

Tuesday, March 14, 2023 – 11:30 A.M.  
John R. "Jack" Durrance Auditorium  
County Administration Building  
Southeast First Street  
Gainesville, Florida

The Alachua County Board of County Commissioners met for the Regular 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

- A. Invocation - Any invocation that may be offered before the official start of the Commission meeting shall be the voluntary offering of, a private citizen, to and for the benefit of the Commission. The views or beliefs expressed by the invocation speaker have not been previously reviewed or approved by the Commission, and the Commission is not allowed by law to endorse the religious beliefs or views of this, or any other speaker.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Call to Order
- D. Approval of Regular and Consent Agenda

**Commissioner Alford moved** adoption of the Consent/Regular Agenda as printed.

2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Wheeler

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

**The motion carried 5-0.**

- E. Announcements
  - 1. A video of the groundbreaking for Station 80 was displayed for the public. The video demonstrates the County's continuing investment in public safety and is the first of 3 stations that will be built in the next few years.

F. Recognitions

1. Recognition of Leg-AZ World Soccer Club Champions 23-0543  
**Recommended Action:** Recognize Leg-AZ World Soccer Club Champions  
**Fiscal Consideration:** N/A  
**Strategic Guide:** N/A

The Board of County Commissioner recognized the Leg AZ Soccer Club for their accomplishments.

G. Board and Committee Items

2. Advisory Board Update - Rural Concerns 23-0372  
**Recommended Action:** Hear presentation  
**Fiscal Consideration:** N/A  
**Strategic Guide:** N/A

Rural Concerns Advisory Board Chair Ron Clouser presented the above item.

Chair Prizzia and Commissioner Cornell presented comments.

3. Appointment Alternate Member for the Arts Council of Alachua County Committee, with a term ending Sept. 30, 2026 23-0511  
**Recommended Action:** Appoint alternate member on the Arts Council of Alachua County, with a term ending Sept. 30, 2026.

Deputy Clerk Donahey called on each Commissioner for their one nomination for the Alternate Representative.

Commissioners Alford, Wheeler, and Prizzia nominated Christine Johnson.

Commissioners Chestnut and Cornell nominated Eric Lopez.

**Commissioner Cornell moved** appointment of Christine Johnson as the Alternate Representative. The motion carried 5-0.

2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Chestnut

- H. Public Comments - 12:00 PM or as soon thereafter as possible - Members of the public may only speak during one of the two designated public comment periods during the course the morning and evening regular meeting. Members of the public commenting on issues appearing on the agenda during the first public comment

period will not be entitled to speak on those issues during the remainder of the meeting. All members of the public wishing to speak during the “Public Comment” portions of the agenda will be limited to three (3) minutes to make their request or presentation. Members of the public wishing to speak on quasi-judicial matters should be encouraged to speak during the hearings on those matters, since the Board’s decisions in those matters may only be based on evidence in the record of the hearings.

Chair Prizzia recognized Elizabeth Howard, Nancy Darren, Karen Herrington, James Ingle, Mike McGraw, Tamara Robbins, Brandon Perez, Shawn Graves, Andy Starling, Commissioner Alford, and Commissioner Wheeler who presented comments.

By consensus, the Board referred to staff to review the licensing of electrical workers and report back to the Board with recommendations.

- I. Commission Response to Public Comment
- J. Items Pulled From Consent
- K. Presentations
- 4. A presentation by the County Historical Commission about the Center of Modern Art in Micanopy 23-0442  
**Recommended Action:** Hear the history reading with PowerPoint presentation  
**Fiscal Consideration:** NA  
**Strategic Guide:** All Other Mandatory and Discretionary Services

Historical Commission Member Ashley Wood presented the above item.

Chair Prizzia, Commissioner Alford, and Commissioner Wheeler presented comments.

- 5. FY24 Budget Development - Board Focus Issues & Historical Trends 23-0480  
**Recommended Action:** Discuss and Provide Expectations on Key Issues  
**Fiscal Consideration:** None  
**Strategic Guide:** All Other Mandatory & Discretionary Services

Budget Manager Mo Rischitelli presented the above item.

Commissioner Alford, Chair Prizzia, Commissioner Wheeler, Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Alford, Commissioner Prizzia, Assistant County Manager Crosby, Commissioner Cornell, Chair Prizzia, Commissioner Wheeler, and Commissioner Alford presented comments.

Commissioner Chestnut exited at 1:03 pm.

6. American Rescue Plan - State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds - Broadband 23-0516

**Recommended Action:** No recommended action is requested.

**Fiscal Consideration:** \$15 Million in ARPA funds committed to broadband and \$50 Million Reconnect 4 grant/loan application is under consideration at the USDA

**Strategic Guide:** Infrastructure

Assistant County Manager Tommy Crosby presented the above item.

Chair Prizzia, Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Alford, and Chair Prizzia presented comments.

#### L. Action Items

7. Request to advertise for proposed amendments to the Unified Land Development Code (ULDC) for Electric Vehicle Charging Stations, Home-Based Businesses, Substation Approval Process, and Parcel Disaggregation. 23-0477

**Recommended Action:** Approve a request to advertise for amendments to the ULDC regarding Electric Vehicle Charging Stations, Home-Based Businesses, Distribution Electric Substations and the Parcel Disaggregation.

**Fiscal Consideration:** Sufficient budget exists to cover fees associated with publishing the public hearing advertisements (001.65.6500.554.49.04).

**Strategic Guide:** All Other Mandatory and Discretionary Services

Growth Management Director Jeff Hays and Planner Angela Jacobs presented the above item.

#### Home Base Business Regulations

Planner Angela Jacobs and Growth Management Director Jeff Hays presented the above item.

Commissioner Alford, Commissioner Wheeler, Commissioner Alford, Hazardous Waste Programs Manager Chris Gilbert, County Attorney Torres, Chair Prizzia, and Commissioner Wheeler presented comments.

#### Substations

Planner Angela Jacobs presented the above item.

Commissioner Alford and Chair Prizzia presented comments.

## Parcel Disaggregation

Growth Management Director Jeff Hays presented the above item.

Commissioner Alford presented comments.

**Commissioner Cornell moved** to approve a request to advertise for amendments to the ULDC regarding Electric Vehicle Charging Stations, Home-Based Businesses, Distribution Electric Substations and the Parcel Disaggregation.

2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Alford

**The motion carried 4-0 with Chestnut out of the room.**

8. Request to advertise for an amendment to the Alachua County Code proposing a Construction Noise Waiver Process. 23-0552

**Recommended Action:** Approve a request to advertise for a proposed amendment to the Alachua County Code for a Construction Noise Waiver process.

**Fiscal Consideration:** Sufficient budget exists to cover fees associated with publishing the public hearing advertisements (001.65.6500.554.49.04).

**Strategic Guide:** All Other Mandatory and Discretionary Services

Planner Angela Jacobs presented the above item.

**Commissioner Cornell moved** to approve a request to advertise for a proposed amendment to the Alachua County Code for a Construction Noise Waiver process.

2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Alford

Chair Prizzia and Growth Management Director Jeff Hays presented comments.

**The motion carried 4-0 with Commissioner Chestnut out of the room.**

9. Pharmacy Proposal with Self Insurance Review Committee recommendation 23-0491

**Recommended Action:** Approve pharmacy proposals and the attached budget adjustment.

**Fiscal Consideration:** Various Accounts in 507 Fund

FY23 \$400,000 in implementation expenses

FY24 (\$180,000) net operating loss

FY25 \$388,000 net operating income

FY26 \$545,000 net operating income

FY27 \$724,000 net operating income

During FY26 break-even of implementation and operating loss

**Strategic Guide:** All Other Mandatory and Discretionary Services

Risk Manager Jon Carnell and Assistant Risk Manager Amy Childs presented the above item.

Commissioner Alford, Commissioner Cornell, and County Manager Lieberman presented comments.

**Commissioner Cornell moved** to approve pharmacy proposals and the attached budget adjustment. The motion carried 3-1 with Commissioner Alford voting "Nay" and Commissioner Chestnut out of the room.

M. Public Hearing

10. Ordinance relating to Solid Waste; amending Chapter 75 of the Alachua County Code 23-0519

**Recommended Action:** Adopt the proposed ordinance amending the Solid Waste Code, Chapter 75, Alachua County Code.

**Fiscal Consideration:** Most changes in the Ordinance are not expected to have significant fiscal impact except the removal of non-compliant waste which will depend upon level of compliance and budget approved.

**Strategic Guide:** Environment

Solid Waste Director Gus Olmos presented the above item.

**Commissioner Alford moved** to adopt the proposed ordinance amending the Solid Waste Code, Chapter 75, Alachua County Code.

2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Cornell

Chair Prizzia, Commissioner Alford, and Commissioner Cornell presented comments.

**The motion carried 4-0 with Commissioner Chestnut out of the room.**

11. Public Hearing to Consider an Ordinance Adopting a New Section on Nuisance Overgrowth, Updating Code Enforcement Procedures and Amending the Section on the International Property Maintenance Code adoption 23-0531

**Recommended Action:** Convene as the Land Development Regulation Commission and find the proposed amendments to the Unified Land Development Code consistent with the Alachua County Comprehensive Plan. Reconvene as the Board of County Commissioners and approve the ordinance

**Fiscal Consideration:** Amendments to the County Code related to nuisance overgrowth may be potentially lead to increased Code Enforcement activity but can be accommodated with current Code Administration staff. Any advertising costs for public hearing would be paid from account: 008.65.6510.524.49.00.

**Strategic Guide:** Environment

**Commissioner Cornell moved** that the Board of County Commissioners and approve the ordinance with the amendment to set the height at 12 inches. The motion carried 4-0 with Commissioner Chestnut out of the room.

#### N. Reports and Comments

##### County Attorney Report

There were no items submitted.

##### County Manager Report

##### Transportation Disadvantage Board

County Manager Lieberman informed the Board that the City of Gainesville stated they cannot provide the \$25,000 matching grant funds that provide medical transportation to the rural communities. They have stated that they will not apply for the grant unless the County provides in writing that the County will pay the \$25,000.00.

Chair Prizzia, Commissioner Cornell, and Commissioner Alford presented comments.

**Commissioner Alford moved** to authorize the Chair to send a letter to the City of Gainesville that the County will fund the \$25,000 matching grant. The motion carried 4-0.

Chair Prizzia stated that she will add to the letter that the County wishes to be informed of other grant funding issues or other matters the City intends to cut funding for that support the unincorporated county.

##### Board Reports and Commission Comment

##### Animal Services Mural

Commissioner Wheeler stated that the mural on the Animal Services building has been completed and it is a very cute peace of art work. She thanked Ariana Roberta for volunteering her time and talents.

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#### Wall Dogs Mural Event

Commissioner Wheeler stated that the Wall Dogs Mural event will be hosted in the City of High Springs next weekend and it will be an excellent event and encouraged everyone to participate.

#### Florida Association of Counties (FAC) Backup

Commissioner Cornell provide the backup materials for the Florida Association of Counties event tomorrow. He wanted to bring to the attention two topics of importance to the County which are affordable housing and water and encouraged the Commissioners to review the materials.

#### Calendar of Events

Commissioner Cornell stated that he reviewed the Calendar of Events and it does not show the topics of the meetings. He would like to see if staff can add the topics to the calendar to easily inform the public.

#### Meat Processing Facility

Commissioner Cornell stated that he is reading a book on Meat Processing Plants and is studying a facility in Washington County, Tennessee. He stated that the Tennessee facility is a Co-op and the County is taking a 20% stake in the facility. He would very much like to see how other Counties have handled such facilities to see what model they used. He would like the backup for the first and second rounds of funding so that he can see the types of projects that are receiving funding.

#### Proofing Agendas

Chair Prizzia stated that she would like to see more attention to proofing the agendas prior to them being released.

NOTE: This meeting will not reconvene at 5:01 PM

#### O. Public Comments (At the conclusion of the agenda)

There were no comments offered.

#### P. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 3:50 P.M.



Q CONSENT ITEMS

County Attorney's Office

12. County Attorney's request to initiate or defend cases.23-0474  
**Recommended Action:** Approve the County Attorney's authority to initiate or defend the cases in the attached Litigation Report.  
**Fiscal Consideration:** As itemized in the attached Litigation Report, the total sum anticipated to file and serve the 10 actions listed is \$3,125.00. However, those are recoverable costs.  
**Strategic Guide:** N/A

County Manager's Office

13. Recommend to the Library Board of Governors Philip "Stan" Huguenin for appointment to the Library District Board of Trustees 23-0510  
**Recommended Action:** That Philip "Stan" Huguenin be recommended to the Board of Governors for appointment to the Library District Board of Trustees.  
**Fiscal Consideration:** N/A
14. Request to Advertise a Public Hearing to Establish Maximum Towing Rates for Unincorporated Alachua County 23-0512  
**Recommended Action:** Authorize staff to advertise the Public Hearing for the next available Commission meeting.  
**Fiscal Consideration:** The cost to advertise the Public Hearing will be covered with the County Manager's budget - 001.17.1700.512.49.04.  
**Strategic Guide:** All Other Mandatory and Discretionary Services

Environmental Protection

15. Recognize unanticipated revenue and sign grant contract between Alachua County and the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection 23-0449  
**Recommended Action:**  
1. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the Grant Contract LPS0067 between Alachua County and the FDEP (Exhibit 1)  
2. Adopt resolution recognizing unanticipated revenue (Exhibit 2)  
3. Approve the budget amendment for receipt of grant funds (Exhibit 3)  
4. Authorize the County Manager to execute all related documents and amendments as needed to receive the grant.  
**Fiscal Consideration:** The County is receiving grant funding from the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection. This is a \$1,000,000 reimbursement grant to cover a portion (up to 50%) of expenses of the anticipated purchase of the Rembert Conservation Easement. Wild Spaces Public Places Fund Revenue: 021.41.4160.334.3900,

Expense: 021.41.4160.537.61.00,  
Project #6194101 - Mill Creek - Rembert  
**Strategic Guide:** Environment

#### Fire Rescue

16. Amendment to the agreement with Public Consulting Group LLC (PCG) to add Medicare Ground Ambulance Data Collection Assistance 23-0450  
**Recommended Action:** Approve the Second Amendment to the agreement with PCG LLC to add Medicare Ground Ambulance Data Collection Assistance Services  
**Fiscal Consideration:** The additional services for the Medicare Ground Ambulance Data Collection Assistance is estimated to cost \$35,000.00. An allocation from the FY2022-23 PEMT funding was approved by the Board on October 11, 2022 (001.54.5450.526.34.00 #6195410 FY23).  
**Strategic Guide:** All Other Mandatory and Discretionary Services

#### Growth Management

17. Annual Workplan for Local Planning Agency and Planning Commission 23-0497  
**Recommended Action:** Accept the workplan  
**Fiscal Consideration:** N/A  
**Strategic Guide:** Accept the workplan

#### Human Resources

18. International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) General Unit Collective Bargaining Agreement revisions 23-0518  
**Recommended Action:** Requesting Approval for the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) General Unit Collective Bargaining Agreement revisions  
**Fiscal Consideration:** The Department's budget is sufficient to accommodate these salary increases.  
**Strategic Guide:** All Other Mandatory and Discretionary Services
19. International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) Management Unit Collective Bargaining Agreement Revisions 23-0522  
**Recommended Action:** Request approval for the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) Management Unit Collective Bargaining Agreement Revisions  
**Fiscal Consideration:** The Department's budget is sufficient to cover these salary increases.  
**Strategic Guide:** All Other Mandatory and Discretionary Services

#### Information and Telecommunications Services

20. Resolution and budget amendment for unanticipated revenue to increase the General Fund Information Services Technology Investment Account 23-0525  
**Recommended Action:** Approve resolution and budget amendment for unanticipated revenue to increase the General Fund Information Services Technology Investment Account.  
**Fiscal Consideration:** Approve budget amendment which increases the General Fund Information Services Technology Investment Account revenues by \$4,236 in account 001.16.1620.369.9000 and expenses by \$4,236 in 001.16.1620.519.51.00.  
**Strategic Guide:** Infrastructure

Office of Sustainability, Equity, Economic, and Strategic Development

21. Chair Letter Supporting the City of Hawthorne REDI Application to the Department of Economic Opportunity 23-0526  
**Recommended Action:** Authorize the Chair to sign and forward the letter to the City of Hawthorne.  
**Fiscal Consideration:** Per the Hawthorne Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) interlocal agreement, the City must maintain its REDI designation with the State of Florida to receive the County's supplemental funding. The 2023 conceptual estimated value of the County's TIF contribution is \$33,405, and the supplementary funding from the County to the CRA is \$16,595 to create a minimum contribution of \$50,000.  
**Strategic Guide:** Social and Economic Opportunity

Parks & Open Space

22. Approve Budget Amendment to increase the project total by \$11,400 for Lake Forest Elementary Pocket Park 23-0482  
**Recommended Action:** Approve increase in project budget and the attached budget amendment.  
**Fiscal Consideration:** Increase project cost by \$11,400. The new total project cost is \$394,400.  
50% Wild Spaces Public Places: Fund 021.41.4100.572.63.98  
50% Parks Impact Fees: Fund 339.41.4100.572.63.98  
Project #6214106 Lake Forest Elementary Pocket Park - New Construction - Various.  
**Strategic Guide:** Infrastructure

Procurement

23. Renewal Contract with Azteca Systems LLC, in the amount of \$62,798.00, for the annual renewal of Cityworks Enterprise License Agreement for the period of April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024, for Information & Telecom Services 23-0485

**Recommended Action:** Approve the issuance of a Contract to Azteca Systems LLC, in the amount of \$62,798.00, for the renewal of Cityworks Enterprise License Agreement, for Information & Telecom Service and authorize the Chair to sign.

**Fiscal Consideration:** Sufficient budget exists for the City Works renewal under 001.16.1600.519.54.80.

**Strategic Guide:** All other mandatory and discretionary services..

24. Purchase Order to Motorola Solutions Inc., in the amount of \$71,999.04 for the purchase of sixteen (16) APX6000 Portable Radios and accessories for Fire Rescue. 23-0486

**Recommended Action:** Approve the issuance of a purchase order to Motorola Solutions Inc., in the amount of \$71,999.04 for the purchase of sixteen (16) APX6000 Portable Radios and accessories. Prices, terms and conditions are per NASPO Cooperative Purchasing Master Agreement #43190000-22-NASPO-ACS.

**Fiscal Consideration:** The FY23 Adopted budget includes \$93,412.00 (001.54.5410.522.52.00 \$46,706.00 and 011.54.5420.522.52.00 \$46,706.00) to replace portable radios.

**Strategic Guide:** All Other Mandatory and Discretionary Services

25. Change Order 1 to Purchase Order 23-1485 to CDW-G., in the amount of \$15,870.00, for the purchase of Thirty (30) Keyboards for the Panasonic Toughbook computers, Telehealth program initiative, for Fire Rescue. 23-0504

**Recommended Action:** Approve the issuance of Change Order 1 to Purchase Order 23-01485 to CDW-G., in the amount of \$15,870.00, for the purchase of Thirty (30) Keyboards, for the Panasonic Toughbook computers, Telehealth program initiative, for Fire Rescue. Pricing per Sourcewell RFP # 081419. The revised Purchase Order Total is \$167,850.00.

**Fiscal Consideration:** There is \$160,000.00 available for Telehealth equipment from the FY2022/23 PEMT funding (001.54.5450.526.52.00 #6195410 FY23). The original purchase order for \$151,980.00 did not contain the keyboards, protection plan, and barcode scanners. The Change Order to add these items is \$15,870.00 (\$8,020.00 001.54.5450.526.52.00 #6195410 FY23 and \$7,850.00001.54.5450.526.52.00).

**Strategic Guide:** All Other Mandatory and Discretionary Services

#### Visitors & Convention Bureau

26. Request to Approve the FY23 Local Sports Destination Enhancement Grant Program Funding Awards 23-0495

**Recommended Action:** Approve the four Local Sports Destination Enhancement Grant funding awards as recommended by the grant evaluation team. Approve the contract template, authorize staff to issue each grantee a grant contract and corresponding purchase order, and authorize the County Manager to execute contracts, with all grant awards to be payable on a reimbursement basis only.

Make the legislative factual determination that the events, venues and activities recommended for Local Sports Destination Enhancement Grant funding have as one of their main purposes, the attraction of tourists as evidenced by the promotion of the event to tourists as set forth in their respective applications, and that each grant award is primarily related to the advancement and promotion of tourism.

**Fiscal Consideration:** Local Sports Destination Enhancement grants are funded by the third penny of Tourist Development Tax collections. The total award amount for the FY23 grants is \$130,000. There is sufficient funding available for these awards in the FY23 budget.

High Springs BMX, Inc. \$6,703.70  
Gator Water Polo, Inc. \$47,883.55  
Easton Sports Development Foundation \$27,529.21  
National Hot Rod Association \$47,883.55  
Fund #005.45.4530.552.82.62

R. Notation for Record

27. Report of Contracts Approved by County Manager and Staff during the month of January 2023 23-0492  
**Recommended Action:**  
**Fiscal Consideration:** N/A  
**Strategic Guide:** N/A
28. Local Planning Agency and Planning Commission approved minutes 23-0494  
**Recommended Action:** No action necessary. For information purposes only.  
**Fiscal Consideration:** N/A  
**Strategic Guide:** Notation for Record

S. Notice of Upcoming Meetings

29. Notice of Upcoming Meetings 23-0506  
**Recommended Action:** N/A. For informational purposes only.  
**Fiscal Consideration:** N/A