

Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners

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Hybrid In-Person and Virtual Regular Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, June 13, 2023
9:30 A.M.

Hybrid In-Person and Virtual Regular Meeting

Janet C. Long, Chair
Kathleen Peters, Vice-Chair
Dave Eggers
Rene Flowers
Charlie Justice
Chris Latvala
Brian Scott

Barry A. Burton, County Administrator
Jewel White, County Attorney
Ken Burke, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller

ROLL CALL

INVOCATION by Pastor Bob Scott, Peace Memorial Church, Clearwater.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS

1. [23-0676A](#) Youth Advisory Committee Year-End Presentation

2. [23-0726A](#) Pride Month Proclamation:
 - Nicole Berman, Executive Director, St. Pete Pride
 - Todd Richardson, Pinellas Development Director, Equality Florida
 - Mark Esparza, Equal Opportunity Coordinator, Office of Human Rights

3. [23-0727A](#) Partner Presentation:
Hurricane Season Kickoff
 - Cathie Perkins, Director, Pinellas County Emergency Management

4. [23-0413A](#) Partner Presentation:
2022 Audit Results
 - Ken Burke, Clerk of Circuit Court and Comptroller
 - John Weber, Partner, Crowe LLP

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

5. [23-0720A](#) Citizens To Be Heard - Public Comment.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS AND COUNCILS

Countywide Planning Authority

6. [23-0754A](#) Case No. CW 23-04 - Pinellas
Countywide Plan Map amendment from Recreation/Open Space to Public/Semi-Public, regarding 0.116 acre more or less, located on the west side of Ridgemoor Drive, approximately 300 feet north of Ridgemoor Boulevard.

Recommendation: Sitting as the Countywide Planning Authority, adopt an ordinance approving Case No. CW 23-04, a proposal by Pinellas County to amend the Countywide Plan Map from Recreation/Open Space to Public/Semi-Public, regarding 0.116 acre more or less, located on the west side of Ridgemoor Drive, approximately 300 feet north of Ridgemoor Boulevard.

- * The applicant is seeking to amend a small, 0.116-acre, portion of a neighborhood park serving the Ridgemoor community.
- * The applicant desires to construct a 150-foot monopole telecommunications tower near the south end of the 6.5-acre parent tract.
- * A telecommunications tower is considered a transportation/utility use, which the Countywide Rules permit in the Recreation/Open Space category up to a threshold of five contiguous acres.
- * The corresponding Pinellas County future land use category of the same name does not permit transportation/utility uses.
- * Thus, the proposed use of the property requires a local future land use map amendment to Transportation/Utility, triggering a corresponding Countywide Plan Map amendment to Public/Semi-Public.
- * With this amendment, a telecommunications tower is generally permissible; however, a height of 150 feet will require Board of Adjustment & Appeals approval as a Type-2 Use, requiring a public hearing subsequent to the land use change.
- * Forward Pinellas and the Planners Advisory Committee each unanimously recommended approval of this proposal.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

7. [23-0808A](#) Case No. FLU-23-02 (Pinellas County/St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport)
A request for a land use change from Employment to Transportation/Utility, on approximately 18.5 acres located at 13690 Stoneybrook Drive in unincorporated Largo. (Companion to Item No. 8)

Recommendation: Based upon the evidence and findings contained in the staff report and attachments, Case No. FLU-23-02 is recommended for approval:

An ordinance approving the application of Pinellas County/St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport for a change in land use from Employment (E) to Transportation/Utility (T/U).

* The applicant is seeking a land use change on an 18.5-acre portion of the 126.9-acre former Airco property that is adjacent to the east of the airport runways.

* Proposed is the construction of a new airport taxiway to provide access to future aviation uses.

* The requested T/U land use is consistent with the Pinellas County Comprehensive Plan and the Airport Master Plan.

* The amendment area is surrounded by County-owned land that is designated with transportation, employment, and commercial land use categories.

* The applicant is also seeking a zoning change under a separate case number.

* The Local Planning Agency recommended approval of the request (vote 7-0). Two persons appeared in opposition and two letters in opposition have been received. Noise impacts were a primary concern. Airport staff indicated that any increase in noise would be negligible.

8. [23-0764A](#) Case No. ZON-23-02 (Pinellas County/St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport) (first public hearing)
A request for a Zoning change from E-1, Employment-1 to P.C. Airport, Pinellas County Airport, on approximately 18.5 acres located at 13690 Stoneybrook Drive in unincorporated Largo. (Quasi-Judicial) (Companion to Item No. 7)

Recommendation:

Based upon the evidence and findings contained in the staff report and attachments, Case No. ZON-23-02 is recommended for approval following the required two public hearings by the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners (Board):

A resolution approving the application of Pinellas County/St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport for a change in zoning from E-1 (Employment-1) to Pinellas County Airport (P.C. Airport).

* The applicant is seeking a zoning change on an 18.5-acre portion of the 126.9-acre former Airco property that is adjacent to the east of the airport runways.

* The construction of a new airport taxiway to provide access to future aviation uses is proposed.

* The requested P.C. Airport zoning is consistent with the Pinellas County Comprehensive Plan and the Airport Master Plan.

* The amendment area is surrounded by County-owned land that is designated with transportation, employment, and commercial land use categories.

* The applicant is also seeking a land use change under a separate case number.

* The Local Planning Agency recommended approval of the request (vote 7-0). Two persons appeared in opposition and two letters in opposition have been received. Noise impacts were a primary concern. Airport staff indicated that any increase in noise would be negligible.

* This is the first of two required public hearings by the Board on this case. The second public hearing is anticipated for July 18, 2023.

9. [23-0712A](#) Resolution adopting revised retail water, wholesale water, retail sewer, wholesale sewer, retail reclaimed water, and wholesale reclaimed water rates.

Recommendation: Hold a public hearing and approve the Utilities Rate Resolution for Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 through FY27 adopting revised rates for retail water, wholesale water, retail sewer, wholesale sewer, retail reclaimed water, and wholesale reclaimed water.

* Recommendations stem from data presented by the Long-Range Utilities Rate Study, conducted by a third-party professional firm, Stantec.

* Retail and Wholesale Water rates are recommended to increase a net of 5.0% each year for the next four years, as follows:

1.) FY24 residential block rate of \$3.83/1,000 gallons for use up to 4,000 gallons/month (Reduced from \$5.13/1,000 gallons for use up to 4,000 gallons/month)

2.) FY24 residential block rate of \$8.69/1,000 gallons above 4,000 gallons/month (Increased from \$5.13/1,000 gallons above 4,000 gallons/month)

3.) Phase-in of higher base charge for all meter sizes

* Retail and Wholesale Sewer rates are recommended, as follows:

1.) Retail Volumetric Rate - 4% per year each year for the next four years (Increased from \$7.17/1,000 gallons to \$7.46/1,000 in FY24.

2.) Wholesale sewer rates will not change over the next four years.

* Retail and Wholesale Reclaimed Water rates are recommended, as follows:

1.) Retail increases of 5.2%, 5.0%, 5.1%, and 5.2%, respectively, over the next four years.

2.) Wholesale reclaimed water rates are recommended to increase 15% each year over the next four years.

* Increasing rates will contribute to long-term fiscal sustainability of Utilities operations and continue to fund much-needed infrastructure improvements and assure regulatory compliance.

CONSENT AGENDA - Items 10 through 34

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND COMPTROLLER

10. [23-0873A](#) Minutes of the regular meeting held April 25, 2023.
11. [23-0874A](#) Vouchers and bills paid from April 30 through May 20, 2023.

Reports received for filing:

12. [23-0875A](#) Pinellas County Construction Licensing Board Financial Statements for the year ended September 30, 2022.
13. [23-0876A](#) Pinellas County Community Redevelopment Agency Financial Statements for the year ended September 30, 2022.
14. [23-0877A](#) Pinellas County Debt Report for the Fiscal Year ended September 30, 2022.
15. [23-0878A](#) Pinellas County Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the Fiscal Year ended September 30, 2022.
16. [23-0879A](#) Pinellas County Citizens' Guide to County Finances for the Fiscal Year ended September 30, 2022.
17. [23-0880A](#) Division of Inspector General, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller, Report No. 2023-10 dated May 5, 2023 - Investigative Review of Public Works Employee Conduct Unbecoming.
18. [23-0881A](#) Division of Inspector General, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller, Report No. 2023-11 dated May 19, 2023 - Follow-Up Investigation of Contractor Licensing Department Investigator Engaging in Conduct Unbecoming

Miscellaneous items received for filing:

19. [23-0882A](#) City of Clearwater Ordinance No. 9668-23 adopted May 4, 2023, annexing certain properties.
20. [23-0883A](#) City of Safety Harbor Code Enforcement Case 18-005 - Illicit Sewer Discharge
21. [23-0884A](#) Southwest Florida Water Management District Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2021-22, electronically filed with the Department of Financial Services.
22. [23-0885A](#) Independent Audit of the City of Largo Community Redevelopment Agency Fiscal Year 2022 Annual Report

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR DEPARTMENTS

Administrative Services

23. [23-0632A](#) Award of bid to VSC Fire & Security, Inc. for fire protection system services.

Recommendation: Award of bid of the services agreement to VSC Fire & Security, Inc. for fire protection systems services.

* This contract provides for services related a full line of fire system testing, maintenance, inspection, certification, and repair of fire protection systems for various County locations.

* Two bids were received with VSC Fire & Security, Inc. recommended for award as the lowest responsive, responsible bidder in the amount of \$1,992,250.00 over a three-year term.

* This contract replaces contract 178-0431-B. Annual spend for this contract has increased as several locations were added to the new contract; unit pricing increased approximately 35% as compared to the prior contract.

* Funding is derived from the operating budgets of multiple departments, and includes various Funds, Centers, Accounts, and Programs. Departments have budgeted for this service in FY23 and FY24.

Bid No. 23-0476-ITB in the total not to exceed amount of \$1,992,250.00 for three years, with an estimated annual expenditure of \$664,083.33 based on being the lowest responsive, responsible bid meeting specifications; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

24. [23-0827A](#) Declare surplus and authorize the sale of County-owned equipment and vehicles.

Recommendation: Declare surplus and authorize the sale of equipment and vehicles via auction on the attached lists. Approve distribution of the proceeds from the sale of vehicles and equipment sold to the funds from which the assets were purchased, typically the Fleet Vehicle Replacement or a specific enterprise fund.

* This action declares the listed items as surplus and authorizes their sale via auction to the highest bidder.

* The usefulness of the identified equipment and vehicles has been exhausted.

* Unlike other surplus items, surplus vehicles/rolling stock are not available for donation because the proceeds are owed to the Fleet Vehicle Replacement Fund or specific enterprise fund for vehicle replacement.

* Breakdown of assets for disposal as follows:

- a.) 4 utility carts
- b.) 1 sedan
- c.) 15 light trucks
- d.) 4 medium duty bucket trucks
- e.) 10 mowers
- f.) 3 agricultural tractors
- g.) 3 trailers
- h.) 2 forklifts
- i.) 1 chipper
- j.) 1 concrete cart

* Breakdown of non-assetted equipment

- a.) 5 mower attachments
- b.) 1 truck mounted crane
- c.) 1 light tower
- d.) 1 mobile tank sprayer
- e.) 1 root rake attachment

County Administrator

25. [23-0721A](#) Receipt and file report of non-procurement items delegated to the County Administrator for the period ending May 26, 2023.

Recommendation: Accept the receipt and file report of non-procurement items delegated to the County Administrator.

Management and Budget

26. [23-0814A](#) Fiscal Year 2023 Board Budget Amendment No. 2 to realign appropriation from various Reserves for unanticipated Fiscal Year 2023 expenditures in the Department of Administrative Services, Economic Development, Human Resources, Public Defender, and Supervisor of Elections. Also, realign appropriation for the American Rescue Plan Act and Capital Projects Funds for Capital Improvement Program projects.

Recommendation: Approval of the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget Amendment No. 2 pursuant to Florida Statute section 129.06(2)(b) realigning:

General Fund realignment of \$4.7M from Reserves.

The Department of Administrative Services is requesting \$2.7M due to:

An unbudgeted increase of \$1.7M from Duke Energy and \$295,257.00 in natural gas, water, and waste management costs

An unanticipated increase in repair and maintenance costs due to inflation in contracts (\$239,930.00) and inflation in materials (\$465,070.00)

Economic Development is requesting \$981,800.00 consisting of:

\$137,500.00 for a strategic plan contract begun in Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 without the funds carried forward into FY23 and \$42,310.00 for unexpected retirement costs in FY23.

\$802,000.00 is also requested from surplus land sales (Resolution 15-117) allocated for the Employment Sites Program (ESP) in FY15 that had not been recognized in prior year budgets.

Public Defender is requesting \$43,800.00 for a one-time software upgrade that is better accomplished in the current fiscal year.

Supervisor of Elections is requesting a total of \$964,000 for:

\$124,000.00 to meet the personnel requirements of SB 7050.

\$840,000.00 for six ballot scanners that have reached end of life and needed for the City of Seminole election in November 2023.

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Fund realignment of \$1.710M

Grand Canal Dredging (004607A) does not currently have a funding source and is ARPA eligible (ARPA Revenue Replacement funds).

Highpoint Russell Ave (006030A) is requesting \$10,000.00 of prior-year funds that were not carried forward to meet current year estimates.

Capital Projects Fund realignment of \$676,000.00

Baypointe Stormwater Conservation (003435A) transitioning from ARPA Funding to Penny for Pinellas Funding because of ARPA timing constraints.

Fleet Management Fund realignment of \$1.7M from Reserves

Expenditures trending higher due to increased parts costs, higher vendor costs, and increased repairs required due to an aging fleet.

Risk Management Fund realignment of \$1.4M from Reserves

Property and casualty insurance rates were \$1.5M, or 16.8% above the original budget of \$12.7M, discussed during the January 11, 2023, Board of County Commissioners meeting.

Health Benefits Fund realignment of \$9.2M from Reserves

High value claims through April are 20.2% discussed during the May 9, 2023, Board of County Commissioners meeting.

Public Works

27. [23-0602A](#) Award of bid to Acme Barricades LC for guardrail installation along Keystone Road from East Lake Road to the Hillsborough County Line.

Recommendation: Approval of the award of bid to Acme Barricades LC (Acme Barricades) for guardrail installation along Keystone Road from East Lake Road to the Hillsborough County Line (Project 005210A).

- * This project will enhance pedestrian and bicycle safety by installing 12,775 linear feet of guardrail between Keystone Road and the existing Tri-County trail.
- * The only bid received was from ACME Barricades in the amount of \$1,880,430.00, which is 2.03% above the engineer's estimate of \$1,843,015.00. No other vendors were interested in this project.
- * All work will be completed within 240 consecutive calendar days.
- * The Small Business Enterprise commitment for this project is 6%.
- * The Keystone Guardrail Project is funded in the Capital Improvement Plan at \$2,020,000.00 by the Penny for Pinellas.
- * Funding is reflected in Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 and FY 2024.

Contract No. 23-0494-ITB-C in the total not to exceed amount of \$ 1,880,430.00 with all work completed within 240 consecutive calendar days; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

28. [23-0565A](#) Award of bid to Ajax Paving Industries of Florida, LLC for the American Rescue Plan Act paving and local roads contract.

Recommendation: Approval of the award of bid to Ajax Paving Industries, LLC for the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) paving and local roads contract.

- * The proposed ARPA paving and local roads work order contract consists of milling and resurfacing, pavement marking, and traffic control required to complete various local group projects.
- * This contract is for local group projects in Lealman, Highpoint, and Ridgecrest, based primarily upon ARPA-qualifying socioeconomic statistics and secondarily by the poor condition's ratings for the specific roads.
- * A total of three bids were submitted. The lowest responsive and responsible bid of \$5,285,665.00 received from Ajax Paving Industries of Florida, LLC was 32.05% under the engineer's estimate of \$7,778,596.25.
- * The 32.05% difference between the low bid and the engineer's estimate reflects the unpredictable nature of the industry and fluctuations in market conditions.
- * The contract duration is 365 calendar days. Project work orders will be distributed to the contractor upon issuance of the Notice to Proceed
- * The Small Business Enterprise commitment is 10% for this contract.
- * The following projects for neighborhood improvements are eligible activities for the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity grant funding, qualifying as surface transportation capital projects under Sec.133. Surface Transportation Program of Title 23, U.S.C. under ARPA State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Fiscal Recovery, Infrastructure, and Disaster Relief Flexibility Act. By approving this agreement, you are legislatively finding these improvements are eligible for ARPA funding.

Contract No. 23-0281-ITB; in the not to exceed amount of \$5,285,665.00 will be utilized on a work order basis and all work will be completed within 450 consecutive calendar days; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

29. [23-0740A](#) Award of bid to Cone & Graham, Inc. for the Taylor Lake Seawall Improvement Project.

Recommendation: Approval of the award of bid to Cone & Graham, Inc. for the Taylor Lake Seawall Improvement Project (PID 002228A).

* This project consists of the replacement of the existing vinyl sheet pile wall along the north end of Taylor Lake, installation of improved drainage along 8th Avenue Southwest to eliminate erosion of the roadway slopes, and repair of the existing pedestrian bridge across the weir at 8th Avenue Southwest.

* Three responsive bids were received. The low bid of \$4,412,359.35 received from Cone & Graham, Inc. was 13% below the office estimate and is recommended for award as the lowest responsive, responsible bid. Final design and office estimate were provided in FY23, after the FY23 budget was adopted.

* The Small Business Enterprise commitment for this project is 11%.

* Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Project 002228A - Taylor Lake Seawall Replacement is increasing from \$2,962,000 to \$4,982,000 between the current Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-FY28 CIP and the proposed FY24-FY29 CIP plan. The current plan was based on a preliminary estimate and pre-inflationary pricing. The project did not reach final design phase until after the current plan was adopted. Taylor Lake Seawall Replacement is funded by Local Infrastructure Sales Surtax (Penny for Pinellas).

Contract No. 23-0427-ITB-CP, in the amount of \$4,412,359.35 with all work completed within 450 consecutive calendar days; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

30. [23-0820A](#) Award of bid to Kamminga & Roodvoets, Inc. for the 46th Avenue North, from 49th Street North to 55th Street North, Roadway Reconstruction Project.

Recommendation: Approval of the award of bid to Kamminga & Roodvoets, Inc. for the 46th Avenue North, from 49th Street North to 55th Street North, Roadway Reconstruction Project.

* This project is for reconstruction of the existing 46th Avenue North roadway, installation of an 8-foot multi-use path on the north side of the road and 5-foot sidewalk along the south side of the road.

* Upgraded drainage and sanitary sewer facilities will also be constructed as part of this project.

* This project was initiated in 2016 for improving pedestrian safety in the Lealman area and has been discussed with the community many times.

* Two responsive bids were received, with award recommendation to the lowest responsive, responsible bid from Kamminga & Roodvoets, Inc. in the amount of \$4,732,908.50 which is (1.37%) above the engineer's estimate of \$4,669,011.31.

* The Small Business Enterprise commitment for this project is 13%.

* The project is reflected in the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for 46th Avenue North Sidewalk Improvements in the amount of \$4,787,000.00, funded by Penny for Pinellas. The Utilities portion of work is funded in Water & Sewer Project for 46th Avenue North Utility Relocation. Both are fully funded in the Fiscal Years (FY) 2023, 2024, and 2025 CIP.

Contract 23-0548-ITB-CONSTRUCTION in the amount of \$4,732,908.50 with all work completed within 440 consecutive calendar days; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

31. [23-0443A](#) Joint Project Agreement with the City of South Pasadena for roadway resurfacing and construction of Americans with Disability Act improvements on the City of South Pasadena maintained portions of Oleander Way South from Date Palm Avenue South to the south end of Oleander Way South and roadway resurfacing of Huffman Way from the east bridge terminus to Island Drive South.

Recommendation: Approval of the Joint Project Agreement (JPA) with the City of South Pasadena (City) for County roadway resurfacing and construction of Americans with Disability Act (ADA) improvements on the City maintained portions of Oleander Way South from Date Palm Avenue South to the south end of Oleander Way South and Huffman Way from the east bridge terminus to Island Drive South.

* City maintains portions of Oleander Way South and requested County to perform roadway resurfacing and ADA improvements.

* City maintains Huffman Way South and requests County to perform roadway resurfacing improvements.

* City to pay the County for share of total construction and administration costs:

a.) Total project estimated cost is \$326,357.59.

b.) County estimated share is \$72,088.07.

c.) City estimated share is \$272,771.71.

* The County maintained portions of Oleander Way South to be resurfaced and ADA improvements are funded by existing Penny for Pinellas capital programs.

City to reimburse the County an estimated \$272,771.71, including a five percent estimated administration fee of \$12,989.13; JPA is effective upon execution and shall remain in effect until the settlement of final accounts as provided in Section 3.3 of the agreement.

Utilities

32. [22-2305A](#) Joint Project Agreement with the City of Pinellas Park for the proposed City of Pinellas Park Pump Station No. 31 upgrades and replacement of the City sewer force main from 102nd Avenue North to 84th Avenue North; concurrent with a planned County Utilities construction project of a bypass force main on Belcher Road from 84th Avenue to the South Cross Bayou Water Reclamation Facility and upgrades to the County gravity sewer interceptor.

Recommendation: Approval of the Joint Project Agreement (JPA) with the City of Pinellas Park (City) for the proposed City of Pinellas Park Pump Station (P.S.) No. 31 upgrades and replacement of the City sewer force main from 102nd Avenue North to 84th Avenue North; concurrent with a planned County Utilities construction project of a bypass force main on Belcher Road from 84th Avenue to the South Cross Bayou Water Reclamation Facility and upgrades to the County gravity sewer interceptor.

* The County will upgrade the City's sanitary sewer P.S. No. 31 and replace the City's existing 20-inch force main consisting of approximately 1.10 miles of pipe, from 102nd Avenue North to 84th Avenue North, with a new 24-inch force main including a new flow meter.

* The City will pay \$5,000,000.00 for the construction of the City's force main and P.S. No. 31 upgrades. Any increases to the City's responsibility must be approved by the City and County project managers.

* The current total project cost estimate is \$16,000,000.00. This represents a total increase of \$7,625,000 over the budget of \$8,375,000. The City portion of the project is increasing from \$0 to \$5,000,000 and the County portion is increasing from \$8,375,000 to \$11,000,000 (an increase of \$2,625,000).

* Actual project costs will be determined by bidding and confirmation by the City and County before construction contract is recommended for award.

* The County's contractor will construct the City's force main system and upgrades to the City's sanitary sewer P.S. No. 31 to achieve expedited repairs, minimize maintenance of traffic, and minimize staging area and mobilization costs due to the contractor already being on-site.

* The JPA is in conjunction with the County's upcoming Pinellas Park Interceptor Construction Project.

* Anticipated construction, following bid, is from October 2025 to October 2028.

* The County will invoice the City for reimbursement of construction costs.

* Funding is available under Project 003147A Pinellas Park Interceptor Collection System Improvements, in the Capital Improvement Program, funded by the Sewer Renewal and Replacement Fund.

Project No. 003147A; City will pay County 5,000,000.00; Term of Agreement will expire upon completion of project; Authorize Chairman to sign and Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest; The fully executed Agreement must then be recorded by the County.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

33. [23-0823A](#) Receipt and file report of civil lawsuits filed against Pinellas County as delegated to the County Attorney.

Recommendation: Accept the receipt and file report of civil lawsuits filed against Pinellas County.

AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS AND COUNCILS

Clerk of the Circuit Court34. [22-1882A](#) Ranking of firms and agreement with MSL, P.A. for auditing services.

Recommendation: Approval of the ranking of firms and agreement with MSL, P.A. for auditing services.

* This contract provides external auditing services pursuant to Section 218.391 of Florida Statutes and Section 2-178(j) of County Code, for fiscal years ending September 30, 2023, through September 30, 2027.

* Audit services for the consolidating entities of the primary government financial statements and includes:

- a.) Board of County Commissioners
- b.) Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller
- c.) Sheriff
- d.) Property Appraiser
- e.) Supervisor of Elections
- f.) Tax Collector
- g.) Construction Licensing Board
- h.) Community Reinvestment Agency
- i.) Water Department
- j.) Sewer Department
- k.) Solid Waste Department
- l.) St. Petersburg/Clearwater International Airport

* The not-to-exceed aggregate contract value for Auditing Services for five fiscal years is \$2,059,817.00 which includes \$1,823,458.00 of base auditing services that are currently required and \$236,359.00 of additional auditing services which may be required if the County issues additional debt or has additional auditing requirements imposed.

* The funding is consistent with Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Adopted Budget and FY24 Budget Development and is included within each corresponding BCC and Constitutional Fund.

* This contract replaces the current contract currently held by Crowe LLP, with a decrease to base auditing services of \$10,325.00 or 0.56%. The total not-to-exceed amount, including optional services, increases the total contract by \$226,034.00 or 12.3%.

* Four firms submitted proposals; following written evaluation, MSL P.A. was selected as the highest-ranked firm and is recommended for award by the Auditor Selection Committee.

Contract No.23-0125-P for a total not to exceed amount of \$2,059,817.00, auditing services for fiscal years ending September 30, 2023, through September 30, 2027; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

REGULAR AGENDA

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR DEPARTMENTS

Administrative Services

35. [23-0747A](#) Second Amendment to the agreement with Schindler Elevator Corporation for elevator/escalator maintenance and repair services.

Recommendation: Approval of the Second Amendment to the Agreement with Schindler Elevator Corporation (Schindler) for elevator and escalator maintenance and repair services.

* This contract provides elevator/escalator maintenance and repair services for various facilities throughout the County and repair estimates are based on prior history.

* The Second Amendment provides an increase in the amount of \$475,000.00 for services through the end of the contract term, April 8, 2024.

* Facilities and Utilities staff have increased the effort to maintain the reliability of elevator/escalator equipment by ensuring maintenance is performed at prescribed intervals. Repairs are often necessary during maintenance intervals which is difficult if not impossible to factor and/or are unknown at the time of contract award.

* The increase to this contract is necessary due to elevator repairs at the following departments/locations: Administrative Services \$161,000; Star Center \$40,000; Utilities Department \$28,000; Parks Department \$21,000; Airport \$6,500.

* Schindler is a sole-source provider for these services as they manufacture the controllers that operate the elevators and escalators and use their own proprietary software in the controllers.

* This contract was originally awarded by the County Administrator on April 9, 2019, to Suburban Elevator of Florida in the amount of \$547,020.00. On March 14, 2020, the County Administrator approved Change Order 1 to increase the contract in the amount of \$200,000.00 for emergency repairs at the Jail Healthcare Facility. On June 1, 2020, the County Administrator approved Change Order No. 2, which increased funds in the amount of \$200,000.00 to replace aging elevators at several County locations. On June 20, 2020, the County Administrator approved the First Amendment in acknowledgement that Schindler Elevator Corporation acquired Suburban Elevator of Florida.

* The proposed annual average expenditure of \$284,404.00 is partially budgeted for in Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 (\$221,810.00) and FY24 (\$218,500.00). Funding will be derived from multiple Funds, Centers, Accounts, and Programs.

Contract No. 178-0498-B increase in the amount of \$475,000.00 for a revised total contract value of \$1,422,020.00 with an estimated average annual expenditure of \$284,404.00, effective through April 8, 2024; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

Airport

36. [23-0842A](#) Grant Application and Grant Agreement with the Federal Aviation Administration for the Construction of Airco Taxiways at the St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport.

Recommendation:

Approval to submit a Project Application (Application) and then subsequently accept a Grant Agreement (Grant) with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) in the amount of \$11,951,040 to construct new Taxiway "D" and relocate Taxiway Connector "G3" at the St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport (PIE).

* These two taxiways will connect PIE's airfield with the 130-acre Airco parcel that is adjacent to PIE.

* Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Applications are due to the FAA on June 16, 2023.

* Taxiway "D" will run roughly parallel to PIE's primary Runway 18-36 and will terminate at Taxiway "G" and the end of Runway 36. Taxiway Connector "G3" is an existing angled taxiway that will be shifted to meet current FAA Airport Design requirements.

* Bids for this project were opened on May 18, 2023, and the total lowest bid is \$14,960,000.00.

* Other grant and local funding sources are available under Project 000034A Construct New General Aviation Taxiways and Roads Airport, included in the Capital Improvement Program, funded by the Airport Operating and Revenue Fund. The project budget will be proposed for amendment in the Proposed FY24-29 Capital Improvement Plan.

* The increase in cost is due to the post-pandemic costs of materials such as asphalt, airfield lighting, utility pipes, lime rock, excavation, grating, and airfield signage.

* This Grant is a multi-year reimbursement project that will likely impact FY 2024-FY25.

* PIE staff has prepared an Airport Improvement Program grant application to the FAA in the amount of \$11,951,040.00. When the Grant is issued by the FAA because of this application, it will require immediate electronic signatures by the Board's Chairperson and the County Attorney's office.

If this agenda action is approved by the Board, the Grant is deemed to be approved concurrently because of the tight timeline of FAA funds obligation. PIE normally receives the grant in mid-September for a September 30th obligation of funds.

37. [23-0797A](#) Memorandum of Agreement and Cost Sign-Off Document to reimburse U.S. Customs and Border Protection for costs of technology and equipment at St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport.

Recommendation: Approval of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) and Cost Sign-Off (CSO) Document to reimburse U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) for the costs of technology and equipment necessary for the performance of Federal Inspections Services (FIS) at St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport (PIE).

* The first MOA and CSO were issued and signed in 2018. Now that it has been five years, it is time to execute a new MOA and CSO.

* The MOA and CSO outlines the first year of new equipment at the cost of \$245,506.50 and the estimated recurring costs for the next four years is \$19,710.00 annually. This will not impact the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Adopted Budget but are included in the FY24 Budget as a decision package.

* These documents are required for the CBP to continue to process international passengers at PIE utilizing the most modern technology.

* The CBP's Office of Information Technology provides the specifications for all equipment necessary to populate the FIS.

Authorize the Chairman to sign the MOA and the CSO and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

Human Services

38. [23-0826A](#) Regional Opioid Abatement Funding Advisory Board Priority List recommendations for Board approval for submission to the Florida Department of Children and Families.

Recommendation: Approval of the recommended Opioid Abatement Funding Advisory Board (OAFAB) Priority List (Priority List) for submission to the Florida Department for Children and Families in compliance with the Interlocal Agreement Governing Use of Pinellas County Regional Opioid Settlement Funds (Interlocal).

* The Priority List will inform the competitive solicitation process for regional opioid settlement dollars as agreed in the Interlocal. This Draft Priority List will be reviewed and ratified by the OAFAB at the June 7, 2023, meeting.

* Recognizing the need to both conduct a strategic assessment to effectively plan for long-term recovery services and to expand co-occurring wraparound recovery services and treatment capacity throughout the county, the OAFAB has identified the following Priority List:

- 1.) Community planning/strategic planning
- 2.) Evidenced based data collections and research analyzing the effectiveness of the abatement strategies within the state
- 3.) Expansion of warm hand-off programs and recovery services
- 4.) Medication assisted treatment distribution and other opioid related treatment
- 5.) Pregnant and postpartum women
- 6.) Expanding treatment for neonatal abstinence syndrome
- 7.) Overdose prevention program that reduces fatalities Summary Outcome

* There is no fiscal impact as a result of this item.

39. [23-0857A](#) City/County Opioid Abatement Funding Priority List for submission to the Florida Department of Children and Families.

Recommendation: Approval of the Priority List for the City/County Opioid Abatement Fund for submission to the Florida Department of Children and Families. The Priority List was drafted in compliance with the Florida Opioid Allocation and Statewide Response Agreement with the Florida Attorney General, commonly referred to as the "Florida Plan."

* Establishing a Priority List is a requirement of the Florida Plan to receive City/County opioid abatement funding.

* The County has identified the following Priority List:

1.) Expansion of warm hand-off programs and recovery services.

a.) Expand services such as peer navigators and on-call teams to begin Medication assisted treatment (MAT) in hospital emergency departments.

b.) Expand warm hand-off services to transition to recovery services

2.) MAT distribution and other opioid related treatment.

a.) Increase distribution of MAT to non-Medicaid eligible or uninsured individuals.

b.) Provide MAT education and awareness training to healthcare providers, EMTs, law enforcement, and other first responders

* There is no fiscal impact as a result of this item.

* The Board previously made decisions regarding City/County opioid abatement funding in the following items 21-1230A - Resolution to negotiate Florida Plan, 22-1202D - Safety Harbor Assignment; 22-0178D - Oldsmar Assignment; 22-1334D - Tarpon Springs Assignment.

40. [23-0843A](#) Amendments to the agreements with the Florida Department of Children and Families and the Sixth Judicial Circuit Public Defender for the Criminal Justice, Mental Health, and Substance Abuse Reinvestment Grant.

Recommendation: Approval of the amendments to agreements with the Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF), the Sixth Judicial Circuit Public Defender (PD), and Ready for Life Inc. for the 2019 Criminal Justice, Mental Health, and Substance Abuse Reinvestment Grant (CJMHSAs).

* ?The 2019 CJMHSAs Reinvestment Grant supports implementation or expansion projects that increase public safety and avert increased spending on criminal and juvenile justice systems.

* The County's project, entitled "Road to Success", expands the PD's existing Crossover Youth program to divert 145 youths from arrest, prosecution, or incarceration into treatment and support services.

* The original CJMHSAs grant term was July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2023. DCF awarded Pinellas County a no-cost extension through September 30, 2023.

* These Amendments extend the agreements through September 30, 2023 and change the total award amount from \$1,200,000.00 to \$800,000.00 over the full term.

* This reduction to \$800,000.00 will more accurately reflect the amount that can be spent within the timeframe.

* The total of \$400,000.00 for the grant agreement is included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Adopted Budget.

* This three-month no-cost extension will allow for continued services through the extended grant period and for the program to meet its match requirement. The total impact on the Public Defenders budget for FY23 is \$354,669.75.

* A 100% in-kind match is provided by the PD.

41. [23-0687A](#) Letter to rescind funds for award acceptance 8C218 - Directions - Telehealth Remote Access to Crisis Intervention for the Fiscal Year 2021 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Countywide.

Recommendation: Approval to rescind funds for award acceptance for 8C218 - Directions - Telehealth Remote Access to Crisis Intervention for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Countywide (JAG-C).

* The JAG-C is a formula-based U.S. Department of Justice pass-through grant administered by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE). It supports projects that help reduce crime and improve the criminal justice system.

* For FY21, JAG-C can provide up to \$237,081.00 in funding to support projects in Pinellas County.

* On July 26, 2022, the Substance Abuse Advisory Board reviewed and ranked applications for projects to be funded by JAG-C and developed award recommendations for the Board of County Commissioners. Four non-profits were recommended for awards, in addition to an award for the Human Services Department and the City of Tarpon Springs.

* Since being award, one non-profit, Directions for Mental Health, Inc. d/b/a Directions for Living (Directions) for Telehealth Remote Access to Crisis Evaluation counselor position (\$57,500.00), has decided not to proceed or to sign their agreement. Funding for Directions must be rescinded from Directions and released to FDLE, because the application stage has passed.

* Funding to support this agreement was partially anticipated and \$150,650.00 is included in the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget. A budget resolution for additional funds is no longer needed.

Management and Budget

42. [23-0856A](#) Recommendation to award grant funding to applicants of the first round of large projects funded by the American Rescue Plan Act Nonprofit Capital Fund.

Recommendation: Approval of the recommended list of highest-ranked grant applicants for the first round of the large project track of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Nonprofit Capital Fund, administered by the Pinellas Community Foundation (PCF) and funded by the County's allocation of ARPA State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund with additional staff recommendations.

The large projects track of the Nonprofit Capital Fund is intended to fund acquisitions of, or modification to, property by nonprofit organizations that have experienced a negative economic impact by the COVID-19 pandemic.

* An independent rank and review committee of the PCF reviewed and scored 78 eligible Letters of Intent requesting a total of \$83,086,947.70. On October 6, 2022, the same committee members met and ranked the eligible LOIs that would move to the full grant application phase. On March 7, 2023, after individually reviewing each grant application, the independent rank and review committee met to rank the 19 submitted grant applications and made recommendations. The list of applications recommended for award is attached for a total of \$10,500,00.00.

* Due to a scrivener's error, the PCF's independent committee reconvened on April 14, 2023, to address the discovery that two organizations were incorrectly placed on the original award recommendation list. The committee worked to balance both process and expectation in adjusting their funding recommendations.

* Due to these new recommendations, staff conducted a supplemental review of the 19 applications. This review included analysis of geographical impact, alignment with national ARPA goals, and direction given by the full Board of County Commissioners to focus on food insecurity, specialized health, and services to the County's most impacted residents.

* As such, staff is recommending the following changes to the PCF's list: unassign the funding for the YMCA of Greater St. Petersburg, Inc. (because the applicant has substantial established resources and the demonstrated financial impact was not as great as others); Community Health Centers of Pinellas, Inc. DBA Evara Health (for the same reasons as the YMCA and the project will not directly counteract the effects of COVID-19); and the African People's Education and Defense Fund, Inc. (because the project also will not directly counteract the effects of COVID-19).

* Should these staff recommendations be accepted, the funds then available are recommended to be allocated to the next ranked partially-funded applicant - Gulf Coast Jewish Family and Community Services, Inc.

Public Works

43. [23-0728A](#) Transportation Regional Incentive Program grant application with the Florida Department of Transportation for the 126th Avenue North Roadway Improvement Project from U.S. Highway 19 to 34th Street North.

Recommendation: Approval of the Transportation Regional Incentive Program grant application with the Florida Department of Transportation for the 126th Avenue North Roadway Improvement Project from U.S. Highway 19 to 34th Street North.

* Requested grant funding is \$18,750,000.00 for Fiscal Years (FY) 2024 - 2028; anticipated to be 50% of the project's design and construction cost.

* Yearly lump sum grant reimbursement is anticipated to impact the FY26 - FY30 Annual Budgets.

* Anticipated County match is \$18,750,000.00 over FY24 - FY28.

* Match funding is derived from the Local Infrastructure Sales Tax (Penny for Pinellas): Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Transportation, Local Streets/Collector Projects.

* The County match is reflected in CIP Project 002925A (126th Avenue North Improvements from 34th Street North to U.S. Highway 19) in the amount of \$18,750,000.00. The timing of funding of County match will likely need to be adjusted in future CIP Budgets.

* Funding is for design and construction of the 126th Avenue North Roadway Improvements Project. Improvements include a bridge over Cross Bayou Canal, center turn lanes, new roadway segments to close current gaps, a multiuse trail as an extension of the Pinellas Trail Loop, and sidewalk.

* Deadline for application submittal to Forward Pinellas is June 16, 2023.

PID No. 002925A; total project design and construction cost approximately \$37,500,000.00; anticipated grant funding request is \$18,750,000.00; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

Safety and Emergency Services

44. [23-0534A](#) Agreement with the Palm Harbor Special Fire Control & Rescue District to provide funding toward the purchase of a new Squad 65.

Recommendation: Approval of the funding agreement between Pinellas County and the Palm Harbor Special Fire Control & Rescue District (District) toward the purchase of a new Squad 65.

* The District currently provides emergency medical services (EMS) under contract with the County for the District's area of unincorporated Pinellas County.

* This agreement provides funding of \$600,000.00 to assist the district in the purchase of a new Squad 65 using funds derived from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) federal grant that was awarded to the County.

* The District agrees to purchase, own, maintain, and insure one 2023 Pierce Enforcer Heavy Duty Rescue (Squad). The Squad is a planned replacement of an existing vehicle in Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-2023.

* Squad 65 vehicle had been destroyed by vehicle crash and the at fault drivers' insurance coverage was less than the replacement cost of this vehicle

* Squad 65 is included in capital replacement plan for the district, but the vehicle was not scheduled nor funded for replacement for several years

* County funding for agreement is budgeted and available in FY23 under project 006035A Squad 65 Emergency Rescue Vehicle (Palm Harbor), in the Pinellas County Capital Improvement Plan, in the ARPA fund.

Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

45. [23-0660A](#) Agreement with Stryker Sales LLC d/b/a Stryker Medical for the purchase of Electro-Cardiograph monitor/defibrillators and services.

Recommendation: Approval of the agreement with Stryker Medical for the purchase of Electro-Cardiograph (EKG) monitor/defibrillators and services.

It is further recommended the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) cancel the contract with Phillips awarded by the BCC January 11, 2022, due to their inability to provide equipment due to supply chain issues.

* This contract provides EKG monitor/defibrillators and maintenance, repair, and warranty services for the Department of Safety & Emergency Services, EMS & Fire Administration Division, and the AED devices for the Department of Administrative Services, Risk Management. Additionally, this agreement extends equipment pricing to the County Ambulance Service contractor for the term of this contract.

* The agreement has a term of five years with a total expenditure not to exceed \$6,893,429.94. and has provision for two three-year extensions beyond the initial five-year contract period. Term extensions provide for annual price adjustments based on the Producer Price Index with a maximum increase of 5%.

* Three firms submitted proposals; following written evaluation and oral presentations, Philips was originally selected as the highest ranked firm and was recommended for award by the Safety & Emergency Services Department and subsequently award was made by the BCC on January 11, 2022.

* Philips was unable to provide the agreed upon EKG monitors/defibrillators due to market derived supply chain delays.

* Stryker was the second highest ranked firm and can deliver the EKG monitor/defibrillators.

* Funding for this contract is divided between the Safety & Emergency Services Department and the Department of Administrative Services. Funds from the Risk Management fund in the Department of Administrative Services have been fully appropriated in the FY23 Adopted Budget for this purpose in the amount of \$156,200.00.

* Contract costs are \$6,893,429.94 of which the EMS fund portion is \$6,737,224.60

* Project originally budgeted in EMS Fund in FY22 at \$5 million with Phillips who defaulted in FY23 and has refunded payments which may need to be re-appropriated.

* Project exceeds FY22 projected budget of \$5 million and a budget amendment may be needed in FY23 from EMS reserves to complete the purchase with new vendor.

Contract No. 21-0422-P for a total amount of \$6,893,429.94, with a five-year contract term; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

46. [23-0691A](#) Memorandum of Agreement with the State of Florida Department of Health to pre-position the Strategic National Stockpile CHEMPACK Assets and CHEMPACK Containers in Pinellas County, Florida.

Recommendation: Approval of the agreement with the State of Florida, Department of Health to pre-position the Strategic National Stockpile's CHEMPACK Assets and CHEMPACK Containers in Pinellas County, Florida.

* There is no fiscal impact to the County for this Memorandum of Agreement.

* This contract provides for the placement of CHEMPACK Assets and CHEMPACK Containers at a defined Cache Location within Pinellas County.

* Provides the ability to effectively respond to a Public Health nerve agent event.

* The agreement shall remain in effect until otherwise agreed to by the Parties.

* This agreement replaces the current agreement in place since 2013.

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CareerSource Pinellas

47. [23-0717A](#) Memorandum of Understanding between WorkNet Pinellas, Inc. d/b/a CareerSource Pinellas and Advanced Robotics for Manufacturing Institute.

Recommendation: Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between WorkNet Pinellas, Inc. d/b/a CareerSource Pinellas (CSPN) and Advanced Robotics for Manufacturing Institute (ARM).

- * Memorandum of Understanding with ARM to align expiration dates with the other MOU's included in the Local Workforce Development Plan expiring June 30, 2024.
- * The Local Plan was approved by the CSPN Board on March 18, 2020, filed with the State, and is effective July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2024.
- * ARM has a Department of Labor grant which requires them to enter into this agreement.
- * The term of the MOU is 7/1/2022 - 6/30/2024.

48. [23-0809A](#) Program Year 2023-2024 Planning Budget for WorkNet Pinellas, Inc. d/b/a CareerSource Pinellas.

Recommendation: As requested by WorkNet Pinellas, Inc. d/b/a CareerSource Pinellas (CSPIN), approve the CSPIN planning budget to have in place for July 1, 2023, for submission to Florida Department of Economic Opportunity.

- * State budget allocations to local workforce boards must be made by the legislature and approved by the Governor.
- * The Planning Budget was developed by CareerSource staff and presented to the CSPIN Finance Committee on April 26, 2023. The CSPIN Board of Directors approved the budget at their Annual Meeting on May 17, 2023.
- * The CSPIN budget does not have a fiscal impact on the Pinellas County budget.

49. [23-0806A](#) WorkNet Pinellas, Inc. d/b/a CareerSource Pinellas Board of Directors' recommendation of Steven Meier as permanent Chief Executive Official of CareerSource Pinellas.

Recommendation: Approval of CareerSource Pinellas (CSPIN) Board of Directors' recommendation to appoint Steven Meier to serve as permanent Chief Executive Official (CEO) of CSPIN.

- * The CEO of CSPIN reports to the CSPIN Board; thus, the Board is responsible for carrying out the conditions of the CEO's contract, which include selecting, hiring, and terminating the CEO subject to Board of County Commissioner (BCC) approval.
- * The CSPIN Board has recommended and approved Steven Meier as Permanent CEO of CSPIN, subject to the approval of the BCC. The CSPIN Board now seeks approval of this recommendation from the BCC pursuant to CSPIN Bylaws.

Emergency Medical Services Authority

50. [23-0651A](#) Issuance and renewal of Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for non-medical wheelchair transport and stretcher van providers.

Recommendation: Sitting as the Emergency Medical Services Authority, issue a renewal Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (COPCN) for each wheelchair/stretchers van transport provider on the attached listing.

- * The current certificates expire on June 30, 2023.
- * The nine firms on the attached list have completed a renewal application and meet the Authority's requirement to operate as a non-medical wheelchair/stretchers van transport business.
- * Four of the nine firms have applied to render both wheelchair and stretcher van services.
- * If approved, the new COPCN will expire on June 30, 2024.
- * This item has no fiscal impact. Staff administration of the process is included in the annual operating budget for the EMS Fund.

Authorize the Chairman to sign the certificates.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

51. [23-0828A](#) Proposed initiation of litigation in the case of Brenda Hughes v. Glen Ellen Mobile Home Park L.P. et al.; HUD Case No. 04-22-2371-8; PC Case No. 22-053 - alleged housing discrimination.

Recommendation: Approval and authorization for the County Attorney to initiate litigation on behalf of Brenda Hughes through outside counsel retained for these legal services.

52. [23-0761A](#) Proposed settlement in the case of Myrna Rull v. Pinellas County; Circuit Civil Case No. 21-002716-CI.

Recommendation: Consideration of the proposed settlement in the case of Myrna Rull v. Pinellas County.

53. [23-0722A](#) County Attorney Reports.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

54. [23-0723A](#) County Administrator Reports.

COUNTY COMMISSION

55. [23-0863A](#) Appointment of a Big-C Nominee to the Tourist Development Council (Board of County Commissioners as a whole).

Recommendation: Approve one nominee from the BIG-C as an the BIG-C representative appointee to the Tourist Development Council for a term of four years beginning upon their appointment by the Board of County Commissioners on June 13, 2023 and expiring on June 12, 2027.

- * Names of nominees can be found on the Worksheet/Ballot.
- * Worksheet/Ballots will be provided by the Clerk.

56. [23-0801A](#) Appointment to the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (Board of County Commissioners as a whole).

Recommendation: Approve one applicant to the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee to complete a current term which is set to expires on October 31, 2023. The person selected will have the opportunity to apply for reappointment in the fall for a full term of three years if they so wish.

- * List of applicants are listed on the worksheet/ballot.
- * Worksheet/Ballots will be provided by the Clerk.

57. [23-0760A](#) Appointment to the Board of Adjustment and Appeals (Board of County Commissioners as a whole).

Recommendation: Approve the appointment of one alternate to the Board of Adjustment and Appeals for a term of four years beginning 6/14/23.

- * List of applicants can be found on the Worksheet/Ballot.
- * Worksheet/Ballots will be disseminated by the Clerk.

58. [23-0766A](#) Appointment to WorkNet Pinellas d/b/a CareerSource Pinellas Board of Directors (Board of County Commissioners as a whole).

Recommendation: Approval of the appointment to the WorkNet Pinellas d/b/a CareerSource Pinellas Board of Directors.

* Appointment of one Business seat, effective July 1, 2023, for a two-year term expiring on June 30, 2025.

* The local board must include representatives from four categories: Business, Workforce, Education and Training, Government, Economic and Community Development, Other.

* The name of the applicant can be viewed on the attached worksheet.

59. [23-0724A](#) County Commission New Business:
Pertinent and timely Committee/Board updates, policy considerations, administrative/procedural considerations, and other new business.

ADJOURNMENT

Special Accommodations

Persons with disabilities who need reasonable accommodations to effectively participate in this meeting are asked to contact Pinellas County's Office of Human Rights by e-mailing such requests to accommodations@pinellas.gov at least three (3) business days in advance of the need for reasonable accommodation. You may also call (727) 464-4882.

Public Participation Procedures

Persons wishing to comment regarding a specific agenda item should do so:

In person - by preregistering at <https://comment.pinellas.gov> or by filling out a comment card with the County staff person in the meeting room; or,

Virtually - in advance in accordance with the instructions in the notice of this meeting, or on the virtual platform or phone after preregistering.

Members of the public wishing to make comments on the virtual platform or by phone must preregister by 5 p.m. the day before the meeting. At the scheduled section of the meeting when the item is before the Board of County Commissioners (Board), the Chairman or Clerk will call on each individual, one by one, to be heard. Each individual may speak for up to three minutes as may be modified by the Chairman. Comments or behavior that violate Pinellas County Commission Public Participation and Decorum Rules will be disconnected. Members of the public who cannot attend at the time an agenda item is before the Board may offer comments during the Citizens to Be Heard section near the beginning of the meeting. More information is available at <https://pinellas.gov/participating-in-a-BCC-meeting> or by calling (727) 464-4400.

Public Hearing Procedures

The procedure used by the Board in conducting Public Hearings is to have a staff presentation followed by the applicant presenting the specific proposal. The Board will then hear comments from the proponents, the opponents and a staff summary. The applicant will then be given an opportunity to close and the Board will decide on the matter. Public Hearings before the Board are governed by the provisions of Section 134 -14 of the Pinellas County Land Development Code as may be modified by Pinellas County Emergency Order. That code provides that at the conclusion of each person's presentation, any speaker may seek the Chairman's permission to ask questions of staff.

Specifically:

1. At the conclusion of the presentations by the applicant and any proponents, all affected parties may seek the Chairman's permission to ask questions of or seek clarification from the applicant and/or the proponents.
2. At the conclusion of the presentation by the opponents, all affected parties may seek the Chairman's permission to ask questions of or seek clarification from any opponent.

The applicant's closing comments will address testimony subsequent to his or her presentation. Continuing rebuttal of other than directly preceding testimony will not be allowed. Because much testimony has already been submitted in writing, the following guidelines accommodate efficient presentations:

1. The applicant should present his or her entire case, including rebuttal, in no more than 20 minutes.
2. Persons wishing to speak regarding a Public Hearing item may speak for up to three minutes each.
3. Persons wishing to attend virtually must preregister at <https://comment.pinellas.gov> by 5 p. m. the day before the meeting.

Appeals

Persons are advised that, if they decided to appeal any decision made at this meeting/hearing, they will need a record of the proceeding, and, for such purposes, they may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

If a Board meeting beginning at 9:30 A.M. has not concluded by noon, a recess will be taken from noon to 12:30 P.M., and the remainder of the meeting will continue at 12:30 P.M.

If a Board meeting beginning at 2:00 P.M. has not concluded by 5:30 P.M., a recess will be taken from 5:30 to 6:00 P.M. The remainder of the afternoon agenda will resume at 6:00 P.M., followed by Public Hearings.