Alachua County, Florida

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Agenda Item Summary

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Agenda Item Name:

Alachua County Veteran Services Advisory Board (VSAB) Appointment

Presenter:

Claudia Tuck, Community Support Services Director, (352) 213-0058 James "JP" Dunn, Veteran Services Director, (352) 264-6739

Description:

Appointment of veteran to the VSAB

Recommended Action:

Appoint Sandra Torres-Pintos to the VSAB in the Post Secondary Education Seat

Prior Board Motions:

NA

Fiscal Note:

NA

Strategic Guide:

Social and Economic Opportunity

Background:

The Alachua County Veteran Services Advisory Board (VSAB) was established July 12, 1983 with multiple amendments to follow. This board consists of 16 Representatives of Organizations, 2 Veterans of specific era's and 4 Citizens who are Veterans and 1 Alternate Veteran for a total of 17 board members. The VSAB carries out the responsibilities of a Community Veterans Engagement Board in order to work with the Department of Veterans Affairs.

The VSAB Veteran Services Advisory Board has been providing input and support from the Veterans Community to the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners regarding issues and services to the Veterans community for over 30 years. This board has an influential role in the Veteran's community and has contributed to the Alachua County community in various roles for those 30+ years. The Alachua County Veteran Services Advisory Board serves as a conduit of communication in the Veterans Community providing feedback to the Alachua County Veteran Services Office about the needs of the Veterans Community.

The VSAB board makes recommendations to the Alachua County BoCC. The VSAB promotes community awareness of the Alachua County Veteran Services Office

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The following veteran/citizen has applied to serve on the VSAB:

Post Secondary Education Veteran-

Sandra Torres-Pintos- Served 4 Terms