

Tuesday, March 7, 2023 – 1:30 P.M.
Grace Knight Conference Room
County Administration Building
Southeast First Street
Gainesville, Florida

The Alachua County Board of County Commissioners met for the Special Meeting.

PRESENT: Chair Anna Prizzia; Vice Chair Mary Alford, Commissioner Charles S. Chestnut IV, Commissioner Ken Cornell, and Commissioner Marihelen Wheeler

ALSO PRESENT: County Manager Michele Lieberman, Deputy County Manager Carl Smart, County Attorney Sylvia Torres, and Deputy Clerk Steve Donahey

Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Cornell moved adoption of the agenda with the amendment to add an Item 1A to today's agenda to discuss this evenings meeting. The motion carried 5-0.

2nd Commissioner Wheeler

Items for Discussion

1A. Evening Meeting Agenda

Commissioner Cornell stated that the Board has received word that the Sheriff will not be in attendance for this evenings meeting. He feels that since the discussions this evening are about the Jail which the Sheriff by contract operates the Jail for the County the meeting should be continued till a time when the Sheriff will be in attendance.

Commissioner Cornell, Chair Prizzia, Commissioner Alford, Chair Prizzia, Commissioner Wheeler, County Manager Lieberman, Commissioner Wheeler, Commissioner Chestnut, and Commissioner Alford presented comments.

Commissioner Cornell moved to postpone the evening meeting for 30 days.

2nd Commissioner Chestnut

Commissioner Alford, Chair Prizzia, County Manager Lieberman, Chair Prizzia, and Commissioner Alford presented comments.

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Chair Prizzia recognized Tamara Robbins who presented comments to the Board.

The motion carried 3-2 with Commissioners Alford and Prizzia voting “Nay”.

1. Policy Discussion on Parameters of the Pavement Management Program 23-0509
Recommended Action: Provide direction to staff on Parameters of the Pavement Management Program
Fiscal Consideration: Funding Sources include General Fund Transfer, Infrastructure Surtax (70% of ½), Grants, 5 Cent Local Option Gas Tax (ELM Nickel), Impact Fees, and Multi Modal Transportation
Strategic Guide: All Other Mandatory and Discretionary Services

Public Works Director Ramone Gavarrete and Consultant Aaron Gerber presented the above item.

Mr. Gavarrete stated that there are currently 1,805 roads in the system. Currently 1,543 of the roads are considered residential roads. He advised that the County has made progress in slowing down the deterioration of the road system. The current ranking of road projects was presented to the Board.

The Board requested the staff to run two scenarios in the system using the 40% base scenario with residential and the blue bubbles. Scenario one is moving the funding around to maintain the level of the collector roads and optimize the benefit to residential streets. The second scenario is to run the optimization with up to \$1,000,000.00 in new funding a year to see the results for the Board to consider during the budget process. The floor level for the collector roads should be 52.5 to 53.

The Board discussed the need for setting weight limits on roads and the placement of the signs.

Commissioner Cornell, Chair Prizzia, Commissioner Alford, Dr. Houchen, Commissioner Cornell, Transportation Planning Manager Chris Dawson, Chair Prizzia, Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Alford, and County Manager Lieberman presented comments.

The Board agreed to have the next discussion of the pavement management system on April 4, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.

Closing Comments

Public Comment

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Chair Prizzia recognized Daniele Chanzas, Bobby Mermer, Kimber, and Tamara Robbins who presented comments.

Commission Comment

County Manager Lieberman discussed the reentry presentation from a citizens group and whether the Board wished for staff to conduct the community outreach prior to the meeting.

Adjourn

There being no further business before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 4:01 p.m.