



Agenda Item Summary

File #: 24-00441

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Agenda Item Name:

Request to Advertise an Ordinance for Speed Enforcement in Alachua County School Zones

Presenter:

Alison Moss

Description:

Via meetings of the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area (MTPO), the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners has asked for information regarding the implementation of a speed detection program for Alachua County School Zones. This item serves to inform the Board of the requirements under F.S. 316.008(9), including the requirement to enact an ordinance to authorize installation of speed detection systems, and to receive Board direction on advertising an ordinance and the time frames to be enforced.

Recommended Action:

1. *Direct Staff to advertise an ordinance to enact the use of Speed Detection Systems in Alachua County School Zones.*
2. *Direct Staff on the time frames to be enforced consistent with the options in F.S. 316.008(9).*

Prior Board Motions:

N/A

Fiscal Note:

There is no fiscal impact related to this Action item. The proposed model for a speed detection program would involve contracting a qualified vendor who would bear any initial costs for the program. Once operational, the program should be cost neutral or revenue positive.

Strategic Guide:

Public Safety, Infrastructure

Background:

At two previous meetings of the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO) for the Gainesville Urbanized Area, Alachua County Board of County Commissioners have asked (MTPO) Staff for information regarding the use of speed detection systems to enforce speed limits in school zones, as permitted by F.S. 316.008(9). As the MTPO has no enforcement authority, the issue has been taken up by the County and its municipalities. This item serves to inform the Board of the requirements of F.S. 316.008(9), including the requirement to enact an ordinance to authorize installation of speed detection systems, and to receive Board direction on advertising an ordinance

and the times to be enforced.