

Alachua County, FL

Agenda Item Summary

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Agenda Item Name:

Request Approval of World Masters Athletics Indoor Championships Chair Letter

Presenter:

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Description:

Request Approval of World Masters Athletics Indoor Championships Chair Letter

Recommended Action:

Approve letter as presented and authorize the Chair to sign

Prior Board Motions:

N/A

Fiscal Note:

\$1 million set aside from Tourist Development Tax reserves. The Chair letter references additional vital infrastructure support, which has not yet been determined, nor a funding source for these costs.

Strategic Guide:

Social and Economic Opportunity

Background:

Alachua County is the front runner to host the 2025 World Masters Athletics (WMA) Indoor Championships tournament at the Alachua County Sports Event Center at Celebration Pointe. This Chair letter affirms the County's commitment to host this event and sets aside \$1 million in Tourist Development Tax reserves toward vital infrastructure support.

Alachua County would be the first location in the United States to host the WMA Indoor Championships. This event will draw international visitors to play and stay in Alachua County for approximately three weeks.