



## Alachua County Board of County Commissioners

### Minutes

**August 12, 2025, 11:30 AM**

Present: Commissioner Mary Alford, Chair Charles S. Chestnut, IV, Vice Chair Ken Cornell, Commissioner Anna Prizzia, Commissioner Marihelen Wheeler

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#### **A. Invocation**

Fire Battalion Chief J Patterson provided the Invocation.

#### **B. Pledge of Allegiance**

#### **C. Call to Order**

Chair Cornell called the meeting to order at 11:30am.

#### **D. Approval of Regular and Consent Agenda**

County Manager Lieberman requested that the following item be moved from the Consent Agenda to the Regular Agenda for consideration of the Board:

- Item #4b, Approval to retain special counsel for insulin litigation. - 25-00666

**Commissioner Prizzia moved** adoption of the Regular and Consent Agenda as amended.

2nd Commissioner Wheeler

Chair Cornell recognized Ms. Debbie Seagull, Mrs. Jancie, Jack Carter, Mrs. Fox, Pamela Coon, Larry McDaniel, and Assistant County Manager Interim HR Director Heather Akpan who presented comments.

Commissioner Wheeler, Commissioner Prizzia, and County Manager Lieberman presented comments.

**The motion carried 3-1 with Chair Cornell voting "Nay" on consent item 8a and Commissioner Chestnut not present.**

To approve the Regular and Consent Agenda.

**E. Announcements**

Communications Director, Mark Sexton, presented the following announcements:

- Congratulations to Julie Johnson and Animal Services Staff for 116 summer pet adoptions. All adoption fees are waved for the month of August.
- The Diesel Mechanic Program was celebrated with a ribbon cutting event on August 11th. This is a program between Alachua County, Santa Fe College, Career Source and the United States army base that's being built on 39th avenue.
- The public is invited to learn about flood map changes in Alachua County. All residents are invited to attend the upcoming meetings about proposed updates to the federal emergency management system's flood insurance rate maps or firms for the Waccasssa basin and surrounding areas. The meetings will take place on the following dates:
  - Monday August 18th from 11am - 2pm at Alachua County Public Works (5620 NW 120th Ln, Gainesville)
  - Monday August 25th from 9am - 12pm at the Easton-Newberry Archery Center (24880 NW 16th Ave, Newberry)
  - Monday September 1st from 11am - 2pm at Alachua County Public Works (5620 NW 120th Ln, Gainesville)

Chair Chestnut entered the meeting at 12:17pm

**F. Approval of Recognitions**

**Commissioner Prizzia moved** approval all Proclamations on the agenda.

2nd Commissioner Alford

**The motion carried 5-0.**

1. Alachua County Fire Rescue Type 1 Technical Rescue Team - 25-00565  
Fire Chief Theus and the Type 1 Technical Rescue Team proudly accepted recognition.

Fire Chief Theus and 3852 President Ryan Lowry presented comments.

Commissioner Prizzia, and Commissioner Alford presented comments.

Recognize Alachua County Fire Rescue Type 1 Technical Rescue Team #309 For Distinguished Service, Excellence, and Commitment to Public Safety

**G. Board and Committee Items**

1. Appointment for Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Board to MTPO - 25-00563

Deputy Clerk Miller called on each Commissioner for their nominee to appoint one county appointee for Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Board to MTPO with a term ending 08/31/2028.

Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Prizzia, Commissioner Wheeler and Chair Chestnut nominated Ayana Archer.

Commissioner Alford nominated Diane Shaw.

**Commissioner Cornell moved** to nominate Ayana Archer for Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Board to MTPO with a term ending August 31, 2028.

2nd Commissioner Wheeler

**The motion carried 5-0.**

Select and appoint one County Appointee position with a term ending on August 31, 2028.

2. Local Planning Agency and Planning Commission Appointments - 25-00573

Chair Chestnut recognized applicants Adrian Hayes-Santos and Brent Riley who expressed their desire to serve on the Local Planning Agency and Planning Commission.

Deputy Clerk Miller called on each Commissioner for their two nominations to appoint two citizens at large members to the Local Planning Agency and Planning Commission.

Commissioner Wheeler, Commissioner Alford, Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Prizzia, and Chair Chestnut nominated Applicant Adrian Hayes-Santos and Brent Riley.

**Commissioner Cornell moved** to appoint Adrian Hayes-Santos and Brent Riley to the Local Planning Agency and Planning Commission with terms ending on July 31, 2029.

2nd Commissioner Prizzia

**The motion carried 5-0.**

Appoint two citizen-at-large members to the Local Planning Agency and Planning Commission with terms ending on July 31, 2029

3. Animal Welfare Advisory Committee Annual Work Plan and Accomplishments Report 2025 - 25-00643

Perry Coon, Chair of the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee presented the annual report to the Board.

Commissioner Wheeler, Commissioner Prizzia, and Commissioner Cornell presented comments.

Hear presentation of the report

#### **H. Public Comment**

Chair Cornell recognized Jim Konish, Mark Vansburger, Story Lambert, Jack Carr, Isabel "Darwin" Thomas, and Kathleen Ruppert who presented comments.

Commissioner Prizzia, Commissioner Alford, and County Manger Lieberman presented comments.

#### **I. Action Items**

1. 24-Hour Childcare Survey Results and Proposed Legislative Request - 25-00635

Jessica Huro and Sean Mclendon presented the above item.

Commissioner Alford, Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Wheeler, and Commissioner Prizzia, all presented comments

**Commissioner Alford moved** the following:

1. Create a team across all the needed County departments include such as facilities and the legal department. Also include in the team the outside partners and experts such as the Children's Trust, School Board, Sheriff's Department Santa Fe College, and others.
2. Consider a step process where we work with existing childcare providers and create some form of a pilot program as appropriate.
3. Formulize relationships and commitments with those partners show when the County goes to the legislature we have those commitments available whether it be in Memorandum of Understanding or another form to formalize the commitments.
4. Begin conversations with our legislators and make the legislative ask when appropriate. This process should start this year whether there is an ask or not.
5. Continue to investigate other sources of funding such as grants, partnerships, etc.
6. Create a business plan and model to firm of the financial numbers as best we can so that conversations can have accurate numbers for discussion.

The intent is for this work such as the business model financial figures to be brought back to the Board for approval prior to implementation.

2nd Commissioner Prizzia

**The motion carried 5-0.**

Commissioner Cornell stated that he would like to see the Self Insurance staff be included in the partnership.

Chair Chestnut, Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Wheeler, Commissioner Prizzia, County Manager Lieberman, and Commissioner Alford presented comments.

Commissioner Cornell exits the meeting at 1:45pm

Commissioner Cornell returns to the meeting at 1:57pm

Provide direction to staff to solidify program partners and local match in support of the Legislative Request for the 24-Hour Childcare & Workforce Development Pilot Program.

2. Authorization to settle civil case of Julianna Witte vs. Alachua County #2023-CA-4087 - 25-00537

Assistant County Attorney Bob Swain presented comments on the above item.

Commissioner Cornell, Public Works Director Ramon Gavarrete Public Works Director, County Manager Lieberman, and Commissioner Prizzia all presented comments.

**Commissioner Cornell moved** staff recommendations to approve the settlement with Julianna Witte for \$300,000 and authorize the County Attorney and Risk Management to take such actions necessary to bring the matter to a conclusion. Also including have staff move forward with the budgeting and planning of the berm.

2nd Commissioner Prizzia

**The motion carried 5-0.**

Commissioner Alford exits the meeting at 2:02pm

Commissioner Alford returns to the meeting at 2:04pm

Approve the settlement with Julianna Witte for \$300,000 and authorize the County Attorney and Risk Management to take such actions as are necessary to bring the matter to a conclusion.

## J. Presentations

### 1. Meridian Healthcare, Inc. Annual Report and Funding Request - 25-00574

Claudia Tuck, Director of human support services introduced Lauren Cohn the President and CEO of Meridian Healthcare who presented the annual report to the board.

#### Meridian Telehealth Services

##### - Service Utilization

3490 Alachua County residents have received a total of 21,863 telehealth services in FYE 2025\*

- Increased Access to Care Telehealth permits individuals faster access to treatment and allows them to be seen in the comfort of their own home

##### - Device Assistance

Individuals with no device may qualify for a Meridian-provided tablet with data plan at no cost to them.

\* July 2024 through June 2025

#### Services Served in Alachua County from June 2024-June 2025:

- 4,894 adults served
- 719 Acute Care
- 4142 Outpatient Treatment
- 2208 Psychiatric Care
- 284 Residential
- 635 Medication Assisted Treatment
- 712 Children served
- 101 Acute Care
- 608 Outpatient Treatment
- 322 Psychiatric Care
- 10 Residential
- 283 Access and Screening

#### Housing and Housing Support Services:

##### - The Lodge at Meridian

The Lodge at Meridian provided transitional housing to 84 individuals.

##### - HUD Housing Units

67 HUD units managed by Meridian providing individuals stable, safe, long-term housing.

##### - New Horizons Properties

Interrelated corporation/properties with the mission of providing permanent housing for individuals with mental health challenges

- Joyce House (8 Bed Facility)
- Transitions (15 Bed Facility)
- Sunset/Satellite (20, 1 Bedroom units)
- Choice Apartments (24 leases of 1- and 2-Bedroom units)

#### Fiscal Year 2025 Accomplishments:

##### - Court Diversion Grant

- DCF state funded grant to divert individuals with opioid or other substance use disorders to treatment and services that reduce criminal justice involvement and promote successful community reintegration.
- Capacity to serve 150 persons concurrently.

##### - Treatment of Individuals Experiencing Homelessness

- SAMHSA Federal grant that supports an interdisciplinary team providing outreach, screening, and treatment to persons experiencing homelessness along with serious mental illness, along with services that support permanent housing.
- Partnering with GRACE, Gainesville Opportunity Center, and Gainesville Fire Rescue
- Supports 45 persons concurrently

- Criminal Justice Mental Health Substance Use Reinvestment Grant
- Alachua County and Meridian collaborative grant.
- Funds an interdisciplinary team treating persons involved in the legal system to reduce recidivism, increase independence, while enhancing family and social relations.
- Supports 75 persons served concurrently.

### Central Receiving Facility

The Central Receiving Facility opened its doors in January 2025, providing a single access point for law enforcement, voluntary referrals, and individuals referred through Baker Acts.

The facility features:

- 24/7 access and admissions
- Dedicated law enforcement and emergency transport entrance
- Person centered assessments and connection to the appropriate level of care and services based on needs

Since opening in January, the facility has served approximately 756 Alachua County residents (620 adults and 136 children).

Drop-off processing times for law enforcement officers has been reduced to less than 4 minutes.

The CRF Advisory Council has been established and continues to meet quarterly.

Commissioner Prizzia, Lauren Cohn, and Commissioner Alford presented comments.

**Commissioner Prizzia moved** to accept the presentation and funding request.

2nd Commissioner Alford

**The motion carried 5-0.**

Commissioner Cornell exits the meeting at 2:16pm

Commissioner Cornell returns to the meeting at 2:32pm

Receive and Hear Presentation, Approve Funding Request

2. Basin Management Action Plan (BMAP) Update - 25-00539

Stacie Greco, Water Resources Program Manager presented the above item to the board.

2025 BMAP Updates:

- The Clean Waterways Act required FDEP to update nutrient BMAPs
- Adopted on 6/27/2025, with a 21-day challenge period
- Responsible entities (local government, ag, etc.) must submit their plans for meeting 100% of allocation by 1/14/2026
- Must add BMAP projects to Comp Plan by April 2026

Commissioner Alford, Commissioner Prizzia, Commissioner Cornell, and Stacie Greco presented comments.

By consensus the Board agreed to add the Health Department to the BMAP team.

Commissioner Prizzia, Stacie Greco, Commissioner Alford, and Commissioner Cornell presented comments.

Public Comment

Chair Chestnut recognized Jim Konish who presented comments.

Commissioner Alford exits the meeting at 2:44pm

Commissioner Alford returns to the meeting at 2:47pm

Hear staff presentation

**K. Public Hearings**

1. Adoption Hearing for County-Initiated Amendments to the Unified Land Development Code (ULDC) For Accessory Structures Including Carports. - 25-00550

**Commissioner Prizzia moved** to Convene as the Land Development Regulation Commission and find the ULDC amendments consistent with the Alachua County Comprehensive Plan

2nd Commissioner Wheeler

**The motion carried 5-0.**

**Commissioner Prizzia moved** to Reconvene as the Board of County Commissioners and approve the ordinance for the Unified Land Development Code and authorize the Chair's signature.

2nd Commissioner Alford

**The motion carried 5-0.**

1. Convene as the Land Development Regulation Commission and find the ULDC amendments consistent with the Alachua County Comprehensive Plan.
2. Reconvene as the Board of County Commissioners and approve the ordinance and authorize the Chair's signature on the ordinance.

**L. Quasi-Judicial Public Hearings**

1. Z25-000011: Windsor Personal Wireless Services Facility (PWSF) Special Use Permit - 25-00555

County Attorney Torres presented the rules of procedure to the public.

County Attorney Torres inquired if anyone wished to seek party status at this time.

There was no one present who requested party status.

Deputy Clerk Miller inquired if there were any ex-parte communications if so requested that each Commissioner disclose them.

Commissioner Alford disclosed that she spoke with a resident from Windsor who wanted to talk with her regarding their poor cell phone coverage.

Deputy Clerk Miller issued the Oath to all those who wished to participate in the hearing.

Mehdi Benkhatar, AICP Planner III presented the above item.

**Commissioner Alford moved** staff recommendations to approve Z25-000011 with the conditions and bases as listed in the staff report.

2nd Commissioner Cornell

**The motion carried 5-0.**

Chair Chestnut recognized the applicant who presented comments.

Staff recommends that the Board of County Commissioners approve Z25-000011 with the conditions and bases as listed in the staff report.

**M. Items Pulled From Consent**

1. Approval to retain special counsel for insulin litigation. - 25-00666

Commissioner Cornell explained why he asked for this item to be pulled from consent to the main agenda.

**Commissioner Cornell moved** to ask the attorney offices to put out an RFP for potential insulin litigation and return back to the board with appropriate ranking of any interested firms. Allow the attorney's office to develop a ranking criteria which will include but not be limited to the firm's expertise in the area, other cities and counties that they are representing and anything else that will benefit Alachua County.

2nd Commissioner Wheeler

**The motion carried 5-0.**

Commissioner Prizzia, County Attorney Torres, Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Wheeler, and Commissioner Alford presented comments.

**COMMISSION RECESSED AT: 4:04 P.M.**

**COMMISSION RECONVENED: 5:00 P.M.**

Approve the County Attorney's request to retain special counsel for insulin litigation, authorize them to negotiate a retainer agreement with Napoli, Shkolnik to represent the County and authorize the Chair to sign the agreement on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners.

**N. NOTE: This meeting will reconvene at 5:01 PM**

Chair Chestnut called the meeting to order at 5:01pm

**O. Public Hearings**

1. First of two Public Hearings for County Initiated Unified Land Development Code Amendments for Agritourism, Floating Solar, CAD, Paving - 25-00364

Angeline Jacobs, AICP Planner II Growth Management Department and Lalit Lalwani, Civil Engineer III Public Works Department presented the above item.

Agritourism:

Staff propose establishing standards for consistent application to mitigate substantial offsite impacts for agritourism activities if building a new structure or for site modifications not required for agricultural purposes.

- Lighting

- Mounted at max height of 35 feet, shielded and setback 50 feet from neighbor parcel.

- Lighting off from midnight to 7:00 a.m.

- Recommend warm-toned light to minimize disturbance & potential harmful effects on wildlife.
- Parking adequate space onsite and outside of public right-of-way.
- Traffic if over 50 peak hour trips (commuting hours) will need impact study and possible roadway improvements.

Agritourism: Accessory Restaurants:

Stays the same:

- Must utilize agricultural resources grown onsite.
- Not part of a chain or a franchise.
- No drive-throughs.
- Direct access to public road.

Proposed change:

- Allow in A-RB zoning district.
- Removing 20 seat capacity limit.

Floating Solar “Floatovoltaics”:

Became law in 2024

- Created as an approved use.
- Established criteria addressing land use compatibility.
- Provides standards for buffer and landscaping.
- Defined floating solar facilities as a solar facility.

Commissioner Alford, Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Prizzia and Commissioner Wheeler all presented comments.

**Commissioner Prizzia moved** the proposed updates and direct staff to schedule a second hearing for the adoption of amendments to the Unified Land Development Code.

2nd Commissioner Alford

**The motion carried 5-0.**

Commissioner Cornell exits the meeting at 5:13pm

Commissioner Cornell returns to the meeting at 5:16pm

### Public Comment

Chair Chestnut recognized Garrett S who presented comments.

Hear staff presentation and direct staff to schedule a second hearing for the adoption of amendments to the Unified Land Development Code.

2. Z25-000003: Adoption hearing for large-scale comprehensive plan amendment on SE Hawthorne Rd. - 25-00561

Mehdi Benkhatar, AICP Planner III and Mark Brown, EPD presented the above item.

Background:

- 82-acre site in SE Urban Cluster
- Future single-family residential development • LDR/Estate/Comm. → LDR/Conserv.
- Eastside Greenway SE/proximity to Newnans Lake
- Z25-000004 rezoning
- If approved, max of 221 units; however, proposed text amendment and rezoning limits to 149 units (net +18 units)
- Conservation FLU aligned with SE, LDR to the south
- GRU water/sewer lines run along SE Hawthorne Rd.

Existing vs. Proposed:

- While the FLU designations allow up to 221 units (90 additional units), the proposed text amendment restricts max # to 149 units (18 additional units)
- Existing= 138 units

- Proposed = 149 units

Proposed Text Amendment:

Policy 7.1.37 of Future Land Use Element The approximately 82-acre property on SE Hawthorne Road (SR 20) consisting of tax parcels 16184-000-000, 16185-000-000, 16201-004-000, 16194-001-000, 16194-002-000 and 16194-000-000 is designated Conservation and Low Density Residential on the Future Land Use Map with primary uses limited to single family detached residential at a maximum of 149 units. No roadways or residential lots shall be located within 200 feet of the eastern boundaries of parcels 16185-000-000 and 16194-000-000 (where abutting parcels 16185-001-000 and 16194-003-000). This area will be limited to a combination of green spaces, stormwater management areas, tree preservation areas and necessary utility infrastructure and shall not be fenced to contribute to a larger off-site north-south greenway / wildlife corridor.

Bases for approval:

- Policy 1.5.1 of FLUE

New residential development shall meet all of the requirements for adequate facilities based on the level of service standards.

- Policy 8.5.7 of FLUE

Incentivize redevelopment of areas already in development or impacted by prior development for the East Gainesville Urban Area.

- Policy 3.4.1 of COSE

Environmental resource assessment. Proposed amendment consistent with protection of natural resources.

- Objective 3.1 of Energy Element

Promote energy-efficient land use patterns that reduce travel costs and encourage long-term carbon sequestration. Use existing urban infrastructure and infill of Urban Cluster.

Staff recommendation:

- Staff recommends that the Board of County Commissioners adopt Z25-000003, with the bases as listed in the staff report and with the addition of a text amendment to the comprehensive plan, policy 7.1.37 of the Future Land Use Element as amended below. The strikethrough and underline of the text amendment show what has been changed since the transmittal to the Florida Department of Commerce and other reviewing agencies on 5/28/25.

Policy 7.1.37 of Future Land Use Element The approximately 82-acre property on SE Hawthorne Road (SR 20) consisting of tax parcels 16184-000-000, 16185-000-000, 16201-004-000, 16194-001-000, 16194-002-000 and 16194-000-000 is designated Conservation and Low Density Residential on the Future Land Use Map with primary uses limited to single family detached residential at a maximum of 149 units. ~~The easternmost 200 feet of the proposed map change area shall not include~~ No roadways or residential lots shall be located within 200 feet of the eastern boundaries of parcels 16185-000-000 and 16194-000-000 (where abutting parcels 16185-001-000 and 16194-003-000). ~~and This area will~~ be limited to a combination of green spaces, stormwater management areas, tree preservation areas and necessary utility infrastructure and shall not be fenced to contribute to a larger off-site north-south greenway / wildlife corridor.

Commissioner Wheeler, Commissioner Prizzia, Commissioner Alford, and Commissioner Cornell presented comments.

Clay Swayger with EDA Consultants presented comments.

**Commissioner Prizzia moved the following:**

- To adopt the land use transmission
- No ingress/egress from Lakeshore Drive should be required or permitted to the development in order to protect pedestrian safety and reduce road degradation on Lakeshore Drive; install EMS crashable bollards only if necessary to meet public safety requirements. Permit regular public entry and exit points for the proposed development onto Hawthorne Road and SE 51st Street

and prohibit development signage on Lakeshore Drive other than that which would be required for emergency service vehicles.

- Allow Emergency access, Bicycle and Pedestrian access.

2nd Commissioner Cornell

**The motion carried 5-0.**

### Public Comment

Chair Chestnut recognized Paul Richard, Byron Flagg, Kelly McPherson, Lisa Holder, Adam Gersky, Eric Oday, and Tonya Becker who presented comments.

Commissioner Prizzia exits the meeting at 5:25pm

Commissioner Prizzia returns to the meeting at 5:26pm

Commissioner Cornell exits the meeting at 5:25pm

Commissioner Cornell return to the meeting at 5:27pm

Staff recommends that the Board of County Commissioners adopt Z25-000003 with the bases as listed in the staff report.

## **P. Quasi-Judicial Public Hearings**

1. Z25-000004: Rezoning on SE Hawthorne Rd. - 25-00562

The commissioners each disclosed communication they have had.

Commissioner Cornell stated that he had a meeting with John Moran, Paul Pritchard, and John Boise. They discussed night sky, conservation management, and the list provided in the backup.

Chair Chestnut states he had the same meeting as Commissioner Cornell discussing the same things.

Commissioner Alford states she had the same meeting as the other commissioners, but they also discussed Florida Water Star.

Commissioner Prizzia stated she had a similar meeting with the developers where they spoke about the design guide for native plants, the

outside collaborative developed and opportunities for low impact development and workforce opportunities for training citizens in the community to do building and trades.

Commissioner Wheeler states she had a meeting with the alliance group.

Assistant County Attorney Corbin Hansen presented the rules of procedure to the public.

Mehdi Benkhatar, AICP Planner III, revealed current citizens who requested party status:

1. Dan Smith
2. Gainesville Retreat Center
3. Tom Workman
4. Greg Delong
5. Paul Pritchard
6. Lesa Holder
7. Kelly Mcpherson
8. Santa Fe Land Trust

**Commissioner Cornell moved** to grant list 1-8 as party status.

2nd Commissioner Alford

**The motion carried 5-0.**

Deputy Clerk Miller inquired if anyone wished to seek additional party status at this time.

There was no one present who requested party status.

Deputy Clerk Miller issued the Oath to all those who wished to participate in the hearing.

Mehdi Benkhatar, AICP Planner III, presented the above item to the board.

Applicant Comment

Chair Chestnut recognized Steve who presented comments.

**Commissioner Cornell moved** staff recommendations to approve Z25-000004.

2nd Commissioner Alford

**The motion carried 5-0.**

Chair Chestnut recognized Clay Swayger who presented comments.

Staff recommends that the Board of County Commissioners approve Z25-000004 with the bases as listed in the staff report.

**Q. Closing Comments**

1. Public Comment

Chair Chestnut recognized Dave, Evie, Sarah Clemmon, and Shawwna who presented comments.

Commissioner Prizzia, and Commissioner Cornell presented comments.

2. County Attorney Comment

There were no comments presented at this time.

3. County Manager Comment

There were no comments presented at this time.

4. Commission Comment

Small Farm Grants

**Commissioner Prizzia moved** to give the County Manager direction to continue the funding for the small farmers grants and also direct staff to bring back recommendations to improvements and adjustments to the

program based on the two years of experience and data and feedback from the public.

2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Alford

**The motion carried 5-0.**

Surveillance Cameras

Commissioner Prizzia referred to staff to review what ability if any the County has to regulate the use of surveillance cameras in public places.

Employee review of applicants

**Commissioner Prizzia moved** to refer to staff to review the process for staff review of applications for specific jobs and creating a consistent process.

2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Cornell

**The motion carried 5-0.**

Accident on Archer Road

Commissioner Cornell stated there was an accident on archer road and would like to know if a motion is needed to contact DOT regarding that.

County Manager suggested at the MTPO meeting any parents should come if they would like to discuss the intersection because FDOT staff will be present. Commissioner Cornell stated he will be at the meeting but if not, he would love for staff to bring it up at the meeting with FDOT present.

Temporary Use Permits

**Commissioner Cornell moved** to refer to staff to schedule for a Board discussion the staff authority and Board authority when it comes to temporary use permits ad what Tier A events could look like under staff's approval. Staff also to consider initiating a special area plan and what that would look like for the Melrose Rural Cluster which will also include the Wildflower Music Park Festival that lies just outside the Rural Cluster.

2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Prizzia

**The motion carried 5-0.**

Herbicide Regulation

**Commissioner Alford moved** the following:

1. To refer to staff what it would look like to require training for folks actually applying herbicides. The concept is for a Countywide Regulation that municipalities would have to opt out of. There was no vote.
2. To direct staff to review the earth work being done at the proposed cement plant in Archer to ensure that it is up to code and properly permitted.

2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Prizzia

**The motion carried 5-0.**

Cottage Neighborhood on Williston Road

**Commissioner Alford requested** that staff review the Cottage Neighborhood on Williston Road site as it appears that no work has been done in six months. The roadway is a mess and citizens are complaining.

Voting District Maps

**Commissioner Prizzia moved** to open up a public process for citizens to submit public maps regarding voting districts and release the shape files provided by out consultant Dan Smith.

2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Cornell

**The motion carried 5-0.**

**R. Adjournment**

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:21p.m.

To adjourn the meeting.

**S. Consent Items**

1. Budget & Fiscal Services
  1. FY25 Budget Adjustment for Facility Preservation - 25-00576  
Approve budget amendment
  2. Health Facilities Authority Appointment - 25-00632  
Appoint Lawrence Parker for Citizen at Large with a term ending September 30, 2029.
  3. FY25 Unanticipated Revenue – Interest – 50% of Surtax and Other Uses [Fund 142] - 25-00656  
Approve and sign the resolution and budget amendment
2. Clerk of the Court
  1. Constitutional Officers' Quarterly Report Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 Quarter 3. - 25-00609  
Accept Constitutional Officers' Quarterly Reports of Budget to Actual Expenditures for FY2025 Quarter 3.
  2. Request Approval of the Attached BOCC Minutes - 25-00630  
Approve Publication of Final BOCC Minutes
  3. Professional Services Agreement for Financial Advisory Services - 25-00640  
Approve the professional services agreement for financial advisory services with PFM Financial Advisors LLC and execute the addendum.
3. Community Support Services
  1. Lutheran Services of Florida Amendment 126 decrease in funding for Metamorphosis Residential Treatment Program, 988, Mobile Response Teams - 25-00638  
Approve Amendment 126, Resolution and Budget Amendment
4. County Attorney's Office
  1. Approval of settlement in the opioid litigation - 25-00598 - 25-00598  
That the latest proposed settlements in the opioid litigation be approved by the BoCC, and the County Manager authorized to sign the necessary settlement documents.

5. Environmental Protection

1. Florida Department of Environmental Protection Agreement No. MN024 Amendment 4 for watershed (groundwater) monitoring - 25-00580

Sign contract amendment

2. Addition of Land Conservation Projects to the Alachua County Forever Active Acquisition List - 25-00583

Approve the addition of the following properties on the Active Acquisition List

1. Paynes Prairie Additions – Woodbine Community Association (Full Price List)
2. Lake Forest Creek – Centro Espirita Beneficente Uniao Do Vegetal Authorized Distribution of Florida Inc. (Full Price List)
3. Watermelon Pond – Wang Sandra O Life Estate (Full Price List)

3. Amendment to Resolution 19-84 Extending EPAC Sunset Date and Changing the Number of Members - 25-00615

Approve amended resolution thereby extending the sunset date for EPAC and changing the number of voting members.

4. Tree Sponsorship Interlocal Agreements with City of Hawthorne and City of High Springs - 25-00627

Staff recommends the following Board motions:

1. Request Board approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Tree Sponsorship Interlocal Agreement #14037 between Alachua County and the City of High Springs (Exhibit 1).
2. Request Board approve authorize the Chair to execute the Tree Sponsorship Interlocal Agreement #14713 between Alachua County and the City of Hawthorne (Exhibit 2).

5. Authorization to dedicate and re-name Hammock Loop Trail at Turkey Creek Preserve in honor of Bob Simons - 25-00628

1. Approve and adopt Resolution 2025-XX (Exhibit 1) re-naming the Hammock Loop Trail at Turkey Creek Preserve in honor of Bob Simons.
  2. Authorize staff to plan a public dedication event for the trail re-naming.
6. Fire Rescue
1. Emergency Management Preparedness and Assistance (EMPA) Grant Agreement - 25-00584  
  
Approve the 2025-2026 State-funded Subgrant Emergency Management Preparedness and Assistant (EMPA) Agreement, Adopt the Resolution Amending the Adopted Budget, Approve the Budget Amendment (2025-00002875), and authorize an Interfund Loan not to exceed \$105,806.00.
7. Growth Management
1. Approve contract for FY25/26-FY26/27 with the City of Gainesville for the Fare Free program - 25-00636  
  
Approve contract for FY25/26-FY26/27 with the City of Gainesville for the Fare Free program, totaling \$ 190,000.
8. Information and Telecommunication Services
1. Confirm Gee Chow as the new Information & Telecommunication Services Department Director - 25-00590  
  
Confirm Gee Chow as the ITS Director
9. Parks & Open Space
1. Appoint Steven Scott to Recreation and Open Space Advisory Committee with a Term Ending September 30, 2027 - 25-00582  
  
Appoint Steven Scott to Recreation and Open Space Advisory Committee with a Term Ending September 30, 2027
10. Procurement
1. Ranking of Request for Proposal (RFP) 26-247-C-MM Carr-McNab - Alachua County Preserves Hunting Services for Environmental Protection, Land Conservation. - 25-00557

Approve the ranking and authorize staff to negotiate an agreement with the top ranked hunt group for RFP 26-247-C-MM Carr-McNab – Alachua County Preserves Hunting Services Agreement:

- 1.P.A.T. 's
- 2.Southern Dirt Works, Inc.
- 3.Winfield Scott
- 4.SIMS, Inc.

Should the staff be unable to negotiate a satisfactory agreement with the top-ranked group, negotiations with the unsuccessful group will be terminated. Negotiations with the second ranked group may be undertaken in the same manner in order of ranking until an agreement is reached, and so forth

2. Ranking of Request for Proposal (RFP) 26-247-D-MM Phifer Flatwoods Lochloosa Creek Tract (North of Co. Rd 2082) - Alachua County Preserves Hunting Services for Environmental Protection, Land Conservation. - 25-00558

Approve the ranking and authorize staff to negotiate an agreement with the top ranked hunt group for RFP 26-247-D-MM Phifer Flatwoods Lochloosa Creek Tract (North of Co. Rd 2082) – Alachua County Preserves Hunting Services Agreement:

- 1.SIMS, Inc.

Should the staff be unable to negotiate a satisfactory agreement with the top-ranked group, negotiations with the unsuccessful group will be terminated.

3. Ranking of Request for Proposal (RFP) 26-247-F-MM Watermelon Pond – King & Warney Tracts and Sheffield & Ferran Tracts, Alachua County Preserves Hunting Services for Environmental Protection, Land Conservation. - 25-00567

Approve the ranking and authorize staff to negotiate an agreement with the top ranked hunt group for RFP 26-247-F-MM Watermelon Pond - King & Warney Tracts and Sheffield & Ferran Tracts Alachua County Preserves Hunting Services Agreement:

- 1.Russell Elliott
- 2.SIMS, Inc.

Should the staff be unable to negotiate a satisfactory agreement with the top-ranked group, negotiations with the unsuccessful group will be terminated. Negotiations with the second ranked group may be undertaken in the same manner in order of ranking until an agreement is reached, and so forth

4. Ranking of Request for Proposal (RFP) 26-247-B-MM Barr Hammock - Alachua County Preserves Hunting Services for Environmental Protection, Land Conservation. - 25-00587

Approve the ranking and authorize staff to negotiate an agreement with the top ranked hunt group for RFP 26-247-B-MM Barr Hammock - Alachua County Preserves Hunting Services Agreement:

1. Barr Hammock Licensee Hunting Club
2. Patrick Deren
3. William Buckley Organ
4. Winfield Scott
5. P.A.T. 's
6. Green Construction & Development, Inc.
7. SIMS, Inc.
8. Legacy Wildlife Services

Should the staff be unable to negotiate a satisfactory agreement with the top-ranked group, negotiations with the unsuccessful group will be terminated. Negotiations with the second ranked group may be undertaken in the same manner in order of ranking until an agreement is reached, and so forth.

5. Change Order 1 to Blanket Purchase Order 25-456 with Preferred Materials Inc., in the amount of \$20,000.00 for Public Works. - 25-00566

Approve the issuance of Change Order 1 to Blanket Purchase Order 25-456 with Preferred Materials Inc., in the amount of \$20,000.00. The revised Blanket Purchase Order is \$80,000.00.

6. Change Order 2 to Blanket Purchase Order 25-109 with Midwest Veterinary Supply, Inc., increasing the amount by \$18,000.00 for Animal Resources. - 25-00618

Approve the issuance of Change Order 2 to Blanket Purchase Order 25-109 with Midwest Veterinary Supply, Inc., increasing the amount by \$18,000.00. The revised Blanket Purchase Order is \$78,000.00.

7. Change Order 1 to Blanket Purchase Order 25-477 with Matheny Fire & Emergency, in the amount of \$20,000.00 for Public Works. - 25-00629

Approve the issuance of Change Order 1 to Blanket Purchase Order 25-477 with Matheny Fire & Emergency, in the amount of \$20,000.00. The revised Blanket Purchase Order is \$100,000.00.

8. Change Order 2 to Blanket Purchase Order 25-455 with Limestone Products, Inc., in the amount of \$17,000.00 for Public Works. - 25-00631

Approve the issuance of Change Order 2 to Blanket Purchase Order 25-455 with Limestone Products, Inc., in the amount of \$17,000.00. The revised Blanket Purchase Order is \$177,000.00.

9. Change Order 1 to Blanket Purchase Order 25-437 with Siemens Healthcare Diagnostics, in the amount of \$39,930.00 for Court Services. - 25-00637

Approve the issuance of Change Order 1 to Blanket Purchase Order 25-437 with Siemens Healthcare Diagnostics, in the amount of \$39,930.00 for Court Services. The revised Blanket Purchase Order is \$135,000.00.

10. Purchase Order to Alan Jay Fleet Sales, in the amount of \$70,052.00 for Environmental Protection via Public Works. - 25-00569

Approve the issuance of a purchase order to Alan Jay Fleet Sales, in the amount of \$70,052.00.

11. Purchase Order to United Data Technologies, in the amount of \$92,597.00 for Information and Telecom Services. - 25-00593

Approve the issuance of a purchase order to United Data Technologies, in the amount of \$92,597.00.

12. Purchase Order to United Data Technologies, in the amount of \$86,723.00 for Information and Telecom Services. - 25-00595

Approve the issuance of a purchase order to United Data Technologies, in the amount of \$86,723.00.

13. Purchase Order to CDW-G, in the amount of \$67,281.60 for Information & Telecom Services. - 25-00596  
  
Approve the issuance of a purchase order to CDW-G, in the amount of \$67,281.60.
14. Award and Purchase Order for Bid 25-539-MM Purchase of Type 6 Wildland Fire Engine for Public Works. - 25-00607  
  
Approve the Award and issuance of a Purchase Order to Chemical Containers, Inc. d/b/a CCI/Warrior Brush Trucks, for Bid 25-539-MM Purchase of Type 6 Wildland Fire Engine, in the amount of \$106,297.00.
15. Single Source and Agreement 14665 with Euna Solutions Inc., to provide eCivis, for the County Manager's Office. - 25-00572  
  
Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Single Source and Agreement 14665 with Euna Solutions Inc., for eCivis Access, in the amount of \$76,750.00.
16. First Amendment to Agreement with Galls, LLC (14426). - 25-00586  
  
Approve and authorize the Chair to execute First Amendment to Agreement with Galls, LLC (14426), NTE \$233,900.00 annually.
17. Second Amendments to the Agreements with T&K Enterprises of Volusia County, Inc. (14019), Clear Zone Maintenance, Inc. (14020), and GRSC, Inc. (14021) for Public Works. - 25-00511  
  
Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the following Second Amendments to the Agreements for BID 24-54-MB Annual Tree Trimming, Tree Removal, Tree Debris Hauling and Disposal, NTE \$500,000.00 annually in total:  
  
Second Amendment 14019 with T&K Enterprises of Volusia County, Inc.  
  
Second Amendment 14020 with Clear Zone Maintenance, Inc.  
  
Second Amendment 14021 with GRSC, Inc.
18. Second Amendment to Agreement with Blackham Contracting Group, LLC (14099) for Environmental Protection. - 25-00591

Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Second Amendment to Agreement 14099 with Blackham Contracting Group, LLC, NTE \$100,000.00 annually.

19. Third Amendment to Agreement with Two-Fold Engineering Inc. (13716). - 25-00589

Approve and authorize the Chair to execute Second Amendment to Agreement 13716 with Two-Fold Engineering Inc., not to exceed \$500,000.00 annually.

20. Addendum Agreement with The Workforce Group, LLC. (14744), to provide Emergency Shelter Staffing for Human Resources. - 25-00600

Approve and authorize the Chair to execute Addendum Agreement 14744 with The Workforce Group, LLC.

#### 11. Tourism & Economic Development

1. Request Approval of 2025 Small Farmer Grants - 25-00493

Approve the list of recommended 2025 Small Farmer Grants for a total award amount of \$115,753.68. This approval authorizes the allocation of \$15,753.68 from Revenue Recovery Funds for this program. The awards shall be distributed as follows: full funding for the 24 applicants who scored 29 points or higher, amounting to \$113,535.11; and an equal division of the remaining \$2,218.57 among the 3 applicants who scored 28 points, resulting in \$739.52 per applicant.

#### **T. Notation for Record**

1. Citizen Climate Advisory Committee (CCAC) Approved Meeting Minutes Nov 2024 – Apr 2025 - 25-00554

No action necessary. For informational purposes only

2. Local Planning Agency and Planning Commission Meeting Minutes - 25-00575

No action necessary. For informational purposes only.

3. Infrastructure Surtax Oversight Board Minutes – May 12, 2025 - 25-00577

No action necessary. For informational purposes only.

4. FY25 Public Purpose Quarterly Report 3rd Quarter - 25-00578

Receipt of the Report for Public Purpose FY25 3rd Quarter.

5. FY25 Alachua County Board of County Commissioners' Financial Report  
– 3rd Quarter - 25-00579

Receipt of the FY25 Alachua Board of County Commissioners Quarterly  
Financial Report – 3rd Quarter

6. Rural Concerns Advisory Committee Minutes of May 20, 2025 - 25-00622  
No Action necessary. For Informational purposes only

**U. Notice of Upcoming Meetings**