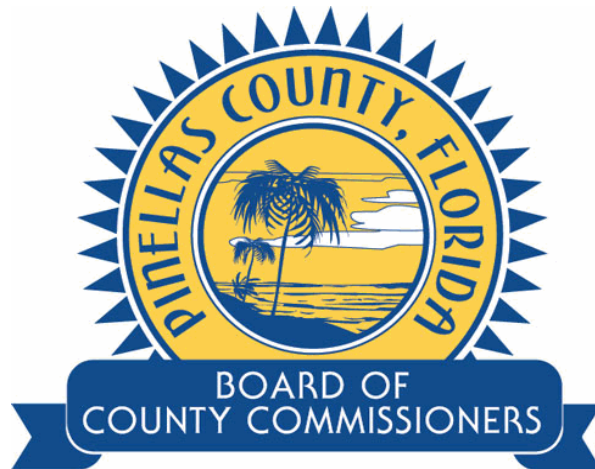


## **Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners**

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### **Hybrid In-Person and Virtual Regular Meeting Agenda**

Tuesday, September 19, 2023  
2:00 P.M.

Public Hearings at 6:00 P.M.

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 Reverend Erick Ashley, Clearview United Methodist Church, St. Petersburg.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE****PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS**

1.     [23-1214A](#)     2023 Pinellas County Fire Professionals of the Year Awards:  
Fire Professional  
- Doug Higley, Firefighter Paramedic/Assistant Chief, Pinellas Suncoast Fire Rescue  
Emergency Fire Dispatcher  
- James "Rich" King, Public Safety Telecommunicator II, Pinellas County Regional 911  
Special Operations  
- John Ryan Mitchell, Fire Lieutenant/EMT, Pinellas Park Fire Department  
Pinellas Federal Credit Union  
- Jim Kreiter, Jr., Vice President of Lending
2.     [23-1213A](#)     Fire Prevention Week Proclamation:  
- Craig Hare, Director, EMS & Fire Administration
3.     [23-1397A](#)     National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month Proclamation:  
- Kerry Kriseman  
- Claudette Carlan  
- Jeanine Oliver  
- Amy Quillen
4.     [23-1396A](#)     National Recovery Month Proclamation:  
- Jon Essenburg, Vice President of MAPS & HIV Services, Operation PAR, Inc.

**CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

5.     [23-1226A](#)     Citizens To Be Heard - Public Comment.

**CONSENT AGENDA - Items 6 through 15****CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND COMPTROLLER**

6.     [23-1393A](#)     Vouchers and bills paid from August 13 through August 19, 2023.

Reports received for filing:

7. [23-1394A](#) Division of Inspector General, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller, Report No. 2023-21 dated August 23, 2023 - Inspector General's Follow-up Audit of Fleet Management Services Annual Physical Inventory of Surplus Fixed Assets.

Miscellaneous items received for filing:

8. [23-1395A](#) City of Clearwater Ordinance Nos. 9681-23, 9697-23, and 9700-23, adopted August 3, 2023, annexing certain properties.

## COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR DEPARTMENTS

Administrative Services

9. [23-1129A](#) Award of bid to Waste Management Inc. of Florida for trash and recycling services.

**Recommendation:** Approval of the award of bid with Waste Management Inc. of Florida (Waste Management) for trash and recycling services.

- This contract provides trash and recycling collection services at various county locations.
- Award recommendation is in the amount of \$4,942,153.50 for a 36-month contract term.
- Three bids were received with Waste Management recommended for award as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder with an estimated annual average expenditure of \$1,647,384.50.
- As this contract was structured differently from the prior, it is difficult to obtain an equal comparison of price, but was an annual expenditure \$697,761.71.
- There was an increase in cost is due to additional locations and frequency of pickups, as well as well an approximately 60% inflationary adjustment mostly resulting from labor and fuel costs.
- This will be expensed from multiple funds, centers, programs, and accounts and will impact the operating expenses of requesting departments.
- This is partially budgeted for in Fiscal Year 2024 at \$1,112,030.00. Departments will need to adjust spending in other areas or amend budgets to meet demands.

Bid No. 23-1090-ITB in the total not to exceed amount of \$4,942,153.50 effective for 36-months based on being the lowest responsive, responsible bid meeting specifications; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

County Administrator

10. [23-1274A](#) Receipt and file report of non-procurement items delegated to the County Administrator for the period ending August 31, 2023.

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

Parks and Conservation Resources

11. [23-1315A](#) Award of bid to Advanced Roofing, Inc. for countywide Parks and Conservation Resources roof replacement.

**Recommendation:** Approval of the award of bid to Advanced Roofing, Inc. countywide Parks and Conservation Resources (PCR) roof replacement.

- This contract provides all material and services for the replacement and repair of roofs for numerous restrooms, shelters, and other structures within various County parks.
- Award recommendation to Advanced Roofing, Inc. as the only responsive and responsible bidder in the amount of \$648,639.52 for a total duration of 1,095 days. As only one bid was received, staff negotiated lower pricing and quantities. The original bid submittal was \$936,889.00.
- This contract replaces Contract No. 167-0327-CP in the amount of \$618,000.00 for a five-year term that has since expired.
- Countywide roof replacements will be completed under Capital Improvement Program (CIP) project 003772A - Renovation and Replacement of Park Structures. 003772A is a recurring program project budgeted in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-FY28 CIP plan and included in the proposed FY24-FY29 CIP plan, Local Infrastructure Sales Surtax (Penny for Pinellas). The FY23 Estimate and proposed FY24-FY29 CIP plan is \$18,217,000.00.

Contract No.23-0653-ITB-C in the amount of \$648,639.52 with all work completed within 1,095 days; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

Public Works

12. [23-1360A](#) Ratification of the County Administrator's approval of the Resilient Florida grant applications with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

**Recommendation:** Ratify, confirm, and enter into the minutes the approval by the County Administrator of the submission of four grant applications to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Resilient Florida grant program. Final grant applications are due to FDEP on September 15, 2023. Due to the grant submission deadline, the County Administrator's approval was required for timely submittal of the four grant applications.

Grant requests total \$51,131,100.00 in Resilient Florida funds, matched with \$51,131,100.00 of County funds. Projects include:

- 98th - 100th Way Drainage Improvements:
  - \$3,969,600 request
  - \$3,969,600 match from Penny for Pinellas
  - \$7,939,200 total request and match.
  - \$8,590,600 total proposed project funding with grant award. Project remains short approximately \$886,446.00 and County is pursuing additional grant funding.
- Cross Bayou Canal Drainage Improvements (Segments 1 and 2):
  - \$12,928,000 request
  - \$12,928,000 match from Penny for Pinellas
  - \$25,856,000 total request and match.
  - \$25,856,000 total proposed project funding with grant award.
- Crystal Beach Drainage and Roadway Improvements:
  - \$6,162,000 request
  - \$6,162,000 match from Penny for Pinellas.
  - \$12,324,000 total request and match
  - \$15,363,000 total proposed project funding (includes proposed CIP plan and grant award). Project remains short approximately \$107,828.00 and County is pursuing additional grant funding.
- Joe's Creek Restoration and Greenway Trail Project:
  - \$28,071,500 request
  - \$28,071,500 match from a combination of Community Development Block Grant-Mitigation Funds Grant, Southwest Florida Water Management District and Penny for Pinellas
  - \$56,143,000 total request and match
  - \$56,143,000 total proposed project funding with grant award

Utilities

13. [23-1175A](#) Award of bid to Brenntag Mid-South Inc. for liquid chlorine one-ton cylinders.

**Recommendation:** Approval of the award of bid to Brenntag Mid-South Inc. for liquid chlorine one-ton cylinders.

- This contract is for supply of liquid chlorine one-ton cylinders on an as-needed basis used in the treatment of water.
- This contract will replace contract no. 190-0526-B with Allied Universal Corporation which expires October 10, 2025; Allied Universal could not hold pricing resulting in a mutual agreeable cancellation.
- Allied Universal Corporation closed their nearest delivery plant and are no longer able to make deliveries within Pinellas County.
- There was one responsive/responsible submittal to this solicitation Brenntag Mid-South Inc. (Brenntag)
- With Brenntag as the sole bidder, staff negotiated the offered pricing from \$4,000.00 per one ton cylinder to \$2,800.00 per one ton cylinder; for a unit price savings of \$1,200.00 per one ton cylinder. Even with negotiation, the price of chlorine has more than doubled since award of the prior contract.
- The contract is for a twelve-month term in the not to exceed amount of \$1,792,000.00, with provision for four, twelve-month extensions allowing unit prices to be adjusted annually per the Producer Price Index.
- Funding is derived from the Utilities and Solid Waste Operating Funds. Pinellas County Utilities is the primary user of this contract and has partially budgeted for this contract. Solid Waste has fully budgeted for its anticipated expense.

Contract No. 23-0385-ITB; for a twelve-month term expenditure not to exceed \$1,792,000.00; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

## COUNTY ATTORNEY

14. [23-1365A](#) 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

Business Technology Services

15. [23-1156A](#) Ranking of firms and agreements with the five highest-ranked firms for requirements of information technology staff augmentation (temporary staffing) services.

**Recommendation:** Approval of the ranking of firms and agreements with IT Resources (IT), SGS Technologie LLC (SGS), Infojini, Inc (Infojini), SoftHQ, Inc. (SoftHQ), and SoftSages Technology (SoftSages) for the requirements of staff augmentation (temporary staffing) services as needed by the Business Technology Services Department (BTS).

- This contract provides temporary technology related staffing services from local and national firms to augment the County's workforce with contracted labor to support American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) approved projects.
- Funding is derived from the American Rescue Plan Act which expires December 31, 2026.
- The total contract value between all five contractors is not to exceed \$3,000,000.00, effective through December 31, 2026.
- Fifty-three submissions were received and evaluated with IT, SGS, Infojini, SoftHQ and SoftSages deemed the highest ranked firms and recommended for award by BTS.
- Funding is partially available in already-approved ARPA projects. Because these contracts were bid to include language and requirements contained in 2 CFR Part 200 - Uniform Administrative Requirements, they may also be used for any upcoming Federally Funded in addition to ARPA.

Contract No. 23-0063-RFP in the total amount not to exceed \$3,000,000.00 effective through December 31, 2026; Authorize the Chairman to approve and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.



**REGULAR AGENDA**

## ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

## COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR DEPARTMENTS

Human Services

16. [23-1284A](#) Funding recommendations for the Fiscal Year 2024 Human Services Social Action Grant Program.

**Recommendation:** Approval of funding recommendations by the Social Action Funding Advisory Board (SAFAB) for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 Social Action Grant Funding Agreements with up to nineteen community agencies, and delegation of authority to the County Administrator to sign all associated agreements and documentation.

- Pinellas County Human Services administered a competitive, online grant application process for the FY24 Social Action Grant.
- The grant solicitation opened on May 15, 2023, and sixty-two applications were received totaling \$5,884,602.81.
- On July 26, 2023, following review and ranking of the applications, the newly established SAFAB voted to recommend awards to seventeen projects under the original funding amount and an additional two projects if Decision Package funding is approved. Awards range from \$17,500.00 to \$150,000.00.
- An amount not to exceed \$1,551,000.00 in funding is allocated in the Human Services FY24 anticipated budget; this is the same amount as FY23. Due to demonstrated community need and continued high interest in Social Action Funding, an additional 10% in the amount of \$155,100.00 is in the Decision Package for FY24.
- This obligates the County prior to adoption of the FY24 Budget, should funding in whole or in part (including the decision package of \$155,100.00) not be approved as part of the FY24 Budget, these agreements would need to be revisited.

17. [23-1348A](#) Funding recommendations for the 2022 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant-Countywide and related grant administration documents.

**Recommendation:**

Approval of funding distribution recommendations by the Substance Abuse Advisory Board (SAAB) for the 2022 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Countywide (JAG-C) and approval and execution of a letter for delegation of authority to the County Administrator for JAG-C for this year's grant applications, award agreements and administration documents.

- 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.
- Based on crime and population statistics, FDLE has allocated, \$250,805.00 for Pinellas County. This is a slight increase over last year (\$237,081.00). No local match is required.
- The SAAB reviewed applications for projects to be funded by JAG-C. The selected projects were voted on and recommended by the SAAB on August 15, 2023.
- The JAG-C will provide \$250,805.00 in funding to support eleven projects in Pinellas County.
- There was a total of thirteen applications requesting \$429,281.06 in funding, this does not include the Human Services Planning Position which automatically is awarded 10% of the grant funding.
- A delegation of authority letter is requested by FDLE to allow the County Administrator to complete the application process.
- Funding to support this agreement was anticipated and is included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 Proposed Budget. This item is consistent with the development of the FY22 estimate and FY23 budget.

Public Works

18. [23-1283A](#) Federally funded subaward and grant agreement from the Florida Division of Emergency Management for Federal Emergency Management Agency Region IV Hazard Mitigation Grant program funding for the replacement of span-wire-supported traffic signals with mast arm traffic signals.

**Recommendation:** Approval of the federally funded subaward and grant agreement with the Florida Division of Emergency Management for Federal Emergency Management Agency Region IV (FEMA) Hazard Mitigation grant program funding for the replacement of span-wire- supported traffic signals with mast arm traffic signals.

- This grant supports the hardening of traffic signals at nine intersections in the County by replacing span wire traffic signals with mast arm traffic signals. These intersections are identified as key evacuation routes.
- Project begins upon full execution of the agreement and will remain in effect through January 31, 2026.
- Total project cost estimate is \$8,314,000.00 for design, construction, and construction inspection engineering services. Federal funding is awarded at 65% (\$5,383,682.70). County match is 35% (\$2,930,317.30).
- Project 005750A Signalization Improvements is funded by this FEMA Hazard Mitigation grant and the local option infrastructure sales surtax (Penny for Pinellas) and is budgeted in the six- year Proposed Capital Improvement Plan in Fiscal Years 2024-2026.

PID 005750A. FEMA Agreement No. H0995 / Project No. 4486-125-R; Project cost is \$8,314,000.00 with grant funding amount received being \$5,383,682.70; Agreement ends January 31, 2026; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

Utilities

19. [23-1260A](#) Grant agreement with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for a Septic to Sewer Conversion Project for properties located in the City of Tarpon Springs.

**Recommendation:** Approval of a grant agreement with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) for a Septic to Sewer Conversion Project for properties located in the City of Tarpon Springs.

- Grant funding from FDEP is in the amount of \$10,000,000.00 with a required County match of \$10,000,000.00.
- Funding will be used for a septic to sewer conversion project within the City of Tarpon Springs.
- Sewer extension and lateral connections will be for 216 properties located on Bryan Lane, Dogwood Trace, Lora Lane, and Ranch Road, as funding permits.
- The County will be paid on a cost reimbursement basis for expenditures before the expiration of the agreement on June 30, 2027.
- Grant funding will be allocated to Project 006052A Septic to Sewer Phase 1, included in the Capital Improvement Plan, funded by the American Rescue Plan Act Fund. Matching County contribution is available under the same.

PID No. 006052A; Grant Agreement No. WG003; in the amount of \$10,000,000.00 with a County match of \$10,000,000.00; expiring on June 30, 2027; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

## AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS AND COUNCILS

Business Technology Services

20. [23-1073A](#) Purchase Authorization Agreement with Insight Public Sector Inc., as requested by the Business Technology Services Department, for technology products and services.

**Recommendation:** Approval of the Purchase Authorization Agreement with Insight Public Sector, Inc. (Insight), as requested by the Business Technology Department (BTS) to purchase technology products and services.

- This purchase authorization provides a mechanism for BTS to purchase software, hardware, and related services in support of adopted technologies in service to County Department and Constitutional functions. Items to be purchase include but are not limited to desktop accessories, networking accessories, printer accessories, assorted licenses (cloud/CAD/database/design), memory, routers, network adaptors, servers, and assorted services.
- Products anticipated to be procured under this purchase authorization encompass both enterprise and department-specific services totaling an estimated \$921K annually and include the following goods and services:
  - Microsoft Unified / Support Microsoft Cloud Services and Support \$96,000.00
  - Patheon Software / Website Hosting - Pinellas.gov \$45,793.00
  - CloudGuru/ Cloud Training Courses \$6,160.00
  - Dell Vrail (SES) / IT Infrastructure Management \$27,572.00
  - FME Safe Software / System Integration \$65,000.00
  - Apple / Tablets /Maintenance \$220,000.00
  - GovQA / Public Records \$72,000.00
  - APC Replacements / Datacenter Battery Backup \$170,000.00
  - Cradlepoint / Networking CIP Refresh \$48,000.00
  - VMWare (Public Safety) / 911/Public Safety Infrastructure \$6,550.00
- Purchase authorization total is for \$3,600,000.00 through April 30, 2026; pricing is based on the Cobb County/Omnia Partners Contract No. 23-6692-03 with the County's terms and conditions.
- Funding for this purchase authorization is included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Adopted Budget and is consistent with the FY24 Proposed Budget. It is budgeted within the Business Technology Services Fund.

Contract No. 23-0909-PB in the total not to exceed amount of \$3,600,000.00 through April 30, 2026; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

Emergency Medical Services Authority

21. [23-0911A](#) Amendment to the Advanced Life Support First Responder Agreement with 4 municipalities and independent fire districts.

**Recommendation:** Sitting as the Pinellas County Emergency Medical Services Authority, approve the amendment to the Advanced Life Support (ALS) First Responder Agreement with 4 municipalities and independent fire districts.

- Amendment to Agreements with 4 municipalities and fire districts to provide ALS First Responder services.
- These amendments continue the two-year term beginning on October 1, 2022, and ending on September 30, 2024.
- The agreements are a consolidated and restated agreement that incorporates prior amendments and the current amendments as outlined below.
- Funding in the amount of \$7,467,122.00 is consistent with the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 Proposed Budget for the Emergency Medical Services Fund. Should the budget not pass with sufficient funding, these agreements will need to be revisited.
- In aggregate, the 4 agreements represent a baseline increase of \$288,975.00, or 4.2%, over FY22-23.
- Specific enhancements include:
  - a.) Safety Harbor - Medic 53 Pilot Project
  - b.) Tarpon Springs - Rescue 69
  - c.) Traffic Preemption Project
  - d.) Requirement for Criminal Justice Information System compliance to support the Pinellas Regional Information Management Enterprise Computer Aided Dispatch System project

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

Housing Finance Authority

22. [23-1263A](#) Resolution approving the issuance of Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds by the Housing Finance Authority of Pinellas County to finance a multifamily residential rental housing project Burlington Post 2.

**Recommendation:**

Adopt a resolution allowing the Housing Finance Authority of Pinellas County (HFA) to issue Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds in a principal amount not to exceed \$16.0M for the benefit of Burlington Post 2, Ltd. (Burlington Post), a Florida Limited Partnership, or its affiliate, duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida.

- This conduit financing transaction proceeds will be loaned to Burlington Post, (the borrower/developer) to help finance the acquisition, construction and equipping of a 75-unit senior multifamily rental housing facility, to be known as Burlington Post II, for persons or families earning 60.0% or less of the Area Median Income.
- This project is located within the City of St. Petersburg, Pinellas County, northeast of the intersection of Burlington Avenue, North and 33rd Street North, St. Petersburg, Florida.
- The developer will be solely responsible for payment of the bond debt.
- The HFA is a dependent special district of the County. Conduit financings pledge neither the district nor the County's credit and neither are responsible for payment of the debt except from funds received from the borrower (in this case the developer).
- This item has no fiscal impact to the County.

Pinellas County Community Redevelopment Agency**23.**     [23-1343A](#)     Fiscal Year 2024 Lealman Community Redevelopment Trust Budget.**Recommendation:**

Sitting as the Community Redevelopment Agency (Agency), transmit the proposed Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 Lealman Community Redevelopment Area (CRA) Trust budget to the Board of County Commissioners with a recommendation to approve.

- Staff is seeking a motion from the Agency recommending that the Board of County Commissioners adopt the proposed FY24 Lealman CRA Trust budget.
- The proposed FY24 total budget for the Lealman CRA Trust is \$8,798,300.00 and is comprised of:
  - A beginning fund balance of \$5,465,800.00 beginning balance carried over from FY23,
  - \$3,234,000.00 in Countywide and Municipal Services Taxing Unit Tax Increment Financing collections,
  - \$28,500.00 in interest earnings, and
  - \$70,000.00 via a passthrough grant from the Community Foundation of Tampa Bay to the St. Petersburg Foundation.



**24.**     [23-1344A](#)     Fiscal Year 2024 Lealman Community Redevelopment Area Work Plan.**Recommendation:**

Sitting as the Community Redevelopment Agency (Agency), approve the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 Lealman Community Redevelopment Area (CRA) Work Plan.

- The proposed Work Plan was first presented to the Agency at a July 27th Work Session and includes \$2.21 million of Tax Increment Financing spending for projects and programs in FY24.
- There are four changes proposed to the FY24 Work Plan:
  - An increase to \$200,000.00 from \$150,000.00 to include enhanced stormwater ditch maintenance in addition to the alleyways. This contract will go out to bid in 2024 if approved.
  - Change to Residential Improvement Program grant award from \$10,000.00 to \$15,000.00 to reflect labor and material cost increases due to inflationary pressure.
  - Phase 2 Lealman Park enhancements to include new lighting in the park and landscaping improvements to the adjacent pond.
  - \$250,000.00 for the Joe's Creek Industrial Area Master Plan to plan for the desired future land uses related to the Target Employment and Industrial Lands changes approved by the Countywide Planning Authority and to plan for needed infrastructure improvements in the area.
- The Lealman CRA Advisory Committee made a recommendation to the Agency to approve the Work Plan at its 7/26/23 meeting.
- All projects and programs on the proposed FY24 Work Plan are in accordance with Lealman CRA Redevelopment Plan and thereby Chapter 163, Part III, Community Redevelopment, of the Florida Statutes, which governs CRAs.
- The County Administrator was granted the authority to approve and execute certain contracts, documents, and instruments on behalf of the Agency pursuant to the powers enumerated in Section 163.370 of the Florida Statutes via Resolution 19-10, which is included as an attachment to this item and was adopted on March 12, 2019.

## COUNTY ATTORNEY

**25.**     [23-1323A](#)     Proposed initiation of litigation in the case of Carolyn Pulido v. Isle of Sand Key Condominium Association Inc. et al; HUD Case No. 04-23-4677-8; PC Case No. 23-021 - alleged housing discrimination.**Recommendation:**

Approval and authorization for the County Attorney to initiate litigation on behalf of Carolyn Pulido through outside counsel retained for these legal services.

26. [23-1377A](#) Proposed settlement in the case of Bryan Bardega v. Pinellas County; Circuit Civil Case No. 22-004817-CI.

**Recommendation:** Consideration of the proposed settlement in the case of Bryan Bardega v. Pinellas County.

27. [23-1310A](#) Proposed settlement in the case of Roger Reed v. Pinellas County Sheriff's Office; Workers' Compensation, Office of the Judges of Compensation Claims Case No.11-012637JPM.

**Recommendation:** Consideration of the proposed settlement in the case of Roger Reed v. Pinellas County Sheriff's Office.

28. [23-1227A](#) County Attorney Reports.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

29. [23-1228A](#) County Administrator Reports.

## COUNTY COMMISSION

30. [23-1407A](#) 2024 State Legislative Program.

**Recommendation:** Approval of the 2024 State Legislative Program.

- The Program lays out the Board's guiding principles and priorities for the 2024 Florida Legislative Session.
- The program is a result of discussions with the Board, county staff, and the County's contracted state government relations firm.
- Priorities include:
  - *SUPPORT* efforts to maintain local governments' ability to regulate the retail sale and application of fertilizers containing nitrogen and phosphorus in order to reduce nutrient runoff into waterways.
  - *SUPPORT* efforts that provide for additional revenue to offset solid waste enterprise expenses and capital costs for waste-to-energy facilities owned by local governments.
  - *SUPPORT* efforts that strengthen local governments' ability to responsibly regulate short term rentals including registration, maximum occupancy, parking, and life safety provisions.
  - *SUPPORT* County and Partner appropriations, including:
    - Countywide Generators \$3,750,000.00.
    - 133rd to 126th Avenue North Neighborhood Cast Iron and Galvanized Water Main Replacement \$1,100,000.00.
    - Ridgecrest Neighborhood Cast Iron and Galvanized Water Main Replacement \$1,300,000.00.
    - South Maritana Drive or 21st Avenue, St Pete Beach Cast Iron Subaqueous Crossing Water Main Replacement \$1,200,000.00.

31. [23-1229A](#) County Commission New Business:  
Pertinent and timely Committee/Board updates, policy considerations, administrative/procedural considerations, and other new business.

6:00 PM

## PUBLIC HEARINGS

### BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

32. [23-1336A](#) Resolution supplementing the Fiscal Year 2023 Operating Budget for revenue and expenditures for the General Fund, Emergency Medical Services Fund, Lealman Solid Waste Fund, and Lealman Community Development Agency Trust Fund. Realign appropriations from the General Fund, Fleet Management Fund, and Risk Management Fund reserves for unanticipated expenditures.

**Recommendation:** Conduct a public hearing and adopt the attached resolution recognizing and appropriating revenue and realignment of funds in the Fiscal Year 2023 budget as follows:

- Recognize \$70,000.00 in unanticipated revenue for the General Fund from the Community Foundation of Tampa Bay and increase the Transfer to Lealman CRA Trust Fund by \$70,000.00. This amount is part of the three-year commitment provided by the Community Foundation of Tampa Bay to support the implementation of the Collective Impact model at the Exchange by hiring a Needs Navigator to assist individuals as part of this model.
- Realign \$85,310.00 from the General Fund Reserves to Communications (\$19,310.00) for retirement payouts and Public Defender (\$66,000.00) for a prior year technology payment.
- Recognize \$5,500,000.00 in unanticipated revenue and increase expenditures by \$5,500,000.00 in Emergency Medical Services Fund by \$5,500,000.00 for increased ambulance transport volume.
- Recognize \$29,730.00 in unanticipated revenue and increase expenditures by \$29,730.00 for the Lealman Solid Waste Fund due to additional homes serviced.
- Realign \$500,000.00 from Fleet Management Fund Reserves to Operating Supplies due to increased fuel costs.
- Realign \$550,000.00 from Risk Management Fund Reserves due to increased workers comp and general liability claims expenses.

33. [23-1203A](#) Resolutions to adopt final millage rates and budgets for Fiscal Year 2024 (second public hearing).

**Recommendation:** Following a public hearing, adopt resolutions approving the final millage rates and budgets for Fiscal Year 2024.

**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](mailto: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**

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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.*