



Pinellas County

Staff Report

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Subject:

Resolution providing authority for use of golf carts within the unincorporated Bardmoor North Community.

Recommended Action:

Adoption of a Resolution providing authority for use of golf carts within the unincorporated Bardmoor North Community.

- Incorporates authorized golf cart area within unincorporated Bardmoor North.
- In accordance with Section 122-67 of County Code, consideration of speed, volume, and character of motor vehicle traffic, golf carts may safely travel on and cross these additional roadways, so long as appropriate signage is posted.
- Section 316.212 of Florida Statutes requires a resolution of support from the Board of County Commissioners in order to designate the area for golf cart use.

Strategic Plan:

Foster Continual Economic Growth and Vitality

4.5 Provide safe and effective transportation systems to support the efficient flow of motorists, commerce, and regional connectivity

Deliver First Class Services to the Public and Our Customers

5.1 Maximize partner relationships and public outreach

5.3 Ensure effective and efficient delivery of county services and support

5.4 Strive to exceed customer expectations

Summary:

This request is for a resolution providing authority for use of golf carts within the unincorporated Bardmoor North Community. Petitions were distributed to the three hundred thirty-four (334) eligible property owners residing within the boundary area. A total of eighty-eight (88) petitions were returned. Of those, fifty-eight (58) or 65.9% endorsed the creation of the golf cart community and thirty (30) or 34.1% did not endorse the golf cart community.

Section 316.212 of Florida Statutes authorizes the Board to permit the use of golf carts on County right-of-way within designated areas in any Unincorporated County area, considering factors such as speed, volume, and the character of other motor vehicle traffic using these roadways. The authorization requires approval from the Board through a resolution to establish policy.

Golf cart accessibility will be limited to local neighborhood roads which have low traffic volumes, minimal through traffic and primarily provide access to adjacent residential properties, so long as their operations are in compliance with Section 122-67 of the Code. This Section allows for (a)

roadways to be designated for golf cart use by ordinance or resolution; and (b) add appendices where the geographical limits of roadways designated for golf cart use may be codified.

Background Information:

County Staff performed a safety study of the area and determined that the neighborhood roadways would be conducive to golf cart travel. The County has developed a plan for the installation of additional regulatory signage to alert the public and law enforcement as to the boundaries where golf carts may operate in the area.

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Staff Member Responsible:

Kelli Hammer Levy, Director, Public Works

Partners:

Bardmoor North

Attachments:

Resolution

Exhibit A - Map

Petition - Golf Cart Community Designation