NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
MINUTES
March 22, 2018
7:00 p.m.

Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites
Lake City, Florida

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
Thomas Demps, Taylor County
Gene Higginbotham, Dixie County
Fletcher Hope, City of Archer
William Hunter, Hamilton County
John Meeks, Levy County
Janice Mortimer, City of Starke
Daniel Riddick, Bradford County
Larry Sessions, Suwannee County
Lorene Thomas, Dixie County
Helen Warren, City of Hawthorne
Robert Wilford, City of Alachua
Stephen Witt, City of Lake City

MEMBERS ABSENT

Patricia Bouie, City of Hawthorne
Harvey Budd, City of Gainesville
Rick Coleman, City of Newberry
Louie Davis, City of Waldo
Rick Davis, Madison County
Mike Deming, City of Perry
Robert Hutchinson, Alachua County
Linda Jones, City of High Springs
James Montgomery, Columbia County
Tim Murphy, Columbia County
Garth Nobles, Jr., City of Live Oak
James Tallman, Union County
Kenrick Thomas, Gilchrist County
Daniel Webb, Union County
Mike Williams, Madison County

OTHERS PRESENT

Sandra Buck-Camp
Tony Carvajal
LJ Two Spirits Johnson
Stew Lilker
DeLoris Roberts

COUNCIL ATTORNEY PRESENT

Jonathan Wershow

STAFF PRESENT

Steven Dopp
Scott Koons
Jean Strong
Tara Tucker

Executive Members names are bolded
Gubernatorial Members names are italicized
I. INVOCATION

Chair Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. with an invocation given by Commissioner Riddick.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

III. INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Thomas stated there was a quorum of the Council, and welcomed and introduced DeLoris Roberts, former Council member and Commissioner from the City of Hawthorne; Sandra Buck-Camp and LJ Two Spirits Johnson, a member of the Columbia, Hamilton, Suwannee Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board; and Stew Lilker from the Columbia County Observer.

IV. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes - January 25, 2018
B. Monthly Financial Report - February 2018
C. Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Membership Certifications
D. Transportation Disadvantaged Program Community Transportation Coordinator for Bradford County
E. Transportation Disadvantaged Program Community Transportation Coordinator for Lafayette County
F. Transportation Disadvantaged Program Planning Program Grant Resolutions - Fiscal Year 2018-19

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

ACTION: Commissioner Wilford made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Meeks, to approve the items on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

V. APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA

Chair Thomas asked that Item IX.B.5. City of Gainesville Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment (DEO No. 18-1ESR) and Item IX.B.6. City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment (DEO No. 18-1ESR) be added to the agenda.
ACTION: Commissioner Demps made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Chestnut, to add Item IX.B.5. City of Gainesville Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment (DEO No. 18-1ESR) to the agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

ACTION: Commissioner Chestnut made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Sessions, to add Item IX.B.6. City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment (DEO No.18-1ESR) to the agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

Chair Thomas asked that the agenda be approved as amended.

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

VI. CITIZEN COMMENTS

None

VII. GUEST SPEAKER - Tony Carvajal, Executive Vice-President
   Florida Chamber Foundation

Scott Koons, Executive Director, introduced Tony Carvajal, Executive Vice-President, Florida Chamber Foundation. The Foundation, founded in 1968, is a business-led, problem-solver and research 501 (c)(3) not-for-profit corporation, working in partnership with state business leaders to promote a vibrant Florida economy. Mr. Carvajal made a presentation to the Council concerning the Foundation’s Florida 2030 Project to write the blueprint for Florida’s future and the Six Pillars for Securing Florida’s Future Economy approach to regionally strengthen the economic vitality of the State. He noted that this research project has stimulated strategic thinking about Florida’s future by engaging business and community leaders through town halls in each of Florida’s 67 counties, and identified key trends and factors that drive regional economies. Chair Thomas thanked Mr. Carvajal for his presentation.

VIII. CHAIR REPORT -

A. Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Committee Appointment - Mai Khuu

Chair Thomas asked for ratification of the appointment of Mai Khuu, Senior Director for Economic Development for the Gainesville Area Chamber of Commerce, as Vice-Chair of the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Committee.

ACTION: Commissioner Chestnut made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Demps, to ratify the appointment of Mai Khuu, Senior Director for Economic Development for the Gainesville Area Chamber of Commerce as Vice-Chair of the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Committee as recommended by the Chair. The motion carried unanimously.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Executive Committee
   1. 125th Anniversary City of Lake Butler Resolution
Mr. Koons stated that the City of Lake Butler is celebrating its 125th Anniversary this year. He gave a brief history of the City. Mr. Koons stated that the Executive Committee recommends that the Council adopt a resolution recognizing the 125th Anniversary of the City.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Warren made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Wilford to approve a resolution recognizing the 125th Anniversary of the City of Lake Butler which is attached hereto and made part of these minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Proclamation Declaring April 2018 as County Government Month

Mr. Koons stated that the Executive Committee recommends that the Council adopt a proclamation declaring April 2018 as County Government Month in the north central Florida region. He further stated that County Government Month is celebrated each April by counties across the country to raise public awareness and understanding about the roles and responsibilities of county government.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Meeks made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Sessions to adopt a proclamation proclaiming April 2018 as County Government Month which is attached hereto and made part of these minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Clearinghouse Committee

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

#20 - Union County Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment  
#21 - Columbia County Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment  
#22 - City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment  
#23 - City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment

Commissioner Adams stated that the following items which was received following the distribution of the Council meeting packet and added to the agenda require action prior to the next meeting.

#24 - City of Gainesville Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment  
#25 - City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment

Commissioner Adams stated that the Committee finds that local government comprehensive plans as amended are not anticipated to result in significant adverse impacts to regional facilities, Natural Resources of Significance or adjacent local governments. 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 Chestnut, to approve the Committee recommendations concerning Item #20 - Union County Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment; Item #21 - Columbia County Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment; Item #22 - City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment; #23 City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment; #24 City of Gainesville Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment and #25 - City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Regional Planning Committee - Proposed Evaluation and Appraisal Report-based Amendments to the North Central Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan

Commissioner Warren, Regional Planning Committee Chair, gave the Regional Planning Committee Report, she stated that two rule development workshops were held recently in the region. She stated that the workshops were held to inform the public of the Evaluation and Appraisal Report-based amendments to the North Central Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan as well as receive comments regarding the amendments. Commissioner Warren stated the workshops are required by Chapter 120, Florida Statues, to adopt the proposed amendments to the regional plan.

Commissioner Warren stated that in addition to comments received at the workshops, a memorandum was distributed to state agencies, regional agencies, and local governments requesting written comments, if any, regarding the proposed amendments to be to the Council by April 16, 2018. She reported that the Regional Planning Committee met earlier this evening to review requested changes received to date for the proposed amendments.

D. Finance Committee -

1. Fiscal Year 2016-17 Audit
2. Authorize Payment of Auditor

Commissioner Wilford, Chair of the Finance Committee, reported that the Finance Committee met earlier in the evening with the auditor and reviewed the Fiscal Year 2016-17 Annual Audit as prepared by Powell and Jones, Certified Public Accountants. He stated that the auditor issued an unqualified report and that the document contained no findings. Commissioner Wilford also stated, that the overall prevailing conclusion was that the statements provided were found in all material respects, to fairly present the financial position of the Council at the end of the last fiscal year. He stated with respect to revenues collected vs. those budgeted, revenues received were 1.2 percent more than budgeted amounts, with respect to expenditures, funds expended were (1.0) percent less than budgeted amounts.

Commissioner Wilford stated that the general balance of the Council increased by $2,533. He also stated the audit contains various reports on compliance, internal control and management and in these reports no material weaknesses or problems were cited. Finally, he stated that overall the Finance Committee was pleased with the report and it is clear from the auditor’s findings that the Council is in very sound financial condition.
ACTION: Commissioner Wilford made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Cornell, to accept and approve the Fiscal Year 2016-17 Annual Audit as prepared by Powell and Jones, Certified Public Accountants and to make the final payment to the auditor. The motion carried unanimously.

X. EX-OFFICIO MEMBER REPORTS

Sean Greene, Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission, reported that the Commission is currently accepting applications for removal of sunken or abandoned vessels from the waters of the State. He noted that the application deadline is May 9, 2018.

Ben Glass, Suwannee River Water Management District, stated that the District in process of ranking applications for springs and river projects and is scheduled to make funding decisions in April 2018. He also announced that the new District Governing Board Chair is Virginia Johns from the City of Alachua.

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. 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 February 2018 activities report included in the Council meeting packet.

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 March 2018 Scorecard™ included in the Council meeting packet.

C. Legislative Report

Mr. Koons reported that the 2018 Legislative Session convened on January 9, 2018 and adjourned on March 11, 2018. He reported on bills of interest to regional planning councils and local governments considered during the 2018 Legislative Session. The only bill that Council staff was tracking that passed was House Bill 1151 concerning developments of regional impact.
D. Florida Job Growth Grant Fund

Mr. Koons reported that the Florida Job Growth Fund is a new economic development program designed to build on Florida’s success and economic prosperity since 2010 and in its first year, Fiscal Year 2017-18 (July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018), 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. He stated that public infrastructure projects can include transportation and utilities needed to support economic development and workforce training projects will provide Floridians with transferable, sustainable workforce skills applicable to many employers.

Mr. Koons reported that on February 6, 2018, the Governor announced $35 million in awards for nine Florida Job Growth Fund projects across the state, including the following three projects in the north central Florida region.

Columbia County - $3,135,600 for the construction of the North Florida Mega Industrial Park Rail Project to construct a rail spur to allow access to an industrial park of more than 2,600 acres;

Suwannee County - $3,125,000 to provide water supply and fire protection to the Interstate 75 and County Road 136 interchange; and

City of Alachua - $6,755,000 to construct the San Felasco Parkway and nearby utilities, connecting a large bioscience cluster, including the University of Florida Sid Martin Biotechnology Institute, to a shovel-ready site of 280 acres.

He further stated that on March 6, 2018, the Governor awarded an additional $22.9 million in awards for 11 Florida Job Growth Fund projects across the state. The awards included the following project in the north central Florida region.

Big Bend Technical College (Taylor County) - $100,000 to open a Diesel Mechanic Technician Program and a Diesel System Technical 1 Program that will train students for positions working with diesel transportation vehicles and diesel engines, along with purchasing equipment needed for the hands-on laboratory.

Chair Thomas informed the Council that the next Council meeting will be held on April 26, 2018. The meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Chair Thomas

Lorene J. Thomas, Chair

4/26/18

Date
RESOLUTION NO. 2018-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL RECOMMENDING THE FLORIDA COMMISSION FOR THE TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED DESIGNATE SUWANNEE RIVER ECONOMIC COUNCIL, INC. THE COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR FOR BRADFORD COUNTY

WHEREAS, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council is designated by the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged as the Official Planning Agency for the Transportation Disadvantaged Program for Bradford County;

WHEREAS, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council has the authority to recommend the designation of the Community Transportation Coordinator for Bradford County in accordance with Rule 41-2.010 (1), Florida Administrative Code;

WHEREAS, the designation of the Community Transportation Coordinator will be accomplished through public competitive bidding or proposals in accordance with Rule 41-2.010 (3), Florida Administrative Code;

WHEREAS, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council issued Request for Proposals No. 2017-02 for the designation of the Bradford County Community Transportation Coordinator on November 2, 2017;

WHEREAS, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council received two proposals in response to Request for Proposals No. 2017-02; and

WHEREAS, Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc.'s proposal was the only proposal received that was determined to be responsive to Request for Proposals No. 2017-02.

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

In accordance with Chapter 427, Florida Statutes, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council recommends to the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged designate Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc. the Community Transportation Coordinator for Bradford County for a five-year period effective July 1, 2018.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council this 22nd day of March 2018.

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

ATTEST:

Scott R. Koons, Executive Director

Lorene J. Thomas, Chair
A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL RECOMMENDING THE FLORIDA COMMISSION FOR THE TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED DESIGNATE SUWANNEE RIVER ECONOMIC COUNCIL, INC. THE COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR FOR LAFAYETTE COUNTY

WHEREAS, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council is designated by the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged as the Official Planning Agency for the Transportation Disadvantaged Program for Lafayette County;

WHEREAS, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council has the authority to recommend the designation of the Community Transportation Coordinator for Lafayette County in accordance with Rule 41-2.010 (1), Florida Administrative Code;

WHEREAS, the designation of the Community Transportation Coordinator will be accomplished through public competitive bidding or proposals in accordance with Rule 41-2.010 (3), Florida Administrative Code;

WHEREAS, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council issued Request for Proposals No. 2018-01 for the designation of the Lafayette County Community Transportation Coordinator on January 4, 2018;

WHEREAS, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council received one proposal in response to Request for Proposals No. 2018-01; and

WHEREAS, Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc.'s proposal was determined to be responsive to Request for Proposals No. 2018-01.

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

In accordance with Chapter 427, Florida Statutes, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council recommends to the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged designate Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc. the Community Transportation Coordinator for Lafayette County for a five-year period effective July 1, 2018.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council this 22nd day of March 2018.

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

ATTEST:

Scott R. Koons, Executive Director

Lorene J. Thomas, Chair
RESOLUTION NO. 2018-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2018-19 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 2018-19 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 22nd day of March 2018.

ATTEST:

Scott R. Koons, Executive Director

Lorene J. Thomas, Chair
RESOLUTION NO. 2018-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2018-19 COLUMBIA, HAMILTON AND SUWANEE 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 2018-19 Columbia, Hamilton and Suwanee 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 22nd day of March 2018.

ATTEST:

Scott R. Koons, Executive Director

Lorène J. Thomas, Chair
RESOLUTION NO. 2018-05

RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2018-19 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 2018-19 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 22nd day of March 2018.

ATTEST:

Scott R. Koons, Executive Director

Lorene J. Thomas, Chair
RESOLUTION NO. 2018-06

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2018-19 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 2018-19 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 22nd day of March 2018.

ATTEST:

Scott R. Koons, Executive Director

Lorene J. Thomas, Chair
RESOLUTION NO. 2018-07

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2018-19 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 2018-19 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 22nd day of March 2018.

ATTEST:

Scott R. Koons, Executive Director

Lorene J. Thomas, Chair
RESOLUTION NO. 2018-08

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2018-19 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 2018-19 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 22nd day of March 2018.

ATTEST:

Scott R. Koons, Executive Director

Lorene J. Thomas, Chair
RESOLUTION NO. 2018-09

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2018-19 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 2018-19 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 22nd day of March 2018.

ATTEST:

Scott R. Koons, Executive Director

Lorene J. Thomas, Chair
A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2018-19 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 2018-19 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.

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ATTEST:

Scott R. Koons, Executive Director

Lorene J. Thomas, Chair
RESOLUTION NO. 2018-11

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL RECOGNIZING THE 125TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CITY OF LAKE BUTLER

WHEREAS, the City of Lake Butler known as Your Welcome Home Community was incorporated in 1893; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lake Butler, the county seat of Union County is located along a lake named Lake Butler; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lake Butler was named for Colonel Robert Butler, the first surveyor general of the Florida Territory and an acting Governor of East Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Georgia and Florida Railroad, and the Jacksonville Southwestern Railroad, later a branch of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad, played an important role in the development of the City of Lake Butler.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council congratulates the City of Lake Butler on its 125th Anniversary.

DULY ADOPTED by the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council this 22nd day of March 2018.

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

Attest:

Scott R. Koons, Executive Director

Lorene J. Thomas, Chair
DECLARING THE MONTH OF APRIL AS COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH

Whereas, the nation’s 3,069 counties serving more than 300 million Americans provide essential services to create healthy, safe, vibrant and economically resilient communities; and

Whereas, counties move America forward by building infrastructure, maintaining roads and bridges, providing health care, administrating justice, keeping communities safe, running election, managing solid waste, keeping records and much more; and

Whereas, counties take pride in their responsibility to protect and enhance the health, welfare and safety of its residents in effective and cost-effective ways; and

Whereas, in order to remain healthy, vibrant, safe and economically competitive, America’s counties provide transportation and infrastructure services that play a key role in everything from daily commutes to shipping goods around the world; and

Whereas, the National Association of Counties has designated April as County Government Month and encouraged counties across the country to actively promote their programs and services to the public they serve.

Now, Therefore, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, hereby declares April 2018 as County Government Month throughout the north central Florida region.

Duly adopted and proclaimed this 22nd day of March 2018.

Attest:

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Robert W. Wilford, Secretary-Treasurer

Lorene J. Thomas, Chair