



Serving Alachua  
Bradford • Columbia  
Dixie • Gilchrist • Hamilton  
Lafayette • Levy • Madison  
Suwannee • Taylor • Union Counties

---

2009 NW 67th Place, Gainesville, FL 32653-1603 • 352.955.2200

## MEETING NOTICE

# NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

There will be a meeting of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council on **February 23, 2023**. Due to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency, the meeting will be held as a hybrid meeting in-person at the **Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites, Suwannee Room, 213 Southwest Commerce Boulevard, Lake City, Florida**, and via Communications Media Technology at **7:00 p.m.**

To join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone:

**<https://meet.goto.com/778856597>**

**DIAL IN NUMBER: Toll Free: 1.866.899.4679**

**ACCESS CODE: 778-856-597**

## MEETING STARTS AT 7:00 P.M.

*Please call the Council at 352.955.2200, or 800.226.0690, or email [koons@ncfrpc.org](mailto:koons@ncfrpc.org) by February 21, 2023 to let us know if you will be attending the meeting **in-person or via communications media technology**. (You can call after hours and leave a message on voice mail too.) **THANK YOU.***

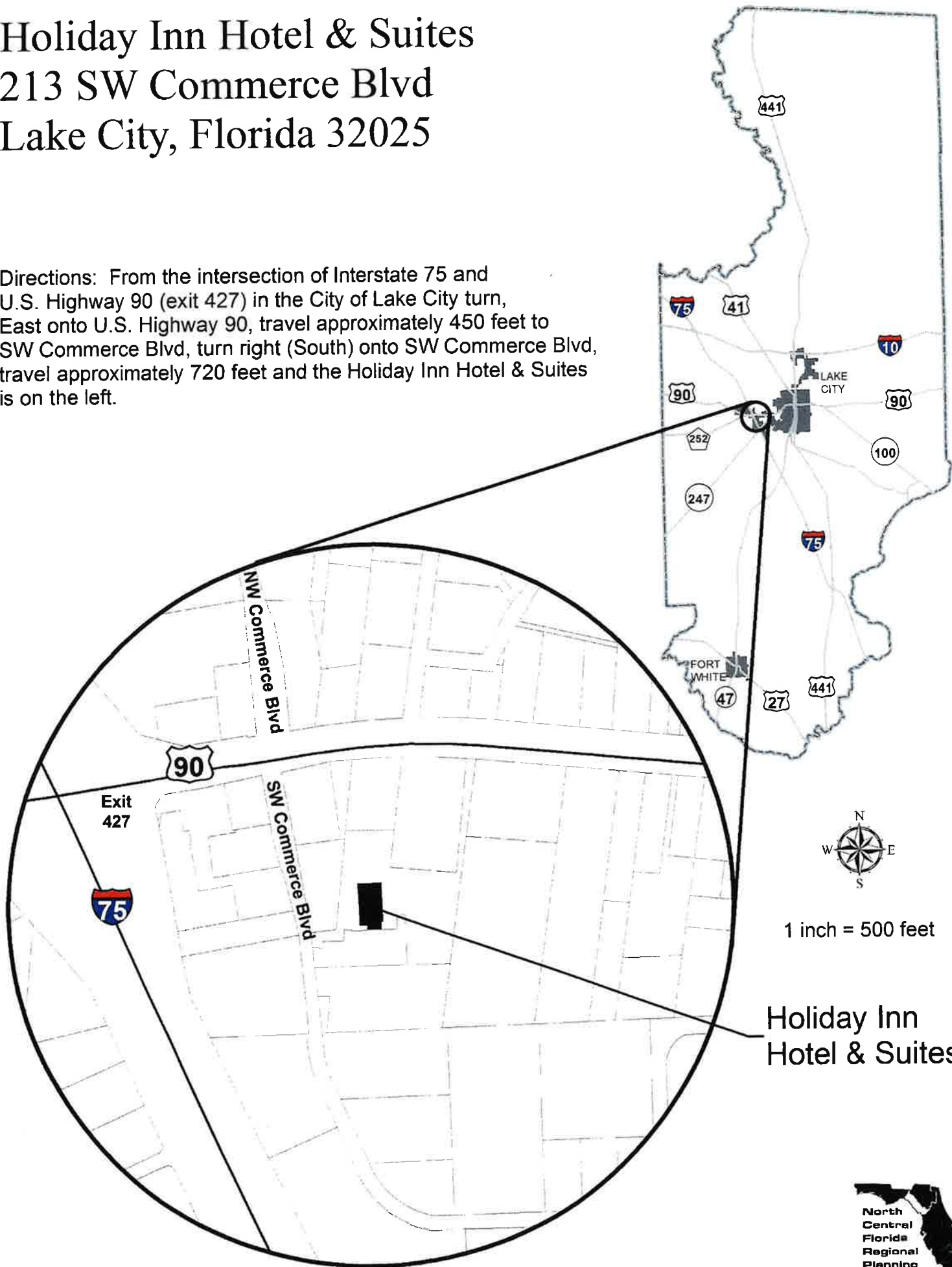
*Please be advised that the Council meeting packet is posted on the Council website at <http://ncfrpc.org> (click on **Upcoming Meetings and Meeting Packets**, then click on **North Central Florida Regional Planning Council Full Packet**.)*

Dedicated to improving the quality of life of the Region's citizens,  
by enhancing public safety, protecting regional resources,  
promoting economic development and providing technical services to local governments.

# Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites

213 SW Commerce Blvd  
Lake City, Florida 32025

Directions: From the intersection of Interstate 75 and U.S. Highway 90 (exit 427) in the City of Lake City turn East onto U.S. Highway 90, travel approximately 450 feet to SW Commerce Blvd, turn right (South) onto SW Commerce Blvd, travel approximately 720 feet and the Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites is on the left.



Holiday Inn  
Hotel & Suites





Serving Alachua  
 Bradford • Columbia  
 Dixie • Gilchrist • Hamilton  
 Lafayette • Levy • Madison  
 Suwannee • Taylor • Union Counties

---

2009 NW 67th Place, Gainesville, FL 32653 -1603 • 352.955.2200

## AGENDA

### NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

Hybrid Public Meeting  
 Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites  
 213 Southwest Commerce Boulevard  
 Lake City, Florida and  
 Via Communications Media Technology

February 23, 2023  
 7:00 p.m.

Page

I.	INVOCATION	
II.	PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	
III.	INTRODUCTIONS	
IV.	APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA	
*	A. Minutes - January 26, 2023	5
*	B. Monthly Financial Report - January 2023	13
*	C. Transportation Disadvantaged Planning Program Grant Resolutions - Fiscal Year 2023-24	19
*	D. Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board Appointment	29
V.	APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA	
VI.	GUEST SPEAKER - Christian Doolin, Legislative Consultant Small County Coalition of Florida	
VII.	CHAIR REPORT -	
*	A. Resolutions of Appreciation	
	1. Cynthia Chestnut, City of Gainesville	31
	2. Reina Saco, City of Gainesville	35
*	B. Transportation Disadvantaged Resolution of Appreciation	
	1. Sylvia Bamburg	39
*	C. Committee Appointments	43

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Executive Committee - None

\* B. Clearinghouse Committee 45

Committee Level Comprehensive Plan Review Items

1. #22 - City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DEO No. 22-6ESR)
2. #24 - City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DEO No. 21-8ESR)
3. #25 - City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DEO No. 21-9ESR)
4. #26 - City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DEO No. 22-1ESR)
5. #27 - City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DEO No. 22-2ESR)

IX. EX-OFFICIO MEMBER REPORTS

X. CITIZEN COMMENTS

This agenda item provides an opportunity for citizens to address the Council on any matter not included on the agenda. The comment period is limited to three minutes for each individual.

XI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

- \* A. Florida Regional Councils Association Monthly Activity Report 47
- \* B. Florida Chamber Foundation Scorecard 51
- \* C. Legislative Report 61
- \* D. Broadband Opportunity Grant Program 65
- \* E. Resilient Florida Program Planning Grants 67

XII. COUNCIL MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

This agenda item provides an opportunity for Council members to make announcements concerning community events and local government projects.

XIII. NEXT MEETING - March 23, 2023

\* See Attachment

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

PURSUANT TO COUNCIL BYLAWS SECTION 8. STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES (1)(a)3.  
MINUTES

Hybrid Public Meeting  
Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites  
Lake City, Florida and  
Via Communications Media Technology

January 26, 2023  
7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT  
IN PERSON

Patricia Bouie Hutchinson, City of Hawthorne  
James Catron, City of Madison  
Louie Davis, City of Waldo  
**Thomas Demps, Taylor County**  
**Fletcher Hope Jr., City of Archer**  
**Janice Mortimer, City of Starke**  
Jody Stephenson, Dixie County  
Kenrick Thomas, Gilchrist County  
Stephen Witt, City of Lake City

MEMBERS PRESENT  
VIA COMMUNICATIONS  
MEDIA TECHNOLOGY  
(FOR QUORUM)

**Anthony Adams, Lafayette County**  
Mary Alford, Alachua County  
Ed Book, City of Gainesville  
**Robert Brown, Hamilton County**  
Charles Chestnut IV, Alachua County  
Frank Davis, City of Live Oak  
Ward Ketring, City of Perry  
*Lorene Thomas, Dixie County*  
Marihelen Wheeler, Alachua County  
Casey Willits, City of Gainesville

MEMBER PRESENT  
VIA COMMUNICATIONS  
MEDIA TECHNOLOGY  
(NOT FOR QUORUM)

John Meeks, Levy County  
Maurice Perkins, Suwannee County

NON-VOTING DELEGATE PRESENT  
VIA COMMUNICATIONS  
MEDIA TECHNOLOGY

Kristyn Adkins, City of High Springs

MEMBERS ABSENT

Rick Coleman, City of Newberry  
Desmon Duncan-Walker, City of Gainesville  
Rocky Ford, Columbia County  
Dayna Miller, City of Alachua  
William Mitchell V, City of Jasper  
Daniel Riddick, Bradford County  
David Stegall, City of Lake Butler  
James Tallman, Union County  
Donnie Waldrep, Madison County  
Byran Williams, City of High Springs

EX-OFFICIO MEMBER PRESENT

Tim Alexander, Suwannee River  
Water Management District - In-Person  
Luzette Musen, Florida Fish and Wildlife  
Conservation Commission - In Person  
David Tyler, Florida Department of  
Transportation - In-Person

COUNCIL ATTORNEY ABSENT

Jonathan Wershow

OTHERS PRESENT

Diana Davis - In-Person  
Paul Martin - In-Person  
Merrillee Jipson - In-Person  
Stew Lilker - In Person  
John Quarterman - In-Person  
Terri Rasmussen - In-Person  
Troy Roberts - In-Person  
Joanne Tremblay - Virtual  
Nancy Turner - In-Person

STAFF PRESENT

Scott Koons - In Person  
Lauren Yeatter - In Person

**Executive Committee Members names are bold**  
*Gubernatorial Members names are italicize*

## BYLAWS QUORUM REQUIREMENT

On January 26, 2023 at 7:00 p.m., at a regular Council meeting, the Council failed to assemble the requisite quorum of one-third of the voting members physically present at the meeting location for a hybrid meeting conducted pursuant to Section 120.525(4), Florida Statutes. In accordance with Council Bylaws Section 8. Standing and Special Committees (1)(a)3., when the Council fails to assemble a quorum for the purpose of transacting business at a regular or called meeting, the Executive Committee is authorized to act on behalf of the Council at the time and place of a scheduled meeting. In such instances, all members of the Council who are present may vote on items considered by the Executive Committee, and a majority of those voting shall decide any question under consideration. Actions of the Executive Committee shall be final.

### I. INVOCATION

Chair Anthony Adams requested that Vice-Chair Janice Mortimer serve as the presiding officer for the meeting. Noting a quorum of one-third of the voting members of the Executive Committee being physically present, Vice-Chair Mortimer called a meeting of the Executive Committee, pursuant to Council Bylaws Section 8. Standing and Special Committees (1)(a)3., to order at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Louie Davis gave the invocation.

### II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

### III. INTRODUCTIONS

Vice-Chair Mortimer welcomed Merrilee Jipson, Our Santa Fe River; Paul Martin, Dixie County citizen; Terri Rasmussen, Columbia County citizen; Nancy Turner, Columbia County citizen; Diana Davis, Executive Director, Alachua County League of Cities and wife of Council Member Louie Davis; and Stew Lilker, Columbia County Observer. Joanne Tremblay, Our Santa Fe River; and John Quarterman, Withlacoochee, Willacoochee, Alapha, Little, Santa Fe, Suwannee Watershed Coalition were also present at the meeting.

### IV. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Vice-Chair Mortimer asked that the consent agenda be approved.

**ACTION: Commissioner Demps made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Brown to approve the consent agenda. The motion carried unanimously.**

- A. Minutes - December 8, 2022
- B. Monthly Financial Reports - November 2022 and December 2022
- C. Transportation Disadvantaged Program Local Coordinating Board Appointments

V. APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA

Vice- Chair Mortimer asked that the regular agenda be approved.

**ACTION: Commissioner Demps made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Hope to approve the regular agenda. The motion carried unanimously.**

VI. PRESENTATION -

Scott Koons, Executive Director, introduced Troy Roberts, Communications and Outreach Manager, Suwannee River Water Management District. Mr. Roberts made a presentation concerning the District programs and initiatives. Vice-Chair Mortimer thanked Mr. Roberts for her presentation.

VII. CHAIR REPORT -

Vice-Chair Mortimer welcomed the following new members to the Council.

A. New Members

1. Mary Alford, Alachua County
2. Ed Book, City of Gainesville
3. Rocky Ford, Columbia County
4. Maurice Perkins, Suwannee County
5. Casey Willits, City of Gainesville

B. Resolutions of Appreciation

1. Ken Cornell, Alachua County
2. Travis Land, Suwannee County

**ACTION: Commissioner Demps made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Hope, to approve Resolutions of Appreciation for former Council members Ken Cornell, Alachua County and Travis Land, Suwannee County. The motion carried unanimously.**

C. Transportation Disadvantaged Program Resolutions of Appreciation

1. Russell Meeks Jr.
2. Timothy Murphy
3. Ryan Perez
4. Marion Poitevint
5. Lisa Walker

**ACTION: Commissioner Brown made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Demps to authorize the Chair to sign Transportation Disadvantaged Program Resolutions of Appreciation for former Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board members Russell Meeks Jr., Timothy Murphy, Ryan Perez, Marion Poitevint and Lisa Walker. The motion carried unanimously.**

D. Committee Appointments

**ACTION:** Commissioner Demps made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Hope to ratify the appointment of Commissioner Mary Alford as Chair of the Regional Planning Committee; Commissioner Mary Alford as Vice-Chair of the Finance Committee; Commissioner Rocky Ford to the Program Committee; and Commissioner Maurice Perkins to the Program Committee as recommended by the Chair. The motion carried unanimously.

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Executive Committee

1. Proclamation Proclaiming February 20-26, 2023 Hazardous Materials Awareness Week

Mr. Koons stated that the North Central Florida Local Emergency Planning Committee has designated the week of February 20, 2023 thru February 26, 2023 as Hazardous Materials Awareness Week and that the Executive Committee recommends that the Council join in this public outreach effort by proclaiming the week of February 20, 2023 thru February 26, 2023 as Hazardous Materials Awareness Week in the north central Florida region.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Demps made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Brown to adopt a proclamation proclaiming February 20-26, 2023 Hazardous Materials Awareness Week in the north central Florida region. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Personnel Regulations Amendment

Mr. Koons stated that the Executive Committee recommends that the Council amend Section 7 of the Council's Personnel Regulations to add Presidents' Day (Observed on the Third Monday of February) and Juneteenth National Independence Day (Observed on June 19) as holidays to be effective calendar year 2023.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Hope made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Demps to amend Section 7 of the Council's Personnel Regulations to add Presidents' Day (Observed on the Third Monday of February) and Juneteenth National Independence Day (Observed on June 19) as holidays to be effective calendar year 2023. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Clearinghouse Committee - Committee Level Comprehensive Plan Review Items

Commissioner Bouie Hutchinson, Chair of the Clearinghouse Committee, reported that the Clearinghouse Committee met in person and virtually via communications media technology earlier in the evening and reviewed the following local government comprehensive plan amendments which were included on the Council agenda for consideration.



- #14 - City of Fanning Springs Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DEO No. 22-1ER)
- #15 - Town of Mayo Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DEO No. 22-1ER)
- #16 - Madison County Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DEO No. 22-1ESR)
- #17 - City of Trenton Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DEO No. 22-1ER)
- #18 - Madison County Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment (DEO No. 22-2ESR)
- #19 - Madison County Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment (DEO No. 22-3ESR)
- #20 - Union County Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DEO No. 22-1ER)

Commissioner Bouie Hutchinson stated with regards to these items, the Committee found that the local government comprehensive plans, as amended, were not anticipated to result in significant adverse impacts to regional facilities, Natural Resources of Regional Significance or adjacent local governments. She stated that the Committee recommends forwarding these findings to the respective local governments and the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity.

**ACTION: Commissioner Demps made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Hope, to approve the Clearinghouse Committee recommendations concerning Item #14 - City of Fanning Springs Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DEO No. 22-1ER); Item #15 - Town of Mayo Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DEO No. 22-1ER); Item #16 - Madison County Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DEO No. 22-1ESR); Item #17 - City of Trenton Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DEO No. 22-1ER); Item #18 - Madison County Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment (DEO No. 22-2ESR); Item #19 - Madison County Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment (DEO No. 22-3ESR); and Item #20 - Union County Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DEO No. 22-1ER). The motion carried unanimously.**

#### IX. EX-OFFICIO MEMBER REPORTS

David Tyler, Rural Transportation Planning Manager, Florida Department of Transportation District 2, stated that the District is currently soliciting Small County Road Assistance Program grant applications, Small County Outreach Program grant applications, Transportation Regional Incentive Program grant applications and County Incentive Grant program grant applications until February 3, 2023. He also stated that the Department is currently soliciting the Transportation Alternatives grant applications for bicycle and pedestrian facilities until February 16, 2023.

Luzette Musen, Land Use Planning Biologist, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, stated that the Commission, in conjunction with the University of Florida, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, will conducting a Flatwoods Fire and Nature Festival on January 28, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Austin Cary Forest in Alachua County.

#### X. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Nancy Turner, Columbia County citizen, discussed flooding and stormwater facilities in subdivisions in Columbia County.

Terri Rasmussen, Columbia County citizen, discussed flooding and stormwater facilities in subdivisions in Columbia County.

Merrillee Jipson, Our Santa Fe River, discussed proposed phosphate mining in Bradford County and development in the Ichetucknee Trace in Columbia County.

John Quarterman, Withlacoochee, Willacoochee, Alapha, Little, Santa Fe, Suwannee Watershed Coalition, discussed the North Florida Regional Water Supply Plan update, proposed titanium mining within three miles of the Okefenokee Swamp on Trail Ridge in Georgia, City of Valdosta, Georgia, trash washing down its creeks into the Withlacoochee River, a tributary of the Suwannee River, and the Withlacoochee River paddle event from Allen Ramp to Suwannee River State Park to be held on February 4, 2023.

Stew Lilker, Columbia County Observer, discussed the North Central Florida Rural Area of Opportunity, on-site septic tank systems and the Council website meeting calendar.

## XI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR 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. He stated that 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. Mr. Koons also stated that the Association strives to accomplish these goals by carrying out the activities listed in the December 2022 activity report included in the Council meeting packet. He reviewed the activities listed in the December 2022 report.

### B. 2021-22 Florida Regional Council Association Annual Report

Mr. Koons presented the 2021-22 Annual Report of the Florida Regional Councils Association that was included in the Council meeting packet. He stated the Florida Regional Councils Association is the statewide association of all ten regional councils in Florida. Mr. Koons noted it is governed by a Policy Board made up of three representatives (county, municipal, gubernatorial) from each Council who are in turn advised by the Executive Directors Advisory Committee comprised of all ten executive directors. He stated the following members of the Council currently serve on the Florida Regional Councils Association Policy Board: Charles Chestnut IV, Past Chair; Janice Mortimer, Vice-Chair; and Lorene Thomas, Past Chair. In conclusion, Mr. Koons stated the activities of the Council are featured on pages 2, 4, 10, 8 and 13 of the annual report.

### C. Florida Chamber Foundation Scorecard™

Mr. Koons reported that the Florida Chamber Foundation has developed the Florida Scorecard™ to provide Florida leaders the metrics needed to secure Florida's future. He stated that 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. Mr. Koons noted that 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. He reviewed the January 2023 Scorecard™ that was included in the Council meeting packet.

North Central Florida  
Regional Planning Council  
Executive Committee  
Pursuant to Bylaws Section 8.(1)(a)3.  
Meeting Minutes  
January 26, 2023

D. Legislative Report

Mr. Koons stated the 2023 Legislature Session will convene on March 7, 2023 and is scheduled to adjourn on May 5, 2023. Mr. Koons reported that the legislative interim Committee schedule is, as follows:

- Week of December 12-16, 2022
- Week of January 3-6, 2023
- Week of January 17-20, 2023
- Week of January 23-27, 2023
- Week of February 6-10, 2023
- Week of February 13-17, 2023
- Week of February 20-24, 2023

XII. COUNCIL MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

XIII. NEXT MEETING

Chair Adams stated that the next Council meeting is scheduled to be held on February 23, 2023.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Anthony Adams, Chair

2/23/23  
Date





Serving Alachua  
Bradford • Columbia  
Dixie • Gilchrist • Hamilton  
Lafayette • Levy • Madison  
Suwannee • Taylor • Union Counties

---

2009 NW 67th Place, Gainesville, FL 32653-1603 • 352.955.2200

February 16, 2023

TO: Council Members  
FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director  
SUBJECT: Monthly Financial Report - January 2023

Please find attached a copy of the Monthly Financial Report for the Council's activities for January 2023. 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 four months is 60 percent of budget.

**Expenditures**

The total expenditures for the Council for year to date are within budgeted figures. Total expenditures at the end of four months are 27percent 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

o:\council.mtg\cnc\mtgmemos\monthlyfinancereport for feb-23.docx



**NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL**  
**Summary Financial Statement (Unaudited)**  
**January 31, 2023**

**BALANCE SHEET**

**ASSETS**

Current Assets		
Checking / Savings		2,223,085
Accounts Receivable		732,043
Other Current Assets		17,497
Total Current Assets		2,972,625
TOTAL ASSETS		2,972,625

**LIABILITIES & EQUITY**

Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable		11,709
Other Current Liabilities		9,061
Total Liabilities		20,770
Equity		2,951,855
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY		2,972,625

**NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL**  
**Summary Financial Statement (Unaudited)**  
**January 31, 2023**

**SUMMARY STATEMENT**

	<b>Adopted Budget FY 2022-23</b>	<b>January</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>Year to Date</b>	<b>Percent of Budget</b>
<b>Revenue</b>	1,705,200		3,005	1,018,225	60%
<b>Expenses</b>	1,705,200		107,121	467,280	27%



**NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL**  
**Summary Financial Statement (Unaudited)**  
**January 31, 2023**

**REVENUE**

<b>Account</b>	<b>Adopted Budget FY 2022-23</b>	<b>January 2023</b>	<b>Year to Date</b>	<b>Percent of Budget</b>
Program Development	37,500	3,005	42,257	113%
Regional Planning				
Regional Planning & Review	70,000	0	70,012	100%
Regional Mitigation Resiliency	87,000	0	0	0%
Public Safety & Regulatory Compliance				
Hazardous Waste Monitoring	58,900	0	223,103	379%
Local Emergency Planning Committee	123,200	0	7,300	6%
Hazards Analyses	14,800	0	0	0%
Transportation				
Gainesville Urbanized Area Transportation Planning	299,400	0	151,710	51%
Gainesville Urbanized Area Mass Transit	244,100	0	0	0%
Transportation Disadvantaged - Alachua County	25,600	0	6,456	25%
Transportation Disadvantaged - Region	205,500	0	53,977	26%
Economic Development				
Economic Strategy & Technical Assistance	115,000	0	62,508	54%
Original Florida Tourism Task Force Staffing	36,500	0	8,578	24%
Original Florida Tourism Task Force	67,500	0	57,000	84%
Vision North Central Florida	0	0	2,500	
Local Government Assistance				
General Technical Services	20,000	0	20,003	100%
City & County Planning Services	244,200	0	258,961	106%
Community Development Block Grant Administration	56,000	0	53,860	96%
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>1,705,200</b>	<b>3,005</b>	<b>1,018,225</b>	<b>60%</b>

**NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL**  
**Summary Financial Statement (Unaudited)**  
**January 31, 2023**

**EXPENDITURES**

<b>Account</b>	<b>Adopted Budget FY 2022-23</b>	<b>January 2023</b>	<b>Year to Date</b>	<b>Percent of Budget</b>
Audit	18,000	0	0	0%
Building Occupancy & Grounds	110,000	4,202	20,013	18%
Contractual Services	88,000	3,428	11,760	13%
Dues, Publications, Subscriptions & Training	40,000	8,696	19,983	50%
Furniture & Equipment	25,000	15,476	32,828	131%
Insurance & Bonding	25,000	0	5,433	22%
Legal Services & Public Notices	8,000	575	1,421	18%
Machine Rental & Maintenance	7,000	69	1,462	21%
Meeting Expenses	20,000	0	2,894	14%
Moving Expense	10,000	0	0	0%
Office Supplies	25,000	370	6,385	26%
Personnel	1,163,600	44,084	301,335	26%
Postage	9,000	683	1,826	20%
Printing	2,000	0	2,250	113%
Recruiting	2,000	0	0	0%
Reproduction	20,000	359	3,162	16%
Telephone	8,000	472	1,927	24%
Travel	30,000	3,841	8,413	28%
Original Florida Tourism Task Force	67,500	24,866	46,188	68%
Contingency	27,100	0	0	0%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>1,705,200</b>	<b>107,121</b>	<b>467,280</b>	<b>27%</b>



Serving Alachua  
Bradford • Columbia  
Dixie • Gilchrist • Hamilton  
Lafayette • Levy • Madison  
Suwannee • Taylor • Union Counties

---

2009 NW 67th Place, Gainesville, FL 32653-1603 • 352.955.2200

February 16, 2023

TO: Council Members  
FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director  
SUBJECT: Transportation Disadvantaged Program  
Planning Grant Resolutions  
Fiscal Year 2023-24

RECOMMENDATION:

**Approve the attached resolutions authorizing the Executive Director to sign the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Planning Grant Applications for Bradford,; Columbia, Hamilton and Suwannee; Dixie; Gilchrist; Lafayette; Levy; Madison and Union Counties and authorizing the Chair to execute the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Transportation Disadvantaged Program Planning Grant Agreements for Bradford; Columbia, Hamilton and Suwannee; Dixie; Gilchrist; Lafayette; Levy; Madison and Union Counties.**

BACKGROUND:

The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council is the designated official planning agency for the Transportation Disadvantaged Program for Bradford, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Lafayette, Levy, Madison, Suwannee and Union Counties. As the designated official planning agency, the Council is responsible for Transportation Disadvantaged Program planning and providing the local transportation disadvantaged coordinating boards with sufficient staff support and resources to enable the boards to fulfill their responsibilities.

The attached resolutions authorize the Executive Director to sign the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund Planning Grant Applications and authorize the Chair to sign the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund Planning Grant Agreements with the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged. The Planning Grant Agreements provide the funding needed to provide staff services to the local coordinating boards.

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

Attachments

t:\lynn\pgapplications\202324\ncfrpc\rcpresmemo.docx



RESOLUTION NO. 2023-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 BRADFORD COUNTY TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED PLANNING GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA COMMISSION FOR THE TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED

WHEREAS, in areas not covered by a metropolitan planning organization, regional planning councils are eligible for selection as designated official planning agencies in accordance with Rule 41-2.009, Florida Administrative Code;

WHEREAS, the designated official planning agency is responsible for Transportation Disadvantaged Program planning and providing the local transportation disadvantaged coordinating board with sufficient staff support and resources to enable the board to fulfill its responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council has the authority to enter into the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Bradford County Transportation Disadvantaged Planning Grant agreement and to undertake a transportation disadvantaged service project as authorized by Section 427.0159, Florida Statutes, and Rule 41-2, Florida Administrative Code.

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

1. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council has the authority to enter into the above referenced grant agreement;
2. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes the Chair to execute the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund Grant agreement on behalf of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council with the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged;
3. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes the Executive Director to act in connection with the agreement and to provide such additional information as may be required by the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged;
4. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes the Chair to sign any and all assurances, agreements or contracts which are required in connection with the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund Grant Program;
5. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes its Executive Director to sign the planning grant application form, any and all reimbursement invoices, warranties, certifications and other documents which may be required in connection with the agreement or subsequent agreements; and
6. This resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

APPROVED AND DULY ADOPTED by the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, this 23rd day of February 2023.

ATTEST:

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA  
REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

\_\_\_\_\_  
Scott R. Koons, Executive Director

\_\_\_\_\_  
Anthony Adams, Chair

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 COLUMBIA, HAMILTON AND SUWANNEE TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED PLANNING GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA COMMISSION FOR THE TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED

WHEREAS, in areas not covered by a metropolitan planning organization, regional planning councils are eligible for selection as designated official planning agencies in accordance with Rule 41-2.009, Florida Administrative Code;

WHEREAS, the designated official planning agency is responsible for Transportation Disadvantaged Program planning and providing the local transportation disadvantaged coordinating board with sufficient staff support and resources to enable the board to fulfill its responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council has the authority to enter into the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Columbia, Hamilton and Suwannee Transportation Disadvantaged Planning Grant agreement and to undertake a transportation disadvantaged service project as authorized by Section 427.0159, Florida Statutes, and Rule 41-2, Florida Administrative Code.

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

1. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council has the authority to enter into the above referenced grant agreement;
2. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes the Chair to execute the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund Grant agreement on behalf of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council with the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged;
3. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes the Executive Director to act in connection with the agreement and to provide such additional information as may be required by the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged;
4. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes the Chair to sign any and all assurances, agreements or contracts which are required in connection with the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund Grant Program;
5. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes its Executive Director to sign the planning grant application form, any and all reimbursement invoices, warranties, certifications and other documents which may be required in connection with the agreement or subsequent agreements; and
6. This resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

APPROVED AND DULY ADOPTED by the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, this 23rd day of February 2023.

ATTEST:

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA  
REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

\_\_\_\_\_  
Scott R. Koons, Executive Director

\_\_\_\_\_  
Anthony Adams, Chair

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 DIXIE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED PLANNING GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA COMMISSION FOR THE TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED

WHEREAS, in areas not covered by a metropolitan planning organization, regional planning councils are eligible for selection as designated official planning agencies in accordance with Rule 41-2.009, Florida Administrative Code;

WHEREAS, the designated official planning agency is responsible for Transportation Disadvantaged Program planning and providing the local transportation disadvantaged coordinating board with sufficient staff support and resources to enable the board to fulfill its responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council has the authority to enter into the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Dixie County Transportation Disadvantaged Planning Grant agreement and to undertake a transportation disadvantaged service project as authorized by Section 427.0159, Florida Statutes, and Rule 41-2, Florida Administrative Code.

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

1. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council has the authority to enter into the above referenced grant agreement;
2. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes the Chair to execute the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund Grant agreement on behalf of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council with the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged;
3. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes the Executive Director to act in connection with the agreement and to provide such additional information as may be required by the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged;
4. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes the Chair to sign any and all assurances, agreements or contracts which are required in connection with the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund Grant Program;
5. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes its Executive Director to sign the planning grant application form, any and all reimbursement invoices, warranties, certifications and other documents which may be required in connection with the agreement or subsequent agreements; and
6. This resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

APPROVED AND DULY ADOPTED by the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, this 23rd day of February 2023.

ATTEST:

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA  
REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

\_\_\_\_\_  
Scott R. Koons, Executive Director

\_\_\_\_\_  
Anthony Adams, Chair

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 GILCHRIST COUNTY TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED PLANNING GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA COMMISSION FOR THE TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED

WHEREAS, in areas not covered by a metropolitan planning organization, regional planning councils are eligible for selection as designated official planning agencies in accordance with Rule 41-2.009, Florida Administrative Code;

WHEREAS, the designated official planning agency is responsible for Transportation Disadvantaged Program planning and providing the local transportation disadvantaged coordinating board with sufficient staff support and resources to enable the board to fulfill its responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council has the authority to enter into the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Gilchrist County Transportation Disadvantaged Planning Grant agreement and to undertake a transportation disadvantaged service project as authorized by Section 427.0159, Florida Statutes, and Rule 41-2, Florida Administrative Code.

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

1. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council has the authority to enter into the above referenced grant agreement;
2. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes the Chair to execute the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund Grant agreement on behalf of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council with the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged;
3. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes the Executive Director to act in connection with the agreement and to provide such additional information as may be required by the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged;
4. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes the Chair to sign any and all assurances, agreements or contracts which are required in connection with the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund Grant Program;
5. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes its Executive Director to sign the planning grant application form, any and all reimbursement invoices, warranties, certifications and other documents which may be required in connection with the agreement or subsequent agreements; and
6. This resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

APPROVED AND DULY ADOPTED by the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, this 23rd day of February 2023.

ATTEST:

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA  
REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

\_\_\_\_\_  
Scott R. Koons, Executive Director

\_\_\_\_\_  
Anthony Adams, Chair



RESOLUTION NO. 2023-05

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 LAFAYETTE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED PLANNING GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA COMMISSION FOR THE TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED

WHEREAS, in areas not covered by a metropolitan planning organization, regional planning councils are eligible for selection as designated official planning agencies in accordance with Rule 41-2.009, Florida Administrative Code;

WHEREAS, the designated official planning agency is responsible for Transportation Disadvantaged Program planning and providing the local transportation disadvantaged coordinating board with sufficient staff support and resources to enable the board to fulfill its responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council has the authority to enter into the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Lafayette County Transportation Disadvantaged Planning Grant agreement and to undertake a transportation disadvantaged service project as authorized by Section 427.0159, Florida Statutes, and Rule 41-2, Florida Administrative Code.

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

1. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council has the authority to enter into the above referenced grant agreement;
2. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes the Chair to execute the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund Grant agreement on behalf of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council with the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged;
3. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes the Executive Director to act in connection with the agreement and to provide such additional information as may be required by the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged;
4. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes the Chair to sign any and all assurances, agreements or contracts which are required in connection with the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund Grant Program;
5. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes its Executive Director to sign the planning grant application form, any and all reimbursement invoices, warranties, certifications and other documents which may be required in connection with the agreement or subsequent agreements; and
6. This resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

APPROVED AND DULY ADOPTED by the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, this 23rd day of February 2023.

ATTEST:

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA  
REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

\_\_\_\_\_  
Scott R. Koons, Executive Director

\_\_\_\_\_  
Anthony Adams, Chair

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-06

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 LEVY COUNTY TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED PLANNING GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA COMMISSION FOR THE TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED

WHEREAS, in areas not covered by a metropolitan planning organization, regional planning councils are eligible for selection as designated official planning agencies in accordance with Rule 41-2.009, Florida Administrative Code;

WHEREAS, the designated official planning agency is responsible for Transportation Disadvantaged Program planning and providing the local transportation disadvantaged coordinating board with sufficient staff support and resources to enable the board to fulfill its responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council has the authority to enter into the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Levy County Transportation Disadvantaged Planning Grant agreement and to undertake a transportation disadvantaged service project as authorized by Section 427.0159, Florida Statutes, and Rule 41-2, Florida Administrative Code.

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

1. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council has the authority to enter into the above referenced grant agreement;
2. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes the Chair to execute the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund Grant agreement on behalf of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council with the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged;
3. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes the Executive Director to act in connection with the agreement and to provide such additional information as may be required by the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged;
4. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes the Chair to sign any and all assurances, agreements or contracts which are required in connection with the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund Grant Program;
5. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes its Executive Director to sign the planning grant application form, any and all reimbursement invoices, warranties, certifications and other documents which may be required in connection with the agreement or subsequent agreements; and
6. This resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

APPROVED AND DULY ADOPTED by the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, this 23rd day of February 2023.

ATTEST:

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA  
REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

\_\_\_\_\_  
Scott R. Koons, Executive Director

\_\_\_\_\_  
Anthony Adams, Chair

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-07

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 MADISON COUNTY TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED PLANNING GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA COMMISSION FOR THE TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED

WHEREAS, in areas not covered by a metropolitan planning organization, regional planning councils are eligible for selection as designated official planning agencies in accordance with Rule 41-2.009, Florida Administrative Code;

WHEREAS, the designated official planning agency is responsible for Transportation Disadvantaged Program planning and providing the local transportation disadvantaged coordinating board with sufficient staff support and resources to enable the board to fulfill its responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council has the authority to enter into the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Madison County Transportation Disadvantaged Planning Grant agreement and to undertake a transportation disadvantaged service project as authorized by Section 427.0159, Florida Statutes, and Rule 41-2, Florida Administrative Code.

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

1. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council has the authority to enter into the above referenced grant agreement;
2. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes the Chair to execute the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund Grant agreement on behalf of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council with the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged;
3. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes the Executive Director to act in connection with the agreement and to provide such additional information as may be required by the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged;
4. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes the Chair to sign any and all assurances, agreements or contracts which are required in connection with the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund Grant Program;
5. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes its Executive Director to sign the planning grant application form, any and all reimbursement invoices, warranties, certifications and other documents which may be required in connection with the agreement or subsequent agreements; and
6. This resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

APPROVED AND DULY ADOPTED by the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, this 23rd day of February 2023.

ATTEST:

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA  
REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

\_\_\_\_\_  
Scott R. Koons, Executive Director

\_\_\_\_\_  
Anthony Adams, Chair

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-08

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 UNION COUNTY TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED PLANNING GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA COMMISSION FOR THE TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED

WHEREAS, in areas not covered by a metropolitan planning organization, regional planning councils are eligible for selection as designated official planning agencies in accordance with Rule 41-2.009, Florida Administrative Code;

WHEREAS, the designated official planning agency is responsible for Transportation Disadvantaged Program planning and providing the local transportation disadvantaged coordinating board with sufficient staff support and resources to enable the board to fulfill its responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council has the authority to enter into the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Union County Transportation Disadvantaged Planning Grant agreement and to undertake a transportation disadvantaged service project as authorized by Section 427.0159, Florida Statutes, and Rule 41-2, Florida Administrative Code.

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

1. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council has the authority to enter into the above referenced grant agreement;
2. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes the Chair to execute the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund Grant agreement on behalf of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council with the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged;
3. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes the Executive Director to act in connection with the agreement and to provide such additional information as may be required by the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged;
4. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes the Chair to sign any and all assurances, agreements or contracts which are required in connection with the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund Grant Program;
5. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council authorizes its Executive Director to sign the planning grant application form, any and all reimbursement invoices, warranties, certifications and other documents which may be required in connection with the agreement or subsequent agreements; and
6. This resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

APPROVED AND DULY ADOPTED by the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, this 23rd day of February 2023.

ATTEST:

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA  
REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

\_\_\_\_\_  
Scott R. Koons, Executive Director

\_\_\_\_\_  
Anthony Adams, Chair



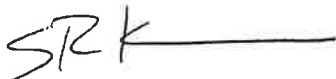
Serving Alachua  
 Bradford • Columbia  
 Dixie • Gilchrist • Hamilton  
 Lafayette • Levy • Madison  
 Suwannee • Taylor • Union Counties

---

2009 NW 67th Place, Gainesville, FL 32653 -1603 • 352.955.2200

February 16, 2023

TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director 

SUBJECT: Transportation Disadvantaged Program Local Coordinating Board Appointment

RECOMMENDATION:

**Appoint Diana Burgos-Garcia the alternate Florida Agency for Persons with Disabilities Representative on the Bradford County; Columbia, Hamilton and Suwannee; Dixie County; Gilchrist County; Lafayette County; Levy County; Madison County and Union County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Boards.**

BACKGROUND:

According to Rule 41-2.012 of the Florida Administrative Code, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, serving as the Designated Official Planning Agency, is responsible for appointing members to the local Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Boards. It is recommended Diana Burgos-Garcia be appointed the alternate Florida Agency for Persons with Disabilities Representative on the Bradford County; Columbia, Hamilton and Suwannee; Dixie County; Gilchrist County; Lafayette County; Levy County; Madison County and Union County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Boards.

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





Serving Alachua  
 Bradford • Columbia  
 Dixie • Gilchrist • Hamilton  
 Lafayette • Levy • Madison  
 Suwannee • Taylor • Union Counties

---

2009 NW 67th Place, Gainesville, FL 32653-1603 • 352.955.2200

February 16, 2023

TO: Council Members  
 FROM: Anthony Adams, Chair  
 SUBJECT: Resolution of Appreciation - Cynthia Chestnut

RECOMMENDATION:

**Approve the attached resolution of appreciation for Cynthia Chestnut.**

BACKGROUND:

As a token of appreciation for service on the Council since February 2022 and in recognition of 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.

Attachment

o:\council.mtg\cnc\mtgmemos\chestnut cynthia res.docx





# Resolution

## OF APPRECIATION

WHEREAS, Cynthia Chestnut has been representing the City of Gainesville on the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council since February 2022;

WHEREAS, Cynthia Chestnut 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 Cynthia Chestnut 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 Cynthia Chestnut.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Anthony Adams, Chair

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Robert Brown, Secretary

ADOPTED BY THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AT THEIR MEETING  
OF February 23, 2023.







Serving Alachua  
Bradford • Columbia  
Dixie • Gilchrist • Hamilton  
Lafayette • Levy • Madison  
Suwannee • Taylor • Union Counties

---

2009 NW 67th Place, Gainesville, FL 32653-1603 • 352.955.2200

February 16, 2023

TO: Council Members  
FROM: Anthony Adams, Chair  
SUBJECT: Resolution of Appreciation - Reina Saco

RECOMMENDATION:

**Approve the attached resolution of appreciation for Reina Saco.**

BACKGROUND:

As a token of appreciation for service on the Council since July 2020 and in recognition of 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.

Attachment

o:\council.mtg\cnc\mtgmemos\saco res.docx



# Resolution

## OF APPRECIATION

WHEREAS, Reina Saco has been representing the City of Gainesville on the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council since July 2020;

WHEREAS, Reina Saco 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 Reina Saco 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 Reina Saco.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Anthony Adams, Chair

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Robert Brown, Secretary

ADOPTED BY THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AT THEIR MEETING  
OF February 23, 2023.







Serving Alachua  
Bradford • Columbia  
Dixie • Gilchrist • Hamilton  
Lafayette • Levy • Madison  
Suwannee • Taylor • Union Counties

---

2009 NW 67th Place, Gainesville, FL 32653 -1603 • 352.955.2200

February 16, 2023

TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Transportation Disadvantaged Program Resolution of Appreciation

RECOMMENDATION:

**Approve the attached resolution of appreciation for Sylvia Bamburg.**

BACKGROUND:

The attached resolution of appreciation is regarding Florida’s Transportation Disadvantaged Program established by Chapter 427, Florida Statutes. Sylvia Bamburg served as the alternate Florida Agency for Persons with Disabilities Representative on the Bradford County; Columbia Hamilton and Suwannee; Dixie County; Gilchrist County; Levy County; Madison County and Union County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Boards.

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

Attachment

t:\lynn\appt2023\rpcresmemo02232023.docx





## RESOLUTION

*WHEREAS, Sylvia Bamburg has served as the alternate Florida Agency for Persons with Disabilities Representative on the Bradford County; Columbia Hamilton and Suwannee; Dixie County; Gilchrist County; Levy County; Madison County; and Union County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Boards since January 2021; and*

*WHEREAS, Sylvia Bamburg ably discharged the duties of the alternate Florida Agency for Persons with Disabilities Representative on Bradford County; Columbia Hamilton and Suwannee; Dixie County; Gilchrist County; Levy County; Madison County; and Union County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Boards;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the members and staff of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council do hereby express their appreciation to Sylvia Bamburg for dedicated service rendered to the Bradford County; Columbia Hamilton and Suwannee; Dixie County; Gilchrist County; Levy County; Madison County; and Union County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Boards and concern for the transportation disadvantaged needs of Bradford, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Levy, Madison, Suwannee and Union Counties 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 Sylvia Bamburg.*

---

*Anthony Adams, Chair*

**ADOPTED BY THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL**

February 23, 2023

*Date*





Serving Alachua  
Bradford • Columbia  
Dixie • Gilchrist • Hamilton  
Lafayette • Levy • Madison  
Suwannee • Taylor • Union Counties

---

2009 NW 67th Place, Gainesville, FL 32653 -1603 • 352 .955 .2200

February 16, 2023

TO: Council Members  
FROM: Anthony Adams, Chair  
SUBJECT: Committee Appointments

RECOMMENDATION:

**Ratify the appointment of Commissioner Willits to the Clearinghouse Committee; Commissioner Book to the Regional Planning Committee; and Commissioner Meeks to the Regional Planning Committee as recommended by the Chair.**

BACKGROUND:

Due to vacancies on the Clearinghouse Committee and Regional Planning Committee appointments to these committees need to be made at this time.

I am recommending the appointment of Commissioner Willits to the Clearinghouse Committee; Commissioner Book to the Regional Planning Committee; and Commissioner Meeks to the Regional Planning Committee.

Jurisdictional balance and geographic balance were considered in making these appointments.





Serving Alachua  
Bradford • Columbia  
Dixie • Gilchrist • Hamilton  
Lafayette • Levy • Madison  
Suwannee • Taylor • Union Counties

---

2009 NW 67th Place, Gainesville, FL 32653-1603 • 352.955.2200

February 16, 2023

TO: Council Members

FROM: Patricia Bouie Hutchinson, 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., February 23, 2023. Due to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency, the meeting will be a hybrid meeting conducted both in-person and via communications media technology. 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 Amendments

- #22 - City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DEO No. 22-6ESR)
- #24 - City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DEO No. 21-8ESR)
- #25 - City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DEO No. 21-9ESR)
- #26 - City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DEO No. 22-1ESR)
- #27 - City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DEO No. 22-2ESR)

***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).***

v:\chouse\meeting\chair reports\2023\chairreport.230223.docx





Serving Alachua  
Bradford • Columbia  
Dixie • Gilchrist • Hamilton  
Lafayette • Levy • Madison  
Suwannee • Taylor • Union Counties

---

2009 NW 67th Place, Gainesville, FL 32653-1603 • 352.955.2200

February 16, 2023

TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Florida Regional Councils Association Monthly Activity Report

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 January 2023 Monthly Activity Report highlighting the activities of the Association.

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

Attachment

o:\council.mtg\cnc\mtgmemos\fracamonthlyreport feb 23.docx







## MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT: January 2023

### RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT/CAPACITY BUILDING and OUTREACH

- Collected articles, edited and distributed the January 2023 Florida Regional Councils Association (FRCA) Newsletter, *FRCA Forward*.
- Updated the email lists for and maintain the email listserv for approximately 2,350 individuals who receive *FRCA Forward*.
- Updated the FRCA website with the 2021-22 FRCA Annual Report and *FRCA Forward* - website: [www.flregionalcouncils.org](http://www.flregionalcouncils.org).
- To enhance partnerships and strengthen the relationship between regional planning councils and their state and federal partners, organized, participated in or attended the following meetings and shared information:
  - Statewide Emergency Shelter Working Group hosted by the Division of Emergency Management,
  - Florida Defense Support Task Force Meeting hosted by Enterprise Florida,
  - Rural Economic Development Initiative Meeting hosted by Department of Economic Opportunity,
  - Resiliency Collaborative Forum hosted by The Nature Conservancy,
  - Affordable Housing Legislative Webinar hosted by the Florida Housing Coalition, and;
  - Economic Development Administration Coordination Call with RPC economic development planning staff.
- Compiled the October – December quarterly report on economic activities in each regional planning council area.
- Arranged for sponsorship of the Policy and Planning Workshop hosted by the Florida Chapter of the American Planning Association scheduled for February 23-24, 2023, virtually.

### ASSOCIATION MANAGEMENT

- Participated in the January FRCA Executive Directors Advisory Committee (EDAC) and the Winter Policy Board meetings held in Tallahassee.
- Prepared for and hosted the January Partners Meeting.
- Prepared for the February EDAC Meeting.
- Continued to coordinate logistics for the 2023 meeting and conference schedule.
- Developed the FRCA Bill Report, grant opportunities and information of interest from local, state and national organizations.





Serving Alachua  
Bradford • Columbia  
Dixie • Gilchrist • Hamilton  
Lafayette • Levy • Madison  
Suwannee • Taylor • Union Counties

---

2009 NW 67th Place, Gainesville, FL 32653 - 1603 • 352.955.2200

February 16, 2023

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 February 2023 Scorecard.

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

Attachment

o:\council\_mtg\cnc\mtgmemos\flchamberscorecard february 2023.docx



## State of Florida Metrics (What is this?)

State of Florida Future-Cast

Click any metric to get more information!

<b>JOB CHANGE</b> Jobs Year Over Year Change <b>440,000</b> Net New Jobs Needed by 2030 <b>1.48M</b>	<b>CHILDREN IN POVERTY</b> <b>18.2%</b> (Decreasing) <b>&lt;10%</b> 2030 Goal <b>763,527</b> (Decreasing)	<b>3RD GRADE READING SCORES</b> <b>53%</b> (Declining) <b>98,835</b> # Not Reading at Grade Level (Increasing) View Statewide Heat Map <b>100%</b> 2030 Goal Florida Gap Map	<b>OPEN JOBS</b> <b>442,335</b> (Declining) <b>271,000</b> Unemployed Persons (Declining)
--	---	--	---

<b>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE</b> <b>2.5%</b> (Declining) Jobs Year Over Year Change <b>440,000</b> View Statewide Heat Map	<b>CONSUMER SENTIMENT</b> <b>65.4</b> (Improving)	<b>STATE OF FLORIDA VISITORS</b> <b>\$98.8</b> Billion Visitor Spending <b>122.4</b> Million Visitors	<b>STATE HOUSING STARTS &amp; SALES</b> <b>7,758</b> Starts (Improving) <b>19,158</b> Sales (Improving)
<b>SALES TAX REVENUE</b> <b>\$3.586</b> Billion per Month (Declining)	<b>WEALTH MIGRATION</b> <b>\$2M</b> Per Hour	<b>POVERTY RATE</b> <b>13.1%</b> (Better) View Statewide Heat Map	<b>HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION RATE</b> <b>87.3%</b> (Declining) View Statewide Heat Map
<b>VOTER PARTICIPATION</b> <b>77%</b> (Improving)	<b>RIGHT / WRONG DIRECTION</b> <b>50%/40%</b>	<b>LAND IN CONSERVATION</b> <b>31%</b>	<b>POPULATION</b> <b>22.28</b> Million View Statewide Heat Map



## State of Florida Metrics (What is this?)

### Talent Supply & Education

Click any metric to get more information!

State of Florida Forecast



State of Florida Metrics (What's New?)  
Innovation & Economic Development

State of Florida FutureCast

Click any metric to get more information!



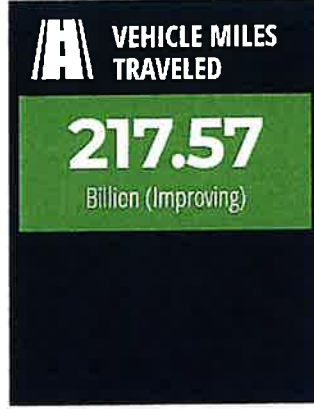


## State of Florida Metrics (What is this?)

### Infrastructure & Growth Leadership

State of Florida FutureCast

Click any metric to get more information!



# THE FLORIDA SCORECARD

## METRICS TO HELP SECURE FLORIDA'S FUTURE

View County Data... ▼



TALENT SUPPLY & EDUCATION



INNOVATION & ECON. DEVELOP.



INFRASTRUCTURE & GROWTH LEADERSHIP



BUSINESS CLIMATE & COMPETITIVENESS



CIVICS & GOVERNANCE



QUALITY OF LIFE

## State of Florida Metrics (What is this?)

State of Florida FutureCast

### Business Climate & Competitiveness

Click any metric to get more information!



© 2023 FLORIDA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. ALL RIGHTS RESERVED.

[CONTACT US](#) [TERMS & CONDITIONS](#) [FLORIDA CHAMBER FOUNDATION](#) [PRIVACY POLICY](#)

POWERED BY THE FLORIDA CHAMBER FOUNDATION



**Community Development Partnership Council**

## State of Florida Metrics (What is this?)

State of Florida FutureCast

### Civic & Governance Systems

Click any metric to get more information!

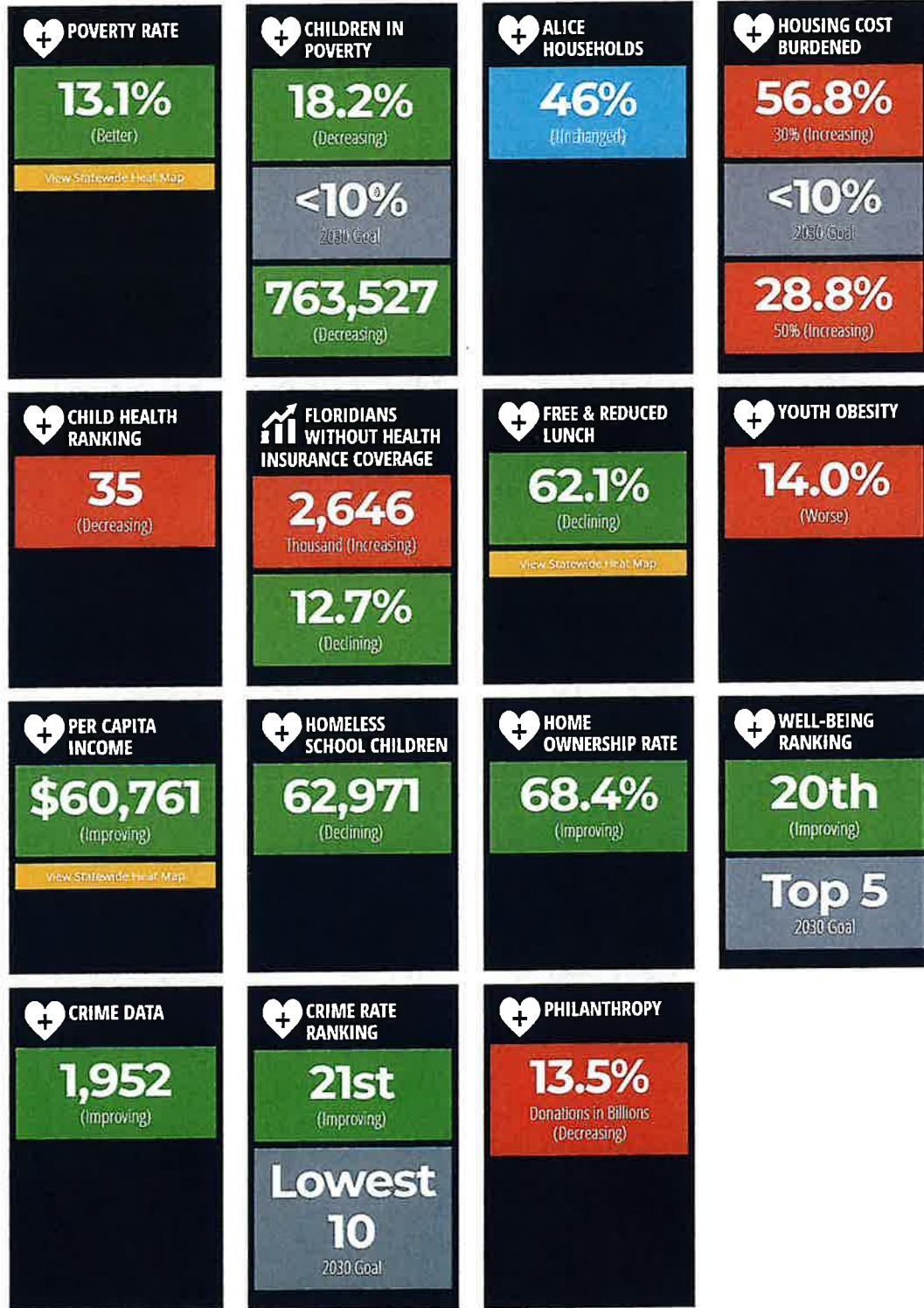


## State of Florida Metrics (What is this?)

State of Florida FutureCast

### Quality of Life and Quality Places

Click any metric to get more information!






---

2009 NW 67th Place, Gainesville, FL 32653-1603 • 352.955.2200

February 16, 2023

TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director 

SUBJECT: Legislative Report

The 2023 regular Legislature Session will convene on March 7, 2023 and is scheduled to adjourn on May 5, 2023. The legislative interim Committee schedule is, as follows:

- Week of December 12-16, 2022
- Week of January 3-6, 2023
- Week of January 17-20, 2023
- Week of January 23-27, 2023
- Week of February 6-10, 2023
- Week of February 13-17, 2023
- Week of February 20-24, 2023

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

The following paragraphs provide a summary of bills of interest.

**REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL FUNDING**

The Governor did not recommend any funding for regional planning councils for Fiscal Year 2023-24.

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

**Senate Bill 102** by Senators Caltayud, Hooper, Osgood and Rouson deletes the authority of local governments to adopt or maintain laws, ordinances, rules, or other measures that would have the effect of imposing controls on rents; provides an exemption from ad valorem taxation for land that meets certain criteria; authorizes local governments to adopt ordinances to provide an ad valorem tax exemption for portions of property used to provide affordable housing meeting certain requirements; suspends, for a specified period, the General Revenue Fund service charge on documentary stamp tax collections; and authorizes the Governor, under the Florida Job Growth Grant Fund, to approve state or local public infrastructure projects to facilitate the development or construction of affordable housing. Referred to Community Affairs Committee; and Appropriations Committee. Passed by Community Affairs. **This bill is now in Appropriations Committee.**

**House Bill 627** by Representatives Busatta, Cabrera and Lopez removes authority of local governments to adopt or maintain laws, ordinances, or rules that have effect of imposing controls on rents; provides exemption from ad valorem taxation for land that meets certain criteria; authorizes local governments to adopt ordinances to provide an ad valorem tax exemption for portions of property used to provide affordable housing meeting certain requirements; suspends, for a specified period, General Revenue Fund service charge on documentary stamp tax collections; and authorizes Governor, under the Florida Job Growth Grant Fund, to approve state or local public infrastructure projects to facilitate the development or construction of affordable housing. This bill has not been referred to any committees.

### LOCAL ORDINANCES

**Senate Bill 170** by Community Affairs Committee and Representative Trumbull authorizes courts to assess and award reasonable attorney fees and costs and damages in certain civil actions filed against local governments; requires a board of county commissioners to prepare or cause to be prepared a business impact estimate before the enactment of a proposed ordinance; requires a county to suspend enforcement of an ordinance that is the subject of a certain legal action if certain conditions are met; and requires a governing body of a municipality to prepare or cause to be prepared a business impact estimate before the enactment of a proposed ordinance. Referred to Community Affairs Committee; and Rules Committee. Passed by Community Affairs Committee. **This bill is now in Rules Committee.**

There is not a companion House bill at this time.

### PUBLIC CONSTRUCTION

**Senate Bill 346** by Senator DiCeglie provides that applications for approval of a development permit or development order which are under review by a municipality are deemed approved after a specified timeframe; requiring a certain list to include a dollar valuation using reasonable market rates of the estimated cost to complete items on the list; and revising the timeframe within which proceedings must commence to resolve disputes between vendors and local governmental entities; revising the conditions that require a public entity to pay or release amounts subject to certain disputes or claims. Referred to Community Affairs Committee; Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee; and Rules Committee.

**House Bill 383** by Representative Griffis provides that certain permit applications shall be deemed approved; revises provisions relating to payments for purchases of construction services by local governmental entities and public entities; revises time periods within which certain proceedings must be commenced and concluded; and provides dates by which undisputed portion of certain payment requests must be paid. Referred to Local Administration, Federal Affairs and Special Districts Subcommittee; Commerce Committee; and State Affairs Committee. This bill is now in Local Administration, Federal Affairs and Special Districts Subcommittee.

### LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMPREHENSIVE PLANS

**Senate Bill 540** by Senator DiCeglie authorizes certain administrative modifications to capital improvement schedules; provides that the prevailing party in a challenge to a plan or plan amendment is entitled to recover attorney fees and costs; and awards attorney fees and costs, including reasonable appellate attorney fees and costs, to the prevailing party in a challenge to the compliance of a small scale development amendment. This bill has not been referred to any committees.

**House Bill 359** by Representative Duggan authorizes certain administrative modifications to capital improvement schedules; provides that prevailing party in challenge to plan or plan amendment is entitled to recover attorney fees and costs; and awards attorney fees and costs, including reasonable appellate attorney fees and costs, to prevailing party in challenge to compliance of small scale development amendment. Referred to Local Administration, Federal Affairs and Special Districts Subcommittee; Civil Justice Subcommittee; and State Affairs Committee. This bill is now in Local Administration, Federal Affairs and Special Districts Subcommittee.

**LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS**

**House Bill 439** by Representative McClain revises effect of special magistrate's recommendation; revises local governmental entity notification requirements; revises types of data that comprehensive plans and plan amendments must be based on; requires local government to submit affidavit for specified purposes; requires that the Florida Economic and Demographic Research office be sole publisher of specified estimates; revises elements that must be included in comprehensive plan; revises frequency at which local government must evaluate its comprehensive plan; prohibits local government from adopting plan amendments when it fails to meet certain requirements; revises exceptions to applicability of land development regulations relating to single-family or two-family dwelling building design elements; and requires Auditor General to audit county transportation trust fund. Referred to Local Administration, Federal Affairs and Special Districts Subcommittee; Commerce Committee; and State Affairs Committee. This bill is now in Local Administration, Federal Affairs and Special Districts Subcommittee.

There is no companion Senate bill at this time.







Serving Alachua  
Bradford • Columbia  
Dixie • Gilchrist • Hamilton  
Lafayette • Levy • Madison  
Suwannee • Taylor • Union Counties

---

2009 NW 67th Place, Gainesville, FL 32653-1603 • 352.955.2200

February 16, 2023

TO: Council Members  
FROM: Scott Koons, AICP, Executive Director  
SUBJECT: Broadband Opportunity Grant Program

On February 2, 2023, the first set of awards through the Broadband Opportunity Grant Program was made to expand access to broadband internet for underserved communities. More than \$144 million was awarded for 58 projects in 41 counties for broadband internet expansion that will impact nearly 160,000 unserved residential, educational, business and community locations.

Administered by the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, the Broadband Opportunity Program funds the installation and deployment of broadband internet infrastructure in unserved communities, providing valuable access to telehealth, economic, educational and workforce development opportunities.

A total of \$47,882,642 in funding was awarded to the following 14 projects in the north central Florida region through the Broadband Opportunity Program:

- **Columbia County (\$2,646,030)** - to deploy fiber optic cable service to 1,725 unserved and underserved locations in Columbia County with minimum download speeds of 50 megabits and upload speeds of 10 megabits per second.
- **City of Archer and Town of Micanopy (\$4,672,393)** - to add 132 miles of fiber optic cable to their existing network to provide fiber to the home services to 1,701 unserved locations within Alachua County with minimum symmetrical download and upload speeds of 100 megabits per second.
- **City of Archer and City of Newberry (\$4,822,632)** - to add 78 miles of fiber optic cable to their existing network to provide fiber to the home services to 795 unserved locations within Alachua County with minimum symmetrical download and upload speeds of 100 megabits per second.
- **Town of Bell (\$4,956,100)** - to employ fixed wireless technology to provide high speed internet service to 1,350 unserved premises in Gilchrist County.
- **Town of Bell, Town of Cross City and Town of Horseshoe Beach (\$3,506,234)** - to complete the first of three phases designed to bring fiber to the home services to over 11,000 of its metered customers in Dixie and Gilchrist Counties at speeds up to 2 gigabits per second.
- **Town of Bronson and City of Williston (\$1,259,236)** - to add 48.1 miles of fiber to the premises via ethernet passive optical network to connect 405 unserved or underserved homes and businesses in Levy County with a standard starting speed of up to 300 megabits download and 10 megabits upload.

- **Town of Cross City (\$5,000,000)** - to deploy fiber optic cable and infrastructure to provide fiber to the home services to 1,067 unserved locations within Dixie County at minimum symmetrical download and upload speeds of 100 megabits per second.
- **Town of Cross City (\$2,020,902)** - to add 58.8 miles of fiber optic cable to provide fiber to the home services to 2,612 unserved and underserved locations within Dixie County with minimum symmetrical download and upload speeds of 100 megabits per second.
- **City of Gainesville (\$1,438,610)** - to add 27 miles of fiber optic cable to their existing network to provide fiber to the home services to 193 unserved locations within Alachua County with minimum symmetrical download and upload speeds of 100 megabits per second.
- **City of Hampton, City of Lawtey and City of Starke (\$2,160,000)** - to deploy fiber optic cable service to 2,111 unserved and underserved locations in Bradford County with minimum download speeds of 50 megabits per second and upload speeds of 10 megabits per second.
- **City of Jasper and Town of Jennings (\$2,734,261)** - to deploy fiber optic cable internet service to 2,156 unserved households in Hamilton County download and upload speeds of up to 1 gigabit per second.
- **City of Jasper, Town of Jennings, City of Live Oak and Town of White Springs (\$5,000,000)** - to add 757 miles of fiber optic cable to their existing network to provide fiber to the home services to 28,493 unserved and underserved locations within Hamilton and Suwannee Counties with minimum symmetrical download and upload speeds of 100 megabits per second.
- **City of Live Oak and Town of Mayo (\$5,000,000)** - to add 1,016 miles of fiber optic cable to their existing network to provide fiber to the home services to 25,679 unserved and underserved locations within Lafayette and Suwannee Counties with minimum symmetrical download and upload speeds of 100 megabits per second.
- **City of Trenton (\$2,666,244)** - to provide fiber to the home services to 1,965 premises with symmetrical 1 gigabit per second speeds to residents in Gilchrist County.

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



Serving Alachua  
Bradford • Columbia  
Dixie • Gilchrist • Hamilton  
Lafayette • Levy • Madison  
Suwannee • Taylor • Union Counties

---

2009 NW 67th Place, Gainesville, FL 32653-1603 • 352.955.2200

February 16, 2023

TO: Council Members  
FROM: Scott Koons, AICP, Executive Director  
SUBJECT: Resilient Florida Program Planning Grants

On February 13, 2023, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection announced the award of over \$28 million to develop or update comprehensive vulnerability assessments. The 128 planning grants will result in 222 total local government vulnerability assessments. At the conclusion of these assessments, all 67 counties in Florida will have completed a vulnerability assessment and be eligible for inclusion in future iterations of the Statewide Flooding and Sea Level Rise Resilience Plan, which proposes funding for the highest ranked resilience and adaptation projects across the state.

The projects will ensure inland and coastal communities are prepared for the impacts of storm surge, hurricanes and flooding and protect natural resources and infrastructure. The assessments will enable local communities to better understand their unique flood vulnerability and to begin designing effective adaptations to reduce current and projected flood and storm surge risks to their residents and infrastructure. Future funding for resilience and adaptation projects will enhance efforts to protect inland riparian areas, coastlines, shores and coral reefs, which serve as invaluable natural defenses against sea level rise.

A total of \$3,185,700 in funding was awarded to the following 13 local governments in the north central Florida region through the Resilient Florida Program:

- **Bradford County (\$300,000)** - to complete comprehensive vulnerability assessment, including Town of Brooker, City of Hampton, City of Lawtey and City of Starke.
- **Columbia County (\$450,000)** - to complete county-wide vulnerability assessment, including Town of Fort White and City of Lake City.
- **Gilchrist County (\$400,000)** - to complete county-wide vulnerability assessment.
- **Hamilton County (\$300,000)** - to complete comprehensive vulnerability assessment, including City of Jasper, Town of Jennings and Town of White Springs.
- **Lafayette County (\$250,000)** - to complete comprehensive vulnerability assessment, including Town of Mayo.
- **Madison County (\$250,000)** - to complete county-wide vulnerability assessment.
- **Suwannee County (\$210,000)** - to complete comprehensive vulnerability assessment, including Town of Branford and City of Live Oak.

- **Union County (\$300,000)** - to complete county-wide vulnerability assessment, including Town City of Lake Butler, Town of Raiford and City of Worthington Springs.
- **City of Gainesville (\$400,000)** - to complete city-wide vulnerability assessment update.
- **Town of Greenville (\$45,000)** - to complete town-wide vulnerability assessment.
- **City of Hampton (\$66,700)** - to complete city-wide vulnerability assessment..
- **Town of Mayo (\$100,000)** - to complete town-wide vulnerability assessment.
- **City of Starke (\$114,000)** - to complete city-wide vulnerability assessment.

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