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BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Meeting

June 6, 2019
10:00 a.m.

Northeast Florida Regional
100 Festival Park Avenue
Jacksonville, FL 32202
MEMORANDUM

DATE: JUNE 6, 2019

TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD MEMBERS

FROM: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

RE: AUGUST 1, 2019 BOARD MEETING

The next meeting of the Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 1, 2019 at the Northeast Florida Regional Council, WJCT, 100 Festival Park Avenue, Jacksonville, FL 32202.
Northeast Florida Regional Council

BOARD of DIRECTORS

AGENDA

Northeast Florida Regional Council
100 Festival Park Avenue
Jacksonville, FL 32202

THURSDAY, JUNE 6, 2019
10:00 a.m.

(ADED OR MODIFIED ITEMS IN BOLD)
(*Denotes Action Required)

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Introductions – President Robinson
2. Welcome – President Robinson
3. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

*4. Approval of April 4, 2019 Meeting Minutes – President Robinson ........................................6

5. Invitation to Speak – President Robinson
   Members of the public are welcome and encouraged to speak on any item brought before the Council. Please fill out one of the blue speaker cards located at the sign-in table and provide to staff for presentation to the Board.

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   - St. Johns River Water Management District – Mr. Sample
10. Chief Executive Officer’s Report
    A. New Hire Introduction: Sean Lahav, Resiliency Coordinator
    B. Highlights
    C. Upcoming Events:
       June 6, 2019 – Board of Directors Meeting, NEFRC
       June 19, 2019 – Northeast Florida Healthcare Coalition Meeting, Clay County
       June 19, 2019 – Atlantic/Jacksonville/Neptune Beaches’ Sea Level Rise Meeting, Duval
C. Upcoming Events (Continued):

June 24, 2019 – Regional Community Institute Board Meeting, NEFRC
June 26, 2019 – Regional Leadership Academy, Clay County

**July 4, 2019 – INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY – COUNCIL CLOSED**

Aug. 1, 2019 – Board of Directors Meeting, NEFRC
Aug. 28, 2019 – Regional Leadership Academy, Baker County

11. Next Meeting Date and Location: **THURSDAY, AUGUST 1, 2019**
Northeast Florida Regional Council
100 Festival Park Avenue
Jacksonville, FL 32202

12. Adjournment

(*Denotes Action Required)
The Northeast Florida Regional Council held a meeting on Thursday, April 4, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at the Northeast Florida Regional Council, 100 Festival Park Avenue, Jacksonville, FL 32202.

President Robinson welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order with the following members present:

BAKER: Jimmy Anderson  
Michael Griffis  
Darryl Register

CLAY: Michael Bourre

DUVAL: John Crescimbeni  
Sean Lynch

FLAGLER: Catherine Robinson  
David Sullivan

NASSAU: Aaron Bell  
John Drew  
Len Kreger  
John Martin

PUTNAM: Not Represented

ST. JOHNS: Paul Waldron

EX-OFFICIO Scott Clem for Karen Taulbee  
Geoff Sample

Excused: James Bennett, Doug Conkey, Buddy Goddard, Bill Gulliford, Curtis Hart,  
Larry Harvey, Terrill Hill, Roxanne Horvath, James Johns, Joseph Mullins, Kelly  
Redford and Helga Van Eckert

Absent: Elaine Brown and Greg Strong

Guests: Hunter Anderson and Gary Hollis (Senator Scott’s Office), Jackie Smith (Congressmen Rutherford’s Office), Tony Robbins (Prosser Inc.), Kristen Reed (City of Jacksonville), Valerie Britt and other members of the public

Staff Present: Eric Anderson, Vanessa Christiansen, Margo Moehring, Tyler Nolen, Elizabeth Payne, Donna Starling, Leigh Wilsey and Sheron Forde
APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Robinson called for a motion on the February 7, 2019 Minutes. Commissioner Anderson moved approval of the February 7, 2019 Meeting Minutes; seconded by Vice Mayor Kreger. Motion carried.

INVITATION TO SPEAK

President Robinson invited the public to speak on any item brought before the Council.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Affordable Housing

Chair Bourre provided a summary of the Committee meeting that took place prior to this meeting. The Committee heard a presentation from Mr. Sean Nesbitt of the Florida Housing Coalition who provided excellent information on a community land trust and how it could be implemented for affordable housing in the Northeast Florida Region. Additionally, the Committee was involved with a press conference last month dealing with affordable housing with the four big takeaways being the full funding of the Sadowski fund, removal of the impact fees, community land trust and private/private partnerships. The Committee will be reviewing these and will share with the Board at a later time.

Executive Committee

Chair Robinson stated the Committee met in March and a report of the actions taken are provided in their agenda packet.

Personnel, Budget and Finance Policy Committee

Chair Register stated the Committee reviewed and approved the February 2019 Financial Report for Board consideration and, on behalf of the Committee, moved approval of the February 2019 Financial Report; seconded by Commissioner Sullivan. Motion Carried

OTHER REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS

City of Jacksonville Transmitted Amendment 19-4ESR

This amendment seeks to change 38.27+/- acres of the Future Land Use Map from Community/General Commercial and Business Park to Medium Density Residential. A brief discussion followed.

President Robinson called for a motion. Vice-Mayor Kreger moved approval of staff’s review report and transmittal of the City of Jacksonville transmitted amendment 19-4ESR; seconded by Commissioner Crescimbeni. Motion carried.

City of Palm Coast Transmitted Amendment 19-1ESR

This amendment seeks to change 89+/- acres of the Future Land Use Map from Flagler County FLUM designations of Mixed Use to City of Palm Coast designation Mixed Use. The proposed amendment’s westernmost portion abuts the Graham Swamp Preservation Area, a natural resource of significance. Although the net impact analysis states that the proposed amendment would result in net decreases for transportation, potable water, wastewater, solid waste, public recreation and
public schools, due to the potential effects to the Graham Swamp, it is recommended that strategies to protect the area from development be considered. A brief discussion followed.

Commissioner Waldron arrived.

President Robinson called for a motion. Commissioner Sullivan moved approval of staff’s review report and transmittal of the City of Palm Coast transmitted amendment 19-1ESR; seconded by Vice-Mayor Kreger. Motion carried.

City of Palatka Transmitted Amendment 19-1ESR
This amendment seeks to change 11.1 +/- acres of the Future Land Use Map from Residential Medium Density to Recreation. A brief discussion followed. A correction was noted on the memo and will be corrected prior to forwarding to the local government and the State.

President Robinson called for a motion. Commissioner Anderson moved approval of staff’s review report and transmittal of the City of Palatka transmitted amendment 19-1ESR; seconded by Commissioner Waldron. Motion carried.

St. Johns County Transmitted Amendment 19-4ESR
This amendment seeks to change 15.8 +/- acres of the Future Land Use Map from Residential-C to Rural Commercial. The proposed amendment’s westernmost portion includes submerged lands in the Tolomato River, a natural resource of significance. It is staff’s understanding that the applicant plans to pursue the appropriate permits to complete an existing rip rap that would negate the need for the required 50-foot upland buffer landward from the state jurisdictional wetland. Due to the potential effects to the Tolomato River, additional review will be required to ensure that the applicant has met the applicable requirements. Discussion followed.

President Robinson called for a motion. Mr. Drew moved approval of staff’s review report and transmittal of the St. Johns County transmitted amendment 19-4ESR; seconded by Commissioner Waldron. Motion carried.

City of Jacksonville Transmitted Amendment 19-5ESR
This amendment seeks to change text in the City’s Comprehensive Plan to amend various goals, objectives, and policies of the Capital Improvements Element, Conservation and Coastal Management Element, Future Land Use Element, Infrastructure Element, and Intergovernmental Coordination Element. The text amendment is in response to the state requirement to adopt a state-mandated 10-year water supply facilities work plan into the Comprehensive Plan.

President Robinson called for a motion. Vice-Mayor Kreger moved approval of staff’s review report and transmittal of the City of Jacksonville transmitted amendment 19-5ESR; seconded by Mayor Lynch. Motion carried.

St. Johns County Adopted Amendment 16-6ESR
This amendment will change a 784.18 +/- acre parcel of the Future Land Use Map from Rural/ Silviculture to Residential-B. In the transmittal stage, Council staff identified adverse impacts to transportation regional resources. Revisions have been made to the project to address mitigation, which includes a reduction in the new external p.m. peak hour trips generated from 1,376 to 825; the dedication of 6.3 acres for County Right-of-Way expansions and stormwater

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management along C.R. 210; construction of either the outer two lanes of Veterans Parkway South beginning at the end of the ICI development improvement to the northern entrance to the Greenbriar downs south parcel or a two-lane minor collector beginning at the end of the ICI improvements; dedication of right-of-way for the Veterans Parkway south parcel improvement and right-of-way for the future four-lane widening of Veterans Parkway to C.R. 210; and a widening of Veterans Parkway from two lanes to four lanes between Race Track Road and Longleaf Pine Parkway. A brief discussion followed. A correction was noted on the memo and will be corrected prior to forwarding to the local government and the State.

President Robinson called for a motion. Commissioner Waldron motioned to find the St. Johns County adopted amendment 16-6ESR consistent with the Northeast Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan; seconded by Mr. Register. Motion carried.

Nassau County Adopted Amendment 18-4ESR
This amendment changes 40.69 +/- acres of the Future Land Use Map from Agriculture to Medium Density Residential, High Density Residential, Recreation and Conservation.

President Robinson called for a motion. Vice-Mayor Kreger motioned to find the Nassau County adopted amendment 18-4ESR consistent with the Northeast Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan; seconded by Mr. Martin. Motion carried.

Nassau County Adopted Amendment 19-1ESR
This amendment changes text in the Coastal Management Element section of the County’s Comprehensive Plan to mitigate future flood events, to provide for Adaptation Action Areas and to address current and future risks related to coastal flooding.

President Robinson called for a motion. Vice-Mayor Kreger motioned to find the Nassau County adopted amendment 19-1ESR consistent with the Northeast Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan; seconded by Mr. Martin. Motion carried.

Baker County Adopted Amendment 19-1ESR
This amendment adds text to the Future Land Use Element to allow vesting of development rights on several lots that were provided exceptions (allowing development under subdivision regulations) despite the fact the lots are below the minimum size required by the future land use category. The County has discontinued the practice that created the issue and the proposed amendment reinforces the County’s effort to terminate this practice. The text change will clarify that, in these limited instances, property owners will have the right to develop their land as a special exception allowed through vested rights.

President Robinson called for a motion. Commissioner Anderson motioned to find the Baker County adopted amendment 19-1ESR consistent with the Northeast Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan; seconded by Mayor Lynch. Motion carried.

Draft Resolution 2019-03
Ms. Payne introduced Resolution 2019-03 recognizing the month of April as Water Conservation Month in support of the St. Johns River Water Management District’s efforts to conserve water for consideration by the Board.
President Robinson called for a motion. Mr. Register moved approval of Resolution 2019-03; seconded by Councilman Crescimbeni. Motion carried.

Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Update
An overview on the harmonization of the Council’s four plans was provided highlighting the CEDS and SRPP workplans and timelines. The CEDS Committee met on March 13th and approved the new document and was subject to the addition of two vital projects and some background data and analysis related to agriculture. Next steps include data gathering; First Coast Vision’s current State of the Region and Performance Measures culminating in April 2019 with the setting of a public comment period for April 15 – May 17, 2019, any comments received along with the final report will be brought to the Board on June 6, 2019 for action. The SRPP workplan and timeline is scheduled to begin in June 2019.

President Robinson called for a motion. Vice-Mayor Kreger moved to set the public comment period for the 2019-2024 Northeast Florida Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for April 15, 2019 to May 17, 2019; seconded by Commissioner Waldron. Motion carried.

Data Review
Staff provided a presentation on the State of the Region highlighting the goals of First Coast Vision with an assessment of what the data shows to date. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Sullivan shared his concerns that Flagler County is not in the loop with northeast Florida as they are not in the same Department of Transportation district; receiving their news from Orlando.

Mr. Bourre inquired if the information provided could be updated and disseminated to the Counties. Ms. Moehring stated that this will be brought back to the Board in June with updated information and would be a better document to disseminate at that time.

Commissioner Waldron asked that, once staff has completed their data gathering, they reach out to St. Johns County’s Growth Management staff.

Transportation Disadvantaged LCB Membership
In its role as the Designated Official Planning Agency for the Transportation Disadvantaged Program for Baker, Clay, Flagler, Nassau, Putnam and St. Johns counties, the Northeast Florida Regional Council is responsible for all non-agency membership appointments to the Local Coordinating Boards (LCB). The membership rosters of the six Counties are included in the agenda packet. Each was approved by its respective LCB at their last meeting. Staff respectfully requests the Board approve the rosters, thereby extending the terms of non-agency members.

President Robinson called for a motion. Mr. Register moved to approve the rosters of the Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Boards for Baker, Clay, Flagler, Nassau, Putnam and St. Johns Counties; seconded by Vice-Mayor Kreger. Motion carried.
Healthcare Coalition Presentation
Staff provided a presentation on the activities of the Healthcare Coalitions. The Region-3 Healthcare Coalition Alliance is made up of three Coalitions with one goal: the integration of members into the broader community response to increase healthcare resiliency. The presentation highlighted the Coalition make up, the regional impact thru training and exercise, funding of projects by the Coalition, and upcoming workshops and training opportunities. A brief discussion followed with a request to send the presentation to the Members following the meeting.

Legislative Update
The Members were provided with an overview of the on-going activities of the 2019 Legislative Session, highlighting some Bills being considered that is of interest to the Northeast Florida Region. Discussion followed with a request to provide additional information on SB 350.

PUBLIC COMMENT
Ms. Valerie Britt, P.O. Box 49209, Jacksonville Beach, FL 32240, stated she attended to speak on a City of Jacksonville Comprehensive Plan, 18-07ESR; not on this Agenda. She expects it will be on the May agenda but provided her handouts on that item to be reviewed for when that item came before the Council.

VOTING MEMBERS’ REPORT
Vice-Mayor Kreger stated that the U.S. Secretary of Commerce visited the City of Fernandina Beach recently to give a speech. He also stated that one of the things that their Port will be looking into is a barge route, called M95, along the east coast.

Commissioner Sullivan stated that some progress is being made on affordable housing in the City of Palm Coast and the County. The Commission recently approved a way to attract financing via a Volusia County program.

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS’ REPORTS

Florida Department of Economic Opportunity
Mr. Register shared a summary of an article in Area Development magazine citing possible reasons why the manufacturing, warehousing and distribution industries may be struggling in attracting and retaining employees, which is due to a lack of available amenities such as those provided to office employees. A brief discussion followed.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection
No report.

Florida Department of Transportation
Mr. Clem – provided information on upcoming workshops. The FDOT will be kicking off their Florida Transportation Plan update, which is their guiding plan. Members are welcome to take part in the process.

St. Johns River Water Management District
Mr. Sample stated that at the next Governing Board meeting, they will be considering staff’s recommendations for the district-wide cost share applications.
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT

Ms. Payne informed the Members of the status of gubernatorial appointments. Staff is looking into the appointment of a school board representative, which is nominated by the School Board Association and is appointed by the Governor.

Mr. Martin inquired if the representative must be a member of the School Board Association. If not, he would be happy to bring it to the Nassau County School Board, who are not a member of the Association. Ms. Payne stated she will inquire and report back.

Ms. Payne reminded the Members that Financial Disclosures are coming due in a couple months. She provided an operational update regarding the Council’s phone system, which now does not have voicemail. However, Comcast will be installing our phones tomorrow. The Council will be without phone service for a few hours. She reported that a new Communication Specialist will start on Monday to help further her vision for the Council.

Members were asked to fill in their three top issues in their local government on the blue index cards provided. The Members were directed to the Council’s Highlights that is provided for their information.

Next Meeting Date: June 6, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

Adjournment: 11:34 a.m.

____________________________________ __________________________________
Catherine Robinson               Elizabeth Payne
President               Chief Executive Officer

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: MAY 28, 2019

TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FROM: CHAIR ROBINSON, NEFRC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT TO BOARD

The Executive Committee met on May 2nd and reviewed and approved the following:

- The March 2019 Financial Report
- Nassau County Transmitted Amendment 19-2ESR
- City of Jacksonville Transmitted Amendment 19-6ESR, 19-7ESR, 19-8ESR and 19-9ESR
- Baker County Transmitted Amendment 19-2ER
- City of Jacksonville Adopted Amendment 18-7ESR

Due to the July 4th Holiday, the next Committee meeting is scheduled for September 5, 2019.
The Northeast Florida Regional Council posted a Net Income of $13,746 for the month of April and a Year-to-Date Net Income of $17,552.
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<th>Adopted Budget 18/19</th>
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<td>82,546</td>
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<td>Other Planning Programs</td>
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<td>17,167</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL REVENUES</strong></td>
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<td>$ (13,746)</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL REVENUE/GENERAL FUND</strong></td>
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<td>Salaries and Fringe</td>
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<td>Discretionary Revenue Expenditures</td>
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<td>19,768</td>
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<td>$ 16,051</td>
<td>$ 37,320</td>
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*Excludes Salaries & Fringe
### Use of Discretionary Revenue from Building Sale

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<td>Match for Elevate Northeast Florida Grant</td>
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<td>Creation of Fiscal Impact Model</td>
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<td>Creation of Regional Evacuation Plan</td>
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<td>1,417</td>
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*The revenues being used to fund the above projects were recognized in FY 16/17 as part of the proceeds from the building sale.

Since, the expenditures associated with these proceeds will be spent in FY 17/18 and FY 18/19, the expenditures will negatively effect our Net Income (Loss) for FY 17/18 and FY 18/19.
Northeast Florida Regional Council
Balance Sheet
April 2019

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<th>ASSETS</th>
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<th>FY 18/19 April 2019</th>
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| Total Assets | 2,804,980 | 2,545,933 |

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 29, 2019

TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THRU: PERSONNEL, BUDGET & FINANCE POLICY COMMITTEE

FROM: DONNA STARLING, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

RE: APRIL 2019 INVESTMENT REPORT

Bank Account Interest

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Florida Local Government Investment Trust

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: MAY 29, 2019
TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS
THRU: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
FROM: DONNA STARLING, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
RE: PROPOSED AMENDED BUDGET FY 2018/2019

The proposed amended budget for Fiscal Year 2018/2019 is attached for your review prior to the June 2019 meeting.

The rate for County Dues remains at $.41 per capita. However, County Dues have been adjusted to reflect 2017 population tables. At this time, we have not budgeted for Clay County dues.

Revenues for planning and emergency preparedness programs are expected to increase. Salaries/fringe, indirect expenses and general fund expenses are expected to decrease, and contract/grant direct expenses are expected to increase.

Discretionary revenue expenses are being funded by proceeds from the building sale. These expenses will be used to assist in the creation of a Regional Evacuation Plan and the Fiscal Impact Model.

Please contact me at your convenience should you have any questions. Thank you.
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*Excludes Salaries & Fringe
NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL

PROPOSED AMENDED BUDGET

FISCAL YEAR 2018/2019

Presented June 6, 2019
REVENUES

County Dues
The seven member governments of the Northeast Florida Regional Council, with the exception of Clay County, jointly participate financially in the annual operation of the Council. Calculations are based on a rate of $0.41 per capita, using 2017 BEBR population tables.

Baker $11,148
Duval $384,093
Flagler $43,114
Nassau $32,987
Putnam $30,002
St. Johns $94,183

TOTAL FY 18/19: $595,527

Agency Programs
The budget is based on Local Government Technical Assistance ($217,631), Transportation Disadvantaged (TD) $131,545, Economic Development Administration (EDA) $70,000, Hazardous Analysis ($10,064), Local Emergency Preparedness Committee (LEPC) $80,000, Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) $62,164, Healthcare Coalition ($667,080), Elevate Northeast Florida ($34,375), Disaster Recovery Coordinator ($150,000), Disaster Resiliency Plan ($50,000), Small Quantity Generator (SQG) Program ($5,000), Regional Leadership Academy (RLA) $2,800, Other Planning Programs ($7,442).

TOTAL FY 18/19: $1,488,101

Other Revenue
Other revenue is revenue from the Elected Official Reception, interest income and other miscellaneous sources.

TOTAL FY 18/19: $18,170
**EXPENDITURES**

**Salaries/Fringe**
This line item consists of all staff salaries, leave and fringe benefits which include the employer’s share of Social Security, Medicare, health/life insurance, Florida Retirement System contributions, worker’s compensation, unemployment compensation and group disability.

**TOTAL FY 18/19: $981,775**

**Contract/Grant Direct Expenses**
This line item includes all expenses charged directly to a contract or grant such as consultant/professional services, program office supplies, cellphones, printing, travel, advertising, computer hardware/software, furniture/equipment, training, etc.

**TOTAL FY 18/19: $739,186**

**Indirect – Allocated Expenses**
Includes such expenses as telephone service, data and internet lines, office maintenance, copier usage, lease and storage space rental, depreciation, common-use office supplies, postage, printing, periodicals/subscriptions, general liability insurance, audit expense, accounting system maintenance, etc. (Excludes salaries/fringe)

**TOTAL FY 18/19: $203,522**

**General Fund Expenses:** Includes all expenses directly related to the Chief Executive Officer (excluding salary/fringe), Council Board expenses, publications, and initiatives, Council membership dues, vehicle fleet maintenance and other expenses that are not allowable charges to existing contracts or grants.

**TOTAL FY 18/19: $109,804**

**Discretionary Revenue Expenses:** These expenses are being funded by proceeds from the building sale recognized as revenue in FY 16/17. Since, the expenditures associated with these proceeds are not being spent until FY 18/19, the expenditures will negatively affect our Net Income (Loss) for FY 18/19.

**TOTAL FY 18/19: $45,653**
**Budget Format**

Historically, the Council has presented its budget in essentially this same format. It is considered a “flexible” budget as allowed for enterprise funds where it is sometimes difficult to estimate the demand for services and, therefore, the level of spending needed to meet demand.

**Budget Assumptions Related to Significant Changes from the Adopted FY 18/19 Budget**

**REVENUES**

- Local government funding decreased due to timing of contractual payment for the Atlantic Beach Land Development Regulations (LDR) update contract. A higher amount of the contract was paid last fiscal year than originally estimated.
- Federal funding increased as a result of an increase in resiliency funding in part due to a new grant to develop a Disaster Resiliency Plan. There was also carryover funding from the Elevate Northeast Florida grant that wasn’t completed until October 2018.
- The Council received level funding for ongoing annual state and federal contracts such as the Healthcare Coalition, TD, EDA, LEPC, and HMEP.

**EXPENDITURES**

- Salaries/Fringe costs decreased due to staff vacancies and the retirement of our previous CEO.
- Contract/Grant Direct Services Expenses increased as a result of carryover funding for the Elevate Northeast Florida grant and an increase in project expenditures for the Healthcare Coalition.
- Indirect Allocated Expenses are expected to decrease due to a decrease in depreciation and technology costs associated with the replacement of computer and copier equipment.
- General Fund Expenses are anticipated to decrease slightly due to a reduction in computer equipment costs.
- Discretionary Revenue Expenses are being funded by proceeds from the building sale. The initial amount budgeted was for the creation of a Regional Evacuation Plan. However, funds budgeted last fiscal year for the Fiscal Impact Model will not be spent until this fiscal year.
MEMORANDUM

DATE:         MAY 29, 2019

TO:           NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THRU:        ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

FROM:         DONNA STARLING, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

RE:           PROPOSED BUDGET FY 2019/2020

The proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2019/2020 is attached for your review prior to the June 2019 meeting.

The rate for County Dues remains at $.41 per capita. However, County Dues have been adjusted to reflect 2018 population tables. At this time, we have not budgeted for Clay County dues.

Revenues for planning and emergency preparedness programs are expected to decrease. Salaries/fringe, contract/grant direct expenses, indirect expenses and general fund expenses are expected to decrease.

Discretionary revenue expenses are being funded by proceeds from the building sale. These expenses will be used to assist in the creation of a Regional Evacuation Plan.

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**TOTAL REVENUES** $1,881,942

**TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND** -

**TOTAL REVENUES/GENERAL FUND** $1,881,942

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*Excludes Salaries & Fringe

**TOTAL EXPENSES** $1,881,942
NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL

PROPOSED BUDGET

FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020

Presented June 6, 2019
REVENUES

County Dues
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Baker $11,337
Duval $390,673
Flagler $44,080
Nassau $33,927
Putnam $29,922
St. Johns $97,884

TOTAL FY 19/20: $607,823

Agency Programs
The budget is based on Local Government Technical Assistance ($110,950), Transportation Disadvantaged (TD) $131,560, Economic Development Administration (EDA) $70,000, Hazardous Analysis ($12,865), Local Emergency Preparedness Committee (LEPC) $80,000, Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) $62,164, Healthcare Coalition ($667,080), Disaster Recovery Coordinator ($50,000), Disaster Resiliency Plan ($70,000), Small Quantity Generator (SQG) Program ($5,000), Regional Leadership Academy (RLA) $2,800, Other Planning Programs ($5000).

TOTAL FY 19/20: $1,875,242

Other Revenue
Other revenue is revenue from the Elected Official Reception, interest income and other miscellaneous sources.

TOTAL FY 19/20: $6,700
EXPENDITURES

Salaries/Fringe
This line item consists of all staff salaries, leave and fringe benefits which include the employer’s share of Social Security, Medicare, health/life insurance, Florida Retirement System contributions, worker’s compensation, unemployment compensation and group disability.

TOTAL FY 19/20: $955,074

Contract/Grant Direct Expenses
This line item includes all expenses charged directly to a contract or grant such as consultant/professional services, program office supplies, cellphones, printing, travel, advertising, computer hardware/software, furniture/equipment, training, etc.

TOTAL FY 19/20: $613,874

Indirect – Allocated Expenses
Includes such expenses as telephone service, data and internet lines, office maintenance, copier usage, lease and storage space rental, depreciation, common-use office supplies, postage, printing, periodicals/subscriptions, general liability insurance, audit expense, accounting system maintenance, etc. (Excludes salaries/fringe)

TOTAL FY 19/20: $193,202

General Fund Expenses: Includes all expenses directly related to the Chief Executive Officer (excluding salary/fringe), Council Board expenses, publications, and initiatives, Council membership dues, vehicle fleet maintenance and other expenses that are not allowable charges to existing contracts or grants.

TOTAL FY 19/20: $109,792

Discretionary Revenue Expenses: These expenses are being funded by proceeds from the building sale recognized as revenue in FY 16/17. Since, the expenditures associated with these proceeds are not being spent until FY 19/20, the expenditures will negatively affect our Net Income (Loss) for FY 19/20.

TOTAL FY 19/20: $10,000
Budget Format

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Budget Assumptions Related to Significant Changes from the FY 18/19 Budget

REVENUES

- **The current per capita rate for County Dues is $ .41 per capita.** County Dues have been adjusted for fiscal year 19/20 to reflect 2018 Bureau of Economic Business Research (BEBR) per capita population tables. This will increase County Dues revenues by $12,296. Clay County dues have not been factored into the budget for the fourth consecutive year.
- Funding for Local Government Technical Assistance decreased due to the completion of the Atlantic Beach Land Development Regulations (LDR) update and the Fiscal Impact Model contracts in fiscal year 18/19.
- The Council’s federal Disaster Resiliency funding is anticipated to decrease with the completion of the Disaster Recovery Coordinator grant in December 2019 and the Disaster Resiliency Plan grant in May 2020.
- The Council anticipates receiving level funding for ongoing state and federal contracts such as TD, EDA, LEPC, and HMEP. Level funding for the Healthcare Coalition is anticipated however, there is a degree of uncertainty of funding for the last quarter of the fiscal year because the Council must undergo the State’s request for proposal process to obtain future funding.

EXPENDITURES

- Salaries/Fringe costs are anticipated to decrease with the elimination of one staff position. Also, no merit increases are factored into this year’s budget.
- Contract/Grant Direct Services Expenses decreased as a result of the completion of the Atlantic Beach Land Development Regulations (LDR) update and the Fiscal Impact Model contracts in fiscal year 18/19.
- Indirect Allocated Expenses are expected to decrease due to a decrease in depreciation costs for computer equipment and leasehold improvements.
- General Fund Expenses are anticipated to remain relatively constant.
- Discretionary Revenue Expenses are being funded by proceeds from the building sale. The remaining expenditures will be spent this fiscal year to complete the creation of a Regional Evacuation Plan that was started in fiscal year 18/19.
MEMORANDUM

DATE:       JUNE 4, 2019

TO:         NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THRU:       ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

FROM:       MARGO MOEHRING, POLICY DIRECTOR

RE:         TOWN OF BALDWIN TRANSMITTED AMENDMENT 19-01ER

This proposed text amendment seeks to update and revise the text of the Town of Baldwin’s Comprehensive Plan. These changes are based on last year’s evaluation and appraisal of the Comprehensive Plan. There is no report because NEFRC staff did both the evaluation and appraisal and the proposed text amendment.
MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 29, 2019

TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THRU: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

FROM: MARGO MOEHRING, POLICY DIRECTOR

RE: CITY OF ST. AUGUSTINE TRANSMITTED AMENDMENT 19-1ESR

Attached is Review Form 01. This transmitted amendment proposes to change a Future Land Use Map designation of Marine Industrial to Residential Medium/Mixed Use on approximately 14.68 acres to enable the continuing use and development of the St. Augustine Shipyards.

Recommendation

Staff respectfully recommends that the Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors approve the staff review report of the City of St. Augustine Transmitted Amendment 19-1ESR.
Pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, Council review of proposed amendments to local government comprehensive plans is limited to adverse effects on regional resources and facilities identified in the strategic regional policy plan and extra-jurisdictional impacts that would be inconsistent with the comprehensive plan of any affected local government within the region. A written report containing an evaluation of these impacts, pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, is to be provided to the local government and the state land planning agency within 30 calendar days of receipt of the amendment.

DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT

This transmitted amendment proposes to change a Future Land Use Map designation of Marine Industrial to Residential Medium/Mixed Use on approximately 14.68 acres to enable the continuing use and development of the St. Augustine Shipyards. The City of St. Augustine reviewed capacity and levels of service for sanitary sewer, water supply, solid waste, drainage, traffic circulation, schools and recreation and found there is sufficient capacity in all categories.
1. ADVERSE EFFECTS TO SIGNIFICANT REGIONAL RESOURCES AND FACILITIES IDENTIFIED IN THE STRATEGIC REGIONAL POLICY PLAN

No impacts to regional resources and facilities were identified.

2. EXTRA-JURISDICTIONAL IMPACTS INCONSISTENT WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLANS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITHIN THE REGION

No extra-jurisdictional impacts that would be inconsistent with the Comprehensive Plan of an affected local government were identified.

Request a copy of the adopted version of the amendment?  

Yes ___X___  No ______

Recommendation

Staff respectfully recommends that the Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors approve the staff report of the City of St. Augustine Transmitted Amendment 19-1ESR.
MEMORANDUM

DATE: MAY 29, 2019

TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THRU: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

FROM: MARGO MOEHRING, POLICY DIRECTOR

RE: CITY OF PALM COAST TRANSMITTED AMENDMENT 19-2ESR

Attached is Review Form 01 for a proposed large scale amendment seeking to amend the City of Palm Coast Comprehensive Plan.

This proposed amendment is for approximately 119 acres adjacent to the Grand Landings master planned development, a gated community. The future land use designation would be changed from the Flagler County designation of Residential Low Density/Rural Estate to the Palm Coast designation of Residential.

Recommendation

Staff respectfully recommends that the Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors approve the staff review report of the City of Palm Coast Amendment 19-2ESR.
Pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, Council review of proposed amendments to local government comprehensive plans is limited to adverse effects on regional resources and facilities identified in the strategic regional policy plan and extra-jurisdictional impacts that would be inconsistent with the comprehensive plan of any affected local government within the region. A written report containing an evaluation of these impacts, pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, is to be provided to the local government and the state land planning agency within 30 calendar days of receipt of the amendment.

DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT

This proposed amendment is for approximately 119 acres adjacent to the Grand Landings master planned development, a gated community. The future land use designation would be changed from the Flagler County designation of Residential Low Density/Rural Estate to the Palm Coast designation of Residential.

If the site were to be expanded under the proposed future land use designation, there is the potential to add 282 peak hour trips. This would not impact level of service at this time and will be reviewed at the time of plat/site plan review. There would be the potential to require 84,552 gallons per day in new potable water usage, to add 55,466 gallons per day to sanitary sewer usage, and to add 5,824 lbs. per day of solid waste. The City has enough capacity in all these categories. Additionally, the proposed change could require 5 acres of new parks and add 69 students to the district, both of which can be accommodated within current capacity. Stormwater impacts are addressed at the plat/site plan review stage.
1. ADVERSE EFFECTS TO SIGNIFICANT REGIONAL RESOURCES AND FACILITIES IDENTIFIED IN THE STRATEGIC REGIONAL POLICY PLAN

Flagler Executive Airport is ½ mile north of the subject site. Consideration might be given to noise attenuation measures, noise potential disclosure at the time of sale or other appropriate mechanisms if homes are developed in proximity to the airport, to ensure the ongoing viability of this transportation resource of regional significance. Overall, this amendment does not create any adverse effects to significant resources or facilities.
2. EXTRA-JURISDICTIONAL IMPACTS INCONSISTENT WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLANS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITHIN THE REGION

No extra-jurisdictional impacts that would be inconsistent with the Comprehensive Plan of an affected local government were identified.

Request a copy of the adopted version of the amendment?  

Yes  X  No  ______

Recommendation

Staff respectfully recommends that the Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors approve staff’s review report of the City of Palm Coast Transmitted Amendment 19-2ESR.
MEMORANDUM

DATE: JUNE 6, 2019

TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THRU: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

FROM: MARGO MOEHRING, POLICY DIRECTOR

RE: CITY OF JACKSONVILLE TRANSMITTED AMENDMENT 19-10ESR

Attached is Review Form 01. This proposed text amendment seeks to amend the text of the City of Jacksonville Comprehensive Plan Transportation Element (TE). The proposed revisions and modifications to the TE amend objectives and policies in order to allow the City to implement changes to the Downtown Overlay Zone.

Recommendation

Staff respectfully recommends that the Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors approve the staff review report of the City of Jacksonville Transmitted Amendment 19-10ESR.
Pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, Council review of proposed amendments to local government comprehensive plans is limited to adverse effects on regional resources and facilities identified in the strategic regional policy plan and extra-jurisdictional impacts that would be inconsistent with the comprehensive plan of any affected local government within the region. A written report containing an evaluation of these impacts, pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, is to be provided to the local government and the state land planning agency within 30 calendar days of receipt of the amendment.

DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT

This large scale Land Use Amendment seeks to amend the text of the Comprehensive Plan’s Transportation Element (TE). The proposed revisions and modifications to the TE amend objectives and policies in order to allow the City to simplify and modernize its Downtown Overlay Zone. The Comprehensive Plan previously contained specific language that was also in the overlay zone, but which went beyond what was needed in an aspirational plan like a Comprehensive Plan. Removing the unnecessary detail will allow the City to address locally any issues that arise out of the updated Downtown Overlay Zone.
1. ADVERSE EFFECTS TO SIGNIFICANT REGIONAL RESOURCES AND FACILITIES IDENTIFIED IN THE STRATEGIC REGIONAL POLICY PLAN

**Recommendation**

There are no adverse effects to significant regional resources or facilities identified in the Strategic Regional Policy Plan.

2. EXTRA-JURISDICTIONAL IMPACTS INCONSISTENT WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLANS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITHIN THE REGION

No extra-jurisdictional impacts that would be inconsistent with the Comprehensive Plan of an affected local government were identified.

**Request a copy of the adopted version of the amendment?**

Yes ___X___    No ______

**Recommendation**

Staff respectfully recommends that the Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors approve staff’s review report of the City of Jacksonville Transmitted Amendment 19-10ESR.
MEMORANDUM

DATE: MAY 29, 2019

TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THRU: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

FROM: MARGO MOEHRING, POLICY DIRECTOR

RE: CITY OF PALM COAST ADOPTED AMENDMENT 19-1ESR

Attached is Review Form 01 for an adopted large scale amendment, amending the City of Palm Coast Comprehensive Plan.

The proposed amendment changes 89 +/- acres of the Future Land Use Map from Flagler County FLUM designations of Mixed Use: High Intensity and Mixed Use: Low Intensity to City of Palm Coast designation Mixed Use. The subject property has been annexed from Flagler County and will have a companion zoning map amendment that will recognize the existing entitlements and development standards previously approved for the parcel. The subject property is bi-sected by Colbert Lane and is located 1.3 miles north of State Road 100.

Recommendation

Staff respectfully recommends that the Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors find the City of Palm Coast Adopted Amendment 19-1ESR consistent with the Northeast Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan.
Pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, Council review of proposed amendments to local government comprehensive plans is limited to adverse effects on regional resources and facilities identified in the strategic regional policy plan and extra-jurisdictional impacts that would be inconsistent with the comprehensive plan of any affected local government within the region. A written report containing an evaluation of these impacts, pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, is to be provided to the local government and the state land planning agency within 30 calendar days of receipt of the amendment.

DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT

The adopted amendment seeks to change 89 +/- acres of the Future Land Use Map from Flagler County FLUM designations of Mixed Use: High Intensity and Mixed Use: Low Intensity to City of Palm Coast designation Mixed Use. The subject property is being annexed from Flagler County and will have a companion zoning map amendment that will recognize the existing entitlements and development standards previously approved for the parcel. The subject property is bi-sected by Colbert Lane and is located 1.3 miles north of State Road 100.

The subject site is currently vacant land and is surrounded by a mix of designations including Mixed Use to the north and south, Industrial to the east, and Conservation to the west. The proposed amendment represents a potential net decrease of 156 dwelling units and a decrease of 291,416 sq ft of non-residential uses. This decrease can be attributed to the proposed change to the City Mixed Use designation which limits the development potential, in contrast to the current designation which allows for both maximum density and intensity.
1. ADVERSE EFFECTS TO SIGNIFICANT REGIONAL RESOURCES AND FACILITIES IDENTIFIED IN THE STRATEGIC REGIONAL POLICY PLAN

**Recommendation**

The adopted amendment’s westernmost portion abuts the Graham Swamp Preservation Area, a natural resource of significance. The staff report net impact analysis states that the proposed amendment would result in net decreases for the following:

- **Transportation:** Decrease of 919 peak hour trips
- **Potable Water:** Decrease in demand for potable water of 96,371 gallons/day
- **Wastewater:** Decrease in demand for sanitary sewer treatment of 59,862 gallons/day
- **Solid Waste:** Decrease of 3,226 lbs/day of solid waste
- **Public Recreation:** Decrease in demand of 3.0 acres of park facilities
- **Public Schools:** Decrease in demand of 38 student stations

While the adopted amendment results in a net decrease of impacts, due to the potential effects to the Graham Swamp, NEFRC recommended, when it reviewed transmittal, that strategies to protect the area from the impacts of development be considered. City staff confirms that as a master planned development, the land use regulations will require significant buffering on the western side, adjacent to the preservation area.

2. EXTRA-JURISDICTIONAL IMPACTS INCONSISTENT WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLANS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITHIN THE REGION

No extra-jurisdictional impacts that would be inconsistent with the Comprehensive Plan of an affected local government were identified.

**Request a copy of the adopted version of the amendment?**

Yes [ ] NA [ ] No [ ]

**Recommendation**

Staff respectfully recommends that the Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors find the City of Palm Coast Adopted Amendment 19-1ESR consistent with the Northeast Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan.
MEMORANDUM

DATE: MAY 28, 2019

TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THRU: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

FROM: MARGO MOEHRING, POLICY DIRECTOR

RE: CITY OF PALATKA ADOPTED AMENDMENT 19-1ESR

Attached is Review Form 01 for adopted large scale amendment seeking to amend the City of Palatka Comprehensive Plan.

The amendment changes 11.1 +/- acres of the Future Land Use Map from Residential Medium Density (RM) to Recreation (REC). The subject property is located on the northeast of Comfort Road and Crystal Cove Road.

Recommendation

Staff respectfully recommends that the Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors find City of Palatka Adopted Amendment 19-1ESR consistent with the Northeast Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan.
Pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, Council review of proposed amendments to local government comprehensive plans is limited to adverse effects on regional resources and facilities identified in the strategic regional policy plan and extra-jurisdictional impacts that would be inconsistent with the comprehensive plan of any affected local government within the region. A written report containing an evaluation of these impacts, pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, is to be provided to the local government and the state land planning agency within 30 calendar days of receipt of the amendment.

DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT

The adopted amendment changes 11.1 +/- acres of the Future Land Use Map from Residential Medium Density (RM) to Recreation (REC). The subject property is located on the northeast of Comfort Road and Crystal Cove Road.

The subject site is currently vacant, with a mix of land use designations in the adjacent properties. The proposed changes would allow for recreational use (boat storage) and an RV park on the subject property.
1. **ADVERSE EFFECTS TO SIGNIFICANT REGIONAL RESOURCES AND FACILITIES IDENTIFIED IN THE STRATEGIC REGIONAL POLICY PLAN**

**Recommendation**

No adverse effects to significant regional resources and facilities in the Strategic Regional policy Plan were identified.

2. **EXTRA-JURISDICTIONAL IMPACTS INCONSISTENT WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLANS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITHIN THE REGION**

No extra-jurisdictional impacts that would be inconsistent with the Comprehensive Plan of an affected local government were identified.

**Request a copy of the adopted version of the amendment?**

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**Recommendation**

Staff respectfully recommends that the Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors find the City of Palatka Adopted Amendment 19-1ESR to be consistent with the Northeast Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan.
MEMORANDUM

DATE:   JUNE 6, 2019
TO:      NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS
THRU:   ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
FROM:    MARGO MOEHRING, POLICY DIRECTOR
RE:      CITY OF JACKSONVILLE ADOPTED AMENDMENT 19-02ESR

Attached is Review Form 01 for an adopted large scale map amendment seeking to amend the City of Jacksonville Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map series.

The amendment seeks to change 16.87 +/- acres of the Future Land Use Map from Community/General Commercial (CGC) to Residential-Professional-Institutional (RPI). The subject parcel is located within the City of Jacksonville Urban Development Area boundary and is in the City of Jacksonville Southeast Planning District (i.e. Planning District 3). The lot is located on the south side of Gate Parkway West, between Rolling Ridge Way and Florida Club Drive and north of J. Turner Butler Boulevard (SR 202).

Recommendation

Staff respectfully recommends that the Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors find the City of Jacksonville Adopted Amendment 19-02ESR consistent with the Strategic Regional Policy Plan.
Pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, Council review of proposed amendments to local government comprehensive plans is limited to adverse effects on regional resources and facilities identified in the strategic regional policy plan and extra-jurisdictional impacts that would be inconsistent with the comprehensive plan of any affected local government within the region. A written report containing an evaluation of these impacts, pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, is to be provided to the local government and the state land planning agency within 30 calendar days of receipt of the amendment.

DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT

The amendment seeks to change 16.87 +/- acres of the Future Land Use Map from Community/General Commercial (CGC) and Business Park (BP) to Residential-Professional-Institutional (RPI). The subject parcel is located within the City of Jacksonville Urban Development Area boundary and is in the City of Jacksonville Southeast Planning District (i.e. Planning District 3). The lot is located on the south side of Gate Parkway West, between Rolling Ridge Way and Florida Club Drive and north of J. Turner Butler Boulevard (SR 202).

The subject site is vacant and abuts properties developed with multi-family residential dwellings to the south, and west. The proposed changes would allow for a potential net increase of 253 multi-family dwelling units. When this amendment was reviewed at transmittal, the transportation review was done assuming a change to medium density residential land use as opposed to residential-professional-institutional. As the allowable residential densities are the same in each category, there was no change to the results of the transportation review.
1. ADVERSE EFFECTS TO SIGNIFICANT REGIONAL RESOURCES AND FACILITIES IDENTIFIED IN THE STRATEGIC REGIONAL POLICY PLAN

The staff report states that the amendment has the potential to result in no increase of net new daily external trips, and no impacts to resources of regional significance have been identified.

2. EXTRA-JURISDICTIONAL IMPACTS INCONSISTENT WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLANS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITHIN THE REGION

No extra-jurisdictional impacts that would be inconsistent with the Comprehensive Plan of an affected local government were identified.

Request a copy of the adopted version of the amendment?

| Yes | N/A | No | ☐ |

Recommendation

Staff respectfully recommends that the Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors find the City of Jacksonville Adopted Amendment 19-02ESR consistent with the Strategic Regional Policy Plan.
MEMORANDUM

DATE: JUNE 6, 2019

TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

THRU: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

FROM: MARGO MOEHRING, POLICY DIRECTOR

RE: ST. JOHNS COUNTY ADOPTED AMENDMENT 19-03ESR

Attached is Review Form 01 for a large scale map amendment for the St. Johns County Future Land Use Map series.

This large scale amendment changed text in the County’s Comprehensive Plan. The subject parcel is 582 +/- acres, designated Residential-B. The amendment to the policy in the Land Use Element of the St. Johns Comprehensive Plan would increase the maximum number of dwelling units in the Bartram Park Development from 616, adding thirty (30) residential dwelling units for a maximum of 646.

Recommendation

Staff respectfully recommends that the Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors find the St. Johns County Adopted Amendment 19-03ESR consistent with the Strategic Regional Policy Plan.
Pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, Council review of proposed amendments to local government comprehensive plans is limited to adverse effects on regional resources and facilities identified in the strategic regional policy plan and extra-jurisdictional impacts that would be inconsistent with the comprehensive plan of any affected local government within the region. A written report containing an evaluation of these impacts, pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, is to be provided to the local government and the state land planning agency within 30 calendar days of receipt of the amendment.

DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT

This large scale amendment changes text in the County’s Comprehensive Plan. The subject parcel is 582 +/- acres, designated Residential-B. The amendment to the text policy in the Land Use Element of the St. Johns Comprehensive Plan would increase the maximum number of dwelling units from 616, adding thirty (30) residential dwelling units for a maximum of 646. The surrounding area is developed with similar residential densities. The subject property is located on the north side of Race Track Road and is part of the Bartram Park Development of Regional Impact.
1. ADVERSE EFFECTS TO SIGNIFICANT REGIONAL RESOURCES AND FACILITIES IDENTIFIED IN THE STRATEGIC REGIONAL POLICY PLAN

No adverse effects to significant regional resources and facilities identified in the Strategic Regional Policy Plan were identified.

2. EXTRA-JURISDICTIONAL IMPACTS INCONSISTENT WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLANS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITHIN THE REGION

No extra-jurisdictional impacts that would be inconsistent with the Comprehensive Plan of an affected local government were identified.

Request a copy of the adopted version of the amendment?  

Yes ☐  No N/A

Recommendation

Staff respectfully recommends that the Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors find St. Johns County Adopted Amendment 19-03ESR consistent with the Strategic Regional Policy Plan.
MEMORANDUM

DATE: JUNE 6, 2019

TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD PRESIDENT

THRU: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

FROM: MARGO MOEHRING, POLICY DIRECTOR

RE: ST. JOHNS COUNTY ADOPTED AMENDMENT 18-7ESR

Attached is Review Form 01 for an adopted large scale map amendment to the St. Johns County Comprehensive Plan.

This large scale amendment seeks to change the Future Land Use Map from Rural/Silviculture, for four separate tracts of land for a total of 473 +/- acres. The subject property will be included in the SilverLeaf DRI, which allows up to 10,700 dwelling units and 1.7 million square feet on non-residential uses. The parcels are located south of Greenbriar Road and north of State Road 13 N.

Recommendation

Staff respectfully recommends that the Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors find the St. Johns County Adopted Amendment 18-7ESR consistent with the Strategic Regional Policy Plan.
Pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, Council review of proposed amendments to local government comprehensive plans is limited to adverse effects on regional resources and facilities identified in the strategic regional policy plan and extra-jurisdictional impacts that would be inconsistent with the comprehensive plan of any affected local government within the region. A written report containing an evaluation of these impacts, pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, is to be provided to the local government and the state land planning agency within 30 calendar days of receipt of the amendment.

DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT

This large scale amendment seeks to change the Future Land Use Map from Rural/Silviculture to Residential-B, Community Commercial (CC), and Residential-C, for four separate tracts of land for a total of 473 +/- acres. The subject area is made up of four parcels located south of Greenbriar Road and north of State Road 13 N. The amendment includes the following:

- Parcel 1 (Grande Creek) is currently designated Rural/Silviculture (R/S) and proposed for Residential-B and Community Commercial (CC).
- Parcel 2 (Trout Creek North) is currently designated R/S and proposed for Residential-C.
- Parcel 3 (St. Thomas East) is currently designated R/S and proposed for Residential-C.
- Parcel 4 (DRI Parcel 5) is currently designated R/S and proposed for Residential-C.

The R/S designation allows up to one unit per 100 acres. The Residential-B designation allows up to two units per acre. Residential-C allows up to six units per acre; Community Commercial (CC) allows community commercial uses up to 12,000 square feet per acre and 70 percent impervious surface area. Entitlements from the SilverLeaf DRI are being used for the subject properties, and as such, there is no new residential density or non-residential intensity being created with this adopted amendment. The Development Order associated with the DRI will be modified to remove the development potential being transferred to sites outside the DRI.
1. ADVERSE EFFECTS TO SIGNIFICANT REGIONAL RESOURCES AND FACILITIES IDENTIFIED IN THE STRATEGIC REGIONAL POLICY PLAN

**Recommendation**

When this land use amendment was transmitted, it was noted that the development of the parcels slated for change had the potential to impact Trout Creek, a resource of regional significance, and that endangered gopher tortoises have been identified on part of the site. The County noted the land development regulation requiring a 25 foot buffer around Trout Creek and associated wetlands. They noted the some of the creek and wetlands will be incorporated into a Trout Creek Greenway. They also confirmed that a gopher tortoise survey will be performed and that mitigation through the FFWCC process will be required. It was also noted that this amendment includes the transfer of entitlements from the SilverLeaf DRI to four parcels located outside of the
DRI. While three out of the four parcels are adjacent to the DRI boundaries, a fourth (i.e. Parcel 1) is over two miles west of the DRI. Due to the nature of this proposed amendment, and the rapid growth of the region, NEFRC recommended at the transmittal review that the County adopt a policy to address aggregation of development and determine a policy standard. It was recommended that the repealed Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.) 73C-40.0275 Aggregation Rule be used as a guide. Our understanding is that the County Commission discussed this possibility but decided to address these issues on a case by case basis.

With this additional information, no impacts to resources of regional significance are identified.

2. EXTRA-JURISDICTIONAL IMPACTS INCONSISTENT WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLANS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITHIN THE REGION

No extra-jurisdictional impacts that would be inconsistent with the Comprehensive Plan of an affected local government were identified.

Request a copy of the adopted version of the amendment?  

| Yes ☐ | No ☐ |

Recommendation

Staff respectfully recommends that the Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors find the St. John County Adopted Comprehensive Plan Amendment 18-7ESR consistent with the Strategic Regional Policy Plan.
Resolution
Northeast Florida Regional Council

2019-04
Honoring
The Honorable James Johns

WHEREAS, Commissioner James Johns was appointed by Governor Rick Scott in January of 2016 to serve as a Gubernatorial representative on the Northeast Florida Regional Council; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Johns served as Vice Chair of the Personnel, Budget & Finance Policy Committee, and the Awards Selection Committee; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Johns 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 will be missed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the policy body of the Northeast Florida Regional Council hereby commends Commissioner Johns 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 meeting assembled in the City of Jacksonville, on the sixth day of June 2019.

______________________________
Catherine Robinson
President

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Elizabeth Payne
CEO
MEMORANDUM

DATE: JUNE 6, 2019

TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THRU: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

FROM: MARGO MOEHRING, POLICY DIRECTOR

RE: COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (CEDS)

Please find the 2019-2024 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) at https://www.nefrc.org/ceds/. The plan is a requirement for our Region to be eligible for federal grant programs through the Federal Economic Development Administration. The plan features Elevate Northeast Florida. It was approved by the CEDS Committee at their meeting on March 13, 2019. No public comments were received during the 30 day public comment period that ended on May 17, 2019. Your action is requested to send the plan to the Economic Development Administration.

Proposed Motion

The Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors approves the 2019-2024 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for Northeast Florida and asks that it be provided to the Economic Development Administration.
Resolution

Northeast Florida Regional Council

2019-05

Granting

Signatory Authority for Filing of a Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund Grant Application

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Northeast Florida Regional Council, hereinafter referred to as the BOARD, hereby authorizes the filing of a Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund Grant Application with the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged; and

WHEREAS, the BOARD has the authority to file a Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund Grant Application and to undertake a Transportation Disadvantaged service project as authorized by Section 427.0159, Florida Statutes, and Rule 41-2, Florida Administrative Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD THAT:

1. The BOARD has the authority to file this grant application.
2. The BOARD authorizes Elizabeth Payne to file and execute the application on behalf of the Northeast Florida Regional Council with the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged.
3. The BOARD authorizes Elizabeth Payne to sign any and all agreements or contracts that is required in connection with the application.
4. The BOARD authorizes Elizabeth Payne to sign any and all assurances, reimbursement invoices, warranties, certifications, and any other documents that may be required in connection with the applications or subsequent agreements.
5. The authorizations indicated above remains in effect during the entirety of Elizabeth Payne’s term as the Chief Executive Officer for the Northeast Florida Regional Council.

Unanimously adopted by the Northeast Florida Regional Council in a regular meeting assembled in the City of Jacksonville, the sixth day of June, 2019.

__________________________
Catherine Robinson
President

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Elizabeth Payne
CEO
MEMORANDUM

DATE:       JUNE 6, 2019

TO:         NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THRU:       ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

FROM:       MARGO MOEHRING, POLICY DIRECTOR

RE:         2019 STRATEGIC REGIONAL POLICY PLAN ASSESSMENT

Attached is the 2019 Assessment of the Strategic Regional Policy Plan. This is the first step in the update of the plan. The Assessment will be provided to the State of Florida, several reviewing agencies and other Regional Planning Councils.

Proposed Motion

Staff respectfully recommends that the Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors approve the 2019 Assessment of the Northeast Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan, so that plan update may begin.
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*June 6, 2019*
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NEFRC MISSION
The NEFRC mission is to be a dynamic network of local governance, providing visionary leadership, advocacy, and coordination between counties and local, state, and federal governmental agencies to preserve and enhance the quality of Northeast Florida’s economic, natural, built, and social environment by:

- Actively serving as a convener of regional issues.
- Fostering public awareness of diverse regional issues.
- Identifying trends, issues and opportunities for the Region.
- Building consensus for Regional solutions through coordination and cooperation.
- Providing a regionally focused forum for comprehensive and functional planning.
- Furnishing technical and administrative assistance, including grant writing assistance, to local governments and other stakeholders.
- Maintaining expertise among staff and pursuing technologies that support the successful implementation of the mission.

Each mission statement above is preceded by an icon that will help identify consistency with the mission as NEFRC implementation strategies are considered.
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF THE SRPP

The Strategic Regional Policy Plan (SRPP) should serve as a guidebook on coordinated steps to achieve the goals for Northeast Florida 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 Plan 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 Plan contains policy guidelines only where statute requires them. In other cases, it recommends approaches and supports communities in the strategies they choose to achieve regional goals. It identifies regional goals and the intent of NEFRC to regularly track the progress of the Region in achieving them. It is a tool for communities, Local Government managers and staff, and legislators, but not a mandate. NEFRC focused efforts on creating a Plan for the entire Region. We recommend that it be widely read. We will make our best efforts to ensure that it is understood and to assist communities with its utilization.

2019 ASSESSMENT OF THE SRPP

The Strategic Regional Policy Plan (SRPP) can now be assessed to determine the degree to which it has been successful in guiding Northeast Florida towards achieving the goals included in First Coast Vision for the last five years, and it can be reviewed to determine if it still functions as a reference guide and data source on most facets of life in the Region and its counties. A brief assessment has been added to the strategic subject areas that are in turn related to the Six Pillars priorities of the State of Florida and the mission of NEFRC. The assessment notes where Council approaches are consistent with the 2014 goals, and where they have evolved. As the mission statement of NEFRC has changed, the new Strategic Directions and Goals Summary will be updated to reflect the new mission. The Council will be exploring the possibility of adding an Agriculture Element to the SRPP.
The Strategic Regional Policy Plan is structured as the statute requires, into strategic regional subject areas. In the case of Northeast Florida, there are eight: Demographics and Equity, Communities and Affordable Housing, Economic Development, Emergency Preparedness and Resiliency, Energy, Health, Natural Resources of Regional Significance, and Regional Transportation. All goals and policies in this plan are aligned with the mission of the Northeast Florida Regional Council, and with the Six Pillars of Florida’s Future Economy (see above). This ensures that the regional plan furthers the State’s priorities, and that regional goals are supported by the priorities and abilities of NEFRC.

Each goal is followed by a Pillar Alignment statement, and the initial Implementation Strategy of the NEFRC and its partners. These strategies will be expected to expand and change over the life of the plan. The following are the high-level regional goals that guide the policies and measures found in each of the strategic regional subject area chapters of the SRPP.

** DEMOGRAPHICS AND EQUITY **

**Goal:** Progress toward achieving our goals should have a positive impact on the ability of all Counties in the Region to prosper and all of the residents in the Region to achieve their
personal goals. We will look for residents of modest means to spend less of their incomes on housing and transportation, and for mobility for all to access jobs and those things that impact quality of life.

**Pillar Alignment:** All Six

**NEFRC Implementation Strategy:** NEFRC will expand its role as a data clearinghouse, both by annual release of measures that track the progress of the many policies in this plan, by gathering and disseminating information helpful to communities in the Region, and by maintaining such information when it proves to be helpful to communities in the Region. NEFRC will not duplicate, but will refine or fill in gaps if they exist in the data reported by our partners such as Northeast Florida Counts, Jacksonville Civic Council, Inc., and the Florida Scorecard where necessary to measure the success of plan goals and the Region.

**2019 Assessment:** Of the data-sharing mechanisms in place in 2014 in Northeast Florida, only the Florida Scorecard remains. The Florida Regional Councils Association has updated its reporting to make it more relevant. NEFRC found that many of the metrics included in the 2014 SRPP did not change frequently enough to report annually, making it difficult to report trends. What has proven more helpful is coordination among regional councils to report the same metrics related to economic development, and to report the data points that are most meaningful to each region based on the issues it faces.

**COMMUNITIES AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

**Goal:** Each local government is encouraged to take the lessons learned from visioning, the public preference for multiple growth centers, the corridor map from the Regional Transportation Study Commission, the opportunities and challenges raised by resources of regional significance and the desires of their residents and determine where new growth should go, ideally in locations allowing it to take advantage of existing infrastructure, be mixed use, compact and connected to other centers. These mixed use growth and redevelopment centers are supported in all seven Counties and have the potential to increase transit ridership, reduce car dependency, maintain water and air quality and conserve water. Once these locations are chosen, governments should do all they can to support quality development there that will appreciate in value and achieve multiple community and economic goals.

**Goal:** A safe, sanitary, efficient and resilient housing supply that provides lifestyle choice (agricultural, rural, suburban, and urban) and affordable options for all income, age and
ability groups, equitably placed in vibrant, viable and accessible communities throughout the region.

**Pillar Alignment:** Quality of Life and Quality Places, Business Climate and Competitiveness

**NEFRC Implementation Strategy:** NEFRC will provide support to communities if they wish to assist with the consideration of where to encourage growth, based on what we have learned with them through visioning efforts. In consultation with local governments and communities, NEFRC will seek funding through brownfields assessment grants to determine the issues and opportunities presented by sites that may be perceived as having the potential for contamination if they are in areas considered potentially desirable for redevelopment. Once local governments and communities have determined where they support growth centers, NEFRC will convene its regional, state, and other partners, and advocate to support and connect growth in the chosen locations, so that regional systems support growth centers.

**2019 Assessment:** While some communities in Northeast Florida have brownfields programs, NEFRC does not yet have one. Communities, such as Nassau County, have embraced the idea of planning for growth centers. Their success will hopefully add to the best practice local examples that will help other communities to know that growth visions can be realized. Regional collaborations such as the Regional Transit Working Group and Smart region efforts demonstrate that we can come together as a region to create regional systems that support growth centers. The NEFRC Affordable Housing Committee has created an Affordable Housing Needs Plan and is working with partners such as the Urban Land Institute and the Northeast Florida Builders Association on determining where the region can add value to affordable housing efforts. Focus on this subject is strong.

**Economic Development**

**Goal:** View all policy through the lens of the Six Pillars of Florida’s Future Economy. Each of the policies in this plan and all of the actions of the NEFRC will be reviewed based on their relevance to our future, and this includes a broad definition of the assets that drive our regional economy. We will not create a new plan for economic development, but will join the region in support of the goals and policies identified by Innovate Northeast Florida and the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy.

**Goal:** Northeast Florida’s economic development strategies, consistent with Federal guidelines, are set with partners and new policy is not set by NEFRC. NEFRC’s goal is to ensure that the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy is a five-year strategy that reflects economic development planning on a regional and county level, and that the region is always positioned to collaborate to maximize funding opportunities.
Pillar Alignment: All Six

NEFRC Implementation Strategy: The Plan itself is an economic development tool. Economic Development is first and foremost an individual county initiative in which each county develops and implements its own plan. In support of this planning, the regional plan includes basic data on the Region, as well as regional trends in population growth, competitiveness, employment, work force education levels, and agriculture. It includes tools such as shift/share analysis and location quotient analysis for the Region. NEFRC may add and maintain additional information useful to local governments through its data clearinghouse function. During the life of the plan, NEFRC will reconvene leaders in the Region to update the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy and bring it into alignment with the Six Pillars.

2019 Assessment: NEFRC has recently updated its Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy and it contains data related to the six pillars. The Economic Development Element of the Plan will be updated to reflect the 2019-2024 CEDS.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESILIENCY

Goal: A resilient and safe region that is prepared for a coordinated and effective response to all hazards in emergencies and is prepared to adapt to change to remain resilient and safe in the long term.

Pillar Alignment: Innovation and Economic Development

NEFRC Implementation Strategy: Businesses will not locate or expand in a Region that is not planning for the long term. Consistent with its mission to convene on regional issues and to assist local governments in addressing them, NEFRC has commissioned a work program on the vulnerability of Northeast Florida to Sea Level Rise with its policy work group, the Regional Community Institute of Northeast Florida, Inc. That group will work with local governments and make recommendations on regional policies and initiatives when it reports back to NEFRC in September, 2013. NEFRC will continue and expand its work with partners on hazard mitigation, emergency evacuation, post disaster redevelopment, regional domestic security, and hazardous materials emergency preparedness to strengthen the resiliency of the Region.

2019 Assessment: NEFRC has made steady progress using the mechanism of the Public/Private Regional Resiliency Committee, a business-focused Committee of the Council that provides leadership on action items related to adaptation. Upcoming highlights include additional work on deciding how best to build and retrofit resiliently in Northeast Florida, and the launch of a regional exposure analysis. The analysis and a public survey to assess
what residents and businesses know about our vulnerabilities and what approaches they recommend to address them, will form the basis of community conversations on what to do in each community. The Council continues to staff effective programs on preparedness within Region and has maintained a strong training and exercise program. A Regional Evacuation Strategy document is under development and the Council's Resiliency Coordinator is focusing on efforts in mitigation and resiliency.

**ENERGY**

**Goal:** A region that is flexible, innovative and takes full advantage of the diversity of potential energy sources, especially local sources. We will not wait for federal or state guidance or mandates to act if action can benefit the region. We acknowledge that, as a region vulnerable to natural disasters, resiliency and redundancy in energy, both in motor fuel and power, can set us apart from regions that choose not to address these issues that can be of large impact to business and residents.

**Pillar Alignment:** Infrastructure and Growth Leadership

**NEFRC Implementation Strategy:** NEFRC will build on the work currently underway by the Regional Councils toward enhanced energy resiliency. The Council will convene a broad group of stakeholders to develop implementation strategies to reduce per capita energy consumption and diversify energy sources while maintaining quality of life.

**2019 Assessment:** A Clean Cities Coalition of partners hosted by the North Florida Transportation Planning Organization, local deep water ports, producers of alternative energy sources for vehicles and vessels, and the military have shown leadership in energy innovation in Northeast Florida.

**HEALTH**

**Goal:** The Region supports local and regional efforts to ensure that the region's residents have access to a healthy lifestyle and good health care. NEFRC supports our partners in seeking improvement in health outcomes throughout the region.

**Pillar Alignment:** Civic and Governance Systems, Quality of Life and Quality Places

**NEFRC Implementation Strategy:** NEFRC will enhance its strategic alliance with the Health Planning Council of Northeast Florida, Inc (HPC) by the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding. NEFRC will leverage initiatives with the HPC particularly in the built environment and health interface, data development and maintenance and public outreach and education.
2019 Assessment: NEFRC has a Memorandum of Understanding with both health planning councils in Northeast Florida.
**Natural Resources of Regional Significance**

**Goal:** Northeast Florida recognizes that some resources have the potential to impact more than one jurisdiction, and their viability is of concern to the Region. NEFRC promotes the protection of these resources, as contained on the Natural Resources of Regional Significance list.

**Goal:** The Regional Green Infrastructure is an interconnected system of natural and built infrastructure, undeveloped lands and incorporates natural resource areas, recreational lands, and working lands. The Region recognizes the value of the Regional Green Infrastructure and measures it, and consistent with the spirit of green infrastructure, incorporates commercially viable forest land, cropland, natural resources and recreational facilities into this category, which is an important part of the fabric and future of Northeast Florida.

**Pillar Alignment:** Quality of Life and Quality Places

**NEFRC Implementation Strategy:** NEFRC will expand its data sets to track Regional Green Infrastructure as it is defined in Northeast Florida. After setting a baseline with the SRPP, NEFRC will track the overall acreage of agriculture, aquifer recharge areas, floodplains, recreational lands, silviculture and wetlands. While many of these lands are privately owned and their use is up to landowners, local jurisdictions and regulatory agencies, overall they comprise systems that provide environmental benefits, and they may offset the need to invest in public built infrastructure. Tracking this data will give the Region a clear picture of the trends impacting green infrastructure and the choices it has as to ways to ensure healthy and plentiful natural resources. NEFRC will also track built green infrastructure, both on private lands and in municipal projects, as a way to identify demonstration projects, gather lessons learned and share best practices for communities in the Region. NEFRC will convene its partners as necessary to consider the long-term viability of natural resources of regional significance, and assist them to meet their goals while ensuring the quality of life for residents and future residents of Northeast Florida.

**2019 Assessment:** NEFRC will update the mapping of Regional Green Infrastructure as part of the Plan update. It will continue to evaluate the potential for impacts on natural resources of regional significance as it reviews comprehensive plan amendments, and will continue to partner in support of green infrastructure, especially as such projects also support resiliency.
REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION

**Goal:** Create efficient connectivity within the Region, and with state, national, and global economies. Include centers of population and jobs that are well-connected, limit commute times for most residents and provide opportunities for all residents of the region to work if they choose. Northeast Florida makes development of regional employment centers and infrastructure a first priority, politically and fiscally.

**Goal:** In order to promote a diversified and vibrant regional economy, the Region supports an efficient multi-modal transportation framework to move people and goods, and NEFRC and its partners support over time the infrastructure investments needed to make it work. The framework maintains an environment that includes mobility options to move goods and people to support business and industry.

**Pillar Alignment:** Innovation and Economic Development

**NEFRC Implementation Strategy:** NEFRC will work with the newly created Regional Transportation Authority to further the development of new sources of mobility funding necessary to support a regional multi-modal transportation framework.

**2019 Assessment:** NEFRC now works with the Regional Transit Working Group, as the Regional Transportation Commission has ended its work. Discussions are underway regarding a regional fare collection system, resource sharing and coordination of transit services.
2014 References Outside The SRPP

i  For more about First Coast Vision, visit http://www.firstcoastvision.com.

ii The statutory requirements for Strategic Regional Policy Plans are found at 27E-5.001 F.A.C.

iii For more about the Northeast Florida Regional Council, visit http://www.nefrc.org.


v Northeast Florida Counts is a data source provided by mostly health sector partners on the state of six of the seven counties in Northeast Florida. It is accessed at http://www.nefloridacounts.org.

vi The Jacksonville Civic Council, Inc. provides interactive data and maps at their site at http://www.jcci.org.

vii The Florida Chamber of Commerce provides a scorecard of data organized around the “Six Pillars”. See iv above. Find the Scorecard at http://www.thefloridascorecard.com.


ix The Innovate Northeast Florida report and strategies may be found at http://www.innovatenortheastflorida.com.

x The Federal requirements for Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies and Economic Development Districts may be found in Chapter III of the Economic Development Administration, Department of Commerce regulations 13 CFR, Part 303 and 304.


xii Details of NEFRC work on regional emergency preparedness are available at http://www.nefrc.org.


xiv More information on this partner organization may be found at http://www.hpcnef.org.

xv The Regional Transportation Authority is a recommendation of the Regional Transportation Study Commission report. See viii above.
HOW WILL WE ACHIEVE OUR GOALS AND HOW WILL WE RECOGNIZE SUCCESS?

Policies, metrics, trends and conditions, and significant resources and facilities for the region and in each of the subject areas above are summarized in the strategic regional subject area chapters of the SRPP, along with an outline of how the Regional Council coordinates its activities, and a glossary of terms. Terms defined in the glossary are indicated by italics.
MEMORANDUM

DATE: JUNE 4, 2019
TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FROM: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
RE: SINKING CITIES

On Tuesday, June 4th, WJCT hosted an event called Sinking Cities: A Community Discussion. This discussion centered around the effects of sea level rise in Northeast Florida and what communities are doing to adapt. The panel included:

- Ellen Glasser, Mayor, Atlantic Beach
- Erik Olsen, Coastal Engineer & Member, Adaptation Action Area Working Group on Flooding
- Elizabeth Payne, CEO NEFRC
- Lisa Rinaman, Riverkeeper, St. Johns Riverkeeper
- John Upton, Journalism Partnerships Editor, Climate Central

It provided the Council an opportunity to discuss their Economic Development Administration (EDA) funding that is being used to create a Regional Exposure Analysis and a community survey designed to ask questions on the public’s perceived vulnerability and potential community-based solutions. Both the analysis and survey are designed to foster community conversations about sea level rise, with the Council offering to assist in these efforts as needed.
Does Your Community Want to Talk About Sea Level Rise?

- NEFRC, assisted by local partners and Taylor Engineering, used the Coastal Resilience Assessment as a baseline and created a regional exposure analysis for Northeast Florida. This data, when considered with the critical facilities, development patterns, special features and vulnerabilities of each community, will allow communities to consider what approaches will work to make them more resilient to storms, natural disasters and sea level rise.

Communities that are interested may ask NEFRC to facilitate a community conversation to review the exposure analysis and discuss strategies that might be used to address local vulnerabilities. Communities can use this as a first step in developing a plan for the actions that will work to make their community more resilient.

The Regional Exposure Analysis will be available on June 10th at the website below:

http://www.buildcommunityresilience.com/NortheastFlorida

Interested?
Contact Margo Moehring at mmoehring@nefrc.org
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MEMORANDUM

DATE: JUNE 3, 2019

TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

FROM: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

RE: LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Attached is a copy of the American Planning Association, Florida Chapter’s 2019 Legislative Session Summary for your information. A brief overview will be provided.

Please let me know if you have any questions.
May 9, 2019

The 2019 Florida Legislative Session ended on May 4 at 2:30 pm. A total of 3,491 bills were filed including 8 concurrent resolutions, 83 single chamber resolutions, 1,675 general bills, 54 local bills, 28 joint resolutions, 13 memorials and 1,630 appropriation projects. Of those, only 197 bills passed both chambers.

A Bill Tracking Report dated May 8 can be viewed here, which will give you the status of all the bills that APA Florida was tracking for members. You can also view the status of enrolled bills (bills that have passed both chambers) as of May 8 here.

Enrolled bills are sent to Gov. DeSantis for his action. While the legislature is in session, the constitution allows a seven-day period following presentation of a bill to the governor in which to sign or veto. If the legislature adjourns sine die before an act is presented to the governor or while an act is in his possession, the governor has 15 days from the date of presentation in which to act. To follow the governor’s actions on bills, go to www.flgov.com and scroll down to click on “2019 Bill Actions.”

Of interest are also those bills that did not pass including the following:

- Prohibit fracking or advanced well stimulation treatment (SB 7064, SB 146, HB 239, SB 314, HB 7029)
- Require comprehensive plan to include property rights element (HB 291 and SB 428)
- Change existing law regarding vacation rentals (HB 987, SB 812, SB 1196, HB 1129, SB 814)
- Amend the Bert Harris Act to presume, when a settlement is reached, similarly situated residential properties are entitled to the same settlement (HB 1383 and SB 1720)
- Repeal provisions relating to a governmental entity’s establishment of recreational customary use on a portion of a beach above the mean high-water line on private property (SB 54)
• Requiring a **sea level impact projection study** for certain projects before commencing construction (SB 78 and HB 169)
• Exempt certain **housing trust funds** from provisions allowing transfer to the General Revenue Fund or Budget Stabilization Fund (SB 70 and HB 1103)
• Require local governments to adopt and enforce certain requirements regarding **fertilizers**, including adoption of the Model Ordinance for Florida-Friendly Fertilizer Use on Urban Landscapes (HB 157 and SB 1716)
• Create an **onsite sewage treatment and disposal system database** and inspection program, and require notice of such systems in property sales (HB 85 and SB 214)
• Amend **public meeting** notice requirements and public comment provisions (HB 265 and SB 518)
• Revive and amend the Florida Enterprise Zone Act as the **Florida Opportunity Zone Act** (HB 481 and SB 1408)
• Require the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability (OPPAGA) to conduct a study regarding the **relocation of the capital** to Orlando (SB 492)
• Require each school district to **locate all drinking sources in certain schools** and install filters (SB 66 and HB 545)
• Create the **Small Business Road Construction Mitigation Grant Program** (SB 112 and HB 61)
• Authorize district school board to **levy up to 2.0 mills** for specified purposes by supermajority vote of school board (HB 215)
• Create a state **workforce housing** tax credit program (HB 413 and SB 250)
• Create certain regulations and standards in the Florida Building Code for **tiny houses** (HB 801 and SB 1268)
• Require a specified annual appropriation to the **Florida Forever Trust Fund** (SB 944 and HB 1341)
• Preempt the **licensing of occupations** to the state (SB 3 and SB 1748)
• Allow for internet website publication of **legal notices** (HB 1235 and SB 1676)

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*The following paragraphs summarize the major bills passed by the Legislature that APA Florida tracked. Bill language and legislative staff analyses were used. You are strongly encouraged to read the actual bill language. Also, please look at the bill tracking report to see if there are other bills of particular interest to you that are not discussed below.*

**Attorney Fees and Costs:** HB 829 ER creates s.57.112 F.S., which would provide that if a civil action is filed against a local government to challenge the adoption or enforcement of a local ordinance on the grounds that it is expressly preempted by the state, the court shall assess and award reasonable attorney fees and costs and damages to the prevailing party. However, attorney fees and costs may not be awarded if:

• the governing body of a local government entity receives written notice that an ordinance that has been publicly noticed or adopted is expressly preempted; and
• the governing body of the local governmental entity withdraws the proposed ordinance within 30 days or, in the case of an adopted ordinance, the governing body of a local government notices an intent to repeal the ordinance within 30 days of receipt of the notice and repeals the ordinance within 30 days thereafter.
The bill states that provisions in this section are supplemental to all other sanctions or remedies available under law or court rule. Additionally, the bill indicates that this section does not apply to local ordinances adopted pursuant to Part II of Chapter 163, s.553.73 or s.633.202, related to growth management. (S.553.79(20) prohibits local governments from having ordinances or requirements that conflicts or impairs trademarks, logos etc., or prevents gas station signs from being clearly visible.) The bill states the section only applies to cases commenced on or after July 1, 2019.

Additionally, the bill states that a municipality or county may continue to enforce or extend an ordinance, regulation, resolution, rule, moratorium, or policy adopted before Feb. 1, 2019, relating to the land application of Class B biosolids until the ordinance, regulation, resolution, rule, moratorium, or policy is repealed by the municipality or county or until the effective date of the rules adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection, whichever occurs first.

The effective date identified in the bill is July 1, 2019.

**Autonomous Vehicles:** [HB 311 ER](#) revises various provisions related to autonomous vehicles. As part of these changes, the bill prohibits a local government from imposing any tax, fee, for-hire vehicle requirement, or other requirement on automated driving systems, autonomous vehicles, or on a person who operates an autonomous vehicle, including but not limited to, a person who operates an autonomous vehicle for purposes of providing passenger transportation services. This, however, does not prohibit an airport or a seaport from charging reasonable fees consistent with any fees charged to companies that provide similar services at that airport or seaport for their use of the airport’s or seaport’s facilities, nor does it prohibit the airport or seaport from designating locations for staging, pickup, or other similar operations at the airport or seaport.

The effective date as identified in the bill is July 1, 2019.

**Ballot Measures:** [HB 5 ER](#) requires a referendum to adopt or amend a discretionary sales surtax be held at a general election. Upon adoption of an ordinance or resolution by a county or school district to hold a discretionary sales surtax referendum, the bill requires the county or school district holding a referendum to provide a copy of the final ordinance or resolution at least 180 days before the referendum is held to the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability (OPPAGA). Within 60 days of receiving the final resolution or ordinance, OPPAGA will procure the certified public accountant for the performance audit. The bill declares void any discretionary sales surtax referendum if the county or school district fails to provide the copy to OPPAGA or fails to publish the results of the performance audit on its official website.

With respect to charter county and regional transportation system surtaxes, if the proposal to adopt the surtax is by initiative, the bill requires the petition sponsor, at least 180 days before the proposed referendum, to:

- provide a copy of the final resolution or ordinance to the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability. The Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability shall procure a certified public accountant for the performance audit; and
- file the initiative petition and its required valid signatures with the supervisor of elections. The supervisor of elections shall verify signatures and retain signature forms in the same manner as required for initiatives under s. 106 100.371(11)

The failure of an initiative sponsor to comply with these requirements renders any referendum held void.

The effective date of these provisions identified in the bill is upon becoming law.

The bill also amends s.97.021 and s.100.371, dealing with procedures for placing constitutional amendments proposed by initiatives on the ballot, to:
• define a petition circulator as an entity or individual who collects signatures for compensation to the purpose of qualifying a proposed constitutional amendment for ballot placement;
• provide that a person may not collect signatures or initiative petitions for compensation unless the person is registered as a petition circulator with the Secretary of State;
• require that an application for registration must be submitted in the format required by the Secretary of State and must include specific information;
• require that all petitions collected by a petition circulator must contain, in a format required by the Secretary of State, a completed Petition Circulator’s Affidavit which includes specified information;
• require the Division of Elections to maintain a database of all registered petition circulators and the petition forms assigned to each, and update this information daily and make it available to the public;
• provide that a sponsor that collects petition forms or uses a petition circulator to collect petition forms serves as a fiduciary to the elector signing the petition form, ensuring that any petition form entrusted to the petition circulator shall be promptly delivered to the supervisor of elections within 30 days after the elector signs the form; the sponsor is liable for fines for failure to promptly deliver the petition forms;
• provide for violations to be referred to the Attorney General who may institute a civil action;
• require the Division of Elections to adopted rules to ensure the integrity of the petition form gathering process;
• require the Financial Impact Estimating Conference to include the estimated impact on the state and local economy, and overall impact to the state budget, as part of its analysis and financial statement;
• require that if the financial impact statement estimates increased costs, decreased revenues, a negative impact on the state or local economy, or an indeterminate impact for any of these areas, the ballot must include a statement indicating such estimated effect in bold font;
• provide that a person who compensates a petition circulator as defined in s.97.021 based on the number of petition forms gathered commits a misdemeanor of the first degree;
• provide that a person who violates s.100.371(3), requiring registration as a petition circulator with the Secretary of State, commits a misdemeanor of the second degree; and
• state that the provisions in the bill apply to all revisions or amendments to the State Constitution by initiative that are proposed for the 2020 election ballot and each ballot thereafter; provided, however, that nothing in this act affects the validity of any petition form gathered before the effective date of this act or any contract entered into before the effective date of this act.

The effective date of these provisions as identified in the bill is 30 days after becoming law.

Coastal Management: HB 325 ER deals with beach management projects and inlet management projects. As it relates to beach management projects, the bill revises and provides more detail on the criteria DEP must consider when ranking beach management projects for funding consideration and requires DEP to implement a scoring system for annual project funding priorities that consists of criteria divided into four tiers. The bill assigns each tier a certain percentage of overall point value and requires that the criteria be equally weighted within each tier. The bill changes how DEP may utilize surplus funds and the procedures that must be followed.

For inlet management projects, the bill, among other changes:
• revises and updates the criteria DEP must consider when ranking inlet management projects for funding consideration, and requires DEP to weigh each criterion equally;
• authorizes DEP to pay up to 75 percent of the construction costs of an initial major inlet management project component, and allows DEP to share the costs of the other components of inlet management projects equally with the local sponsor;
• requires DEP to rank the inlet monitoring activities for inlet management projects as one overall subcategory request for funding separate from the beach management project funding requests; and
• eliminates the requirement for the Legislature to designate one of the three highest ranked inlet management projects on the priority list as the Inlet of the Year.
The bill also updates how DEP must develop and maintain a Comprehensive Long-Term Beach Management Plan that requires DEP to include, at a minimum, the following: a strategic beach management plan, critically eroded beaches report, and statewide long-range budget plan that includes a three-year work plan identifying beach nourishment and inlet management projects viable for implementation during the ensuing fiscal years.

The changes to the beach ranking criteria and the Comprehensive Long-Term Beach Management Plan criteria have an effective date of July 1, 2020. The other aspects of the bill have an effective date of July 1, 2019.

**Communication Services:** SB 1000 ER prohibits a municipality or county from imposing permit fees for the use of public rights-of-way by communications services providers if it had not levied the permit fees as of Jan. 1, 2019. In contrast, municipalities and counties that were imposing permit fees as of that date may continue to do so or may elect to no longer impose permit fees.

The bill also makes extensive changes to s.337.401(3) and (7), F.S., relating to the use of public rights-of-way and small and micro wireless infrastructure. Please refer to the bill language and the legislative staff analysis to review those changes.

**Community Development and Housing:** HB 7103 ER amends s.125.01055, and s.166.04151 that currently allow counties and municipalities to adopt inclusionary housing ordinances for the purpose of increasing the supply of affordable housing. The bill adds language which provides that inclusionary housing ordinances may require a developer to provide a specified number or percentage of affordable housing units to be included in a development or allow a developer to contribute to a housing fund or other alternatives in lieu of building the affordable housing units. However, in exchange, a county or municipality must provide incentives to fully offset all costs to the developer of its affordable housing contribution. Such incentives may include, but are not limited to:
- allowing the developer density or intensity bonus incentives or more floor space than allowed under the current or proposed future land use designation or zoning;
- reducing or waiving fees, such as impact fees or water and sewer charges; or
- granting other incentives.

The bill states that this requirement does not apply in the Florida Keys area of critical state concern.

The bill also makes a number of other changes related to development order review timeframes, comprehensive plans, impact fees, award of attorney fees and other issues:

**Review Timeframes (s.125.022 and s.166.033):**
- requires that within 30 days after receiving a development order or permit application, the county or municipality must review and issue a letter to the applicant indicating that either the application is complete or specifying deficiencies. If deficiencies are identified, the applicant has 30 days to submit the required additional information;
- requires that within 120 days after the application is deemed complete, or 180 days for applications that require final action through a quasi-judicial hearing or public hearing, the local government must approve, approve with conditions, or deny the application. An approval, approval with conditions, or denial of the application for a development permit or development order must include written findings supporting the decision;
- allows both parties to extend the timeframes for processing such applications under extraordinary circumstances; and
- provides an exemption from these timeframes in the Florida Keys area of critical state concern.
Comprehensive Plans/Land Development Regulation (s.163.3167 and s.163.3202):
- amends s.163.3167(3), which deals with plans adopted by new municipalities after incorporation, to require a comprehensive plan adopted after Jan. 1, 2019, and all land development regulations adopted to implement such plan, to incorporate the terms of development orders existing before the comprehensive plans effective date, may not impair the completion of a development in accordance with such existing development order, and must vest the density and intensity approved by the development order without limitation or modification; and
- amends s.163.3202(2) to state that land development regulations must incorporate preexisting development orders identified pursuant to s.163.3167(3).

Concurrency (s.163.3180):
- makes mobility fee-based funding systems subject to s.163.31801, F.S., governing impact fees; and
- requires that public educational facilities credits be based on the total impact fee assessed and not upon the impact fee for any particular type of school.

Impact Fees (s.163.31801):
- prohibits any local government from collecting an impact fee any time prior to the date of issuance of the building permit for the property that is subject to the fee;
- codifies that impact fees must be proportional and reasonably connected to, or have a rational nexus with, the need for additional capital facilities and the increased impact generated by the new residential or commercial construction;
- requires the impact fee be proportional and reasonably connected to, or have a rational nexus with, the expenditures of the funds collected and the benefits accruing to the new residential or nonresidential construction;
- requires that the local government must specifically earmark funds collected under the impact fee for use in acquiring, constructing, or improving capital facilities to benefit new users;
- provides that revenues generated by the impact fee may not be used, in whole or in part, to pay existing debt or for previously approved projects unless the expenditure is reasonably connected to, or has a rational nexus with, the increased impact generated by the new residential or nonresidential construction;
- requires that the local government must credit against the collection of the impact fee any contributions related to public educational facilities, including land dedication, site planning and design, or construction, whether provided in a proportionate share agreement or any other form of exaction. Any such contributions must be applied to reduce any education-based impact fees on a dollar-for-dollar basis at fair market value;
- provides that if the local government increases the amount of impact fees, the holder of credits which were in existence before the increase is entitled to the full benefit of the intensity or density prepaid by the credit balance as of the date it was first established; the bill states that this provision shall operate prospectively, not retrospectively;
- provides that in any action challenging an impact fee or the government’s failure to provide required dollar-for-dollar credits for the payment of impact fees related to public educational facilities as provided in s.163.3180(6)(h)2.b., the government has the burden of proving by a preponderance of the evidence that the imposition or amount of the fee or credit meets the requirements of state legal precedent and this section. The court may not use a deferential standard for the benefit of the government;
- authorizes a county, municipality, or special district to exempt or waive impact fees for affordable housing development or construction; in such a case, it is not required to use any revenues to offset the impact; and
- provides that s.163.31801 does not apply to water or sewer connection fees.
Standing (s.163.3215):
• amends s.163.3215(8) to provide that either party is entitled to the summary procedure provided in s.51.011 and the court shall advance the cause on the calendar;
• allows the court to determine the summary procedure does not apply upon a showing by either party of clear and convincing evidence that the summary procedure does not apply; and
• provides that the prevailing party in a challenge to a development order filed under subsection s.163.3215(3) is entitled to recover reasonable attorney fees and costs incurred in challenging or defending the order, including reasonable appellate attorney fees and costs.

Housing (s.402.502 and s.402.503):
• adds a legislative finding, in s.420.502, regarding the need to create a state housing finance strategy to provide affordable workforce housing opportunities to essential services personnel in areas of critical state concern; and
• provides a definition of essential services personnel in s.402.503 to mean natural persons or families whose total annual household income is at or below 120 percent of the area median income, adjusted for household size, and at least one of whom is employed as police or fire personnel, a child care worker, a teacher or other education personnel, health care personnel, a public employee, or a service worker.

Alternative Plan Review and Inspection (s.553.791):
• expands the scope of services of a private provider by allowing them to review plans and perform inspections for portions of a project that are not part of the building structure such as services involving the review of site plans and site work engineering plan, or their functional equivalents;
• provides that the local jurisdiction may not charge fees for building inspections if a private provider is hired. However, the local jurisdiction may charge a reasonable administrative fee;
• reduces the required minimum notification time to a local building official regarding the use of a private provider from seven business days to 2 pm local time, two business days prior to a scheduled inspection;
• reduces the timing of the permit application process from 30 business days to 20 days for building officials to review an application from a private provider and either issue a permit or provide the applicant written notice of deficiencies;
• provides that a building official’s review of a resubmitted permit application from a private provider is limited to the deficiencies cited in the written notice;
• requires that private providers performing plans review must certify that the plans comply with the Building Code on a form “reasonably acceptable” to the commission;
• allows the fee owner’s contractor, which requested use of a private provider, to petition the circuit court for a writ of injunctive relief or other equitable relief if they believe the building official is not complying with the alternate plan review and inspection provisions of the statute;
• provides that a building official may not audit a private provider more than four times in a calendar year unless the building official determines the condition of a building constitutes an immediate threat to public safety and welfare; and
• prohibits a building official from replicating the plan review or inspection performed by the private provider, unless expressly authorized.

Other:
• amends s.252.363 to limit the tolling of permits when a declaration of a state of emergency is issued by the governor to declarations for a natural emergency;
• amends s.718.112 to require that condominium associations, not including timeshare condominium associations, must ensure compliance with the Florida Fire Prevention Code and specifies retrofitting requirements for high-rise residential condominiums; and
• requires that by July 1, 2019, the State Fire Marshal shall issue a data call to all local fire officials to collect data regarding high-rise condominiums greater than 75 feet in height that have not retrofitted
with a fire sprinkler system or an engineered life safety system in accordance with s.633.208(5) and s.718.112(2)(l), F.S. Local fire officials shall submit such data to the State Fire Marshal and shall include, for each individual building, the address, the number of units, and the number of stories. By July 1, 2020, all data must be received and compiled into a report by city and county. By Sept. 1, 2020, the report must be sent to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The effective date specified in the bill is upon becoming law.

**Community Development Districts:** **HB 437 ER** (Rep. Buchanan) provides that the petition to create a CDD of less than 2,500 acres on land located solely in one county or municipality may include a list of sufficiently contiguous parcels within the same county or municipality that the petitioner expects to include in the district boundaries within 10 years. The petition must include:

- the legal description of the sufficiently contiguous parcels;
- the name of the current landowners;
- the acreage of each parcel; and
- the current land use designation of each parcel.

The petitioner must give the current landowner notice of the filing of the petition, the date and time of the public hearing on the petition, and the name and address of the petitioner at least 14 days before the public hearing concerning the creation of the CDD. A parcel may only be included with written consent of the landowner.

The bill creates a procedure for expanding the boundaries of a CDD to include a parcel listed in the petition to create the district. The bill allows a person to file a petition with the county or municipality to amend the ordinance creating the CDD to expand the boundaries to include the parcels, which were identified in the petition creating the district. The petition must include:

- a metes and bounds description of each parcel to be added;
- a new legal description by metes and bounds of the district;
- written consent of all landowners of the parcel to be added;
- a map of the district including the added parcel;
- a description of the development proposed for the parcel to be added; and
- a copy of the original petition identifying the parcel to be added.

The local government is prohibited from charging a filing fee for the petition to include within the CDD the parcels listed in the petition to create the district. The petitioner is required to provide a copy of the petition to the district and each landowner of a parcel to be included in the district before the petition is filed with the county or municipality.

If the petition requirements are met, the county or municipality must process the addition of the parcel to the district as an amendment to the ordinance that establishes the district. The additional parcels may be added to the boundaries of the district even if the merged district exceeds 2,500 acres. The petitioner is required to provide at least 10 days’ notice in a newspaper of general circulation within the proposed district of the scheduled hearing to amend the ordinance. The notice must include a general description of the parcel(s) to be included in the district and the date and time of the scheduled hearing. The petitioner is also required to provide 14 days’ notice, by mail or hand delivery, of the hearing to the district and each landowner of a parcel to be included in the district. These notice requirements are in addition to any notices otherwise required to adopt an ordinance.
The bill provides that the expansion of district boundaries by the method established by the bill does not change the time period for transitioning from landowner voting to a qualified elector voting under s.190.006, F.S., even if the total size of the district after addition of the parcel exceeds 5,000 acres. The petitioner must to file a notice of boundary amendment with the new boundaries of the district after adoption of the ordinance amendment.

The bill authorizes a CDD to merge with a special district created by special act, pursuant to the terms of that special act or by filing a petition for establishment of a new district. A CDD merging with another type of district is authorized to enter into a merger agreement to address transition issues, including the allocation and retirement of existing debt.

The effective date identified in the bill is upon becoming law.

**Community Redevelopment Districts:** HB 9 ER creates s.163.3775 that requires the termination of CRAs in existence on Oct.1, 2019 at the earlier of the expiration date stated in the agency’s charter on Oct. 1, 2019 or on Sept. 30, 2039, whichever is earlier.

However, the governing board of a creating local government entity may approve the continued existence of a CRA by majority vote. If a governing board does not vote to continue a CRA with outstanding bond obligations as of Oct. 1, 2019, and those bonds do not mature until after the earlier of the termination date of the agency or Sept. 30, 2039, the bill provides that the CRA remains in existence until the bonds mature. A CRA in operation on or after Sept. 30, 2039, may not extend the maturity date of its bonds. The bill requires a county or municipality operating an existing CRA to issue a new finding of necessity that is limited to meeting the remaining bond obligations of the CRA in a timely manner.

Additionally, the bill:
- requires the commissioners of a CRA to undergo four hours of ethics training annually;
- requires each CRA to use the same procurement and purchasing processes as the creating county or municipality;
- requires that by Jan. 1, 2020, each CRA post digital maps that depict its geographic boundaries and total acreage on its website; updates must be posted within 60 days of the change taking effect;
- requires a CRA to file an annual report with the county or municipality, starting March 31, 2020, and publish the report on the CRA website;
- expands the annual reporting requirements for CRAs to include audit information, specific performance data, and a summary of the extent goals in the redevelopment plan have been met;
- requires that a CRA that has reported no revenue, no expenditures and no dept for six consecutive fiscal years beginning no later earlier than Oct. 1, 2016, must be declared inactive by the Department of Economic Opportunity; the governing board of a community redevelopment agency that is declared inactive under this section may seek to invalidate the declaration by initiating proceedings under s.237.189.062(5) within 30 days after the date of the receipt of the notice from the Department of Economic Opportunity;
- specifies that a community redevelopment agency that is declared inactive may expend funds from the redevelopment trust fund only as necessary to service outstanding bond debt, and may not spend other funds unless an ordinance is adopted by the local governing body that created the agency which consents to the expenditure of such funds;
- provides that moneys in the redevelopment trust fund may only be expended pursuant to an annual budget adopted by the board of commissioners of the CRA, and only for specified purposes, beginning Oct. 1, 2019;
- requires that, except as otherwise provided, a CRA must comply with the requirements of s.189.016;
- requires a CRA created by a municipality to submit its operating budget or amendments to the board of county commissioners with 10 days of adoption;
allows budgets to include payment for administrative and overhead expenses directly or indirectly necessary to implement a community redevelopment plan, and expenses that are necessary to exercise the powers granted under s.163.370 as delegated under s.163.358;

provides that funds appropriated to a specific redevelopment project on the last day of a fiscal year may not be changed unless the project is amended, redesigned or delayed; in that case, the funds must be reappropriated pursuant to the next annual budget adopted by the CRA;

requires only CRAs with revenues or a total of expenditures and expenses in excess of $100,000, as reported on the trust fund financial statements, provide for an audit each year and provides additional audit requirements;

requires counties and municipalities to include CRA audit in their annual financial report to the Department of Financial Services; failure to do so will constitute a failure to report; and

requires that the Department of Financial Services provide a list of each CRA that does not report revenues, expenditures or debt for the previous fiscal year to the Department of Economic Opportunity.

The effective date as identified in the bill is Oct. 1, 2019.

Construction: HB 447 ER provides that a local government that issues building permits may send a written notice of expiration, by e-mail or United States Postal Service, to the owner of the property and the contractor listed on the permit, no less than 30 days before a building permit is set to expire. The written notice must identify the permit that is set to expire and the date the permit will expire. Additionally, a county or a municipality that issues building permits may charge a person only one search fee, in an amount commensurate with the research and time costs incurred by the county or municipality, for identifying building permits for each unit or subunit assigned by the county or municipality to a particular tax parcel identification number.

Additionally, the bill provides:

- provides that a building permit can be closed by a local government 6 years after the issuance of the permit, even in the absence of a final inspection, if the local enforcement agency determines that there are no apparent safety hazards;
- provides that a local enforcement agency may not deny issuance of a building permit, issue a notice of violation or penalize an arms-length purchaser of property solely because a previous owner failed to close a building permit for the property;
- provides that a local enforcement agency may not deny a contractor a permit solely because the contractor has expired building permits;
- provides that a contractor who takes over a job from a previous contractor is not liable for any defects in the work performed by the previous contractor;
- provides that if a building permit is expired and its requirements have been substantially completed, as determined by the local enforcement agency, the permit may be closed without having to obtain a new building permit, and the work required to close the permit may be done pursuant to the building code in effect at the time the local enforcement agency received the application for the permit, unless the contractor has sought and received approval from the local enforcement agency for an alternative material, design, or method of construction;
- excludes a property owner, who is performing construction contracting on a residential property under the owner-builder exemption, from the requirement to reside on the property for at least a year if the owner is closing a permit where the contractor substantially completed the work related to the permit;
- allows the Florida Building Commission to approve updates to the Florida Building Code every three years without a finding that the updates are needed to accommodate specific needs of the state;
- states that a local government may not carry forward unexpended balances, related to responsibilities in enforcing the Florida Building Code, an amount exceeding the average of its operating budget from enforcing the Florida Building Code for the previous 4 fiscal years; and
• requires that a local government must use any excess funds that it is prohibited from carrying forward to rebate and reduce fees.

The effective date specified in the bill is July 1, 2019.

**Engineering:** HB 827 ER revises the licensure requirements for professional engineers. However, the bill also includes language that would provide for shortened deadlines for various notices required by s.553.791(4) and (5), F.S., to be provided to a local building official when a private provider is retained to perform construction inspection services on a project. (Similar changes are also included in HB 7103 ER.)

The bill requires notices that a private provider will perform required inspections must be provided to the local building official either:

• at the time of permit application; or
• no later than 2 p.m. two business days before the first scheduled inspection (previously no less than seven days before).

Once construction begins, if the local building official is unable to provide inspection services in a timely manner, a notice that the owner has elected to retain a private provider to provide inspection services must be provided to the local building official no later than 2 p.m. two (2) business days before the next scheduled inspection (previously no less than seven days before).

The bill changes the time period that the local building inspector has to review a permit application submitted by a private provider from 30 days to 20 days. It also provides that a local building official may not prohibit a private provider from performing inspections outside of normal operating hours, on weekends, or on holidays.

The effective date specified in the bill is October 1, 2019.

**Environmental Regulation:** HB 771 ER requires counties and municipalities to address the contamination of recyclable material in contracts for the collection, transportation, and processing of residential recyclable material. Counties and municipalities may not require residential recycling collectors or recovered materials processing facilities to collect or transport or process contaminated recyclable material except pursuant to a contract.

The bill defines a “residential recycling collector” as a for-profit business entity that collects and transports residential recyclable material on behalf of a county or municipality. The bill provides that each contract or solicitation must define the term “contaminated recyclable material” in a manner that is appropriate for the local community, taking into consideration available markets for recyclable material, available waste composition studies, and other relevant factors.

The bill requires that county and municipal contracts, RFPs, or other solicitations with residential recycling collectors must also do the following:

• include respective strategies and obligations of the county or municipality and the residential recycling collector to reduce the amount of contaminated recyclable material being collected;
• include procedures for identifying, documenting, managing, and rejecting residential recycling containers, truck loads, carts, or bins that contain contaminated recyclable material;
• include authorized remedies if a container, cart, or bin contains contaminated recyclable material; and
• provide education and enforcement measures to be used to reduce the amount of contaminated recyclable material.
The bill requires county and municipal contracts, RFPs, or other solicitations with a recovered materials processing facility to do the following:

- include respective strategies and obligations of the county or municipality and the facility to reduce the amount of contaminated recyclable material being collected and processed;
- include procedures for identifying, documenting, managing, and rejecting residential recycling containers, truck loads, carts, or bins that contain contaminated recyclable material; and
- include authorized remedies if a container or truck load contains contaminated recyclable material.

The bill clarifies that the term “contaminated recyclable material” refers to recyclable material that is comingled or mixed with solid waste or other nonhazardous material and not “contamination” as used in Ch. 376, F.S. (pollutant discharge), other sections of Ch. 403, F.S.

The bill provides that these new contract requirements apply to contracts executed or renewed after July 1, 2019.

The bill also prohibits local governments from requiring further verification from DEP that a particular activity meets an ERP permit exception. The bill removes the requirement that a dock or pier replacement or repair remain in the same location and be of the same configuration and dimensions as the existing dock or pier. The bill provides that an ERP exception for the replacement or repair of an existing dock or pier is allowed if the replaced or repaired dock is within five feet of the same location, is no larger in size than the existing dock or pier, and there are no additional aquatic resources that are adversely and permanently impacted by the replacement or repair.

Finally, the bill creates a moratorium on the local regulation of plastic straws and prohibits a county, a municipality, or other local government entity from adopting or enforcing an ordinance or other local regulation relating to single-use plastic straws before July 1, 2024. The moratorium expires July 1, 2024. The Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability is required to conduct a study of each ordinance or regulation adopted by the governing body of a county, municipality, or special district in Florida to restrict or prohibit the use of single-use plastic straws. The study’s scope must include, but is not limited to, gathering information pertaining to the data and conclusions on which the county, municipality, or special district used in adopting such ordinance or regulation. The Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability shall submit a report of its findings to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives no later than Dec. 1, 2019.

The effective date specified in the bill is July 1, 2019.

**Florida Red Tide Mitigation and Technology Development Initiative:** SB 1552 ER establishes in s.379.223 the Florida Red Tide Mitigation and Technology Development Initiative as a partnership between the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission’s Fish and Wildlife Research Institute and Mote Marine Laboratory. The purpose of the initiative is to develop technologies and approaches needed to address the control and mitigation of red tide and its impacts. The goal of the initiative is to develop, test, and implement innovative, effective, and environmentally sustainable technologies and approaches for controlling and mitigating the impacts of red tide.

The bill requires funds specifically appropriated by the Legislature for the initiative to be awarded by the Fish and Wildlife Research Institute to Mote Marine Laboratory to achieve the goals of the initiative. The bill establishes within the initiative the Initiative Technology Advisory Council.

The bill requires the Florida Red Tide Mitigation and Technology Development Initiative to submit an annual report, beginning Jan. 15, 2021, containing an overview of the initiative’s accomplishments and priorities to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Secretary of...
Environmental Protection, and the executive director of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. The section authorizing the initiative expires on June 30, 2025.

The bill appropriates $3 million annually from the General Revenue Fund beginning in the 2019-2020 fiscal year through the 2024-25 fiscal year to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission for the purpose of implementing the bill.

The effective date specified in the bill is July 1, 2019.

**Government Accountability:** SB 7014 ER was signed by the Governor on April 26 and takes effect on July 1, 2019.

The bill amends various statutes to enhance government accountability and auditing processes. Among the changes, the bill:

- adds tourist development council and county tourism promotion agency to the definition of “local government entity” to clarify that the Auditor General has authority to audit the entities;
- requires local governmental entities, charter schools, school districts to establish and maintain internal controls designed to:
  - prevent and detect fraud, waste, and abuse;
  - promote and encourage compliance with applicable laws, rules, contracts, grant agreements and best practices;
  - support economical and efficient operations;
  - ensure reliability of financial records and reports; and
  - safeguard assets.
- requires counties and municipalities, special districts, and water management districts to maintain certain budget documents on their websites for specified timeframes:
  - tentative budgets must remain on the website for at least 45 days; and
  - final budgets must remain on the website for at least two years.
- amends the requirements for the auditor selection committee.

**Impact Fees:** HB 207 ER amends s.163.31801 to prohibit a local government from requiring payment of impact fees prior to the issuance of a building permit. The bill requires an impact fee to be reasonably connected to, or have a rational nexus with:

- the need for additional capital facilities and the increased impact generated by the new residential or commercial constructions; and
- the expenditure of revenues generated and the benefits accruing to the new residential or commercial construction.

Local governments must specifically earmark the funds collected by the impact fees for acquiring, constructing, or improving the capital facilities to benefit the new users. Impact fees collected by a local government may not be used to pay existing debt or pay for previously approved projects unless such expenditure is reasonably connected to, or has a rationale nexus with, the increased impact generated by the new residential or commercial construction. The bill provides that this section related to impact fees do not apply to water and sewer connection fees. *(Note that similar language was incorporated in HB 7103 ER but it is not identical to the language used in this bill.)*

The effective date specified in the bill is July 1, 2019.

**Micromobility Devices:** HB 453 ER provides regulations governing micromobility devices. Among its requirements, it defines micromobility devices as any motorized transportation device made available for
private use by reservation through an online application, website, or software for point-to-point trips, which is incapable of traveling at speeds greater than 20 miles per hour on level ground. This term includes motorized scooters and bicycles. It also revises the existing definition of motorized scooter to be any vehicle or micromobility device that is powered by a motor with or without a seat or saddle for the use of the rider, which is designed to travel on not more than three wheels, and which is not capable of propelling the vehicle at a speed greater than 20 miles per hour on level ground.

The bill states that the operator of a motorized scooter or micromobility device has all of the rights and duties applicable to the rider of a bicycle under s.316.2065, except the duties imposed by s.78 316.2065(2), (3)(b), and (3)(c), which by their nature do not apply. However, this does not prevent a local government, through the exercise of its powers under s.316.008, from adopting an ordinance governing the operation of micromobility devices and motorized scooters on streets, highways, sidewalks, and sidewalk areas under the local government’s jurisdiction.

The bill states that a motorized scooter or micromobility device is not required to satisfy certain registration, insurance or licensing requirements. A person operating one of these devices is not required to have a driver license. The bill also provides that a person offering micromobility devices or motorized scooters for hire is responsible for securing the devices in any area of the state where an active tropical storm or hurricane warning has been issued by the National Weather Service.

The effective date specified in the bill is upon becoming law.

Military-friendly Initiatives: SB 620 ER provides a number of changes in law to benefit servicemembers and their families and to better protect military land interests and uses. With respect to the protection of military land, the bill specifically:

• adds Naval Support Activity Orlando, including Bugg Spring and Naval Ordnance Test Unit (associated with Orange County and Orlando), and United States Southern Command (associated with Miami-Dade and Doral) to the list of those that may exchange certain information with local governments regarding compatibility of land development; and

• provides that easements for base buffering encroachment lands acquired through a fee simple or less-than-fee simple acquisition under s.288.980(2)(b), survive a tax sale of property or the issuance of a tax certificate in foreclosure proceedings.

The effective date identified in the bill is July 1, 2019.

Permit Fees: HB 127 ER (Rep. Williamson) requires the governing bodies of counties and municipalities to post permit and inspection fee schedules and building permit and inspection utilization reports on their websites by Dec. 31, 2020, after which the governing body of a local government that provides a schedule of fees must update its building permit and inspection utilization report before adjusting the fee schedule. The report must be based on the most recent financial audit and include the following information:

• direct and indirect costs incurred by the local government to enforce the Florida Building Code, including costs related to personnel services costs, including salary and related employee benefit costs, and operating expenditures and expenses;

• permit and inspection utilization information, including:
  • number of building permit applications submitted
  • number of building permits issued or approved
  • number of building inspections and reinspections requested
  • number of building inspections and reinspections conducted
  • number of building inspections conducted by a private provider
  • number of audits conducted by the local government of private provider building inspections
number of personnel dedicated by the local government to enforce the Florida Building Code, issue building permits, and conduct inspections
• certain other permissible activities for enforcing the Florida Building Code;
• revenue information, including revenue derived from certain fees, fines, investment earnings from investment of revenue derived from fees and fines, balances carried forward and balances refunded by the local government, and revenue derived from other sources, including general revenue

The effective date specified in the bill is July 1, 2019.

**Private Property Rights:** [HB 1159 ER](#) prohibits local governments from requiring a notice, application, approval, permit, fee, or mitigation for the pruning, trimming, or removal of a tree on residential property if the property owner obtains documentation from an arborist certified by the International Society of Arboriculture or a Florida licensed landscape architect that the tree presents a danger to persons or property. It prohibits local governments from requiring a property owner to replant a tree that was pruned, trimmed or removed in accordance with the above. The bill also states that this section does not apply to the exercise of specifically delegated authority for mangrove protection.

The bill also allows a property owner adjacent to an electric utility right-of-way to request an electric utility perform vegetation maintenance in the right-of-way without approval from the local government.

The bill also requires county property appraisers to post a Property Owner Bill of Rights with specific wording on the appraiser’s website. The bill lists a property owner’s right to acquire, possess, and protect property; use and enjoy property; exclude others from property; dispose of property; due process; just compensation for property taken for a public purpose; and relief or payment of compensation when a new state or local government law, rule, regulation, or ordinance unfairly affects property. The website must state the Bill of Rights does not create a civil cause of action, is not comprehensive and does not represent all property rights.

The effective date specified in the bill is July 1, 2019.

**Right of Entry:** [HB 767 ER](#) provides that, with respect to reserved mineral rights, a local government, water management district, or agency of the state may, at its discretion, sell or release reserved interest in any parcel of land, except that such sale or release shall be made upon petition of the purchaser for such interest and with a statement of reasons justifying such sale or release. Additionally, the bill releases the right of entry that has been reserved for mineral estates held by a local government, water management district, or any agency of the state for property that is less than 20 acres of contiguous tract under the same ownership.

The effective date specified in the bill is July 1, 2019.

**Small-scale Comprehensive Plan Amendments:** [HB 6017 ER](#) deletes s.163.3187(1)(b) to repeal the 120-acre cumulative annual limit on small-scale development amendments that may be approved by a local government.

The effective date specified in the bill is July 1, 2019.

**Transportation:** [SB 7068 ER](#) creates s.338.2278, which establishes the Multiuse Corridors of Regional Economic Significance Program (M-CORES) program within the FDOT. The stated purpose of the program is to revitalize rural communities, encourage job creation, and provide regional connectivity, while leveraging technology, enhancing quality of life and public safety, and protecting the environment and natural resources. The objective of the program is to advance construction of regional corridors that are intended to accommodate multiple modes of transportation and multiple types of infrastructure. A list of intended benefits is identified in subsection (1), including, but not limited to:
• hurricane evacuation;
• congestion mitigation;
• trade and logistics;
• broadband, water, and sewer connectivity;
• energy distribution;
• autonomous, connected, shared, and electric vehicle technology;
• other transportation modes, such as shared-use non-motorized trails, freight and passenger rail, and public transit;
• mobility as a service;
• availability of a trained workforce skilled in traditional and emerging technologies;
• protection or enhancement of wildlife corridors or environmentally sensitive areas; and
• protection or enhancement of primary springs protection zones and farmland preservation areas designated within local comprehensive plans adopted under chapter 163.

The bill identifies the following three corridors comprising the M-CORES Program:
• Southwest-Central Florida Connector (Collier County to Polk County);
• Suncoast Connector (Citrus County to Jefferson County); and
• Northern Turnpike Connector (northern terminus of the Florida Turnpike northwest to the Suncoast Parkway).

Projects undertaken in the corridors must be tolled facilities, are approved turnpike projects that are part of the turnpike system and are considered as Strategic Intermodal System facilities. During the project development phase, FDOT must identify opportunities to accommodate or colocate multiple types of infrastructure-addressing issues, such as those identified in subsection (1), within or adjacent to the corridors. Projects will be subject to requirements relating to economic and environmental feasibility and specified environmental and other evaluation requirements. Decisions on matters such as corridor configuration, project alignment, and interchange locations must be determined in accordance with the FDOT’s rules, policies, and procedures.

During project development, the FDOT must utilize an inclusive, consensus-building mechanism for each corridor. FDOT must convene a task force for each corridor comprised of representatives from state agencies and other stakeholders; task force members must be appointed by the FDOT secretary by Aug. 1, 2019. Each corridor task force will coordinate with the FDOT on pertinent aspects of corridor analysis, including accommodation or colocation of multiple types of infrastructure, addressing issues such as those intended benefits identified in subsection (1) of the bill. Each corridor task force must evaluate the need for, and the economic and environmental impacts of, hurricane evacuation impacts of, and land use impacts of, the related corridor. Each task force must hold a public meeting in each local government jurisdiction in which a project within an identified corridor is being considered.

To the maximum extent feasible, the FDOT shall adhere to the recommendations of the task force created for each corridor in the design of the multiple modes of transportation and multiple types of infrastructure associated with the corridor. The task force for each corridor may consider and recommend innovative concepts to combine right-of-way acquisition with the acquisition of lands or easements to facilitate environmental mitigation or ecosystem, wildlife habitat, or water quality protection or restoration. FDOT, in consultation with the Department of Environmental Protection, may incorporate those features into each corridor during the project development phase.

The bill identifies additional specific issues that each task force must consider and evaluate:
• Southwest-Central Florida Connector: 1) address the impacts of the construction of a project within the corridor on panther and other critical wildlife habitat and evaluate in its final report the need for acquisition of lands for state conservation or as mitigation for project construction; and 2) evaluate
wildlife crossing design features to protect panther and other critical wildlife habitat corridor connections.

- Suncoast Connector and Northern Turnpike Connector: evaluate design features and the need for acquisition of state conservation lands that mitigate the impact of project construction within the respective corridors on:
  - the water quality and quantity of springs, rivers, and aquifer recharge areas;
  - agricultural land uses; and
  - wildlife habitat.

Each task force must issue a written report by Oct. 1, 2020. FDOT shall provide affected local governments with a copy of the applicable task force report and project alignments. Not later than Dec. 31, 2023, a local government that has an interchange within its jurisdiction shall review the applicable task force report and its local comprehensive plan as adopted under Chapter 163. The local government review must include consideration of whether the area in and around the interchange contains appropriate land uses and natural resource protections and whether the comprehensive plan should be amended to provide such appropriate uses and protections.

The bill provides funding for projects in the corridors. Construction in a corridor may not be funded until the final task force report is submitted and until 30 percent of the design phase is complete (except for project phases under construction or for which alignment has been determined.) Subject to the economic and environmental feasibility statement requirements of s.338.223, projects may be funded through turnpike revenue bonds or right-of-way and bridge construction bonds or financing by the Florida Department of Transportation Financing Corporation; by advances from the State Transportation Trust Fund; with funds obtained through the creation of public-private partnerships; or any combination thereof. The department also may accept donations of land for use as transportation rights-of-way or to secure or use transportation rights-of-way for such projects in accordance with s.337.25.

The bill also creates s.339.1373 that requires FDOT to allocate sufficient funds to implement the Multi-use Corridors of Regional Economic Significance Program, develop a plan to expend the revenues as specified in s.338.2278, and, prior to its adoption, amend the current tentative work program for the 2019-20 through 2023-24 fiscal years to include program projects. In addition, prior to adoption of the work program, the department shall submit a budget amendment pursuant to s.339.135(7), requesting budget authority necessary to implement the program as specified in s.338.2278.

To the greatest extent practical, corridor configuration, project alignment, and interchange locations shall be designed so that project rights-of-way are not located within conservation lands acquired under the Florida Preservation 2000 Act as established in s.259.101, and the Florida Forever program as established in s.259.105.

To the maximum extent feasible, construction of the projects must begin no later than Dec. 31, 2022 and be open to traffic no later than Dec. 31, 2030.

The bill also creates and provides funding for a construction workforce development program within the FDOT to train individuals in skills necessary to deliver projects in the FDOT five-year work program. The bill also creates s.337.1101 regarding settlements to resolve protests related to FDOT contracts or procurements.

The effective date specified in the bill is July 1, 2019.

Transportation: HB 385 ER repeals the Florida Expressway Authority Act, thus repealing the Miami-Dade County Expressway Authority (MDX). The bill creates the Greater Miami Expressway Agency (GMX) in Ch. 348 and transfers all of MDX’s liabilities and assets, including all of its toll facilities, to GMX. The bill creates
various provisions governing the operation of GMX, including requirements relating to the governing board, the
design and construction of expressways, tolling, ethics and public accountability, and bonding.

The bill prohibits GMX from increasing toll rates until July 1, 2029, except:

- as may be necessary to comply with covenants in the trust indentures or resolutions adopted in
  connection with the agency’s bonds secured by the net revenues of the expressway system; or
- on or after July 1, 2024, as approved by a supermajority vote of the governing body of the agency.

A toll rate increase must be approved by a two-thirds vote of the members of the governing body of the agency. The amount of toll revenues used for administrative costs by the agency may not be greater than 10 percent above the annual state average of administrative costs as determined by the Florida Transportation Commission.

The bill also prohibits GMX from undertaking any construction that is not consistent with both the metropolitan planning organization’s transportation improvement plan and the county’s comprehensive plan. The bill also creates a toll rebate program for SunPass users on GMX facilities.

The bill also:

- reenacts and amends the Rebuilt Vehicle Inspection Program previously repealed on July 1, 2018 and
  provides for its implementation in Miami-Dade County; requires FDOT to submit a written report to the
  Senate Speaker and House Speaker by July 1, 2021, evaluating the effectiveness of the program and
  whether to expand it to other counties;
- provides that for portions of transportation projects on, under, or over a FDOT-owned right-of-way, and
  regardless of funding source, the FDOT shall review the project’s design plans for compliance with
  departmental design standards;
- amends the Innovative Highway Projects program to cover transportation projects including bridge
  design;
- prohibits an MPO, in a county defined in s.125.011 (1), from assessing any fees for municipalities,
  counties, or other governmental entities that are members of the MPO; and
- creates a process for GMX or the Central Florida Expressway Authority to use public-private
  agreements for the building, operation, ownership or financing transportation facilities within their
  jurisdiction which increase transportation capacity.

The effective date specified in the bill is July 1, 2019, except as otherwise expressly provided.

**Vegetable Gardens:** SB 82 ER prohibits a county, municipality, or other political subdivision of this state,
except as otherwise provided by law, from regulating vegetable gardens on residential properties. Any such
local ordinance or regulation regulating vegetable gardens on residential properties is void and unenforceable.
However, this does not preclude the adoption of a local ordinance or regulation of a general nature that does not
specifically regulate vegetable gardens, including, but not limited to, regulations and ordinances relating to
water use during drought conditions, fertilizer use, or control of invasive species. The bill defines “vegetable
garden” to mean a plot of ground where herbs, fruits, flowers, or vegetables are cultivated for human ingestion.

The effective date specified in the bill is July 1, 2019.

**Wetland Mitigation:** HB 521 ER amends s.373.4135, F.S., to provide legislative findings regarding the
availability of mitigation credits. If state and federal mitigation credits are not available, the bill authorizes a
local government to allow permittee-responsible mitigation consisting of the restoration or enhancement of
conservation lands purchased and owned by a local government. The bill specifies that such mitigation must
conform to the permitting requirements of s.373.4136, F.S. Finally, the bill specifies that financial assurances
are not required for mitigation areas created by local governments that were awarded mitigation credits pursuant
to Ch. 62-345, F.A.C., under a permit issued before Dec. 31, 2011, when credits are not available under a mitigation bank permitted under s.373.4136, F.S.

The effective date identified in the bill is July 1, 2019.
DATE:       JUNE 4, 2019

TO:        NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FROM:      ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

RE:        2019 HURRICANE SEASON

June 1st marked the beginning of the 2019 Atlantic Hurricane Season. This is the time to stress the importance of preparedness to your communities. The presentation will provide an overview of preparedness activities. After the storms of the past three years, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is now encouraging households to keep five days of drinkable water and food in the event of tropical weather. And a continual reminder to the public, the best source of information regarding tropical weather and local impacts are the local emergency management officials.
## 2019 ATLANTIC HURRICANE SEASON

### 2019 SEASON OUTLOOK

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STORM SURGE WATCHES & WARNINGS

Storm Surge Warning

There is a danger of life-threatening inundation from rising water moving inland from the shoreline generally within 36 hours.

Promptly follow evacuation and other instructions from local officials.

Storm Surge Watch

There is a possibility of life-threatening inundation from rising water moving inland from the shoreline generally within 48 hours.

Promptly follow evacuation and other instructions from local officials.

KNOW YOUR RISK

• KNOW YOUR EVACUATION ZONE.

ALL LOCAL EVACUATION ZONES HAVE CHANGED IN RECENT YEARS.

Go online via your county’s website or call your EM office.
STAY INFORMED

Download Preparedness Apps
Sign up for County Alert Systems

ALERT Clay County
Emergency Management’s Mass Notification System

BE PREPARED

GET A PLAN!
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Are you Prepared for Hurricane Season?
... know your evacuation zone
... have an insurance check-up
... build a disaster supply kit
... strengthen your home
... help your neighbor

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