11, 2018 Regular Meeting, January 22, 2019 Regular Meeting and February 12, 2019 Regular Meeting**

*The Board approved Option 1: Approve the minutes of the December 11, 2018 Regular Meeting; January 22, 2019 Regular Meeting and February 12, 2019 Regular Meeting*

**2. Special Elections in Fiscal Year 2018-2019**

*The Board approved Option 1: Approve the Resolution and associated Budget Amendment Request realizing \$80,240 for the Special Elections Reimbursement allocation from the State of Florida Division of Elections as authorized by Section 100.102, Florida Statutes.*

**3. Payment of Bills and Vouchers**

*The Board approved Option 1: Approve the payment of bills and vouchers submitted for March 12, 2019, and Pre-Approval of Payment of Bills and Vouchers for the Period of March 13, 2019 through April 8, 2019.*

**4. Commissioner Appointments to the Contractors Licensing and Examination Board and the Water Resources**

*The Board approved Options 1 and 2: 1) Ratify Chairman Jackson's appointment of a citizen, H.R. Phillips, to the Contractors Licensing and Examination Board for a three-year term, ending March 31, 2022, and 2) Ratify Chairman Jackson's appointment of a citizen, Danielle Irwin, to the Water Resources Committee for the remainder of the unexpired term, ending July 31, 2022.*

**5. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Hurricane Relief Crisis Mosquito Control Grant**

*The Board approved Options 1 and 2: 1) Accept the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention grant in the amount of \$60,000 and authorize the County Administrator to execute any grant documents in a form approved by the County Attorney, and 2) Approve the Resolution and associated Budget Amendment Request realizing the \$60,000 into the FY 2019 budget.*

**6. Florida Department of Environmental Protection Waste Tire Amnesty Event Grant**

*The Board approved Options 1 and 2: 1) Accept the Florida Department of Environmental Protection Waste Tire Amnesty Event grant in the amount of \$25,000 and authorize the County Administrator to execute any grant documents in a form approved by the County Attorney, and. 2) Approve the Resolution and associated Budget Amendment Request realizing the \$25,000 into the FY 2019 budget.*

**7. Plat of Burton – Mitchell Subdivision**

*The Board approved Option 1: Approve the plat of the Burton - Mitchell Subdivision for recording in the Public Record.*

**8. Interlocal Agreement with the City of Tallahassee for Street Sweeping Services - \$79,632**

*The Board approved Option 1: Approve the Agreement with the City of Tallahassee to provide street sweeping services and authorize the County Administrator to execute.*

**9. Resolution in Support of the Florida Department of Transportation’s County Incentive Grant Program Application to Construct the Realignment of Old Bainbridge Road at Capital Circle Northwest**

*The Board approved Option 1: Adopt the Resolution in support of the Florida Department of Transportation’s County incentive Grant Application to design and construct the realignment of Old Bainbridge Road at Capital Circle Northwest Intersection.*

**10. Proposed Revised Policy, “Leon County Volunteer Services Policy”**

*The Board approved Option 1: Adopt the proposed revised Policy No. 19 -X “Leon County Volunteer Services Policy” thereby repealing the current Policy No. 08-01.*

**11. Request to Schedule the First and Only Public Hearing to Consider a Third Amendment to the Southwood Integrated Development Order for May 14, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.**

*The Board approved Option 1: Schedule the first and only Public Hearing to consider a third amendment to the Southwood Integrated Development Order for May 14, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.*  
**Support the Strategic Initiative to be Designated a “SolSmart” Community by Developing an Ordinance that Provides Standards for Solar Energy Systems**

County Administrator Long introduced the item.

This item was pulled by Commissioner Dozier.

*Commissioner Dozier moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Maddox, for approval of Option 1: Authorize staff to proceed with the development of an Ordinance amending the Land Development Code to provide standards for solar energy systems.*

Commissioner Dozier noted how pleased she was with the agenda item and looked forward to the ordinance coming back. Commissioner Dozier shared as the County moves forward she suggested more partnerships especially on the larger scale for solar. Commissioner Dozier asked for more information on the status of solar with the City of Tallahassee utilities, Talquin and other smaller franchises. Commissioner Dozier suggested having the same check list for both City and County permit applications for residents.

County Administrator Long agreed he would bring this back as part of the ordinance agenda.

Commissioner Proctor emphasized there was an opportunity for the county to explore solar gains and create solar farms. County Administrator Long conveyed if the Board wishes staff to pursue a feasibility study they would need more direction. Mr. Long explained for them to do as standalone entity there was the possibility it would not have a return on investment. He expressed he would be happy to explore but reiterated the need for specific direction.

Commissioner Dozier appreciated Commissioner Proctor’s comments. Commissioner Dozier noted that there was a new opportunity to work with the City. Commissioner Dozier suggested they open dialogue with the City.

The motion carried 7-0.

**12. Tallahassee Fire Department Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Amendment**

*The Board approved Option 1: Approve the amendment to the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Tallahassee Fire Department to provide advanced life support, first – responder, non-transport services.*

**13. Supervised Pretrial Release Program 2018 Annual Report**

County Administrator Long introduced the item. It was pulled by Commissioner Lindley.

Commissioner Lindley called attention to the fact that this would be discussed during the budget workshops on possibly assuming a larger percentage of the Pre- Trial Release Cost. Commissioner Lindley said she spoke with the Sheriff, Public Defender, and State Attorney. Commissioner Lindley reiterated this is a very serious issue. Commissioner Lindley expressed she was interested in seeing what could be done. Commissioner Lindley noted the issue of monetary bail is a nationwide concern due to the unjust approach for those who don't have the ability to make bond on relatively minor offenses.

*Commissioner Lindley moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Maddox, approval of Option 1: Accept the Supervised Pretrial Release Program 2018 Annual Report and authorize staff to submit to the Clerk of Circuit Court and Comptroller for Leon County.*

Teresa Broxton, Director, Office of Intervention and Detention Alternatives appeared before the Board for questions.

Commissioner Dozier shared the importance of doing the initial intake forms indicating whether individuals were homeless. Commissioner Dozier noted indigent information is not being documented and that it would be helpful to connect individuals with local resources if it was known. Ms. Broxton replied they do inquire about residency and housing. Ms. Broxton shared they are currently transferring to a new assessment tool.

Commissioner Proctor noted serving on the Board's Public Safety Coordinating Council and one of the mandates, per the Florida Statute, is to focus on reducing inmate jail population. Commissioner Proctor pointed out it had been years since the Board received an update from the Sheriff and felt it was overdue. Commissioner Proctor further noted that a workshop on the largest ticketed item they fund, the jail, is needed.

County Administrator Long clarified that at the budget workshop they would focus on pretrial and bail issues. Mr. Long mentioned jail operations is not anticipated for the budget workshop. Mr. Long asked for Board direction as to whether they wanted it included with the budget workshop or as a standalone item.

The motion carried 7-0.

Commissioner Proctor asked for a comprehensive review of the Leon County Jail operations, pretrial release, reentry process, and expectations. Commissioner Proctor also commented on the dispensing of medication and partnership with the Apalachee Center on what is occurring with inmates at the Detention Facility.

Commissioner Dozier noted she had no problem looking into the Detention Facility, but they didn't have direct control over the operation of the facility. County Administrator Long concurred they didn't have direct control, but they did have a responsibility. Commissioner Dozier noted a workshop is fine, but she was more interested in broadening the scope, looking at pre-trial and reentry.

Commissioner Lindley noted the many players in the criminal justice process and preferred not to vote on this issue now.

*Commissioner Proctor moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Desloge, for approval of a workshop focusing on comprehensive review of the jail operations of the Leon County Detention Facility. The motion carried 6 -1. (Commissioner Lindley in opposition).*

**14. Concurrency Management 2018 Annual Report**

*The Board approved Option 1: Accept the Concurrency Management 2018 Annual Report.*

**15. Code Enforcement Board and Code Compliance Program 2017-2018 Annual Report**

*The Board approved Option 1: Accept the Code Enforcement Board and the Code Compliance Program 2017-2018 Annual Report.*

**16. Contractors' Licensing and Examination Board 2017-2018 Annual Report**

*The Board approved Option 1: Accept the Contractor's Licensing and Examination Board 2017-2018 Annual Report.*

**CITIZENS TO BE HEARD ON NON-AGENDAED ITEMS**

(3-minute limit per speaker; there will not be any discussion by the Commission)

- Dr. Edward Holifield, 4032 Longleaf Court, expressed his concern with the quality of healthcare at the jail for pregnant women and their babies after birth. Dr. Holifield also noted the ratings for patient safety at Tallahassee Memorial Hospital (TMH). Dr. Holifield declared the Leapfrog Group gave the hospital a rating of "D" on patient safety and he felt there was a need to discuss how TMH was being run. Dr. Holifield mentioned an article in the Tallahassee Democrat Newspaper where a 3.7% decrease in hunger was discussed.

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

**17. Action Plan to Implement the Strategic Initiative of Increasing the Quantity and Quality of Citizen Input Opportunities**

County Administrator Long introduced the item. Mr. Long conveyed the item seeks Board approval of Leon County's planned actions to implement the strategic initiative for increasing the quantity and quality of citizen input. Mr. Long shared they would be seeing more items such as this to implement strategic initiatives.

*Commissioner Desloge moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Minor, approval of Options 1 and 2: 1) Approve Leon County's action plan to implement the strategic initiative of*



increasing the quantity and quality of citizen input opportunities, and 2) Approve the Budget Amendment Request transferring \$7,000 from the general fund contingency account to pay for video programming on streaming devices.

Commissioner Minor noted how pleased he was with this agenda item and that the County has been a leader in asking for citizen input. The motion carried 7-0.

**18. FY 2020 Maximum Discretionary Funding Levels and Initial Budget Policy Guidance**

County Administrator Long introduced the item. Mr. Long stated the item seeks Board approval of the FY 2020 maximum discretionary funding levels as required by County Ordinance. Mr. Long shared that the item establishes, based on the Discretionary Funding Guidelines, maximum funding levels for a series of categories and determine which agencies are eligible to receive funding for FY 2020. Mr. Long also noted there were two outside requests from the Kearney Center and the Community Quarterback Association with the Purpose-Built Model. He included a range of options and recognized Representative Lorraine Ausley, Brenda Williams - TLH Housing Authority, and Christic Henry, Community Advocate and Realtor, were present to answer questions posed.

*Commissioner Maddox moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Desloge, for approval of Options 1, 2 & 3.*

Commissioner Minor commented that upon conferring with the County Attorney, he would recuse himself on Option 1 and any motion that would contain that option based on a potential conflict of interest. Commissioner Minor asked that the motion be made separately. He submitted the necessary Form 8B Memorandum of Voting.

*Commissioner Maddox rescinded the above motion, duly seconded by Commissioner Desloge for Options 2 & 3, 2) Approve the non-departmental maximum discretionary funding level for FY 2020 at \$27,000 for special events funding, and 3) Maintain the Commissioner District Budgets at \$12,500. The motion carried 7-0.*

*Commissioner Maddox moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Desloge, for approval of Option 1) Approve the Community Human Services Partnership (CHSP) funding level for FY 2020 at \$1,300,000. The motion carried 6-0. (Commissioner Minor abstained).*

Speaker:

Dr. Edward Holifield, 4032 Longleaf Court, spoke regarding his concern with Purpose Built. Dr. Holifield shared the lack of knowledge and how it hadn't been presented to the community. Dr. Holifield suggested they look at Census Tracts not Zip Codes for poverty rates. Dr. Holifield supported community involvement on the Purpose-Built initiative.

*Commissioner Lindley moved Option 5, duly seconded by Commissioner Desloge for approval of Option 5: Approve the funding request from the Kearney Center to extend capital funding for additional 5-year period in the amount of \$100,000 annually and include this amount in the FY 2020 Preliminary Budget contingent on the City providing an equivalent amount of funding.*

Commissioner Dozier clarified that Option 5 was approved contingent on the City providing equivalent amount of funding and confirmed it would not come back at the budget workshop. County Administrator Long replied it would be approved in the budget approval process. Commissioner Dozier explained she could support Option 5 but

thought the extension would give an opportunity to look at the long-term sustainability of the program and what other funding requests might come forward in the future.

Commissioner Lindley mentioned she would like to move forward with a standalone budget item. Commissioner Lindley stated this is different from Option 4, pointing out it was a chronic need.

Commissioner Dozier reiterated a discussion with Kearney Center Board regarding long term sustainability of the shelter. Commissioner Dozier voiced her apprehension with Option 4.

Commissioner Proctor expounded on the personal investment made by Mr. Kearney to build the shelter. He advocated for Option 4. Commissioner Proctor asked that the funding commitment not be contingent upon the City's actions. *Commissioner Proctor moved a substitute motion for approval of Option 4, with an updated report from the Kearney Center. The motion died for lack of a second.*

Commissioner Desloge applauded Mr. Kearney for his endeavors concerning the Kearney Center and the homeless population.

*Commissioner Dozier offered a substitute motion to Option 5, duly seconded by Commissioner Proctor for approval along with the agenda item that looks at the various programs specific to the Kearney Center and what is needed from the County on long term fiscal projections.*

County Administrator Long stated that the issue would be brought back before the Commission if the City does not provide funding.

*The substitute motion carried 7-0.*

*Commissioner Maddox moved Option 8, contingent on the City's funding, duly seconded by Commissioner Minor.*

David Edwards, Purpose Built, responded regarding depth of the engagement process. Mr. Edwards noted it had started around the Orange Avenue Redevelopment. Mr. Edwards shared to date they had four community meetings and stakeholders were aware of what was being done. He noted that they encouraged a formal outreach/engagement process so that it is owned by the community.

Commissioner Maddox noted how impressed he was with the Purpose-Built model process. He expressed some concern to the City's reaction to the funding request made by the Community Quarterback Organization. Commissioner Maddox reemphasized his stance on Option #8.

Commissioner Desloge expressed support for the program and opportunities to enhance the south-side. Commissioner Desloge commented that this program, however, should be led by the City.

*Commissioner Desloge moved a substitute motion, duly seconded by Commissioner Lindley for approval of Option 9: Do not approve the funding request from the Community*



*Quarterback Organization and see if the City would step up and fund or look for private funding. At that point they could re-visit.*

Representative Loranne Ausley addressed the Board. Representative Ausley clarified the City's stance by stating that it was the City's intent to fund without CRA dollars. Representative Ausley highlighted Florida Blue's \$50,000.00 contribution. Representative Ausley introduced Wendy Walker, Development Director, who is committed to finding private sector dollars. Representative Ausley shared the designation is needed as a member of Purpose-Built Network and for that to happen they need to become a Community Quarterback and have funding support.

Commissioner Proctor referenced a letter from Representative Ausley and Representative Ramon Alexander dated March 1, 2019 where it detailed the South City Foundation was a newly created 501(c)(3) organization that would serve as the Community Quarterback. Additionally, Commissioner Proctor made known that there were no Southside Residents on the proposed Foundation Board.

*Commissioner Lindley moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Desloge, to call the question. The motion carried 6 -1. (Commissioner Maddox in opposition).*

*Commissioner Desloge moved, duly second by Commissioner Lindley, to approve the substitute motion of Option 9: Do not approve the funding request from the Community Quarterback Organization. The motion carried 5 – 2. (Commissioners Minor and Maddox in opposition).*

Commissioner Maddox noted his opposition to the motion affirming the City did not do away with the funding request and did not want to send a message that the County was unresponsive. Commissioner Maddox said he was more in support of option 7.

Commissioner Minor recalled his work with Public Policy Development and that approach has the most chance for success. Commissioner Minor shared the greatest appeal to him with Purpose Built Communities was the transformation that could be achieved by embracing ideas that would eliminate poverty.

## **19. Revised Funding Strategy to Pay for Hurricane Michael Recovery Expenses**

County Administrator Long introduced the item. Mr. Long conveyed that the item seeks Board approval of a revised funding strategy to pay for Hurricane Michael related expenses by budgeting \$7.4 million in expedited Hurricane Michael FEMA reimbursement funding. *Commissioner Maddox moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Desloge, the approval of Option 1: Approve the Resolution and Associated Budget Amendment to appropriate the \$7.4 million in Hurricane Michael FEMA reimbursement. The motion carried 6-0. (Commissioner Proctor was out of the Chambers).*

## **20. 2019 Canopy Roads Management Plan**

County Administrator Long introduced the item. Mr. Long advised that the item seeks Board acceptance of the updated Canopy Roads Management Plan.

*Commissioner Maddox moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Desloge, approval of Option 1: Accept the 2019 Canopy Roads Management Plan. The motion carried 6 – 0. (Commissioner Proctor was out of the Chambers).*

**21. Full Board Appointment to the CareerSource Capital Region**

County Administrator Long introduced the item. Mr. Long stated this agenda item seeks the Board’s approval to appoint one citizen to the CareerSource Capital Region Board.

*Commissioner Maddox moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Desloge, approval of Option 1: The full Board to consider the appointment of one citizen. Steve Capenos, to the CareerSource Capital Region Board for the remainder of the term ending June 30, 2021. The motion carried 6 – 0. (Commissioner Proctor was out of the Chambers).*

**SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS, 6:00 P.M.**

Chairman Jackson reconvened the Board at 6:00 p.m. and the following public hearings were conducted.

**22. Joint County/City Adoption and Transmittal Public Hearings on the 2019 Comprehensive Plan Amendments**

**Present:**

City: Commissioner Williams-Cox, Commissioner Richardson, Commissioner Bryant.  
County: Chairman Jackson, Commissioner Maddox, Commissioner Desloge, Commissioner Dozier, Commissioner Minor, Commissioner Lindley and Commissioner Proctor.

County Administrator Long announced the public hearing. He stated that the item provides for the Joint County/City Public Hearings on the 2019 Cycle amendments to the Tallahassee- Leon County Comprehensive Plan. The Purpose of the Public Hearing is to:

- Adopt small-scale map amendments to the Comprehensive Plan; and
- Transmit a proposed large-scale map amendment and a text amendment to the State Land Planning Agency and other reviewing agencies.

Artie White, Administrator – Comprehensive Planning, specified that the small-scale map amendments to the Comprehensive Plan only require adoption through a public hearing; however, large-scale amendments and text amendments require two public hearings (transmittal public hearing and adoption public hearing). The adoption public hearing for the large-scale map amendments is scheduled for May 14, 2019. Mr. White noted the City would vote on their items and the County would vote on theirs.

City

Mr. White announced there were no speakers on this item.

*Commissioner Bryant moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Williams - Cox, approval of Option 1: Conduct the first and only public hearing and adopt Ordinance No, 19-O-10, thereby adopting the small-scale map amendment in the City of Tallahassee, to the Tallahassee-Leon County 2030 Comprehensive Plan. (Murat Subdivision – City only vote). The motion carried 3 -0. (Commissioners Dailey and Matlow were absent).*

County

Mr. White announced there were no speakers on these items.

*Commissioner Lindley moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Desloge, approval of Option 2: Conduct the first and only public hearing and adopt the proposed Ordinance, thereby adopting the small-scale map amendment in unincorporated Leon County to the Tallahassee-Leon County 2030 Comprehensive Plan. (Tower Road Light Industrial – County only vote). The motion carried 6-0. (Commissioner Proctor was out of the chambers).*

*Commissioner Maddox moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Dozier, approval of Option 3: Conduct the transmittal public hearings on the 2019 Cycle Large-Scale Comprehensive Plan Map Amendment and transmit the proposed amendment to the State Land Planning Agency and review agencies. (Bexar LLC Property - County only vote). The motion carried 6-0. (Commissioner Proctor was out of the Chambers).*

County

Mr. White announced there were no speakers on these items.

*Commissioner Dozier moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Minor, approval of Option 4: Conduct the transmittal public hearings on the 2019 Cycle Comprehensive Plan Text Amendment and transmit the proposed amendment to the State Land Planning Agency and review agencies. (Capital Improvement Element – County and City). The motion carried 6-0. (Commissioner Proctor was out of the Chambers).*

City

*Commissioner Williams - Cox moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Bryant, approval of Option 4: Conduct the transmittal public hearings on the 2019 Cycle Comprehensive Plan Text Amendment and transmit the proposed amendment to the State Land Planning Agency and review agencies. (Capital Improvement Element – County and City). The motion carried 3-0. (Commissioners Dailey and Matlow were absent).*

Land Use Update

Mr. White announced they have added 3 additional meetings:

- Miccosukee Community Center on March 28, 2019
- Forest Meadows Recreation Center on April 4, 2019
- Rural Economics Development Workshop on April 18, 2019

County

*Commissioner Desloge moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Maddox, approval of Option 5: Accept the Status Report on the Land Use Element Update. The motion carried 7 -0.*

City

*Commissioner Bryant moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Williams - Cox, approval of Option 5: Accept the Status Report on the Land Use Element Update. The motion carried 3-0. (Commissioner's Dailey and Matlow were absent).*

This concluded the Joint Comprehensive Plan Meeting.

**23. First and Only Public Hearing to Consider a Second Amendment to the Southwood Integrated Development Order**

County Administrator Long announced the public hearing and affirmed there were no speakers.

Mr. Long shared the item sought approval of a proposed second amendment to the Southwood Integrated Development Order to allow an approximately 82,000 square feet expansion to the Florida State University School. Mr. Long mentioned the increased square footage will create additional classroom space, an athletic field house, and harden the gymnasium/cafeteria to better serve as a hurricane evacuation shelter. Mr. Long noted that in order to mitigate the proposed expansion at the School, the applicant plans to reduce the amount industrial square footage in the Southwood Development of Regional Impact by approximately 98,000 square feet, which is equivalent to the increased traffic from the school addition. The proposed second amendment to the integrated Development Order would require the approval of both the City and County Commissions.

*Commissioner Maddox moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Dozier, approval of Option 1: Conduct the first and only public hearing and approve the second amendment to the Southwood Development of Regional Impact Integrated Development Order. The motion carried 6-0. (Commissioner Proctor was out of the Chambers).*

**ADD ON ITEM: (TO BE CONSIDERED UNDER GENERAL BUSINESS AGENDA)**

**24. Status Report on Leon County's Ongoing Tornado Recovery Efforts**

County Administrator Long introduced the item. Mr. Long stated the item provided the Board with a Status Report on the recovery efforts in response to the tornado that impacted the Baum Road area on March 3, 2019 and recommended additional strategies to help ensure continued assistance to individuals and families impacted.

Commissioner Dozier thanked County staff. Commissioner Dozier shared that she had the opportunity to visit the Baum Road area and saw the devastation. Commissioner Dozier concurred the options offered were excellent. She commented every house and resident acknowledged is a testament of how quickly the County responded. She applauded them for a great team effort and emphasized how important the text alert was to the residents.

*Commissioner Lindley moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Maddox, approval of Options 1, 2, 3, & 4: 1) Accept the status report on Leon County's ongoing tornado recovery efforts; 2) Authorize staff to prioritize residents impacted by the tornado for eligible repairs using the County's SHIP funds; 3) Approve the recommended revisions to Leon County's SHIP Local Housing Assistance Plans, and 4) Approve a Proclamation declaring a Local State of Emergency for the March 3 tornado and authorize the Chairman to extend the Local State of Emergency in seven-day increments as needed until such time as the County's recovery efforts are complete. The motion carried 6-0. (Commissioner Proctor was out of the Chambers).*

**CITIZENS TO BE HEARD ON NON-AGENDAED ITEMS**

(3-minute limit per speaker; Commission may discuss issues that are brought forth by speakers.)

- Chairman Jackson confirmed there were no speakers on Non-Agendaed Items.

## **COMMENTS/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **County Attorney Thiele:**

- Congratulated Deputy County Attorney LaShawn Riggins who was recently listed in the 25 Women You Need to Know published by the Tallahassee Democrat and the Moore Agency.
- Discussed a Memorandum dealing with two and possibly three lawsuits, with three different plaintiffs. Attorney Thiele noted they surround the Rehabilitation Act and the American with Disabilities Act (ADA). Attorney Thiele pointed out the allegations concern the website not complying with the sight impaired; the PDF files are not readable for sight impaired and broadcasts are not sufficiently closed captioned. Attorney Thiele shared they have some backing from the 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit in Federal Court. Attorney Thiele stated as the County's Attorney they are fully prepared to litigate but recommended settling the cases instead. The settlement offer is a global \$30,000, total inclusive of everything. The time limit given would give the County one year to two years to finish work on ADA compliant issues. Attorney Thiele requested authorization to negotiate a settlement under those terms and conditions.
- County Attorney Thiele shared Leon is the eighteenth County that has been sued by this group.
- *Commissioner Dozier moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Maddox, approval to accept recommendation from the County Attorney.*
- Commissioner Desloge asked if we could contact the Florida Association of Counties (FAC) and their Legislative Team on this. County Attorney Thiele commented they are aware.
- Commissioner Minor inquired does this settlement protect the County from another suit. County Attorney Thiele replied it would not offer protection, however, if they implemented all things asked, they would not appear vulnerable.
- The motion carried 7-0.

### **County Administrator Long:**

- NO ITEMS.

## **COMMISSIONER DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **Commissioner Minor:**

- Applauded Coach Mike Martin, FSU Baseball Coach, on 2,000 wins and highlighted this was the first time this has been achieved. Commissioner Minor asked for a Proclamation.
- *Commissioner Minor moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Maddox, to present a Proclamation to FSU Baseball Coach Martin. The motion carried 7-0.*
- Congratulated Commissioner Dozier for appointment to Florida Association of Counties (FAC) Water Committee and Commissioner Desloge for appointment on the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) National Advisory Council.
- Recognized his mother who was visiting from Austin, Texas.

### **Commissioner Proctor:**

- Acknowledged Kelli Walker, volunteer for the Leon County School District who manages the volunteers, mentor, and partner programs across the District. Commissioner Proctor requested a Proclamation to recognize the outstanding services Ms. Walker provides.
- *Commissioner Proctor moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Maddox, for approval of Proclamation for Kelli Walker, a volunteer for the Leon County Schools. The motion carried 7-0.*
- Discussed correspondence from County Administrator Long regarding a proposed transmission project. Commissioner Proctor stated it was coming from Midway to Chair Jackson's district over to Crawfordville to District 5. Commissioner Proctor asked for additional information on this project.
- County Administrator Long responded the utility provider had not applied for a permit yet. Mr. Long noted that through the existing right of way, the transmission project would enter into transactions with private land owners. Mr. Long shared there is limited regulatory authority and when the permit is submitted he would provide additional information to the Commissioners.
- County Administrator Long also noted the information the Commissioners have is what he has as of now. Mr. Long advised the utility providers would have to meet all environmental standards of Leon County.

**Commissioner Dozier:**

- Also provided comment regarding resident concerns about the transmission lines.
- Declared the National Association of Counties (NACo) Conference was an informative and successful event.
- Recognized Commissioner Maddox's upcoming appointment as President of FAC.

**Commissioner Maddox:**

- Announced the recent birth of his son on March 2, 2019.
- Requested that the Purpose-Built representatives please respond to the Board and Citizen concerns.
- Announced that the Tallahassee Sympathy Orchestra was bringing an amazing concert Saturday, "Ode to Understanding", which is a community event promoting compassion and empathy. Additionally, it would also feature a new musical composition, "Seven Last Words of the Unarmed".

**Commissioner Lindley:**

- Congratulated Commissioner Minor on the efforts of Second Harvest helping bring down the poverty rate by way of reducing hunger.
- Commended staff for phenomenal work on Leon Works. Commissioner Lindley expressed how pleasant it was to have students from Gadsden and Wakulla County included.
- Offered accolades and requested a Proclamation for Dr. Alex Brickler, who is retiring as an OBGYN Doctor, after delivering approximately 30,000 babies.
- *Commissioner Lindley moved, duly second by Commissioner Minor for approval of a Proclamation honoring Dr. Alex Brickler's Retirement. The motion carried 7 - 0.*

**Vice-Chairman Desloge:**

- Recognized May as National Bike Month.
- *Commissioner Desloge moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Dozier for approval of a Proclamation for May as National Bike Month. The motion carried 7 -0.*



- Announced 2024 as the County’s 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and asked what the formal process would be for recognition. County Administrator Long said he would bring the item back.
- Requested an agenda item on Social Impact Financing to help fund human services going forward.
- *Commissioner Desloge moved, duly second by Commissioner Maddox, for approval for an agenda item on Social Impact Financing. The motion carried 7-0.*

**Chairman Jackson:**

- Proclaimed March 30 as Big Event Day and requested a Proclamation prior to that date.
- *Chair Jackson moved, duly second by Commissioner Dozier for approval on a Proclamation for March 30 – Big Event Day. The motion carried 7-0.*
- Announced April 2 is National Service Recognition Day and requested a Proclamation for National Service Day.
- *Commissioner Desloge moved, duly second by Commissioner Maddox for approval for a Proclamation for approval of April 2, National Service Day. The motion carried 7-0.*
- Congratulated Commissioners’ Maddox, Desloge and Dozier on recent appointments and Commissioner Maddox on the birth of his son.

**RECEIPT AND FILE:**

- None.

**ADJOURN:**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA

ATTEST:



BY: *Jimbo Jackson*  
 Jimbo Jackson, Chairman  
 Board of County Commissioners

BY: *Gwendolyn Marshall*  
 Gwendolyn Marshall, Clerk of Court  
 & Comptroller, Leon County, Florida