BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA

Citrus County Courthouse
110 N. Apopka Avenue, Room 100
Inverness, FL 34450

MINUTES

June 11, 2026 - 1:00 PM

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, Commissioner, District 4

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

A. CALL TO ORDER

June 11, 2026 Citrus County Courthouse
The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM.

A.1. Invocation

Pastor Tom Reaves from Bible Baptist Church gave the Invocation.

A.2. Pledge of Allegiance

County Attorney Denise A. Dymond Lyn, a U.S. Air Force Veteran, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A.3. Roll Call

Present: Holly L. Davis, Rebecca Bays, Jeff Kinnard D.C., Diana Finegan, Janet Barek, County Administrator Steve Howard, County Attorney Denise Lyn, Deputy Clerk Amy Novinger, Deputy Clerk Ashlyn Russ, Deputy Clerk Tifani White, Deputy Clerk Kristi Hugar

Absent: Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller Traci Perry

A.4. Approval of Agenda

County Administrator Steve Howard requested the following changes: pull item E1c, additional item G1, and additional information for item C6.

Motion to approve the Agenda, pulling item E1c, additional information for item E9, and addition of item G1.

RESULT: **Adopted**
MOVER: Janet Barek

SECONDER:	Holly L. Davis
AYES:	Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY:	None

B. PROCLAMATIONS & AWARDS

Motion to approve item B1.

RESULT:	**Adopted**
MOVER:	Janet Barek
SECONDER:	Jeff Kinnard D.C.
AYES:	Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY:	None

B.1. Proclamation -- Youth Sports Recognition Girls Soccer
Approve & Authorize the BOCC to recognize the Nature Coast Soccer Club - Girls Teams on their outstanding achievements during the 2025-2026 season. **(Joel Waldrop, Nature Coast Soccer)**

C. CONSENT

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda in full.

RESULT:	**Adopted**
MOVER:	Holly L. Davis
SECONDER:	Janet Barek
AYES:	Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY:	None

Minutes

C.1. Minutes of the Board of County Commissioners
Approve minutes of the following Board of County Commissioner meetings:
May 12, 2026 Regular Meeting
May 26, 2026 Regular Meeting

Administration

C.2. Annual Notice of Intent to Use the Uniform Method of Collecting Non-Ad Valorem Assessments - Correcting the commencement date to FY26/27

Adopt and authorize the Chairman to execute a resolution correcting the commencement date for the use of the uniform method of collecting non-ad valorem special assessments in Citrus County, Florida, affirming the need for the levy, directing the mailing of the resolution, and providing for an effective date. **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

Resolution Number 2026-038

C.3. CareerSource Citrus Levy Marion Master Services Contract

Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Master Services Contract with the Citrus, Levy, Marion Regional Workforce Development Board, Inc. **(Steve L. Howard, County Administrator)**

Attorneys Office

No items.

Clerk

No items.

Community Services

C.4. Auction of Asset 52522-Transit Services

Approve the deletion of asset by auction from the inventory of Transit Services and the county's capital asset listing.
Asset# 52522-2016 Ford Passenger Bus VIN 1FDFE4FS8GDC53710 **(Eric Head, Community Services Director)**

C.5. MFAAA/Elder Options Older American Act III Grant Application for Funding Years 2027-2029

Adopt and authorize the Chairman to execute a resolution authorizing an application for funding, execution of the resulting contract, amendments and necessary documents, after review by the County Attorney, for the Mid-Florida Area Agency on Aging dba Elder Options Older American Act III programs for the period effective January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2029. **(Eric Head, Community Services Director)**

Resolution Number 2026-039

Fire Services

C.6. LifeStream Behavioral Center, Inc. - FY24/25 Annual Report
Acknowledge receipt of LifeStream Behavioral Center's annual report for FY24/25, running from October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025. **(Craig Stevens, Fire Chief)**

Additional information was received after the agenda was published.

Additional Information for Item C6

C.7. Certification Statement for the Use of Certified Public Funds
Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute the Certification Statement for the Use of Certified Public Funds. **(Craig Stevens, Fire Chief)**

C.8. Initial Assessment Resolution for Fire Protection Services
a. Adopt and authorize the Chairman to execute the Amended and Restated Initial Assessment Resolution for Fire Protection Services for FY 2026-27.
b. Set a public hearing on July 28, 2026, at 1:30 P.M. to consider adopting fees and assessment rates for Fire Protection Services for FY 2026-27 and adopting the Fire Protection Services assessment roll prepared by the Property Appraiser's Office. **(Craig Stevens, Fire Chief)**

Resolution Number 2026-040

Human Resources

C.9. Settlement of Claim # F231AL0083
Approve and authorize Cindy Townsend, Esquire, representing Citrus County, Florida to accept the Proposal for Settlement for Case Number 2025 CA 000847A Heidemaria Laro vs Citrus County for $25,000 on behalf of Citrus County, Florida. **(Jessica Flynn, Human Resource Director)**

Management and Budget

C.10. Quarterly Budget Status Report

Acknowledge receipt of the 2nd Quarter Budget Status Report from January 1, 2026, through March 31, 2026. **(Tammy Wilson, Management & Budget Director)**

C.11. Budget Transfers

Approve the budget transfers for Stormwater (3), Chassahowitzka Campground, Solid Waste Management, Technical Services, General Fund Capital Improvement Program (CIP), Parks and Recreation and Grounds Maintenance for fiscal year 2025-2026 **(Tammy Wilson, Management & Budget Director)**

C.12. Budget Resolutions

Adopt and authorize the Chairman to execute a resolution amending/adopting the Florida Department of Transportation 5339 Capital and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Small County Outreach Program (SCOP) resurfacing W Mustang Blvd from W Mesa Verde Dr. to CR491 grant budgets for fiscal year 2025-2026. **(Tammy Wilson, Management & Budget Director)**

Resolution Number 2026-041

Growth Management

C.13. Proposed 2026 Property Abatement Assessments

a. Adopt and authorize the Chairman to execute a Resolution for the 2026 Property Abatement Assessments relating to the provision of property abatement services; describing the method of assessing property abatement service costs against assessed property located within Citrus County, Florida; determining the property abatement service costs and the initial property abatement special assessments; directing the preparation of an assessment roll, authorizing a public hearing and
directing the provision of notice thereof and providing for an effective date.
b. Set a public hearing on July 28, 2026, at 1:32 P.M. regarding the 2026 Property Abatement Assessments. **(Eric Landon, Growth Management Director)**

Resolution Number 2026-042

Public Works

C.14. Security Deposit Increase for Monthly Charge Account Agreement – Habitat For Humanity Of Citrus Co., DBA Habitat For Humanity of the Nature Coast

a. Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute a monthly Waste Disposal Account Agreement between Citrus County and Habitat For Humanity Of Citrus Co., DBA Habitat For Humanity of the Nature Coast for disposal fees up to $3,500.00 at the Citrus County Central Landfill.
b. Approve the termination of the existing Waste Disposal Account Agreement with Habitat For Humanity Of Citrus Co., DBA Habitat For Humanity of the Nature Coast, dated August 06, 2024, and authorize the transfer of the current $2,200.00 cash deposit to the new agreement. **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

C.15. Security Deposit Increase for Monthly Charge Account Agreement – Preusler and Associates, DBA Restoration Specialists

a. Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute a monthly Waste Disposal Account Agreement between Citrus County and Preusler and Associates, DBA Restoration Specialists for disposal fees up to $1,000.00 at the Citrus County Central Landfill and accept Merchants National Bonding, Inc. No. 101662481.
b. Approve the termination of the existing Waste Disposal Account Agreement with Preusler and Associates, DBA Restoration Specialists, dated January 01, 2015.
c. Authorize staff to process all necessary documentation and refund cash security deposit of $500.00 plus $66.06 accrued in interest. **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

C.16. Security Bond Continuation for Monthly Charge Account Agreement – Waste Connections of Florida, Inc.

Approve and authorize the Chairman to accept the security bond continuation certificate for Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, No. 108 028 221 extending the term to June 01, 2027, in reference to Waste Connections of Florida, Inc.’s Waste Disposal Account Agreement, dated May 27, 2025.
(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)

C.17. Surplus Property

Approve and authorize staff to sell equipment as listed in the supporting backup documents through an online auction service. In the event an item does not sell, authorize staff to dispose of surplus property according to County policy.
(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director/ Bryan Cope, Fleet Management Director)

C.18. Initial Assessment Resolution for Solid Waste Residential Assessment

a. Adopt and authorize the Chairman to execute the Initial Assessment Resolution for FY 2026-27.

b. Set a public hearing on July 28, 2026, at 1:35 P.M. to consider adopting the assessment rate for the Solid Waste Residential Assessment roll prepared by the Property Appraiser's Office. **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

Resolution Number 2026-043

Systems Management

No items.

Visitors and Convention Bureau

No items.

Water Resources

C.19. Proposed Citrus Springs 2026 Assessment Area

a. Adopt and authorize the Chairman to execute a Resolution of Citrus County, Florida, relating to the provision of Water Distribution Facilities in the unincorporated area of the County; creating the Citrus Springs 2026 Assessment Area; determining the estimated capital cost of the Water Line Extensions; establishing the method of assessing the project cost against the properties that will be benefited thereby, establishing other terms and conditions of the assessments; directing the County Administrator to prepare a preliminary assessment roll; establishing a public hearing to consider imposition of the proposed assessments and the method of their collection; directing the provision of notice; and providing for an effective date.
b. Set a public hearing for July 28, 2026, at 1:34 p.m. regarding the proposed Citrus Springs 2026 Assessment Area. **(Ken Cheek, P.E., Water Resources Director)**

Resolution Number 2026-044

C.20. Proposed Cedar Lake Estate 2026 Assessment Area

a. Adopt and authorize the Chairman to execute a Resolution of Citrus County, Florida, relating to the provision of Water Distribution Facilities in the unincorporated area of the County; creating the Cedar Lake Estate 2026 Assessment Area; determining the estimated capital cost of the Water Line Extensions; establishing the method of assessing the project cost against the properties that will be benefited thereby, establishing other terms and conditions of the assessments; directing the County Administrator to prepare a preliminary assessment roll; establishing a public hearing to consider imposition of the proposed assessments and the method of their collection; directing the provision of notice; and providing for an effective date.
b. Set a public hearing for July 28, 2026, at 1:33 p.m. regarding the proposed

Cedar Lake Estate 2026 Assessment Area. **(Ken Cheek, P.E., Water Resources Director)**

Resolution Number 2026-045

C.21. Connection Charge Installment Lien Agreement - Patricia A Gratton

a. Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute Connection Charge Installment Lien Agreement by and between the Citrus County Municipal Service Benefit Unit for Water and/or Wastewater Utility Services for Patricia A Gratton.
b. Authorize the Clerk to record Connection Charge Installment Lien Agreement in the Public Records of Citrus County, Florida. **(Ken Cheek, P.E., Water Resources Director/ Bernadine Flood-Nichols, Utility Business Services Director).**

C.22. Connection Charge Installment Lien Agreement - Jahmes K McClean & Yanyan Jiang

a. Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute Connection Charge Installment Lien Agreement by and between the Citrus County Municipal Service Benefit Unit for Water and/or Wastewater Utility Services for Jahmes K McClean and Yanyan Jiang.
b. Authorize the Clerk to record Connection Charge Installment Lien Agreement in the Public Records of Citrus County, Florida. **(Ken Cheek, P.E., Water Resources Director/ Bernadine Flood-Nichols, Utility Business Services Director)**

Set Public Hearings Workshops

C.23. Set a Public Hearing for Certification of the 2026-27 Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Rolls

a. Adopt and authorize the Chairman to execute a preliminary rate resolution of Citrus County, Florida relating to the Certification of the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Rolls.
b. Set a public hearing on Tuesday, July 28, 2026, at 1:31 p.m. for the purpose of hearing public comment on the adoption of a final rate resolution adopting and certifying the countywide non-ad valorem assessment rolls for FY 2026-2027 which includes assessments for street lighting, neighborhood beautification, roadway maintenance and improvements, and water and wastewater assessments within the various assessment areas in compliance with Florida Statutes Chapter 197.3632. **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

Resolution Number 2026-046

D. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

The following individuals addressed the Board on various issues:

SCADAbob
Orlando Lopez
Marian Schultz
Robert Schultz
Joe Papp

Commissioners responded to comments from the public, and County Administrator Steve Howard addressed Board questions.

Clerk's Note: The item was paused at 1:16 PM and resumed at 1:31 PM.

Public Speaker Forms for Item D

Additional Information for Item D - Submitted by SCADAbob

Additional Information for Item D - Submitted by Orlando Lopez

Additional Information for Item D - Submitted by Robert Schultz

E. REGULAR BUSINESS

E.1. Bids

Motion to approve items E1a, E1b and E1d.

Citizen Tracey Duncan commented regarding item E1a.

Commissioners responded to comments from Ms. Duncan.

RESULT:	**Adopted**
MOVER:	Janet Barek
SECONDER:	Jeff Kinnard D.C.
AYES:	Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY:	None

Public Speaker Form for Item E1

E.1.a. ITB 25-110 Amendment No. 2; Holder Industrial Park Force Main Extension Construction Project (CONFIDENTIAL)

Approve and Authorize the Chairman to execute Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement between Citrus County, Florida and the Contractor listed in the Agreement documents, to ratify the action of the Department in issuing the Amended Notice to Proceed on April 23, 2026, and extend the time for substantial completion to July 1, 2026, and final completion to July 31, 2026, there is no additional cost associated with this Amendment. **(Ken Cheek, P.E., Water Resources Director)**

E.1.b. QTE 24-114 Amendment No. 2; Certificate of Insurance Software Program: My COI LLC

Approve and Authorize the Chairman to execute Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement between Citrus County, Florida and My COI LLC, to exercise the second option to renew the Agreement for an additional one (1) year term, extending the duration of the Agreement to July 22, 2027, and to modify the language in Section 18.4 Compliance with Laws and Section 18.15 Equal Employment Opportunity, in accordance with Executive Order 14173. There is no cost increase associated with this Amendment. **(Jessica Flynn, Human Resource Director)**

E.1.c. QTE 26-125 Emergency Telephone Services for Courthouse Elevators (CONFIDENTIAL)

Approve and Authorized the Chairman to execute the Agreement between Citrus County, Florida and the vendor listed in the agreement to provide equipment, installation, and monitoring services for two-way emergency audio/visual equipment in the County Courthouse elevators in compliance with Florida Statute, Chapter 399, Florida Building Codes and DBPR adoption of ASME A17.1/CSA B44, at a cost of $247.00 monthly service fee. **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

This item was pulled during the meeting.

Pulled Item E1c

E.1.d. ITB 26-106 Mowing for Fire Training Center, Fire Stations, and Well Sites; Simply Amazing Property Maintenance LLC

Approve and Authorize the Chairman to executed the Agreement between Citrus County, Florida and Simply Amazing Property Maintenance LLC, to provide finish mowing, edging, trimming, and clean-up for the Fire Training Center, fire stations, and well sites, at the estimated cost of $24,400.00 per year. **(Craig Stevens, Fire Chief)**

E.2. P035BOCT25, Virgin Islands Inmate Housing Contract PREA Language Amendment

Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute Amendment No. 1 to Professional Services Contract between the Government of the U.S. Virgin Islands Bureau of Corrections, CoreCivic of Tennessee, LLC and Citrus County, Florida. to update the PREA language in the contract. **(Joseph Whittick, Contract Monitor)**

Second Vice Chair Jeff Kinnard, D.C. made a motion to approve item E2, which was seconded by Chair Diana Finegan.

At the request of Commissioner Rebecca Bays, Contract Monitor Joseph Whittick provided clarification.

Board discussion ensued.

Second Vice Chair Jeff Kinnard, D.C. and Chair Diana Finegan rescinded the motion.

E.3. Fund Balance

Discuss, approve and authorize the Chairman to execute a budget resolution to recognize the actual fund balance brought forward from September 30, 2025. **(Tammy Wilson, Management & Budget Director)**

Chair Diana Finegan provided the recommendation, followed by Board discussion.

Management and Budget Director Tammy Wilson addressed Board questions.

Board discussion ensued.

Motion to use the true up funds of $8.8 million to put it away for now with the stipulation that it is returned to the people.

Ms. Wilson provided clarification to the Board.

Deputy Clerk Amy Novinger requested clarification of the motion.

The motion was amended to: use the true up funds, $7.6 million will stay in reserves with the intent to be returned to the people in next year's budget by reducing the millage by that amount.

RESULT:	**Adopted**
MOVER:	Diana Finegan
SECONDER:	Jeff Kinnard D.C.
AYES:	Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan
NAY:	Davis, Barek

Resolution Number 2026-047

E.4. IMP 2023-00008 Lecanto Preserve Phase 1 Improvements Agreement

a. Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute the Improvements Agreement for Lecanto Preserve Phase 1 with Lecanto Preserve, LLC
b. Accept bond in the amount of $2,315,416.36 for 130% of the cost of remaining infrastructure improvements. **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

Motion to approve item E4a and b.

RESULT:	**Adopted**
MOVER:	Janet Barek
SECONDER:	Holly L. Davis
AYES:	Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY:	None

E.5. S. Lewdinger Drive/Right-of-Way

a. Approve and authorize the Chairman to accept Warranty Deeds from InVictus Development LLC, a Florida Limited Liability Company and Cardinal Oaks LLC, A Florida Limited Liability Company, for the conveyance of properties located on S. Lewdinger Drive, as depicted in the attached sketches, for the purpose of securing additional right-of-way as specified therein and execute the same.
b. Authorize the Clerk to place acceptance stamp on the deed and record it in the Public Records of Citrus County, Florida. **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

Motion to approve item E5a and b.

RESULT:	**Adopted**
MOVER:	Holly L. Davis
SECONDER:	Janet Barek
AYES:	Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY:	None

E.6. HC Lecanto, LLC Right-of-Way Dedication

a. Approve and authorize the Chairman to accept a Warranty Deed from HC Lecanto, LLC for the donation of 40’ of the property within AK’s 1501946, Parcel ID # 18E19S04 34100, located at 3949 W. Gulf To Lake Hwy., Lecanto, FL & AK 1501954, Parcel ID #18E19S04 34110 located at 3764 W. Southern St., Lecanto, FL as additional right-of-way in conjunction with the construction of the proposed Lecanto VA Clinic, ensuring compliance with county planning standards and enhancing traffic flow in the area.
b. Authorize the Clerk to place the acceptance stamp on the deed and record it in the Public Records of Citrus County, Florida. **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

Motion to approve item E6a and b.

RESULT:	**Adopted**

MOVER:	Holly L. Davis
SECONDER:	Janet Barek
AYES:	Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY:	None

E.7. Interlocal Agreement with Ozello Water Association for Wastewater Services

a. Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute the Interlocal Agreement for the Provision by Citrus County of Wastewater Services within the Territorial Area of the Ozello Water Association, Inc.
b. Authorize the Clerk to record the Interlocal Agreement in the Public Records of Citrus County, Florida. **(Ken Cheek, P.E., Water Resources Director)**

Motion to approve item E7a and b.

RESULT:	**Adopted**
MOVER:	Janet Barek
SECONDER:	Jeff Kinnard D.C.
AYES:	Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY:	None

E.8. FY25 Assistance to Firefighters (AFG) Grant Program

a. Adopt and authorize the Chairman to execute a Resolution authorizing an application for funding to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 Assistance to Firefighters (AFG) Grant Program for mobile and portable radio upgrade.
b. Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute the "Designation of Signatory Authority". **(Craig Stevens, Fire Chief)**

Motion to approve item E8a and b.

RESULT:	**Adopted**
MOVER:	Janet Barek
SECONDER:	Jeff Kinnard D.C.
AYES:	Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY:	None

Resolution Number 2026-048

E.9. FY25 Fire Prevention and Safety Grant Program

a. Adopt and authorize the Chairman to execute a Resolution authorizing an application for funding to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 Fire Prevention and Safety Grant to purchase and implement fire pre-plan software execution of the grant award and amendments and modifications of grant application and award documents.

b. Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute the "Designation of Signatory Authority". **(Craig Stevens, Fire Chief)**

Motion to approve item E9a and b.

RESULT:	**Adopted**
MOVER:	Holly L. Davis
SECONDER:	Janet Barek
AYES:	Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY:	None

Resolution Number 2026-049

E.10. Budgeted Out of Country Travel - FITUR

Approval for Terry Natwick, Marketing & Sales Manager, and Auvis Cole, Tourism Director, to attend FITUR in Madrid, Spain from January 20-24, 2027. **(Auvis Cole, Tourism Director)**

Motion to approve item E10.

Citizen Terri Jones commented.

Commissioners responded to Ms. Jones' comments and Tourism Director Auvis Cole provided clarification to the Board.

RESULT:	**Adopted**
MOVER:	Holly L. Davis
SECONDER:	Jeff Kinnard D.C.
AYES:	Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY:	None

Public Speaker Form for Item E10

E.11. TDC Request for New Travel Initiatives

a. Approval for 1 individual to attend the STS Board Meeting in Richmond, VA. September 2026.
b. Approval for 1 individual to the Destinations International CDME Course in Portland, OR from Jul. 18-21, 2026
c. Approve related budget transfer. **(Auvis Cole, Tourism Director)**

Motion to approve item E11a, b and c.

RESULT:	**Adopted**
MOVER:	Holly L. Davis
SECONDER:	Jeff Kinnard D.C.
AYES:	Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY:	None

F. OUTSTANDING COMMISSION ITEMS

Veronica Kampschroer, MPA, PMP (Special Projects Manager) -- Update on Outstanding Commission Items

Special Projects Manager Veronica Kampschroer provided the update and addressed Board questions.

Management and Budget Director Tammy Wilson provided the Animal Services Bond update.

G. LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

G.1. Legislative Update

Intergovernmental Liaison and Administrative Development Review Expeditor Alexander Alt provided an update.

Management and Budget Director Tammy Wilson provided the budget fiscal impact presentation.

This item was received after the agenda was published.

Additional Item G1

H. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR - STEVE L. HOWARD

H.1. Financial Forecast Tool Demonstration

Financial Forecast Tool Demonstration Presentation **(Tammy Wilson, Management & Budget Director)**

Management and Budget Director Tammy Wilson provided a demonstration of the Financial Forecast Tool model.

Ms. Wilson and Intergovernmental Liaison and Administrative Development Review Expeditor Alexander Alt addressed Board questions, Board discussion ensued, and County Administrator Steve Howard commented.

Item H1 Spreadsheet

I. PRESENTATIONS/PUBLIC HEARINGS

I.1. 1:15PM Presentation Legislative Update Sarah Suskey, The Advocacy Partners

Informational Presentation **(Sarah Suskey, Advocacy Partners)**

Intergovernmental Liaison and Administrative Development Review Expeditor Alexander Alt introduced Sarah Suskey, with The Advocacy Partners, who provided the presentation.

There was no action taken on this item.

J. ADVISORY BOARD NOMINATIONS & APPOINTMENTS

No items.

K. COMMISSIONER REBECCA BAYS - DISTRICT 4

K.1. Temporary Hiring Freeze

Discussion and direction regarding implementation of a temporary hiring freeze for all non-mission-critical positions, with exceptions for mission-critical positions, 100% grant-funded positions, enterprise funds, and/or business tax receipts.

Commissioner Rebecca Bays provided the recommendation and County Administrator Steve Howard addressed Board questions, followed by Board discussion.

Consensus of the Board was given to provide staff direction regarding the implementation of a temporary hiring freeze for all non-mission-critical positions, with exceptions for mission-critical positions, 100% grant funded positions, enterprise funds, and/or business tax receipts.

K.2. Discussion of Right Rudder Aviation Litigation

Direct our Attorney, Dale Scott, to end this litigation by offering that the County will dismiss its Counterclaims in exchange for Right Rudder dismissing its complaint.

Commissioner Rebecca Bays provided the recommendation and Public Works Director Carlton Hall and County Attorney Denise A. Dymond Lyn provided clarification to the Board, followed by Board discussion.

Motion to direct our Attorney, Dale Scott, to end the litigation by offering the county will dismiss its counterclaims in exchange for Right Rudder

dismissing its complaint.

The following citizens addressed the Board: Jay Hurley; Doug Doty; Mike Bennett; Zack Purvis, owner of Right Rudder Aviation; and Tracey Duncan.

Commissioner discussion ensued, Ms. Lyn provided clarification and Mr. Purvis addressed the Board.

Deputy Clerk Amy Novinger requested clarification of the motion.

The motion was amended to add the following condition: Mr. Purvis will supply paperwork reflecting that Zack Purvis has 100% operational control and owns 85% of Right Rudder Aviation or the motion will be null and void.

RESULT:	**Adopted**
MOVER:	Rebecca Bays
SECONDER:	Jeff Kinnard D.C.
AYES:	Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY:	None

Public Speaker Forms for Item K2

L. COMMISSIONER HOLLY L. DAVIS - DISTRICT 5

Commissioner Holly Davis announced Tuesday she attended the Florida Chamber 2026 Florida Prosperity and Economic Opportunity Solution Summit and shared her experience at the Cypress Creek Juvenile Offender Correctional Center with the job skills training program.

M. 2ND VICE CHAIR JEFF KINNARD D.C. - DISTRICT 1

Second Vice Chair Jeff Kinnard, D.C. announced the upcoming Pirates Cove redfish release that is scheduled for June 20, 2026, and shared information from the meeting with Aquatics Director Andrew Owens regarding the oyster restoration project.

N. 1ST VICE CHAIR JANET BAREK- DISTRICT 3

First Vice Chair Janet Barek discussed the graduation that she attended at the Fire Department School.

O. CHAIR DIANA FINEGAN - DISTRICT 2

Chair Diana Finegan

P. COUNTY ATTORNEY DENISE A. DYMOND LYN

No items.

Q. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

The following individuals addressed the Board on various issues:

Jay Hurley
Tracey Duncan
Joe Hicks
Tod Cloud

Commissioners responded to comments from the public.

Public Speaker Forms for Item Q

Additional Information for Item Q - Submitted by Joe Hicks

R. ADVISORY BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

No items.

S. UPCOMING MEETINGS

1. Regular Meeting, ***Monday*, June 22, 2026**, at 1:00 PM, Citrus County Courthouse, Room 100, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450

2. Regular Meeting, **July, 14, 2026**, at 1:00 PM, Citrus County Courthouse, Room 100, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450

3. Regular Meeting, **July, 28, 2026**, at 1:00 PM, Citrus County Courthouse, Room 100, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450

T. UPCOMING WORKSHOPS AND SPECIAL MEETINGS

1. Preliminary Budget Hearing **Wednesday, July 22, 2026**, Governing Body of the Special Library District **8:30am**, Fire Services Special District **8:45am,** Board of County Commissioners, **9:00am**, Citrus County Courthouse, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Room 100, Inverness, Florida

2. Tentative Budget Hearing, **Thursday, September 10, 2026, at 5:00pm,** Citrus County Courthouse, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Room 100, Inverness, Florida

3. Final Budget, **Monday, September 21, 2026, at 5:01pm,** Citrus County Courthouse, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Room 100, Inverness, Florida.

U. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Clerk's Note: The meeting was in recess at 5:10 PM and resumed at 5:19 PM.

U.1. 5:01 p.m. AA-2026-00001 Vix Construction for First Kingdom Partners, LLC

If approved, direct the Chair and Clerk to execute the ordinance for AA-2026-00001 Vix Construction for First Kingdom Partners, LLC **(Eric Landon, Growth Management Director)**

County Attorney Denise A. Dymond Lyn polled the Board for ex-parte communications and read the proposed ordinance title into the record.

Adriano Almeida provided the applicant information.

Land Development Senior Planning Jennifer Perkins provided the staff presentation.

Citizen Tracey Duncan commented.

Based on competent and substantial evidence, motion to approve AA-2026-00001 with the conditions from the PDC.

RESULT:	**Adopted**
MOVER:	Janet Barek
SECONDER:	Holly L. Davis
AYES:	Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY:	None

Ordinance Number 2026-A15

Public Speaker Form for Item U1

V. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 05:25 PM.

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