



Agenda Item Summary

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Alachua County Living Spaces and Thriving Places Program

Presenter:

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Description:

Program development detailing the use of Wild Spaces and Public Places (WSPP) Infrastructure Sales Tax for housing

Recommended Action:

Hear presentation governing the use of WSPP Infrastructure Sales Tax for housing

Prior Board Motions:

Item #24-00763 Alachua County Housing Plan August 28, 2024

Fiscal Note:

None

Strategic Guide:

Housing

Background:

The Department of Community Support Services has created the Alachua County Living Spaces and Thriving Places Program to facilitate the use of the Wild Spaces and Public Places surtax funding allocated for affordable housing and economic development, specifically workforce housing. The Housing and Strategic Development Division's (HSDD) mission is to create, preserve, and retain affordable and workforce housing in Alachua County. In such, the Alachua County Living Spaces and Thriving Places Program is a mechanism by which the HSDD will work with housing developers to create affordable and/or workforce housing.

The Alachua County Attorney's Office has provided guidance regarding the potential legal uses of the 2022 Alachua County local government infrastructure surtax for housing. It is within this framework that the HSDD seeks to create affordable and economic development for workforce housing using a myriad of strategies including a shared equity model, homeownership, and multifamily rental development.