



Agenda Item Summary

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Agenda Item Name:

Alachua County School Board Ballot Initiative to Renew Existing One Mill Ad Valorem Tax for Four Years for Necessary Operating Expenses

Presenter:

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Description:

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Recommended Action:

Direct staff to provide to the Supervisor of Elections for inclusion on the November ballot, as directed by the School Board of Alachua County, a Ballot Initiative to renew their existing One Mill Ad Valorem Tax for four years for necessary operating expenses

Prior Board Motions:

May 12, 2020 - Approve the Alachua County School Board Ballot Initiative to Renew Existing One Mill Ad Valorem Tax for Four Years for Necessary Operating Expenses

Fiscal Note:

\$24 million estimated annually. A total of 409 teachers and 13 technicians who maintain classroom technology are full or partially funded through the one mill. The teachers supported through the One Mill represent about 20% of all teachers in Alachua County Public Schools

Strategic Guide:

Social and Economic Opportunity

Background:

The Alachua County School Board is pursuing a four-year extension of their One Mill Ad Valorem Tax beginning July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2029. Sec. 1011.73(1), Fla. Stat. provides that the School Board may direct the County Commissioners to call an election for the approval of the ad valorem millage. The Supervisor of Elections must have the ballot language in June to order the correct size paper for all ballot measures. The attached Resolution was approved at the School Board's February 20 Regular meeting.