



**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA
STRATEGIC PLANNING RETREAT**

Lecanto Government Building
3600 W. Sovereign Path, Room #166
Lecanto, Florida 34461

MINUTES

February 6, 2026 - 9:00 AM

Diana Finegan, Chair, District 2
Janet Barek, 1st Vice Chair, District 3
Jeff Kinnard D.C., 2nd Vice Chair, District 1
Holly L. Davis, Commissioner, District 5
Rebecca Bays, Chairman, District 4

Steve L. Howard, County Administrator
Denise A. Dymond Lyn, County Attorney
Traci Perry, Clerk of the Circuit Court and
Comptroller

A. WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

February 6, 2026 Citrus County Courthouse
The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM.

Invocation

Chair Diana Finegan gave the Invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

Second Vice Chair Jeff Kinnard, D.C. led the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. OPENING REMARKS

Chairman Diana Finegan, Citrus County Board of County Commissioners

County Administrator Steve L. Howard, MPA, ICMA-CM, CPM

Introductory Video

Chair Diana Finegan and County Administrator Steve Howard provided opening remarks and played a video.

C. STRATEGIC INITIATIVES PERFORMANCE UPDATE

Targets for Action

Project Overviews

County Administrator Steve Howard provided the presentation.

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D. 9:30 a.m. PRESENTATIONS

Citrus County Interactive Growth Model

Presented by Dave Farmer, CEO, Metro Forecasting Models

Pavement Management Transparency Portal Demonstration

**Presented by Cynthia Skelhorn, Geographic Information Systems Director
and Walt Eastmond, Technical Services**

County Administrator Steve Howard introduced David Farmer, with Metro Forecasting Models, who provided the Interactive Growth Model presentations, and Mr. Farmer and Fire Chief Craig Stevens responded to Board questions.

Engineering Director Walt Eastmond and Geographic Information Systems Director Cynthia Skelhorn provided the Pavement Management Transparency Portal demonstration and responded to Board questions, followed by Board discussion.

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E. ESTABLISH 2026 TARGETS FOR ACTION

County Administrator Steve L. Howard, MPA, ICMA-CM, CPM

Commissioner Discussion

Chair Diana Finegan discussed ideas on growth.

Commissioner Holly Davis commented, and County Attorney Denise A. Dymond Lyn and Growth Management Director Eric Landon provided clarification.

Engineering Director Walt Eastmond provided clarification and Board discussion ensued.

County Administrator Steve Howard provided the Potential Targets for Action

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2026, followed by Board comments.

Mr. Howard and Chair Diana Finegan made final comments.

F. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:05 PM.

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