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MEMORANDUM

DATE: OCTOBER 30, 2024

TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FROM: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER 

RE: NOVEMBER 7, 2024 PRELIMINARY AGENDA

The next Board of Directors meeting will be held on **November 7, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.** This will be a hybrid meeting, virtual and in-person, at the Northeast Florida Regional Council's **NEW Office location**, in the **Jessie Ball DuPont Center, 40 East Adams Street**, Jacksonville, FL 32202.

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2024

10:00 a.m.

(ADDED OR MODIFIED ITEMS IN BOLD)

(*Denotes Action Required)

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1. Call to Order
2. Welcome / Roll Call – President Renninger
3. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation – President Renninger
4. Invitation to Speak – President Renninger

Members of the public are welcome and encouraged to speak on any item brought before the Council. The public will also be recognized during public comments. At that time, virtual attendees who would like to speak will be asked to raise their (electronic) hand and they will be recognized in the order of response.

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- Florida Department of Commerce
- Florida Department of Transportation
- Florida Department of Environmental Protection
- St. Johns River Water Management District

10. Chief Executive Officer’s Report – Ms. Payne

- Awards Ceremony – Save the Date/Invitation

11. Upcoming Events:

- Nov. 7, 2024 – NEFRC Board Meeting & Open House, Jacksonville
- Nov. 7, 2024 – Transportation Disadvantaged LCB Meeting, Duval County
- Nov. 12, 2024 – Transportation Disadvantaged LCB Meeting, St. Johns County
- Nov. 13, 2024 – St. Augustine Vision Plan Final Meeting, St. Augustine



- Nov. 13, 2024 – Transportation Disadvantaged LCB Meeting, Flagler County
- Nov. 18, 2024 – Transportation Disadvantaged LCB Meeting, Putnam County
- Nov. 18, 2024 – Transportation Disadvantaged LCB Meeting, Clay County
- Nov. 21, 2024 – Transportation Disadvantaged LCB Meeting, Baker County
- Nov. 21, 2024 – Transportation Disadvantaged LCB Meeting, Nassau County

12. Next Board Meeting:

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 2025

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13. Adjournment

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NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL
Board of Directors Meeting
October 3, 2024

MINUTES

The Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors held a meeting at 1845 Town Center Blvd., Fleming Island, FL on Thursday, October 3, 2024; **President Whitehurst** called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Roll call was conducted with the following members present, representing a quorum:

BAKER: Mr. Register

CLAY: Commissioner Condon
Commissioner Renninger
Mr. Kennedy
Mr. Bourre

FLAGLER: Commissioner Dance

NASSAU: Commissioner Martin
Vice-Mayor Sturges

PUTNAM: Commissioner Harvey

ST. JOHNS: Commissioner Whitehurst

EX-OFFICIO: Mr. Dixon, Florida Department of Transportation
Mr. Hart, Florida Department of Commerce

Excused: Commissioner Adamczyk, Commissioner Alaimo, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Mayor Alfin, Councilmember Amaro, Mr. Drew, Council Member Gay, Mr. Griffis, Commissioner Horvath, Mayor Lynch, Mr. Strong (Ms. Craver), and Commissioner Sullivan

Absent: Mr. Conkey, Mayor Brown

Presenter: Jacob Linton, Florida Department of Transportation

Guest: Howard Wannamaker, Clay County Administrator; Heather Huffman, Department of Health-Clay County Executive Director

Staff: Fara Ilami, Robert Jordan, Tyler Nolen, Elizabeth Payne, Donna Starling, Leigh Wilsey, Sheron Forde, et al.

WELCOME

Ms. Heather Huffman, Director, Department of Health-Clay County welcomed everyone and provided a brief overview of the facility and safety protocols.

County Manager Wanamaker welcomed the Board to Clay County and briefly shared information on the County's partnership with the Florida Department of Health-Clay County, and with the Regional Council and its importance to the County. He stated that the Regional Council was instrumental in producing the County's first ever Strategic Plan. He further stated that the partnership with the Council is extremely important and looks forward to working together in the future. He invited the Regional Council back to the facility and the County.

PASSING OF THE GAVEL

President Whitehurst stated he has enjoyed his time serving as president of the Regional Council, which was a privilege and an honor. He passed the gavel to incoming **President Renninger**; ushering in the new leadership with the installation of new officers: 1st Vice President – Commissioner Bennett, 2nd Vice President – Councilmember Amaro, and Secretary/Treasurer – Mr. Register.

President Renninger stated that he is very honored to serve as president, and that he really believes in collaboration and regionality. He looks forward to working towards taking this region to the forefront of Florida.

FY 24/25 COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

The FY 24/25 Committee Appointments are included in the meeting packet. Due to upcoming elections, this will change as we get new appointments to the Board. Members are asked to let staff know if there are any preferences or changes so they can be addressed.

FY 24/25 MEETING SCHEDULE & MEMBER ROSTER

The upcoming FY 24/25 meeting schedule and current membership roster were provided in the agenda packet.

INVITATION TO SPEAK

President Renninger stated that members of the public are welcome to speak on any item before the Board. The public will be recognized during public comment.

*CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda was unanimously approved by all members in present.

OTHER REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS

Presentation: 2055 Florida Transportation Plan

Mr. Jason Linton, Community Planner with the Florida Department of Transportation, provided an overview of the 2055 Florida Transportation Plan. A brief discussion followed.

Comprehensive Plan Amendment Policy Issue

Mr. Jordan shared information on the City of Palm Coast's Comprehensive Plan Amendment (24-1ESR) that reflects a series of visioning work entitled 'Imagine 2050', which may be useful to other communities in the Region. A brief discussion followed.

*August 2024 Financial Report

Ms. Starling stated that the Council posted a net income of \$3,102 in the month of August and a year-to-date net income of \$120,255.

All members present unanimously approved the August 2024 financial report.

*Request for Proposal – Audit Services

Ms. Starling stated that the Council went out to bid for audit services, which yielded two responses. After review and scoring by a committee comprised of management staff, James Moore & Company was selected and recommended to the NEFRC Board for consideration.

All members present unanimously approved authorizing the CEO to execute a contract with James Moore & Company for Audit Services as follows: in FY 2024 for \$19,000; FY 2025 for \$20,500; and FY 2026 for \$22,000.

Regional Community Institute

Mr. Nolen provided an overview of the Regional Community Institute's annual meeting in which there were nominations for term renewals for Sara Little, Deborah Thompson, Victor Cora, Benjie Bates, Robert Correa, and Dr. Quint White; nomination of Christina Kelcourse as a new member; and nomination of Dr. Quint White as Secretary/Treasurer.

The membership nominations for the RCI Board were unanimously approved by all members present.

FY 2023-2024 Attendance Roster

The attendance roster was provided for review with a request to provide any corrections to staff by October 18th. The final roster will be provided to each County and the Governor's office.

FY 2023-2024 Annual Report

Ms. Payne informed the Members that, due to Hurricane Helene, the printing of the report has been delayed. However, the Members were provided with an overview of the report. The report will be provided at the November meeting.

Program Spotlight: Healthcare Coalition Update

Ms. Wilsey provided an overview of the program with a brief update on recent activities and accomplishments and planned future activities.

Community Resiliency Update

Ms. Ilami provided an update on recent resiliency activities. She also announced the awarding of the \$1.1 million Military Installation Resilience Review (MIRR) grant.

Public Comment – None

Local and Regional Issues Discussion

Flagler: The County will have two new Commissioners; Commissioner Sullivan will be replaced with the appointment of another commissioner.

Nassau: A new County appointment may be forthcoming. It was also noted that the County is not happy with the newly selected Community Transportation Coordinator, JTA, whose services are not as expected.

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS' REPORT

For the Department of Commerce, **Mr. Register** shared information on issues surrounding cybersecurity and remote working since the pandemic.

For the Department of Transportation, **Mr. Dixon** shared information about Mobility Week, which will run from October 25th to November 5th.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Ms. Payne reminded the Members of the Council's upcoming open house following the November Board meeting. The Regional Leadership Academy is actively accepting nominations, and information on the annual Regional Leadership Awards nominations will be released shortly. Ms. Payne informed that Members that solicitation for Legislative Priorities will be sent to each of our counties, and that a Legislative Committee meeting will be scheduled shortly. She also stated that representatives of the National Parks Service will be here October 15-17 to visit several sites and discuss next steps. Additionally, Ms. Payne stated that the Council has released a request for service for a General Counsel with an update to be brought to the November meeting.

Next Meeting Date: November 7, 2024

Meeting Adjourned: 11:29 a.m.

Jim Renninger
President

Elizabeth Payne
Chief Executive Officer

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DATE: OCTOBER 30, 2024

TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THRU: NEFRC PERSONNEL, BUDGET & FINANCE POLICY COMMITTEE

FROM: ^{DS}
DONNA STARLING, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

RE: SEPTEMBER 2024 FINANCIAL REPORT

The Northeast Florida Regional Council posted a Net Loss of \$37,640 for the month of September and a Year-to-Date Net Income of \$82,616.

The loss is attributed to higher costs associated with year-end close out and non-reimbursable contract expenditures.



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Regional Council - Agencywide	Adopted Budget 23/24	September 2024	YTD	Represents 100% of Fiscal Year	Budget Variance
Revenues					
County Dues	\$ 694,757	57,896	694,757	100%	0%
Local Government Technical Assistance	\$ 452,672	132,413	432,581	96%	-4%
Transportation Disadvantaged (TD)	\$ 182,895	17,186	181,996	100%	0%
Economic Development Administration (EDA)	\$ 70,000	4,365	66,436	95%	-5%
Hazardous Analysis	\$ 14,077	2,400	13,987	99%	-1%
Local Emergency Preparedness Committee (LEPC)	\$ 77,000	8,849	87,278	113%	13%
Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) Program	\$ 95,355	5,110	90,492	95%	-5%
Small Quantity Generator (SQG) Program	\$ 5,000	-	4,800	96%	-4%
Florida Department of Health	\$ 17,000	11,799	17,000	100%	0%
Healthcare Coalition	\$ 748,712	45,622	732,486	98%	-2%
CDBG North Florida Resiliency Plan	\$ 245,774	12,972	234,508	95%	-5%
CDBG Mitigation Assessment and Planning	\$ 60,000	2,715	36,898	61%	-39%
Florida Hospital Association	\$ 132,848	-	132,848	100%	0%
Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP)	\$ 328,573	(18,829)	298,787	91%	-9%
National Coastal Resilience Program	\$ -	1,991	3,342	0%	-100%
Florida Department of Commerce	\$ -	3,631	3,631	0%	-100%
Disaster Recovery Coordinator	\$ 87,000	6,261	80,345	92%	-8%
Regional Leadership Academy (RLA)	\$ 4,900	556	4,900	100%	0%
Other Revenue	\$ 72,944	1,553	80,898	111%	11%
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 3,289,507	\$ 296,490	\$ 3,197,970	97%	
TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND	\$ (85,637)	\$ 37,640	\$ (82,616)		
TOTAL REVENUE/GENERAL FUND	\$ 3,203,870	\$ 334,130	\$ 3,115,355	97%	
Expenses					
Salaries and Fringe	\$ 1,753,416	196,330	1,737,021	99%	-1%
Contract/Grant Direct Expenses	\$ 983,734	98,883	975,478	99%	-1%
Indirect - Allocated Expenses*	\$ 211,580	11,752	187,784	89%	-11%
General Fund Expense*	\$ 255,140	27,165	215,072	84%	-16%
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 3,203,870	\$ 334,130	\$ 3,115,355	97%	
Net Income (loss)	\$ 85,637	(37,640)	\$ 82,616		

Northeast Florida Regional Council
Balance Sheet
September 2024

	FY 22/23 September 2023	FY 23/24 September 2024
ASSETS		
Cash	2,137,575	2,013,847
Accounts Receivable	605,788	730,058
Pension Deferred Outflows	439,576	425,550
WJCT Security Deposit	7,400	-
Total Current Assets	3,190,339	3,169,455
Property and Equipment:		
Office Furniture and Equipment	306,846	261,430
Less Accumulated Depreciation	205,595	154,754
Total Property and Equipment, net	101,251	106,677
Total Assets	3,291,590	3,276,132
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	43,174	106,650
Accrued Salaries and Leave	80,023	97,141
Deferred Revenue	172,320	7,677
Pension Liability	1,087,234	1,355,550
Pension Deferred Inflows	56,671	49,234
Total Liabilities	1,439,421	1,616,252
EQUITY		
Equity and Other Credits:		
Retained Earnings	1,852,169	1,659,879
Total Equity and Other Credits	1,852,169	1,659,879
Total Liabilities, Equity and Other Credits	3,291,590	3,276,132

YTD Comparison

	22/23	23/24	22/23	23/24
	Net Income (Loss)	Net Income (Loss)	Cash Balance	Cash Balance

AGENCYWIDE

October	\$	3,147	\$	9,014	\$	2,480,421	\$	2,430,628
November	\$	10,292	\$	28,148	\$	2,548,733	\$	2,442,307
December	\$	21,445	\$	46,934	\$	2,427,805	\$	2,254,171
January	\$	29,526	\$	54,754	\$	2,516,530	\$	2,330,658
February	\$	44,710	\$	70,318	\$	2,488,934	\$	2,188,836
March	\$	65,477	\$	86,943	\$	2,237,393	\$	2,021,882
April	\$	82,390	\$	79,901	\$	2,354,111	\$	2,077,251
May	\$	60,665	\$	91,660	\$	2,200,457	\$	2,136,499
June	\$	75,043	\$	105,330	\$	1,807,496	\$	1,780,669
July	\$	86,500	\$	117,153	\$	2,117,756	\$	1,940,218
August	\$	98,379	\$	120,255	\$	2,360,077	\$	1,876,280
September	\$	82,101	\$	82,616	\$	2,137,575	\$	2,013,847



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TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THRU: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

FROM: ^{D.S.} DONNA STARLING, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

RE: SEPTEMBER 2024 INVESTMENT REPORT

Bank Account Interest

	<u>FY 22/23</u>	<u>FY 23/24</u>
September Interest	\$ 1,276	\$ 1,404
Year to Date Interest	\$ 11,394	\$ 16,396

Florida Local Government Investment Trust

	<u>FY 22/23</u>	<u>FY 23/24</u>
Current Balance	\$18,138	\$19,445



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THRU: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER 

FROM: ROBERT JORDAN, SENIOR REGIONAL PLANNER 

RE: LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT REVIEWS

Pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, Council review of transmitted and adopted amendments to local government comprehensive plans is limited to adverse effects on regional resources and facilities identified in the Strategic Regional Policy Plan. The review is also limited to extra-jurisdictional impacts that are inconsistent with the comprehensive plan of any local government within the region. Pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, a written report with an impact evaluation should be provided to the local government and the State land planning agency (Florida Commerce) within 30 calendar days of receipt (of the amendment).

A regional map of the listed amendments is provided on the next page, and the site-specific maps and policy texts are provided in the appendix herein. Upon approval of this report by the Northeast Florida Regional Council (NEFRC) Board of Directors for transmittal to the State land planning agency, a copy will be provided to the respective local government. The City of Jacksonville transmitted amendment 24-5ESR, which was reviewed and approved through the alternate review process, is provided as information only. The Town of Pomona Park adopted amendment 24-1ER and Putnam County transmitted amendment 24-1ER were prepared by NEFRC staff and are also provided in this report as information only. The Board's approval is required only for the first amendment.

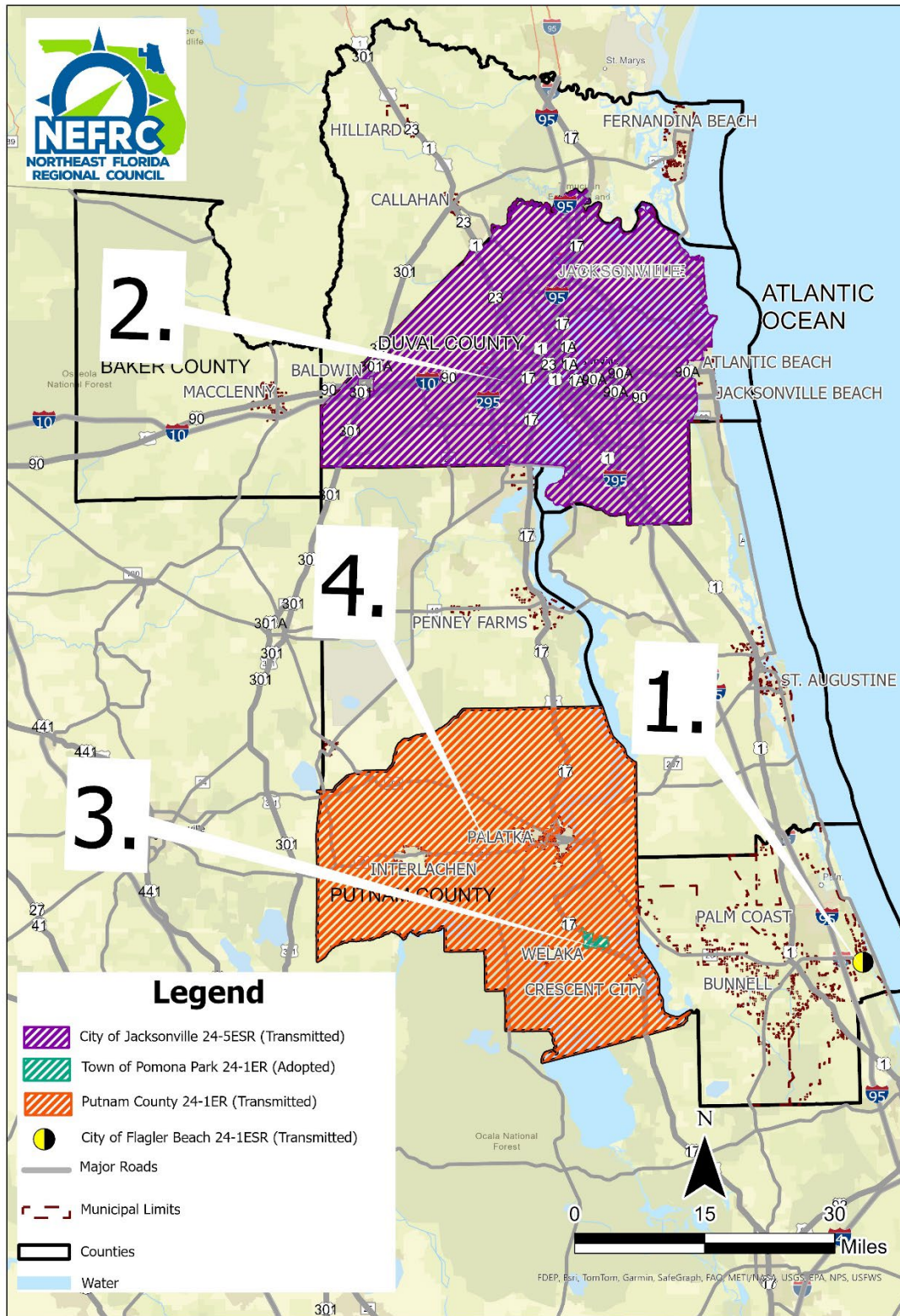
Recommendation

Staff respectfully recommends that the NEFRC Board of Directors approve the staff review report for the City of Flagler Beach Transmitted Amendment 24-1ESR.



REGIONAL MAP OF AMENDMENT LOCATION SITES

November 2024 Board Review Comprehensive Plan Amendments



Local Govt. & Plan Amendment	No. on Regional Map	Transmitted	Adopted	County Location	Due Date to be Mailed to Local and State Govt.	Local Govt. Item Number
City of Flagler Beach 24-1ESR	1	X		Flagler	11-8-2024	COFB Veranda Bay FLUM Amendment and Property Rights

- **Type:** Future Land Use Map and Text Amendment

- **Issue:** This proposed amendment to the City of Flagler Beach 2050 Comprehensive plan is a proposal to change the Future Land Use Map (FLUM) designation for approximately 899.09 acres of land from Flagler County designations of Agriculture, Conservation, and Mixed-Use High Intensity to City of Flagler Beach designations of Low-Density Residential and General Commercial. The proposed amendment also includes a text amendment adopting a property rights element.

- **Background:** A mixed-use residential development is currently under development on approximately 160.99 acres. The remainder of the property is vacant and undeveloped. In 2005, a Master Development Agreement (MDA) was approved for a Planned Unit Development (PUD) in Flagler County for a mixed-use development of approximately 1,999 acres known as Hammock Beach River Club PUD. The 2005 MDA approved 453 residential units (including 150 of the 453 as multi-family residential units); 230,694 square feet of commercial retail/office; accessory and recreational uses; ancillary amenities and facilities; an 18-hole golf course; dedicated utility site; a dedicated public boat ramp site; and a dedicated fire station site. As part of the FLUM and MDA agreement, approximately 1,100 acres were transferred to Flagler County as environmental/conservation lands.

The current development proposal being considered on the 899.09+/- acres is as follows:

Residential Units 2735 units (3.2 units/ac)

Commercial Density 230,694 sq ft

Open Space (40%) >300 ac.

Additionally, in accordance with the legislative intent expressed in Section 163.3161(10) and Section 187.101(3), Florida Statutes that governmental entities respect judicially acknowledged and constitutionally protected private property rights, each local government shall include in its comprehensive plan a property rights element to ensure that private property rights are considered in local decision-making. For additional information, please see Exhibits 1 and 2.

- **Impacts:** The proposed subject site is adjacent to State Road 100, a Transportation Resource of Regional Significance. A traffic impact analysis was conducted to assess the proposed development's impacts in accordance with the River to Sea TPO Traffic Impact Guidelines, the City of Flagler Beach, Flagler County, and Florida Department of Transportation requirements. To minimize the impact on existing approaches and keep within the accepted Level of Service, recommendations for implementation were included in the Master Development Agreement.

- **Recommended Intergovernmental Coordination:** Coordination with Flagler County Growth Management Department and the City of Palm Coast Planning Division is recommended through the amendment process.

Appendix

Exhibit 1: City of Flagler Beach 24-1ESR (Location Map)

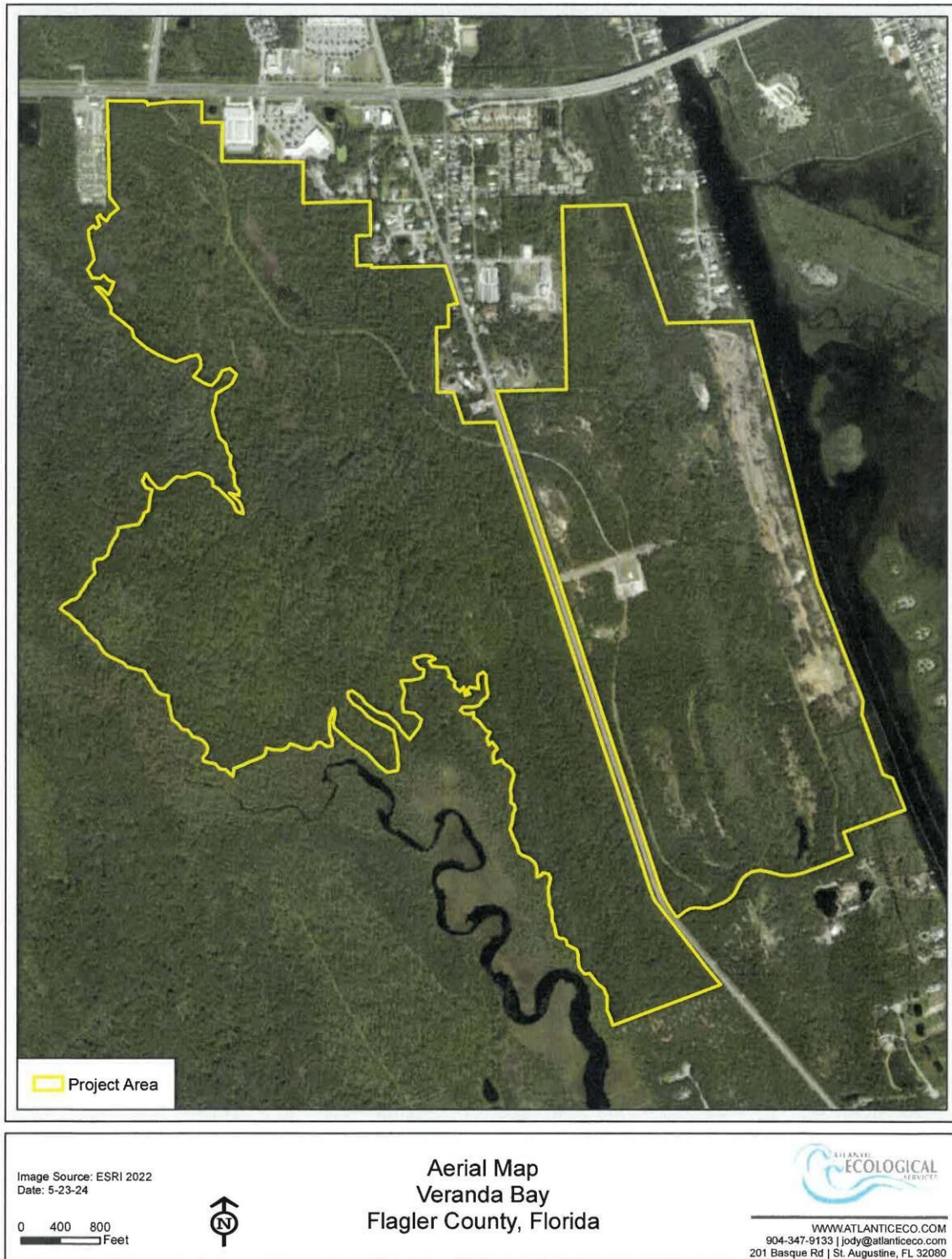
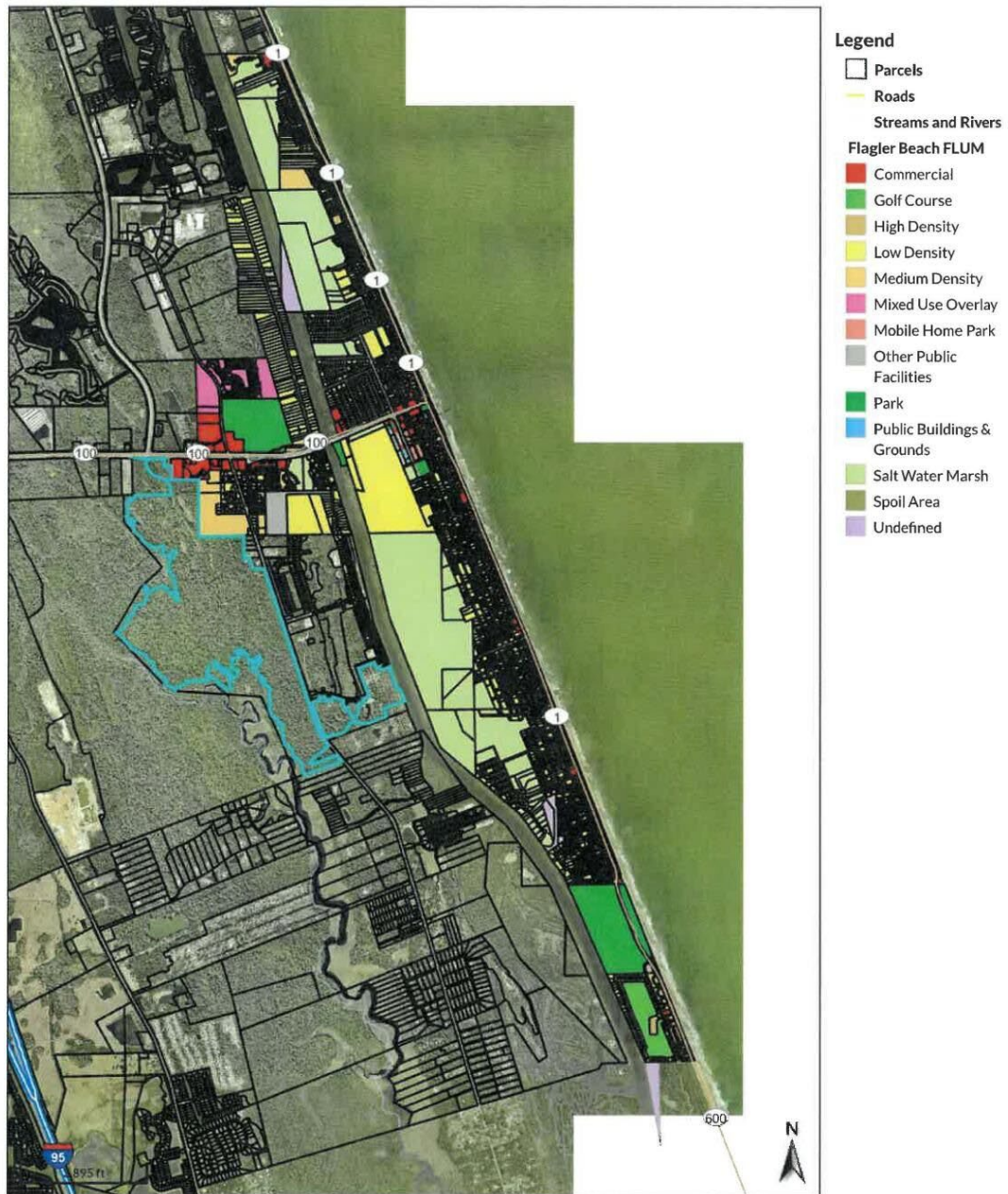


Exhibit 2: City of Flagler Beach 24-1ESR (Existing Future Land Use Map)



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VIA: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER 

FROM: ERIC ANDERSON, DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER 

RE: REGIONAL SAFE SPACES ACTION PLAN AND COORDINATED MOBILITY PLAN

Jacksonville Transit Authority's Jeremy Norsworthy, Program Manager: Planning and Analytics, and Eric Houston, Program Manager: Strategic and Regional Planning will provide a presentation on a collaborative effort toward achieving Vision Zero in Northeast Florida. The presentation will include a review of the recent safety analysis results, discussion of the proposed strategies to eliminate traffic-related fatalities and severe injuries, and an outline of next steps for implementing key initiatives across the Region.

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THRU: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER 

FROM: JACK SHAD, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT MANAGER 

RE: **2024 COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY ANNUAL REPORT**

Staff will provide a presentation on the 2024 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) annual report, and resolution. The annual report must be transmitted to the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) by December 1, 2024; a grant requirement.

Recommendation

Staff respectfully request that the Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors approve the 2024 CEDS annual report and accompanying Resolution 2024-06 for submission to the EDA.



Resolution

Northeast Florida Regional Council

2024-05

Approving the 2024 Update to the Northeast Florida Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy

WHEREAS, the Northeast Florida Regional Council is the District Organization for the Economic Development Administration (EDA) designated Economic Development District (EDD) in Northeast Florida, and as such is charged with:

- The development of the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) for the Region, as appropriate;
- Utilization of the CEDS and CEDS process to foster collaborative regional economic development efforts;
- Providing EDA program outreach to local member governments to facilitate project development and implementation of strategies to ensure the Region's capacity to provide the necessary infrastructure and workforce to attract private investment and encourage the creation and expansion of higher-paying-jobs;
- Implementation of the Action Plan of the CEDS including grant writing, planning and technical assistance, other economic development assistance, training, travel, and other related activities, if directly associated to CEDS implementation;
- Coordination of federal, state, local and not-for-profit resources/funds to optimize the implementation of the CEDS action plan and progress toward attainment of regional goals, objectives, and vision; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors hereby approves the 2024 update to the Northeast Florida Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy.

Unanimously adopted by the Northeast Florida Regional Council in a regular meeting assembled in the City of Jacksonville, the 7th day of November 2024.

Hon. Jim Renninger

President

Elizabeth Payne

CEO

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Resolution

Northeast Florida Regional Council

2024-05

Honoring

The Honorable Roxanne Horvath

WHEREAS, the Honorable Roxanne Horvath, City of St. Augustine Commissioner, was appointed in February, 2013, by the St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners to serve as a municipal representative on the Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Horvath served as 1st Vice President and President of the Northeast Florida Regional Council; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Horvath served as President of the Florida Regional Councils Association's Policy Board, a statewide association of Regional Councils; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Horvath Chaired the NEFRC Executive Committee, the Legislative Policy Committee, and served as a member of the Council's Strategic Regional Policy Planning Committee, the Affordable Housing Committee, and the Ad-Hoc Regional Leadership Awards Selection Committee; and

WHEREAS, most recently, Commissioner Horvath volunteered her talents to assume the Co-Chair position for the Resilient First Coast Collaborative, which produced the Regional Resiliency Action Plan for Northeast Florida, and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Horvath has provided leadership and friendship to fellow Board Members over the years and has exhibited a sincere love of Northeast Florida that has allowed her to serve the citizens with great distinction, devotion, and dedication; and

WHEREAS, her efforts on behalf of the Council and Northeast Florida are to be celebrated and are greatly appreciated and will be missed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the policy body of the Northeast Florida Regional Council hereby commends Commissioner Horvath for her efforts and contributions during her tenure and expresses its sincere appreciation for her service.

Unanimously adopted by the Northeast Florida Regional Council in a regular meeting assembled in the City of Jacksonville, on the fourth day of November, 2024.

Jim Renninger

President

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CEO

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Resolution

Northeast Florida Regional Council

2024-07

Honoring

The Honorable David Sullivan

WHEREAS, the Honorable David Sullivan, Flagler County Commissioner, was appointed in May 2017, by the Flagler County Board of County Commissioners to serve as a representative on the Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Sullivan served on the Executive Committee helping to guide the Regional Council in establishing and achieving its Mission and goals; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Sullivan served as a member of the Affordable Housing, the Planning and Growth Management, the Personnel, Budget & Finance, the Awards Selection, and the Legislative Policy Committees; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Sullivan served the Council and Northeast Florida citizens with great distinction, devotion, and dedication; and

WHEREAS, his efforts on behalf of the Council and Northeast Florida are greatly appreciated and will be missed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the policy body of the Northeast Florida Regional Council hereby commends Commissioner Sullivan for his efforts and contributions during his tenure and expresses its sincere appreciation for his service.

Unanimously adopted by the Northeast Florida Regional Council in a regular meeting assembled in the City of Jacksonville, on the seventh day of November, 2024.

Jim Renninger

President

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CEO

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Resolution

Northeast Florida Regional Council

2024-08

Honoring

The Honorable David Alfin

WHEREAS, the Honorable David Alfin, Mayor of the City of Palm Coast, was appointed in October, 2022, by the Flagler County Board of County Commissioners to serve as a municipal representative on the Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Alfin served as a member of the Affordable Housing and the Legislative Policy Committees, and

WHEREAS, Mayor Alfin served as a member on the Policy Board of the Florida Regional Councils Association, a statewide association of Regional Councils; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Alfin served the Council and Northeast Florida citizens with great distinction, devotion, and dedication; and

WHEREAS, his efforts on behalf of the Council and Northeast Florida are greatly appreciated and will be missed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the policy body of the Northeast Florida Regional Council hereby commends Mayor Alfin for his efforts and contributions during his tenure and expresses its sincere appreciation for his service.

Unanimously adopted by the Northeast Florida Regional Council in a regular meeting assembled in the City of Jacksonville, on the seventh day of November, 2024.

Jim Renninger
President

Elizabeth Payne
CEO

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: OCTOBER 30, 2024

TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THRU: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER *EP*

FROM: LEIGH WILSEY, HEALTHCARE COALITION PROGRAM MANAGER *LW*

RE: RFP: VIRTUAL TABLETOP EXERCISE SERIES FOR THE HEALTHCARE COALITION

The Healthcare Coalition Program, through the Northeast Florida Regional Council (NEFRC), issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) for a vendor to provide a virtual tabletop exercise series for the Healthcare Coalition members. The RFP was issued on Friday, September 27, 2024, and closed Monday, October 21, 2024. Six (6) proposals were received from: All Clear Emergency Management Group, Chloeta, Emergency Educators, LLC., EnviroSafe Consulting, Integrated Solutions Consulting, and Resilience Solutions Consulting. The NEFRC scoring team has been assembled and is working to complete the scoring process. Members are:

- Leigh Wilsey, Healthcare Coalition Program Manager,
- Annie Sieger, Healthcare Coalition Planner, and
- Eric Anderson, Deputy CEO

Final scores and a recommendation from the scoring team will be provided in the final agenda packet for PBF Committee and Board members prior to the November 7th Board meeting.



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MEMORANDUM

DATE: NOVEMBER 7, 2024

TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THRU: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER *EP*

FROM: ERIC ANDERSON, DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER *Eric B. Anderson*

RE: STRATEGIC REGIONAL POLICY PLAN UPDATE AND ASSESSMENT

Pursuant to the State and Regional Planning Act, the Council maintains a Strategic Regional Policy Plan (SRPP) that addresses the five required issue areas: Affordable Housing, Economic Development, Emergency Preparedness, Natural Resources of Regional Significance, and Regional Transportation. A new Cultivation Element was added as part of the 2019 SRPP update.

The Northeast Florida SRPP is due for its 5-year assessment. Assessments are completed regularly to ensure the long-range plan guides the Region's physical, economic, and social development. The SRPP should serve as a guidebook on coordinated steps to achieve the goals and objectives for Northeast Florida, which is included in First Coast Vision. It is a reference guide and data source on most facets of life in the Region and its counties. The SRPP is organized around strategic subject areas that are, in turn, related to the priorities of the State of Florida and the mission of NEFRC.

The 2024 Assessment of the Strategic Regional Policy Plan is attached. This is the first step in updating the SRPP. The Assessment will be provided to the State of Florida, several reviewing agencies, and other Regional Councils.

Proposed Motion:

Staff respectfully recommends that the Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors approve the 2024 Northeast Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan Assessment and authorize staff to begin the SRPP update process.

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: OCTOBER 30, 2024

TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

VIA: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER 

FROM: FARA ILAMI, REGIONAL RESILIENCY MANAGER 

RE: CLIMATE CENTRAL PRESENTATION

Mr. Dan Rizza and Ms. Allison Kopicki of Climate Central will present the work of their FloodVision® program, which utilizes an innovative tool that makes the impact of climate change visible before the next disaster strikes. Climate Central is currently working with the NEFRC on an effort to use this technology to enhance vulnerability assessments in Northeast Florida by incorporating sea level rise, storms, and rainfall projections into the tool's inputs to achieve flood visualization outputs based on the data obtained from driving routes in the Region. The presenters will describe the overall purpose of the program and the tool and present some of the results achieved thus far.



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MEMORANDUM

DATE: OCTOBER 30, 2024

TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

VIA: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER 

FROM: FARA ILAMI, REGIONAL RESILIENCY MANAGER 

RE: COMMUNITY RESILIENCE UPDATE

Staff will provide an update on community resilience efforts being facilitated across Northeast Florida. This update will include highlights from the recent Flooding Adaptation Symposium and a brief preview of how NEFRC will be represented at the upcoming Coastal Inundation Community of Practice meeting in Seattle, Washington.

The update will provide an overview of the recently finalized Flagler County Vulnerability Assessment, along with an example of how the FloodVision® work of Climate Central is being utilized to enhance this effort. It will also cover new information pertaining to projects the NEFRC is collaborating on with external partners, including the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant project and the South Atlantic Salt Marsh Initiative project.

Staff will announce upcoming resiliency-related events, including the Resilient First Coast Collaborative meeting on November 18th and the Military Installation Resilience Review internal kickoff meeting with the Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation on November 19th, after which a Request for Proposal will be disseminated for this project.

