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MEETING NOTICE

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

There will be a meeting of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council on **December 13, 2018**. The meeting will be held at the **Lake City Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites, 213 Southwest Commerce Boulevard, Lake City, Florida**. Dinner will start at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting at **7:00 p.m.**

MEETING STARTS AT 7:00 P.M.

*Please call the Council at 352.955.2200, or 800.226.0690, or email strong@ncfrpc.org by December 10, 2018 to let us know if you will be attending the meeting. (You can call after hours and leave a message on voice mail too.) **THANK YOU.***

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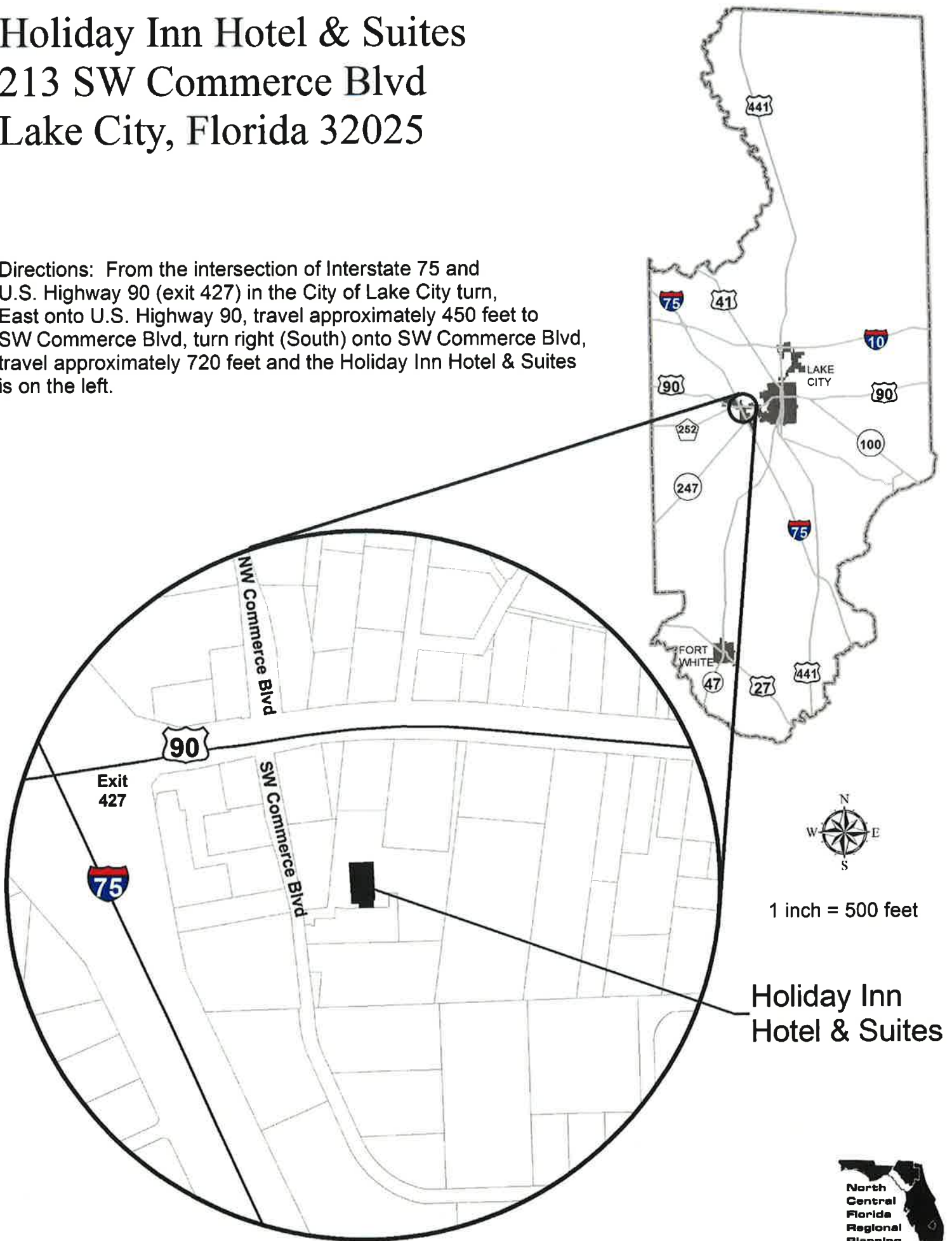
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AGENDA

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

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213 Southwest Commerce Boulevard
Lake City, Florida

December 13, 2018
7:00 p.m.

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NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
MINUTES

Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites
Lake City, Florida

October 25, 2018
7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Anthony Adams, Lafayette County
David Arreola, City of Gainesville
Robert Brown, Hamilton County
LaBarfield Bryant, City of Jasper
James Catron, City of Madison
Charles Chestnut IV, Alachua County
Ken Cornell, Alachua County
Frank Davis, City of Live Oak
Louie Davis, City of Waldo
Rick Davis, Madison County
Gene Higginbotham, Dixie County
Fletcher Hope, City of Archer
John Meeks, Levy County
Janice Mortimer, City of Starke
Tim Murphy, Columbia County
Daniel Riddick, Bradford County
Larry Sessions, Suwannee County
Lorene Thomas, Dixie County
Robert Wilford, City of Alachua

NON-VOTING DELEGATE PRESENT

EX-OFFICIO MEMBER REPRESENTATIVES
PRESENT

Barney Bennett, Florida Department of
Transportation
Ben Glass, Suwannee River
Water Management District
Daniel Penniman, Florida Fish and
Wildlife Conservation Commission

COUNCIL ATTORNEY PRESENT

Jonathon Wershow

MEMBERS ABSENT

Patricia, Bouie, City of Hawthorne
Mike Deming, City of Perry
Thomas Demps, Taylor County
Matt Hersom, City of Newberry
Robert Hutchinson, Alachua County
Linda Jones, City of High Springs
James Montgomery, Columbia County
Gigi Simmons, City of Gainesville
James Tallman, Union County
Kenrick Thomas, Gilchrist County
Helen Warren, City of Gainesville
Mike Williams, Madison County
Stephen Witt, City of Lake City

OTHERS PRESENT

Tim Alexander
Mary Nell Bell
Sandra Buck-Camp
Diana Davis
Don Hale, Jr.
Stew Lilker
Brian Kauffman
Tom Mirti
David Pieklik

STAFF PRESENT

Steven Dopp
Scott Koons
Jean Strong
Tara Tucker

Executive Members names are bolded
Gubernatorial Members names are italicized

I. INVOCATION

Chair Davis called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with an invocation given by Commissioner Chestnut.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Council and guests pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

III. INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Davis stated there was a quorum of the Council, and welcomed and introduced Don Hall Jr., Suwannee County Commissioner; Tim Alexander, County Manager of Dixie County; Brian Kauffman Madison County Coordinator; Sandra Buck-Camp, member of the Columbia Hamilton Suwannee Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board; Mary Nell Bryant, wife of LaBarfield Bryant from City of Jasper; Diana Davis, wife of Mayor Louie Davis from City of Waldo and Stew Lilker from the Columbia County Observer.

IV. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes - September 27, 2018
- B. Hazards Analyses Services Agreement Fiscal Year 2018-19 Alachua County
- C. 2020 Census Participation Statistical Areas Program
- D. Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board Appointments

Chair Davis asked if there were any questions regarding the items on the Consent Agenda and requested that these items be approved.

ACTION: Commissioner Mortimer made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Meeks, to approve the consent agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

V. APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA

Chair Davis asked for approval of the regular agenda.

ACTION: Commissioner Wilford made the motion, with a second by Councilman Bryant, to approve the regular agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

VI. CITIZEN COMMENTS

None

VII. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS BALLOT PRESENTATION

Commissioner Davis from Madison County gave a presentation on the Constitutional Amendments on the ballot for November 6, 2018. Chair Davis thanked him for his presentation.

VIII. CHAIR'S REPORT

A. Introduction of New Member

Chair Davis welcomed new Council member Frank Davis, Mayor, City of Live Oak.

B. Resolution of Appreciation - William Whitelock

ACTION: Commissioner Chestnut made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Meeks to approve the Resolution of Appreciation for non-voting delegate William Whitelock from City of High Springs. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Middle and Lower Suwannee River and Withlacoochee River
Task Force Appointment

ACTION: Commissioner Meeks made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Chestnut to ratify the appointments by the Chair of the following county commissioners to the Middle and Lower Suwannee River and Withlacoochee River Task Force; Commissioner Ken Cornell, Alachua County; Commissioner Daniel Riddick, Bradford County; Commissioner Ronald Williams, Columbia County; Commissioner Gene Higginbotham, Dixie County; Commissioner Kendrick Thomas, Gilchrist County; Commissioner Beth Burnam, Hamilton County; Commissioner Anthony Adams, Lafayette County; Commissioner John Meeks, Levy County; Commissioner Rick Davis, Madison County; Commissioner Don Hale, Suwannee County; Commissioner Thomas Demps, Taylor County; and Commissioner James Tallman, Union County; with Commissioner Rick Davis to serve as Chair and Commissioner Beth Burnam to serve as Vice-Chair. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Executive Director Elected President
National Association of Development Organizations

Chair Davis congratulated Executive Director Scott Koons for recently being elected President of the National Association of Development Organizations. He stated that the Association was founded in 1967 and provides advocacy, education, networking and research for the network of 540 regional development organizations. Chair Davis further stated that the organization also promotes programs and policies that strengthen local governments, communities and economies through regional cooperation, program delivery and comprehensive strategies.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS -

A. Executive Committee

1. Appoint Members for Two-Year Terms to
North Central Florida Areawide Development Co., Inc.

Mr. Koons reported that the Articles of Incorporation of the small business loan company, the North Central Florida Areawide Development Co., Inc., require that the Council make appointments of its members. These appointments are to be made on even numbered years for two-year terms. He presented a slate of individuals to be appointed to the North Central Florida Areawide Development Co., Inc. as recommended by the Executive Committee.

David Arreola asked to have his name removed from the North Central Florida Areawide Development Co., Inc. recommended member slate. Mr. Koons recommended Fletcher Hope be added to the recommended member slate for the North Central Florida Areawide Development Co., Inc.

ACTION: Commissioner Meeks made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Sessions, to appoint Anthony Adams, Lafayette County; Patricia Bouie, Alachua County; Robert Brown, Hamilton County; LaBarfield Bryant, Hamilton County; Jim Catron, Madison County; Charles Chestnut IV, Alachua County; Ken Cornell, Alachua County; Frank Davis, Suwannee County; Louie Davis, Alachua County; Rick Davis, Madison County; Thomas Demps, Taylor County; Fletcher Hope, Alachua County; John Meeks, Levy County; Janice Mortimer, Bradford County; David Pieklik, Levy County; Daniel Riddick, Bradford County; Larry Sessions, Suwannee County; Kevin Sheilley, Marion County; Gigi Simmons, Alachua County; James Tallman, Union County; Kenrick Thomas, Gilchrist County; Lorene Thomas, Dixie County; Helen Warren, Alachua County; Robert Wilford, Alachua County; and Stephen Witt, Columbia County for two-year terms effective October 25, 2018 to the North Central Florida Areawide Development Co., Inc. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Proclamation Declaring November 5, 2018 as Home Rule 50th Anniversary Day

Mr. Koons, Executive Director stated that November 5, 2018 has been designated to celebrate Home Rule 50th Anniversary Day. He stated voters placed local government rule into the Florida Constitution as an amendment to Article VIII. Mr. Koons stated the home rule power has enabled each county, city, town and village across the Sunshine State to consider, adopt, revise or remove its own laws without the need to seek legislative permission from the state and has further served as the foundation upon which every local government builds its government structure. He stated a one size fits all approach to governance is not in the best interest of Florida citizens.

ACTION: Commissioner Chestnut made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Davis, to adopt a proclamation proclaiming November 5, 2018 as Home Rule 50th Anniversary Day. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Resolution Recognizing Service of Michael J. Busha as
Executive Director of the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council

Mr. Koons stated that Michael Busha, Executive Director of the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council will be retiring on November 30, 2018. He noted his career with the Council spanned 37 years. Mr. Koons reported that the Executive Committee recommends that the Council adopt a resolution recognizing the service of Michael Busha.

ACTION: Commissioner Wilford made the motion, with a second by Ms. Thomas to adopt Resolution No. 2018-21 recognizing the service of Michael Busha as Executive Director of the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Clearinghouse Committee

Commissioner Adams, Clearinghouse Committee Chair, gave the Clearinghouse Committee report. He stated that the Clearinghouse Committee met earlier in the evening and reviewed the local government comprehensive plan amendments which were included on the Council agenda for consideration.

- #74 - Madison County Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment
- #75 - City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment
- #1 - Gilchrist County Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendments
- #2 - Madison County Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment
- #3 - City of Alachua Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment
- #4 - City of Gainesville Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment
- #5 - Union County Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment

He reported that the Committee finds that, with the exception of item #75, City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment, the local government comprehensive plans, as amended, are not anticipated to result in significant adverse impacts to regional facilities, Natural Resources of Regional Significance or adjacent local governments.

Commissioner Adams stated that with regards to the City of Newberry amendment, the Committee notes that significant adverse impacts may occur to a portion of the Regional Road Network. He stated that the Committee recommends forwarding these findings to the respective local governments and the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity.

ACTION: Commissioner Adams made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Cornell to approve the Committee recommendations concerning Item #74 - Madison County Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment; Item #75 - City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment; Item #1 - Gilchrist County Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendments; Item #2 - Madison County Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment; Item #3 - City of Alachua Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment; Item #4 - City of Gainesville Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment and Item #5 - Union County Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Finance Committee - Fiscal Year 2017-18 Amended Budget

Commissioner Sessions, Chair of the Finance Committee, reported that the Finance Committee met on October 18, 2018 and agreed upon a budget amendment for Fiscal Year 2017-18. He stated that the budget amendment takes into account action taken by the Council during the past year to accept work under contracts and additional grants which were not anticipated when the original budget was prepared as well as changes in anticipated revenues. He reviewed the proposed budget amendment and noted that it contained an overall net increase of \$8,000 which represents less than a one percent increase. Commissioner Sessions stated that the Finance Committee recommends that the Council approve the proposed amended Fiscal Year 2017-18 budget.

ACTION: Commissioner Sessions made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Cornell, to approve the amended to the Fiscal Year 2017-18 budget as recommended by the Finance Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

X. EX-OFFICIO MEMBER REPORTS

Barney Bennett, Rural Transportation Planning Manager, Florida Department of Transportation, District 2, stated that the Department rescheduled the Local Government Transportation Summit originally scheduled to be held October 10, 2018 at the Florida Department of Transportation District 2 Office in Lake City was rescheduled to November 14, 2018. He also stated that the Tentative Five-Year Work Program public hearing will be held December 6, 2018 in Jacksonville at the District 2 Urban Area Office. Mr. Bennett also stated that applications from local governments for Small County Road Assistance Program, Small County Outreach Program, Transportation Regional Incentive Program, County Incentive Grant Program, and Transportation Alternatives projects will be due in January 2019.

Ben Glass, Community Affairs Manager, Suwannee River Water Management District introduced Tom Mirti, Deputy Executive Director, Suwannee River Water Management District, who stated that the District is interested in working with the Middle and Lower Suwannee River and Withlacoochee River Task Force. He stated that the District Governing Board will conduct a workshop in early 2019 concerning raw sewage spills by the City of Valdosta, Georgia and invited Task Force members to attend.

Sean Greene, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission stated that the Commission offers wildlife conservation planning services to landowners and local governments throughout the region.

XI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. Florida Regional Councils Association Monthly Activity Report

Mr. Koons reported that the Florida Regional Councils Association is the statewide organization of the ten regional planning councils. The Association strengthens Florida's regional planning councils, partners with government and the business community to enhance regional economic prosperity and improves the consistency and quality of regional planning councils programs to ensure they add value to state, regional and local initiatives. He stated that the Association strives to accomplish these goals by carrying out the activities listed in the September 2018 activities report included in the Council meeting packet. He reviewed the activities listed in the September 2018 report.

B. Florida Chamber Foundation Scorecard™

Mr. Koons stated that the Florida Chamber Foundation has developed the Florida Scorecard™ to provide Florida leaders the metrics needed to secure Florida's future. The Florida Chamber Foundation's objective to develop a 20-year, statewide strategic plan requires a commitment to measuring our current status and progress toward the stated goals of the Six Pillars 20-year Strategic Plan. He further stated that the Scorecard reports metrics related to each of the Six Pillars. The Six Pillars are Talent Supply and Education, Innovation and Economic Development, Infrastructure and Growth Leadership, Business Climate and Competitiveness, Civic and Governance Systems and Quality of Life and Quality Places. He reviewed the October 2018 Scorecard™ included in the Council meeting packet.

C. Transportation Disadvantaged Program Award

Mr. Koons reported that the Suwannee Valley Transit Authority, which serves as the Community Transportation Coordinator for the Transportation Disadvantaged Program for Columbia, Hamilton and Suwannee Counties, received the annual Rural Community Transportation Coordinator Award. He stated this award recognizes the rural Community Transportation Coordinator who has performed in an outstanding manner as part of fully coordinated system for the community and the transportation disadvantaged population. Mr. Koons stated the award was presented at the Annual Transportation Disadvantaged Training and EXPO held in Daytona Beach on October, 15-17, 2018.

Commissioner Sessions, Administrator for Suwannee Valley Transit Authority, reported on the transit services provided by the Suwannee Valley Transit Authority.

Chair Davis informed the Council that the next Council meeting will be held on December 13, 2018. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Louie Davis, Chair

12/13/18
Date



PROCLAMATION

DECLARING NOVEMBER 5, 2018 AS HOME RULE 50TH ANNIVERSARY DAY

WHEREAS, Florida's voters placed local government home rule into the Florida Constitution on November 5, 1968, during the regular elections as an amendment to Article VIII; and

WHEREAS, home rule power has enabled each county, city, town and village across the Sunshine State to consider, adopt, revise or remove its own laws without the need to seek legislative permission from the state and has further served as the foundation upon which every local government builds its government structure; and

WHEREAS, a one size fits all approach to governance is not in the best interests of Florida citizens; and

WHEREAS, the tradition of local decision-making in Florida is essential to protect as it provides each local government the ability to preserve and enhance the myriad characteristics that make each one uniquely special to preserve and that maintains its quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the 50th anniversary of home rule is an appropriate time for all counties and municipalities to engage their respective citizens to educate them about the Florida Constitution and local laws, so that all Floridians may continue to receive the many benefits of home rule.

NOW, THEREFORE, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council hereby proclaims November 5, 2018 as Home Rule 50th Anniversary Day throughout the north central Florida region.

DULY ADOPTED AND PROCLAIMED this 25th day of October 2018.

Attest:

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA
REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

SEAL

Larry Sessions
Secretary-Treasurer

Louie Davis
Chair

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-21

**RECOGNIZING SERVICE OF
MICHAEL J. BUSHA
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
TREASURE COAST REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL**

WHEREAS, the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council was the eighth regional planning council established in the State of Florida in 1976; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council is to encourage and enable local units of government and citizenry to assemble and cooperate with one another and with representatives of major economic interests, to promote health, safety, and general welfare of citizenry, and to plan for future development of the Region that will keep it competitive and afford a high quality of life; and

WHEREAS, Michael J. Busha has served as Executive Director of the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council since 1994, capping a 37-year career at the Council; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Busha has served and contributed to the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council and Florida Regional Councils Association with distinction and honor, having served as Chair of the Florida Regional Councils Association Executive Directors Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Busha has announced his retirement from the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council effective November 30, 2018.

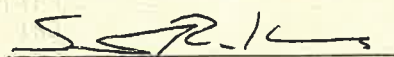
NOW, THEREFORE, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council hereby congratulates Mr. Busha upon the occasion of his retirement, thanks him for his many contributions on behalf of the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council and Florida Regional Councils Association and wishes him well in his retirement and future endeavors.

DULY ADOPTED this 25th day of October 25, 2018.

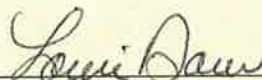
Attest:

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA
REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

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Scott R. Koons
Executive Director



Louie Davis
Chair



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December 6, 2018

TO: Council Members
FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director
SUBJECT: Monthly Financial Report - October 2018

Please find attached a copy of the Monthly Financial Report for the Council's activities for October 2018. The following paragraphs discuss revenues and expenditures to the budget for the month and year to date.

Revenue

The total revenue for the Council for year to date is within budgeted figures. Revenue at the end of one month is seven percent of budget.

Expenditures

The total expenditures for the Council for year to date are within budgeted figures. Total expenditures at the end of one month is seven percent of budget.

Conclusion

In conclusion, staff is pleased with the financial condition of the Council. The adjusted general fund balance should remain at an acceptable level at the end of the fiscal year.

Overall, as is regularly reported, the financial condition of the Council is sound. Staff is not aware of anything in the current fiscal year that will change this situation.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Attachment

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NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
Summary Financial Statement (Unaudited)
October 31, 2018

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking / Savings 1,362,460

Accounts Receivable 591,487

Other Current Assets 47,988

Total Current Assets 2,001,935

TOTAL ASSETS 2,001,935

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable 55,879

Other Current Liabilities 284,097

Total Liabilities 339,976

Equity 1,661,959

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY 2,001,935

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
Summary Financial Statement (Unaudited)
October 31, 2018

SUMMARY STATEMENT

	Adopted Budget FY 2018-19	October 2018	Year to Date	Percent of Budget
Revenue	2,144,600	0	144,278	7%
Expenses	2,144,600	0	144,066	7%

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

Summary Financial Statement (Unaudited)

October 31, 2018

REVENUE

Account	Adopted Budget FY 2018-19	October 2018	Year to Date	Percent of Budget
Program Development	35,600	0	7,807	22%
Regional Planning				
Regional Planning & Review	80,000	0	19,995	25%
Public Safety & Regulatory Compliance				
Hazardous Waste Monitoring	58,900	0	23,293	40%
Local Emergency Planning Committee	136,500	0	0	0%
Hazards Analyses	18,800	0	0	0%
Public Safety Training Exercises	10,000	0	0	0%
Transportation				
Gainesville Urbanized Area Transportation Planning	443,500	0	0	0%
Gainesville Urbanized Area Mass Transit	212,600	0	0	0%
Transportation Disadvantaged - Alachua County	24,200	0	0	0%
Transportation Disadvantaged - Region	199,800	0	0	0%
Economic Development				
Economic Strategy & Technical Assistance	90,000	0	5,019	6%
Economic Strategy & Technical Assistance - Disaster Recovery	125,000	0	6,264	5%
Original Florida Tourism Task Force Staffing	53,300	0	0	0%
Original Florida Tourism Task Force	279,700	0	53,000	19%
Vision North Central Florida		0	2,500	
Local Government Assistance				
General Technical Services	10,000	0	2,489	25%
City & County Planning Services	224,200	0	0	0%
Community Development Block Grant Administration	142,500	0	23,911	17%
Total Revenue	2,144,600	0	144,278	7%

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Summary Financial Statement (Unaudited)
October 31, 2018

EXPENDITURES

Account	Adopted Budget FY 2018-19	October 2018	Year to Date	Percent of Budget
Audit	16,000	0	0	0%
Building Occupancy & Grounds	33,000	0	3,635	11%
Contractual Services	143,300	0	18,777	13%
Dues, Publications, Subscriptions & Training	50,000	0	8,087	16%
Furniture & Equipment	15,000	0	0	0%
Insurance & Bonding	21,000	0	5,599	27%
Legal Services & Public Notices	12,000	0	838	7%
Machine Rental & Maintenance	5,000	0	0	0%
Meeting Expenses	17,000	0	1,350	8%
Moving Expense	2,000	0	0	0%
Office Supplies	24,000	0	806	3%
Personnel	1,351,300	0	73,380	5%
Postage	7,000	0	645	9%
Printing	2,000	0	0	0%
Recruiting	2,000	0	0	0%
Reproduction	15,000	0	1,014	7%
Telephone	5,000	0	466	9%
Travel	84,000	0	15,348	18%
Original Florida Tourism Task Force	279,700	0	14,121	5%
Contingency	60,300	0	0	0%
Total Expenses	2,144,600	0	144,066	7%




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TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director 

SUBJECT: Agreement with Florida Division of Emergency Management for
Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness - Fiscal Year 2018-19

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the Chair to execute an agreement with the Florida Division of Emergency Management for an amount of \$53,522.20 in training funds, on behalf of the North Central Florida Local Emergency Planning Committee, for Fiscal Year 2018-19.

BACKGROUND:

The Florida Division of Emergency Management passes through funds from the United States Department of Transportation for hazardous materials training. The Council, on behalf of the North Central Florida Local Emergency Planning Committee, offers free hazardous materials response training to local government employees. This training includes basic awareness level through more advanced technician level training.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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TO: Council Members
FROM: Louie Davis, Chair
SUBJECT: Resolution of Appreciation - Larry Sessions

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the attached resolution of appreciation for Larry Sessions.

BACKGROUND:

As a token of appreciation for his service on the Council since December 2014 and in recognition of his commitment and concern for the growth and development of the north central Florida area, the attached resolution of appreciation is recommended for approval by the Council.

Resolution

OF APPRECIATION

WHEREAS, Larry Sessions has been representing Suwannee County on the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council since December 2014;

WHEREAS, Larry Sessions has ably discharged the duties of a representative on the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the membership and staff of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council do hereby express their appreciation to Larry Sessions for dedicated service rendered to the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council and concern for the future growth and development of the region and the State of Florida; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That this expression of appreciation be spread upon the minutes of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council for all citizens of the region to view and recognize the accomplishments and service of Larry Sessions.

Louie Davis, Chair

ATTEST:

Scott R. Koons, Executive Director

ADOPTED BY THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AT THEIR MEETING
OF December 13, 2018.






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TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director 

SUBJECT: Transportation Disadvantaged Program Resolutions of Appreciation

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the attached resolutions of appreciation for Commissioner Jason Holifield and Miriam Otera.

BACKGROUND:

The attached are resolutions of appreciation are regarding Florida's Transportation Disadvantaged Program established by Chapter 427, Florida Statutes. Commissioner Jason Holifield served as Chair of the Dixie County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board since January 2013. Miriam Otera served as the voting Florida Department of Elder Affairs Representative on the Gilchrist County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board since January 2017.

If you have questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Jason Holifield has served as Chair of the Dixie County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board since January 2013; and

WHEREAS, Jason Holifield ably discharged the duties as Chair of the Dixie County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the members and staff of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council do hereby express their appreciation to Jason Holifield for dedicated service rendered to the Dixie County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board and concern for the transportation disadvantaged needs of Dixie County and the State of Florida; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That this expression of appreciation be spread upon the minutes of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council for all citizens of the community to view and recognize the accomplishments and service of Jason Holifield.

Louie Davis, Chair

ADOPTED BY THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

December 13, 2018

Date

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Miriam Otera has served as the Florida Department of Elder Affairs Representative on the Gilchrist County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board since January 2017; and

WHEREAS, Miriam Otera ably discharged the duties as the Florida Department of Elder Affairs Representative the Gilchrist County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the members and staff of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council do hereby express their appreciation to Miriam Otera for dedicated service rendered to the Gilchrist County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board and concern for the transportation disadvantaged needs of Gilchrist County and the State of Florida; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That this expression of appreciation be spread upon the minutes of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council for all citizens of the community to view and recognize the accomplishments and service of Miriam Otera.

Louie Davis, Chair

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TO: Council Members
FROM: Louie Davis, Chair
SUBJECT: Committee Appointment

RECOMMENDATION:

Ratify the appointment of Charles Chestnut IV to the Florida Regional Councils Association Policy Board, as recommended by the Chair.

BACKGROUND:

Due to a vacancy on the Florida Regional Councils Association Policy Board, an appointment to the Policy Board needs to be made at this time.

I am recommending the appointment of Charles Chestnut IV to the Florida Regional Councils Association Policy Board.



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TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director 

SUBJECT: Resolution Concerning Management Alternatives for Human Wastewater Biosolids

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the attached resolution concerning Management Alternatives for Human Waste Biosolids in the north central Florida region and authorize its distribution to local government associations and state agencies.

BACKGROUND:

One of the by-products or residuals of the wastewater treatment process is called biosolids or the wet sludge that is left behind after initial processing, which is then collected for further treatment and processing. In Florida, biosolids are either land-applied as a soil amendment for improved agricultural productivity or disposed of in landfills. Either way it is an important source of water, energy, nitrogen and phosphorous resources that some suggest could be recovered and used more efficiently. There is also concern statewide that excess nutrients from land application if human waste biosolids reach surface water as a result of rainfall runoff and continue to increase the occurrence of chronic harmful algal blooms. The purpose of this item and the attached resolution is to inform the Council's member counties, municipalities and their associates about this regional issue and potential solutions.

Today, Florida's central sewer wastewater treatment facilities produce approximately 340,000 dry tons of biosolids. Approximately 100,000 dry tons of biosolids qualify as Class B biosolids, which are treated sewage sludge meeting U.S. Environmental Protection Agency guidelines for land application as fertilizer with restrictions, and are allowed to have detectable levels of pathogens. Another 100,000 dry tons of biosolids are deposited in various landfills throughout the state. The remaining 140,000 dry tons of biosolids are further processed, dried and composted with material from the landscape industry to produce approximately 200,000 tons of Class AA biosolids which can then be distributed and marketed as fertilizer. This class of biosolids is unregulated and land-applied mainly on pasture and to a lesser extent citrus.

There are alternative technologies that should be considered such as: pyrolysis, vapor recompression distillation, boiler technology electric generation; and supercritical water oxidation to improve recovery of resources and sustainable management of biosolids. Recently, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection announced the formation of a statewide Biosolids Technical Advisory Committee to: 1) establish a better scientific understanding of potential nutrient impacts of the land application of biosolids; and 2) evaluate current biosolids management practices and potential opportunities for enhancements to better protect Florida's water resources.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2018-22

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL SUPPORTING COLLABORATION WITH THE FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCILS ASSOCIATION, FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES, FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES, FLORIDA SMALL COUNTY COALITION, FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL AND CONSUMER SERVICES AND OTHER PARTNERS TO INCREASE AWARENESS OF BIOSOLIDS MANAGEMENT ISSUES IN FLORIDA, PRIORITIZE THE REDUCTION AND EVENTUAL ELIMINATION OF THE LAND APPLICATION OF HUMAN WASTEWATER BIOSOLIDS AND ESTABLISH A PILOT PROJECT PROGRAM FOR FUNDING NEW STATE OF THE ART WASTEWATER TECHNOLOGIES TO IMPROVE RECOVERY AND AFFORD MORE EFFICIENT USE OF HUMAN WASTEWATER BIOSOLIDS

WHEREAS, the geographic area of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council is comprised of Alachua, Bradford, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Lafayette, Levy, Madison, Suwannee, Taylor and Union Counties and the municipalities contained therein; and

WHEREAS, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council is a multi-purpose regional government entity with policy responsibility in the areas of affordable housing, economic development, emergency preparedness, natural resources and regional transportation; and

WHEREAS, it is time to work together as a region, and state to increase awareness of current and future biosolids management issues, examine potential water quality impacts from our current practices, and explore new wastewater treatment technologies to improve biosolids resource recovery and management options; and

WHEREAS, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council wishes to collaborate with the Florida Regional Councils Association, Florida Association of Counties, Florida League of Cities, Florida Small County Coalition, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Florida Department of Agricultural and Consumer Services, and other partners to accomplish these objectives and rethink 21st Century human wastewater management practices for Florida.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL ENCOURAGES THAT:

1. The State of Florida and its local governments prioritize the reduction and eventual elimination of the land application of human wastewater biosolids; and
2. The State of Florida establish a Pilot Project Program for funding local utilities to implement new state of the art wastewater treatment technologies to improve recovery and afford more efficient use of human wastewater biosolids resources.

DULY ADOPTED this 13th day of December 2018.

Attest:

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA
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Scott R. Koons
Executive Director

Louie Davis
Chair



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December 6, 2018

TO: Council Members

FROM: Anthony Adams, Chair
Clearinghouse Committee

RE: Chair's Report

I. COMMITTEE-LEVEL REVIEW ITEMS

The next regularly-scheduled meeting of the Clearinghouse Committee is 6:00 p.m., December 13, 2018 at the Holiday Inn and Suites, 213 SW Commerce Boulevard, Lake City. At its meeting, the Committee will review the following Committee-level items which require Council action. I will present an oral report on the Committee's actions and recommendations at the Council meeting held later that evening.

Local Government Comprehensive Plan Amendment

- #6 - Town of Inglis Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment (DEO No. 19-1ER)
- #7 - City of Gainesville Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment (DEO No. 19-1ESR)
- #8 - City of Alachua Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment (DEO No. 19-1ESR)
- #9 - Dixie County Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment (DEO No. 18-2ESR)

Please be advised that the Clearinghouse Committee meeting packet is posted on the Council website at <http://ncfrpc.org> (click on Upcoming Meetings and Meeting Packets, then click on Clearinghouse Committee Full Packet).

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TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director 

SUBJECT: Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Committee Report

The Council has been designated by the U. S. Economic Development Administration as an Economic Development District since 1978. As such, the Council is responsible for developing and adopting a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy. The purpose of the strategy is to analyze the regional economy and serve as a guide for establishing regional goals and objectives, developing and implementing a regional plan of action, and identifying investment priorities and funding sources.

The Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy is designed to bring together the public and private sectors in the creation of an economic roadmap to diversify and strengthen regional economies by attracting private investment that creates jobs. The strategy must be the result of a continuing economic development planning process developed by a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Committee representing both the public and private sector, and must set forth the goals and objectives necessary to solve the economic development problems of the region.

A majority of the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Committee appointed by the Council are private sector representatives and also includes representatives of public officials, community leaders, workforce development boards, higher education, and minority and labor groups. The Committee is responsible for the development of the strategy and recommendation of the strategy to the Council for adoption.

Based upon the recommendation of the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Committee, the Council adopted the current Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy in September 2012. The Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Committee met on December 6, 2018 to review activities conducted during the past year to support the goals and objectives of the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director 

SUBJECT: Election of Secretary-Treasurer and Executive Committee Member for
Remainder of Program Year 2018-19

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the Nominating Committee recommendation concerning election of the Secretary-Treasurer position and election of an Executive Committee Member, for the remainder of the 2018-19 Program Year.

BACKGROUND:

Currently, Secretary-Treasurer position on the Executive Committee is vacant. In accordance with Council policies, vacancies are to be filled in the same manner as the members were originally elected. Therefore, the Nominating Committee met to recommend a member to fill that position.

Since the Nominating Committee has recommended the advancement of the Executive Committee Member to the Secretary-Treasurer position, the Nominating Committee has also recommended an individual for election to the Executive Committee Member position.

The Nominating Committee met on November 26, 2018 and selected the following nominees to recommend to the Council for your consideration to serve for the remainder of the 2018-19 Program Year.

Secretary-Treasurer - Charles Chestnut IV, Alachua County
Executive Committee Member - Thomas Demps, Taylor County

You should be aware that nominations may be made from the floor for any of these positions. However, in making such nominations, it is necessary for the individual nominated to be qualified to replace the individual they are challenging. A list of current Council members and their attendance records are attached to this memorandum. Also attached, for your information, are excerpts from the Bylaws which govern the elections for these positions.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL MEMBERS
ATTENDANCE SHEET - December 6, 2018

	Program Year 2016/17 Attended/Meetings	Program Year 2017/18 Attended/Meetings	Program Year 2018/19 Attended/Meetings	Total Attended/Meetings
<u>COUNTY</u>				
1. Anthony Adams, Lafayette County	8/11	10/11	4/5	22/27
2. Robert Brown, Hamilton County	N/A	5/5	5/5	10/10
3. Charles Chestnut IV, Alachua County	7/11	9/11	4/5	20/27
4. Ken Cornell, Alachua County	8/11	8/11	3/5	19/27
5. Rick Davis, Madison County	9/11	8/11	5/5	22/27
6. Thomas Demps, Taylor County	5/5	10/11	3/5	18/21
7. Gene Higginbotham, Dixie County	N/A	4/5	3/5	7/10
8. Robert Hutchinson Alachua County	0/5	0/11	1/5	1/21
9. John Meeks, Levy County	7/9	8/11	3/5	18/25
10. Tim Murphy, Columbia County	4/5	9/11	3/5	16/21
11. Daniel Riddick, Bradford County	9/11	10/11	3/5	22/27
12. Len, Stapleton, Suwannee County	N/A	N/A	0/0	0/0
13. James Tallman, Union County	9/11	7/11	2/5	18/27
14. Kenrick Thomas, Gilchrist County	7/11	7/11	2/5	16/27
<u>CITY</u>				
15. David, Arreola, Gainesville	1/1	7/11	2/5	10/17
16. Patricia Bouie, Hawthorne	3/4	9/11	4/5	16/20
17. LaBarfield Bryant, Jasper	10/11	11/11	5/5	26/27
18. Jim Catron, Madison	8/11	8/11	3/5	19/27
19. Frank Davis, Live Oak	N/A	N/A	1/2	1/2
20. Louie Davis, Waldo	8/11	10/11	5/5	23/27
21. Mike Deming, Perry	4/6	2/11	0/5	6/22
22. Matt Hersom, Newberry	N/A	N/A	0/2	0/2
23. Fletcher Hope, Archer	8/11	10/11	5/5	23/27
24. Linda Jones, High Springs	N/A	0/3	1/5	1/8
25. Janice Mortimer, Starke	6/6	8/11	5/5	19/22
26. Gigi Simmons, Gainesville	N/A	1/1	1/5	2/6
27. Helen Warren, Gainesville	9/11	9/11	3/5	21/27
28. Robert Wilford, Alachua	11/11	7/11	4/5	22/27
29. Stephen Witt, Lake City	6/11	8/11	2/5	16/27
<u>GUBERNATORIAL</u>				
30. James Montgomery, Columbia County	7/11	0/11	0/5	7/27
31. Lorene Thomas, Dixie County	10/11	11/11	5/5	26/27
32. Mike Williams, Madison County	0/11	0/11	0/5	0/27

Executive Members are bolded



Section 6: Officers---Duties---Term of Office.

- (1) The members of the Council shall elect a Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary-Treasurer to serve as officers of the Council. The officers shall be elected from among the members of the Council and may be elected or gubernatorial appointees no more than one (1) of who may be from representatives appointed by the same general purpose local governmental unit and no more than one (1) may be a gubernatorial appointee from the same county as another gubernatorial appointee. Should a vacancy occur among the officers, the vacancy shall be filled in the same manner in which the preceding officers were originally elected.
- (2) The officers shall perform the duties enumerated below and other duties prescribed by the Council:
 - (a) The Chair shall preside at meetings of the Council and of the Board; sign, with the counter-signature of the Secretary-Treasurer, or Executive Director, as authorized by the Council, any contracts or other instruments which is deemed in the Council's best interest; and perform such other duties incident to the office as may be prescribed by the Council.
 - (b) The Vice-Chair shall assist the Chair in the performance of the Chair's duties, and either in the absence of the Chair or in the event of the Chair's inability or refusal to act, shall have the powers and shall perform the duties of the Chair.
 - (c) The Secretary-Treasurer shall see that minutes of the meetings and the records of the Council are kept; attest the signatures of the Council officers; and see that notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws or as required by law.
 - (d) The Secretary-Treasurer shall, see that proper financial records of the Council are maintained in accordance with generally accepted governmental accounting principles. Further, the Secretary-Treasurer shall, in general, perform all duties that may be assigned to him/her by the Chair or the Council.



- (3) Each member elected to an office shall serve for one (1) year or until a successor is elected, and shall not be eligible for reelection to the same officer position in a succeeding year once their service for the one (1) year term of office has been completed and provided that the immediate past-Chair shall not be eligible to be elected to another officer or Executive Committee member position until two (2) years have elapsed following the end of their term as immediate past-Chair nor shall an elected official immediate past-Chair be succeeded in the office of Chair by a representative appointed by the same general purpose governmental unit or a gubernatorial appointee from the same county as another gubernatorial appointee.
- (4) Newly elected officers shall be declared installed following the election, and shall assume the duties of office upon adjournment of the Annual Meeting at which they are elected.




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TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director 

SUBJECT: Middle and Lower Suwannee River and Withlacoochee River

On September 19, 2018, Council staff convened and facilitated a meeting of county commissioners, and county administrators, coordinators and managers at the Madison County Agricultural Extension office in Madison. Representatives from Columbia, Dixie, Hamilton, Lafayette, Levy and Madison Counties were in attendance at the meeting.

By consensus, the county commissioners present requested the Council to establish a task force comprised of a county commissioner from each of the following counties, Alachua, Bradford, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Lafayette, Levy, Madison, Suwannee and Union Counties, in the Suwannee River Basin, including the Santa Fe River Basin, to address the issues of raw sewage spills by the City of Valdosta, Georgia. The county commissioners present also requested that the Council authorize its Executive Director to provide administrative support to the Task Force and to develop, in conjunction with county administrators, coordinators and managers, a strategic action plan to address the issue of raw sewage spills by the City of Valdosta, Georgia.

On October 25, 2018 the Chair appointed the following county commissioners to the newly formed Middle and Lower Suwannee River and Withlacoochee River Task Force; Commissioner Ken Cornell, Alachua County; Commissioner Daniel Riddick, Bradford County; Commissioner Ronald Williams, Columbia County; Commissioner Gene Higginbotham, Dixie County; Commissioner Kendrick Thomas, Gilchrist County; Commissioner Beth Burnam, Hamilton County; Commissioner Anthony Adams, Lafayette County; Commissioner John Meeks, Levy County; Commissioner Rick Davis, Madison County; Commissioner Don Hale, Suwannee County; Commissioner Thomas Demps, Taylor County; and Commissioner James Tallman, Union County; with Commissioner Rick Davis appointed Chair and Commissioner Beth Burnam appointed Vice-Chair.

On December 12, 2018, the Task Force is scheduled to meet to begin developing a strategic action plan to address the issue. The Task Force will provide a status report to the Council at its December 13, 2018 meeting.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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December 6, 2018

TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Florida Regional Councils Association Monthly Activity Reports

The Florida Regional Councils Association is the statewide organization of the ten regional planning councils. The Association strengthens Florida's regional planning councils, partners with government and the business community to enhance regional economic prosperity and improves the consistency and quality of regional planning councils programs to ensure they add value to state, regional and local initiatives.

The Association strives to accomplish these goals by carrying-out the following objectives.

- Ensure regional planning councils are effective service organizations to the State of Florida, its local governments, and the citizens they serve;
- Ensure regional planning councils are consensus builders and problem solvers, and serve as conveners of the region by helping to articulate those multijurisdictional issues that need resolution;
- Encourage and promote opportunities for regional planning councils to become partners in state programs and initiatives, while promoting the unique themes of each region within the state and legislative environments;
- Monitor substantive state and federal legislative issues for the benefit of its members, and promote mutually supportive policy positions among the regional planning councils;
- Represent regional planning councils in national organizations, such as the National Association of Regional Councils, National Association of Development Organizations, and SouthEast Regional Directors Institute; and
- Foster relationships and partnerships and coordinate with state, regional, and national associations and organizations; non-profit entities; public-private partnerships; the Governor's Office; state agencies; and others, on issues of mutual interest and concern, and with whom the Association shares mutual goals and programs.

Please find attached the October 2018 and November 2018 Monthly Activity Report highlighting the activities of the Association.

If you have questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT: October 2018

RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT/CAPACITY BUILDING and OUTREACH

- Organized and distributed the September 2018 Florida Regional Councils Association (FRCA) Newsletter, *FRCA Forward*. Began collecting articles and formatting the October 2018 Newsletter. Continued to update the FRCA Facebook page.
- Updated and maintained the email listserv for approximately 2,500 individuals who receive *FRCA Forward*.
- Continued to work with the Florida Association of Counties to maintain and enhance the FRCA website: www.flregionalcouncils.org.
- Supported the RPC Department of Economic Opportunity Metrics Update Working Group by hosting three conference calls held throughout October and drafting updated reporting metrics.
- Assisted coordinating regional planning councils and various state agencies and associations with on issues related to recovery from Hurricane Michael.

ASSOCIATION MANAGEMENT

- Prepared for the December FRCA Executive Directors Advisory Committee and Partners meetings.
- Began preparations for the January 2019 Policy Board meetings.
- Assisted with the development of the 2017-18 FRCA Annual Report
- Continue to coordinate logistics for the 2019 meeting and conference schedule.
- Distributed grant opportunities and information of interest from local, state and national organizations.



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MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT: November 2018

RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT/CAPACITY BUILDING and OUTREACH

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- Continued to work with the Florida Association of Counties to maintain and enhance the FRCA website: www.flregionalcouncils.org.
- Supported the RPC Department of Economic Opportunity Metrics Update Working Group by hosting one conference call and finalizing updated reporting metrics.
- Assisted coordinating regional planning councils and various state agencies and associations with issues related to recovery from Hurricane Michael.
- Supported the Economic Development Administration by hosting two conference calls with economic development planners and disaster recovery coordinators.
- Attended the quarterly meeting of the Florida Coastal Resilience Forum held on November 14th.
- Was invited and will participate on the Health Equity Economic Stability Workgroup coordinated by the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity.

ASSOCIATION MANAGEMENT

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TO: Council Members
FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director
SUBJECT: Florida Chamber Foundation Scorecard™

The Florida Chamber Foundation has developed the Florida Scorecard™ to provide Florida leaders the metrics needed to secure Florida's future. The Florida Chamber Foundation's objective to developing a 20-year, statewide strategic plan requires a commitment to measuring our current status and progress toward the stated goals of the Six Pillars 20-year Strategic Plan.

The Scorecard reports metrics for each of the following Six Pillars.

- Talent and Supply Education;
- Innovation and Economic Development;
- Infrastructure and Growth Leadership;
- Business Climate and Competitiveness;
- Civic and Governance Systems; and
- Quality of Life and Quality Places.

Please find attached the December 2018 Scorecard.

If you have questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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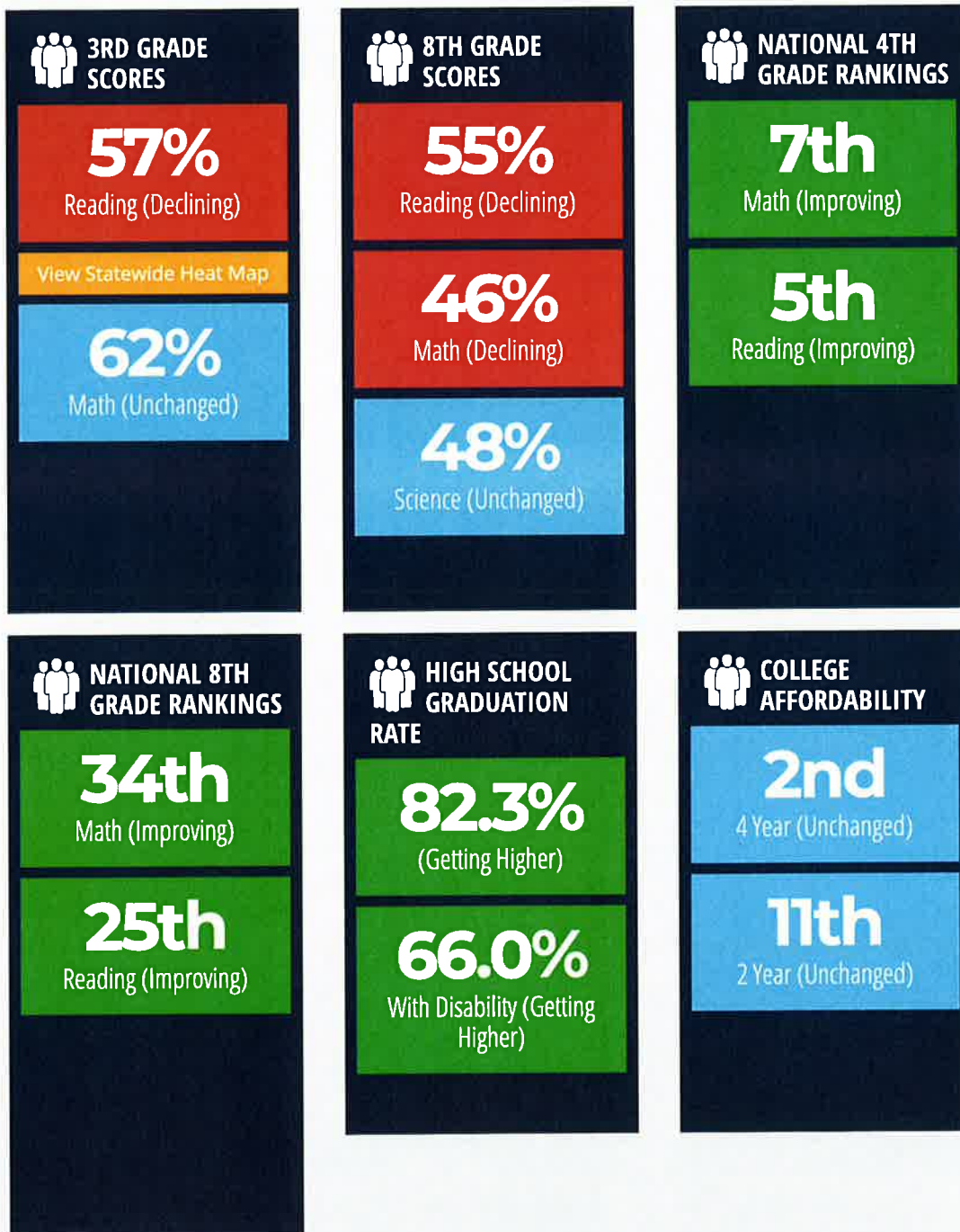
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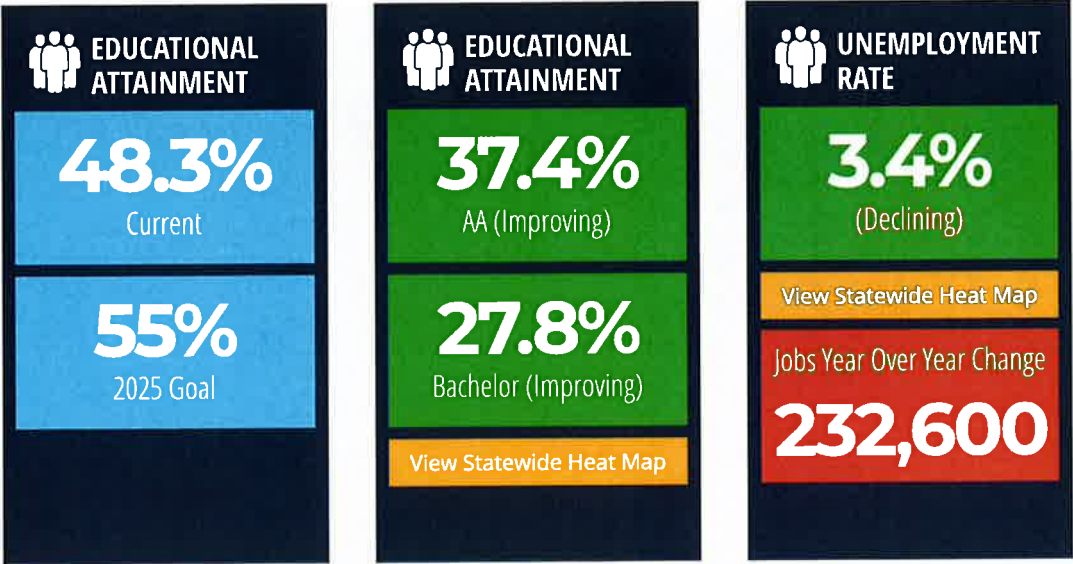
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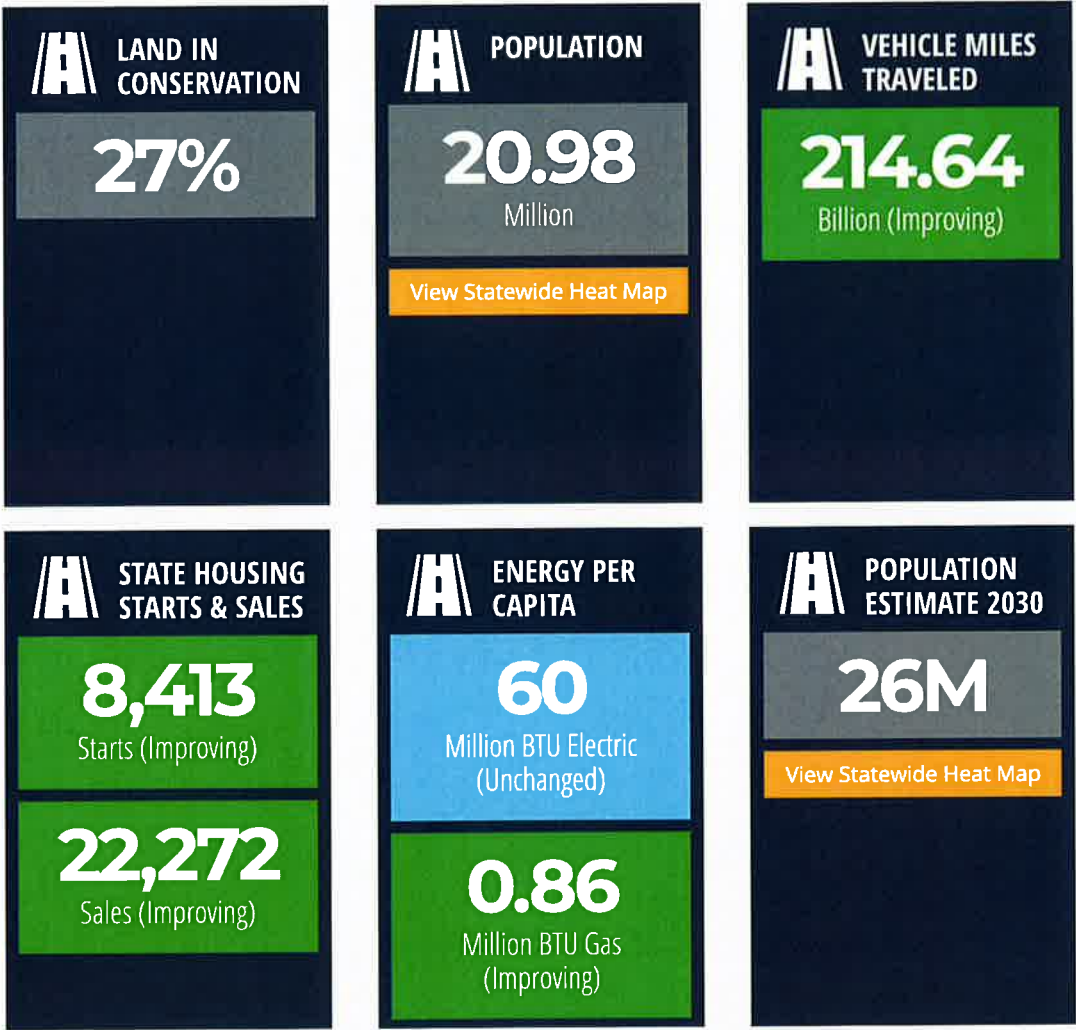
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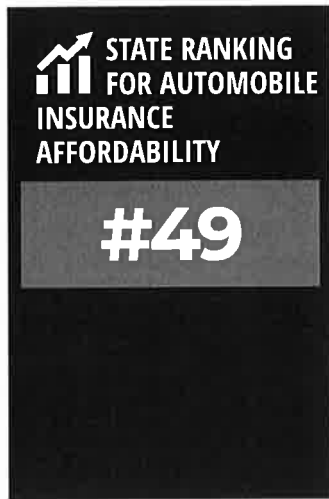
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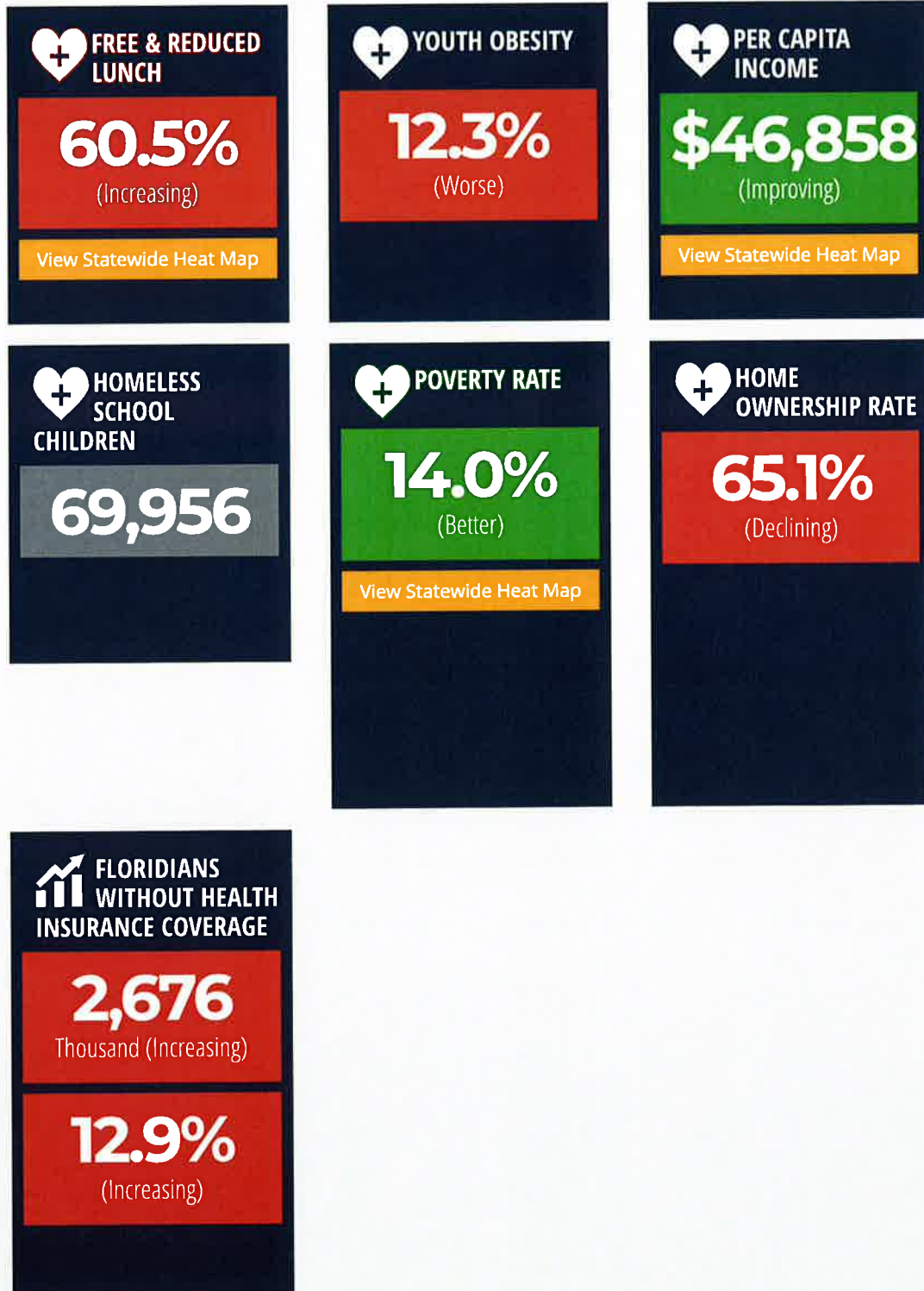
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December 6, 2018

TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Legislative Report

The 2019 regular Legislature session is scheduled to convene on March 5, 2019 and adjourn on May 3, 2019. The legislative interim Committee schedule is, as follows:

- Week of December 11, 2018
- Week of January 7, 2019
- Week of January 22, 2019
- Week of February 4, 2019
- Week of February 11, 2019
- Week of February 19, 2019

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.



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TO: Council Members
FROM: Scott Koons, AICP, Executive Director
SUBJECT: Florida Job Growth Grant Fund

Pursuant to Section 288.101, Florida Statutes, the Florida Job Growth Fund is an economic development program designed to build on Florida's success and economic prosperity since 2010. In Fiscal Year 2018-19 (July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019), the Florida Job Growth Fund will provide \$85 million for public infrastructure and job training projects that support growth and employment in Florida's diverse industries.

Public infrastructure projects can include transportation and utilities needed to support economic development. Workforce training projects will provide Floridians with transferable, sustainable workforce skills applicable to many employers.

Project proposals can come from local governments, community colleges, technical centers, Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, Enterprise Florida, Inc. and Florida Department of Transportation. The Florida Department of Economic Opportunity and Enterprise Florida, Inc. will make project recommendations to the Governor who can approve projects for funding based on local and regional needs.

Public Infrastructure Grant Eligibility

- Promote economic recovery in specific regions of the state, economic diversification or economic enhancement in a targeted industry;
- Are not for the exclusive benefit of any single company, corporation or business entity; and
- Are for infrastructure that is owned by the public and is for public use or predominately benefits the public.

Workforce Training Grant Eligibility

- Support programs and associated equipment at state colleges and state technical centers;
- Provide participants with transferable and sustainable workforce skills applicable to more than a single employer;
- Are offered to the public;
- Are based on criteria established by the state colleges and state technical centers; and
- Prohibit the exclusion of applicants who are unemployed or underemployed.

The Florida Job Growth Grant Fund was created by Governor Rick Scott and the Florida Legislature to provide communities with funding to improve their public infrastructure and enhance workforce training. This helps Florida communities attract businesses and create new skilled jobs for Florida families.

Since July 2018, the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity has received more than 90 proposals requesting more than \$531 million in funding. On October 30, 2018, the Governor announced \$28 million in awards for eight Florida Job Growth Fund projects across the state. The awards included the following project in the north central Florida region.

- Columbia County \$10,200,000 for the construction of a wastewater treatment plant which will serve the North Florida Mega Industrial Park, nearby correctional facilities, Florida Gateway Airport, Florida Gateway College and other areas east of Lake City.

A total of more than \$113 million in funding has been awarded to 41 communities across the state since the Florida Job Growth Grant Fund was established with more than \$39 million being awarded to 15 rural communities. These projects strengthen the skilled workforce and provide necessary infrastructure to support Florida businesses, families and communities.

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