Alachua County, FL

Agenda Item Summary

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Agenda Item Name:

Alachua County Forever Land Acquisition Final Closing Costs Summary

Presenter:

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Description:

Information on the final closing costs and associated costs (Exhibit 1) for the following recent land acquisition projects:

- 1. Mill Creek Rembert Conservation Easement property
- Watermelon Pond Sheffield property
- 3. Lochloosa Creek Flatwoods Sherouse & Flowers property

Recommended Action:

For informational purposes only. No action necessary

Prior Board Motions:

June 28, 2022 - The BOCC adopted Resolution 22-066 which establishes the process for selecting and acquiring environmentally significant lands using Wild Spaces and Public Places local government infrastructure surtax proceeds.

Mill Creek – Rembert Property

July 11, 2023 - The BoCC approved and authorized the Chair to exercise the Mill Creek - Rembert Option Contract to purchase a Conservation Easement.

March 14, 2023 – The BoCC approved and authorized the Chair to sign the Florida Department of Environmental Protection \$1M grant Contract (LPS0067); adopted the unexpected revenue Resolution and approved the budget amendment.

January 26, 2021 – The BoCC placed the Mill Creek – Rembert property on the Active Acquisition List as a Conservation Easement purchase (Full Price List).

Watermelon Pond - Sheffield Property

September 26, 2023 - The BoCC approved and authorized the Chair to exercise the Watermelon Pond - Sheffield Option Contract to purchase Real Property.

July 11, 2023 – The BoCC placed the Watermelon Pond - Sheffield property on the Active Acquisition List as a Fee Simple purchase (Full Price List).

Lochloosa Creek Flatwoods – Sherouse & Flowers Property

October 24, 2023 - The BoCC approved and authorized the Chair to exercise the Lochloosa Creek Flatwoods – Sherouse & Flowers Option Contract to Purchase Real Property.

February 14, 2023 – The BoCC placed the Lochloosa Creek Flatwoods – Sherouse & Flowers property on the Active Acquisition List as a Fee Simple purchase (Full Price List).

Fiscal Note:

REMBERT C.E. TOTAL ALL COSTS - \$2,480,301.32 (after \$1M reimbursement), SHEFFIELD TOTAL ALL COSTS - \$347,250.25, and SHEROUSE & FLOWERS TOTAL ALL COSTS - \$469,033.00.

Fund locations for these acquisitions:

Fund#: 021.41.4160.537.61.00 – 6194101 WSPP - Land Acquisition (Capital Expense)

Fund #: 021.41.4160.537.31.00 - 6184160: WSPP - Gen. Op. & Due Diligence (Operating Expense)

Fund#: 021.41.4160.334.3900 - 6194101 State Grant Reimbursement

These are the final totals for these three properties: individual amounts are listed in the attached report.

Strategic Guide:

Environment

Background:

Alachua County Board of County Commissioners Resolution 22-066, Section 5.b. Final Steps for the Acquisition of Property on the Active Acquisition List, item (12) states: BOCC Notification shall be made on the Commission's agenda to provide information of the final closing costs and associated costs.

These costs are provided via this Notation of Record.