



**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA**

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

MINUTES

March 26, 2024 - 1:00 PM

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

**Steve L. Howard, County Administrator
Denise A. Dymond Lyn, County Attorney
Angela Vick, Clerk of the Circuit Court and
Comptroller**

A. CALL TO ORDER

March 26, 2024 Citrus County Courthouse
The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM.

A.1. Invocation

Commissioner Ruthie Schlabach led the Invocation.

A.2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mark Trykowski, U.S. Army Veteran, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A.3. Roll Call

Present: Ruthie Davis Schlabach, Holly L. Davis, Rebecca Bays, Jeff Kinnard D.C., Diana Finegan, County Administrator Steve Howard, County Attorney Denise Lyn, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller Angela Vick, Deputy Clerk Amy Novinger, Deputy Clerk Ashlyn Hunnicutt

Absent: None

Clerk's Note: Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller Angela Vick arrived at 1:39 PM and departed the meeting at 2:01 PM.

A.4. Approval of Agenda

County Administrator Steve Howard submitted additional information for items E6 and B7.

Motion to approve the Agenda.

RESULT: Adopted

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MOVER: Ruthie Davis Schlabach
SECONDER: Jeff Kinnard D.C.
AYES: Davis Schlabach, Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan
NAY: None

B. CONSENT

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Citizen Dixie Hollins commented.

Commissioner Jeff Kinnard, D.C. commented regarding item B6.

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

[Public Speaker Form for Item B](#)

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B.1. **Minutes of the Board of County Commissioners**

Approve the following minutes of the Board of County Commissioners:
March 12, 2024 Regular Meeting

Administration

No items.

Attorneys Office

No items.

Clerk

B.2. County Warrants

Accept the attached check registers outlining the County warrants.

Community Services

B.3. Community Services Asset Deletion

Approve the deletion of the following item from the inventory of Community Services at Citrus County Resource Center and the removal of the same item from the county's capital asset listing: Asset #17426 Quietside AC Unit Cond and A/H. **(Eric Head, Community Services Director)**

B.4. Library Services Furniture Asset Deletion

Approve the deletion of the following items from the inventory of Library Services and the removal of said items from the County's Capital Asset listing: Assets numbers 14290-002, 14290-003, 14290-004, and 30360-005.

Fire Services

No items.

Human Resources

No items.

Management and Budget

No items.

Growth Management

No items.

Public Works

No items.

Systems Management

No items.

Visitors and Convention Bureau

No items.

Water Resources

No items.

Set Public Hearings Workshops

B.5. Set a Workshop on April 9, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. for Metro Forecasting Model (Interactive Growth Model)

Set a Workshop on April 9 at 9:00 a.m. for The Interactive Growth Model ® : A growth and development forecasting tool
Presented by: Metro Forecasting Models

B.6. Set a Workshop on April 9, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. for Hurricane Preparedness NOAA

Set a Workshop for Hurricane Preparedness NOAA

B.7. Set a Workshop on May 14, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. for the Financial Study for Aviation/Airports

Set a Workshop for Financial Study on Aviation/Airports on May 14, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

Additional information was provided for item B7 after the agenda was published.

C. PROCLAMATIONS, AWARDS & PRESENTATIONS

Motion to approve items C1 and C2.

RESULT: **Adopted**

MOVER: Ruthie Davis Schlabach

SECONDER: Rebecca Bays

AYES: Davis Schlabach, Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan

NAY: None

C.1. Proclamation - National Library Week

Approve and authorize the Board to execute a proclamation declaring April 7 through April 13, 2024, as "National Library Week" in Citrus County.

C.2. Proclamation - Fair Housing Month

Approve and authorize the Board to proclaim the month of April 2024, as Fair Housing Month in Citrus County, Florida.

D. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

The following individuals addressed the Board on various issues:

Karen Esty

Terry Weber-Nelles

Janet Barek

Steven Schwartz

Dixie Hollins

Commissioners responded to comments from the public.

[Public Speaker Forms for Item D](#)

E. REGULAR BUSINESS

E.1. Bids

Motion to approve items E1a through f.

RESULT: Adopted

MOVER: Diana Finegan

SECONDER: Jeff Kinnard D.C.

AYES: Davis Schlabach, Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan

NAY: None

E.1.a. LOI 21-067 Code Compliance Special Master & Alternate Special Master Services; Christian W. Waugh, Waugh, PLLC

Authorize and Approve the Chairman to execute Amendment No. 3 to the Agreement between Citrus County, Florida and Christian W. Waugh, Waugh, PLLC to acknowledge the name change of Special Master's law firm and to renew the Agreement for an additional one (1) year term on an as-needed basis.
(Eric Landon, Growth Management Director)

E.1.b. RFQ 21-095 Amendment No. 1; Continuing Contract for Professional Services - Engineering Services; Stantec Consulting Services, Inc.

Approve and Authorize the Chairman to execute Amendment No. 1 between Citrus County, Florida and Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. to add provisions required by the Grant Agreement for the Fort Island Trailhead project. **(Eric Head, Director, Community Services) (Marcello Tavernari, P.E., Public Works Director, County Engineer)**

E.1.c. RFQ 21-025 Amendment No. 4; Citrus County Landfill Scale Infrastructure Upgrade and Modernization Project; Mettler-Toledo, LLC

Approve and Authorize the Chairman to execute Amendment No. 4 to the Agreement between Citrus County, Florida and Mettler-Toledo, LLC to ratify the fourth Amended Notice to Proceed, extending the date of final completion to April 3, 2025. **(Marcello Tavernari, P.E., Public Works Director, County Engineer)**

E.1.d. ITB 22-064 Amendment No. 2; Roadway Striping Thermoplastic, Traffic Paint and Related Work; AKCA, LLC

Approve and Authorize the Chairman to execute the Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement between Citrus County, Florida and AKCA, LLC for the second renewal option, extending the duration of the agreement to June 27, 2025, on an as needed basis. **(Marcello Tavernari, P.E., Public Works Director, County Engineer)**

E.1.e. ITB 24-058 Mowing of County Properties Zone 1; Southern Lawn Care Mid Florida, Inc.

Approve and Authorize the Chairman to execute the Agreement between Citrus County, Florida and Southern Lawn Care Mid Florida, Inc. to provide routine finish mowing, trimming, mulching, weeding, edging and litter pickup at various County maintained parks and properties located in Zone 1 on an as-needed basis. **(Eric Head, Director of Community Services)**

E.1.f. ITB 23-050 Amendment No. 1; Furnish Asphalt Concrete Mix Type SP-9.5 and Type 12.5 Liquid Emulsified Asphalt Grades SS-1 and AE-90 or Comparable; Superior Asphalt, Inc. & Central Materials Company, Inc.

a. Approve and Authorize the Chairman to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement between Citrus County, Florida and Superior Asphalt, Inc. to extend the duration of the Agreement to June 5, 2025.

- b. Approve and Authorize the Chairman to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement between Citrus County, Florida and Central Materials Company, Inc. to extend the duration of the Agreement to June 19, 2025. **(Marcello Tavernari, P.E., Public Works Director)**

E.2. Budget Transfers

Approve the budget transfers for the Facilities Management, Community Centers, Animal Services, Support Services, and the County Administrator for fiscal year 2023-2024 **(Erin Dohren, Director Management & Budget)**

Motion to approve item E2.

RESULT: Adopted
MOVER: Diana Finegan
SECONDER: Rebecca Bays
AYES: Davis Schlabach, Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan
NAY: None

E.3. Budget Resolutions

Adopt and authorize the Chairman to execute a resolution adopting/amending the Animal Shelter, the Community Care for the Elderly grant, the State Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) grant, the Article V Innovative Program, the Florida Department of Health-Citrus (FDOH-Citrus) Coordinated Opioid Recovery Program Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) grant budgets for fiscal year 2023-2024. **(Erin Dohren, Director Management & Budget)**

Motion to approve item E3.

RESULT: Adopted
MOVER: Rebecca Bays
SECONDER: Diana Finegan
AYES: Davis Schlabach, Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan
NAY: None

Resolution Number 2024-020

E.4. Proposed Homosassa Phase 5 Sewer Project Assessment Area – Acceptance of Perpetual Utility & Access Easement

- a. Authorize the Chairman to accept the Perpetual Utility and Access Easement from property owner(s) in the Proposed Homosassa Phase 5 Sewer Project Assessment Area to allow installation of the central sewer system, as part of the Homosassa Septic to Sewer Project.
- b. Authorize the Clerk of the Board to place Board of County Commissioner's

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acceptance stamp on the Perpetual Utility and Access Easement attached and record the easement and associated documents in the Public Records of Citrus County, Florida. **(Ken Cheek, P.E., Water Resources Director)**

Motion to approve item E4a and b.

RESULT: Adopted
MOVER: Diana Finegan
SECONDER: Jeff Kinnard D.C.
AYES: Davis Schlabach, Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan
NAY: None

E.5. Federal Forfeiture Request

- a. Approve and authorize the funding in the amount of \$32,500 to the Sheriff's Office for computer, telecommunications and surveillance equipment.
- b. Approve related budget resolution. **(Erin Dohren, Management & Budget Director)**

Motion to approve item E5a and b.

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

Board discussion ensued following the vote.

Resolution Number 2024-021

E.6. Approve Purchase of Tourism Services from Miles Partnership

Approve the purchase of tourism services from Miles Partnership in the amount of \$107,978.28. **(Erin Dohren, Management and Budget Director, Auvis Cole, Tourism Director)**

Motion to approve item E6.

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

Additional information was provided for item E6 after the agenda was published.

[Additional Information for Item E6](#)

E.7. Land Acquisition for Stormwater Management

- a. Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute Purchase and Sale Agreements from Josephine Dey, AK 1653665, 3337 E Lake Nina Dr., Inverness
- b. Authorize staff to order a title search and execute all other documents related to the closing of the property, except for recordable documents; approve and authorize payment of related closing costs associated with these property acquisitions.
- c. Approve and authorize the Chairman or designee to execute all related closing documents and authorize the Clerk to place the acceptance stamp on the deeds upon receipt and record all documents in the Public Records of Citrus County, Florida. **(Marcello Tavernari, P.E., Public Works Director, County Engineer)**

Motion to approve item E7a, b, and c.

RESULT: Adopted
MOVER: Jeff Kinnard D.C.
SECONDER: Diana Finegan
AYES: Davis Schlabach, Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan
NAY: None

E.8. Florida 911 Region 4 Next Generation 9-1-1 Project Memorandum of Understanding

Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute the MOU to cooperate and share data with other counties in our region with the aim of improving routing services between counties to meet Florida's NG911 initiative. **(Citrus County Sheriff's Office, Mike Prendergast)**

Motion to approve item E8.

Commissioner Ruthie Schlabach commented prior to the vote.

RESULT: Adopted
MOVER: Diana Finegan
SECONDER: Jeff Kinnard D.C.
AYES: Davis Schlabach, Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan
NAY: None

E.9. Citrus County Old Homosassa Rooks Septic to Sewer Agreement LPS0102

Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute Agreement LPS0102 between the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and Citrus County, Florida for CIP project U2025-05 to provide \$3,041,550 in grant funding for the Old Homosassa Septic to Sewer Program. **(Ken Cheek, P.E., Water Resources Director)**

Motion to approve item E9.

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

E.10. Accept Trustee's Warranty Deed for Donation of 404 N. Pirates Pt. Crystal River, Florida

- a. Approve and authorize the Chairman to accept a Trustee's Warranty Deed from John H. Eden IV, Esq., as Trustee of the Susan B. Gordon Revocable Trust, for 404 N. Pirates Pt., Crystal River, Florida.
- b. Authorize staff to execute all other documents related to the closing of the property except for recordable documents; approve and authorize payment of related closing costs associated with this property acquisition.
- c. Authorize the Clerk to place acceptance stamp on the deed and re-record it in the Public Records of Citrus County, Florida. **(Marcello J. Tavernari, P.E., Public Works Director, County Engineer)**

Motion to approve item E10a, b, and c.

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

E.11. CoreCivic Contract Monitoring Update for February 2024

At the January 9, 2024, BOCC meeting, the Board gave direction to pause non-performance assessments for six (6) months after the Contract Monitor amendment was signed by Core Civic.

This will be the first of six months that the non-performance assessment will not be charged. **(Erin Dohren, Director of Management & Budget/Georgette Brock, Contract Monitor)**

Motion to approve item E11.

Orlando Rodriguez, Warden at the Citrus County Detention Facility, responded to questions from the Board.

Management and Budget Director Erin Dohren responded to questions from Second Vice Chair Diana Finegan, at the request of County Administrator Steve Howard, followed by Board discussion with Ms. Dohren.

The motion was amended to add: stop the non-performance assessment daily fines for six months starting as of March 1, 2024.

RESULT: **Adopted**

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MOVER: Jeff Kinnard D.C.
SECONDER: Rebecca Bays
AYES: Davis Schlabach, Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C.
NAY: Finegan

**E.12. Citrus County Septic Connection Incentive Program Grant:
LPF0902 Change Order No. 1**

Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute Change Order No. 1 to agreement LPF0902 between Citrus County, Florida and FDEP. **(Ken Cheek, Water Resources Director, Bernadine Flood-Nichols, Utility Business Services Director).**

Motion to approve item E12.

Citizen Steven Schwartz commented.

Water Resources Director Ken Cheek responded to comments from Mr. Schwartz.

RESULT: Adopted
MOVER: Diana Finegan
SECONDER: Rebecca Bays
AYES: Davis Schlabach, Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan
NAY: None

[Public Speaker Form for Item E12](#)

E.13. Citrus County Fire Training Center Fee Schedule

Adopt and authorize the Chairman to sign the Resolution to adopt the fee schedule for the Department of Fire Rescue. **(Craig Stevens, Fire Chief)**

Motion to approve item E13.

RESULT: Adopted
MOVER: Rebecca Bays
SECONDER: Diana Finegan
AYES: Davis Schlabach, Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan
NAY: None

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E.14. 911 Coordinator Position

The Sheriff's Office has requested the Board of County Commissions to notify the Statewide 911 Coordinator at the Florida Department of Emergency Management Services through an appointment letter, email or copy of the

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Board's meeting minutes approving this appointment. **(Citrus County Sheriff's Office, Colonel Justin F. Ferrara)**

Motion to approve item E14.

RESULT: Adopted
MOVER: Diana Finegan
SECONDER: Jeff Kinnard D.C.
AYES: Davis Schlabach, Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan
NAY: None

E.15. Barge Canal Boat Ramp - BOCC consensus to initiate the process of establishing a local ordinance for a Boating Restricted Area idle speed & no wake zone within 300 feet of the proposed boat ramp at this location.

Approve and authorize the process of establishing a local ordinance for a Boating Restricted Area idle speed and no wake zone within 300 feet of a boat ramp. **(Marcello Tavernari, P.E., Public Works Director/County Engineer)**

Motion to approve item E15.

Board discussion ensued prior to the vote.

RESULT: Adopted
MOVER: Diana Finegan
SECONDER: Jeff Kinnard D.C.
AYES: Davis Schlabach, Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan
NAY: None

E.16. Modification of the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Department of Justice, United States Marshal Service

Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute a modified Intergovernmental Service Agreement between Citrus County, Florida and the Department of Justice, United States Marshal Service. **(Steve L. Howard, County Administrator)**

Motion to approve item E16.

RESULT: Adopted
MOVER: Diana Finegan
SECONDER: Jeff Kinnard D.C.
AYES: Davis Schlabach, Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan
NAY: None

E.17. Idalia Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) application

a. Approve and authorize staff to apply for County LMS projects through the State. Including submission of the required "LMS Project Submission Letter" and working with the State of Florida and their consultant.

b. Provide staff direction on matching funds for County projects. **(Erin Dohren, Management and Budget Director)**

Motion to approve item E17a and b.

Board discussion ensued.

County Administrator Steve Howard, Management and Budget Director Erin Dohren, and Fire Chief Craig Stevens provided clarification to the Board, followed by Board discussion with Mr. Howard, Mr. Stevens and Ms. Dohren.

The motion was amended for item E17b to provide staff direction for the 25 percent match to be funded by the following combination of different accounts: Duke Funds 3120; Fire Reserves & Transfers 9996; Duke Funds for fiscal year 2025; and True-Up and Reserves for fiscal year 2024.

RESULT: Adopted

MOVER: Ruthie Davis Schlabach

SECONDER: Jeff Kinnard D.C.

AYES: Davis Schlabach, Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan

NAY: None

E.18. Amended the Tentative Budget Hearing & CIP Workshop Dates

a. Change the date of the FY 2024/2025 Tentative Budget Hearing from Thursday, September 5, 2024 at 5:01 p.m. to Wednesday, September 11, 2024 at 5:01 p.m.

b. Change the date of the CIP Workshop from April 23, 2024 to May 14, 2024. **(Erin Dohren, Management & Budget Director)**

Motion to approve item E18a and b.

RESULT: Adopted

MOVER: Diana Finegan

SECONDER: Jeff Kinnard D.C.

AYES: Davis Schlabach, Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan

NAY: None

E.19. Grant application for derelict vessel removal

a. Approve and authorize staff to remove the derelict vessel and submit the grant application to the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FFWCC).

b. Approve the resolution to be included with the grant application. **(Steve L. Howard, County Administrator)**

Motion to approve item E19a and b.

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Board discussion ensued with County Administrator Steven Howard prior to the vote.

RESULT: **Adopted**

MOVER: Holly L. Davis

SECONDER: Diana Finegan

AYES: Davis Schlabach, Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan

NAY: None

At the request of First Vice Chair Rebecca Bays, County Administrator Steve Howard and Chair Holly Davis provided clarification following the vote.

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F. OUTSTANDING COMMISSION ITEMS

Update Outstanding Commissioners' List

County Administrator Steve Howard provided updates for items 3 and 9.

Board discussion ensued with Mr. Howard regarding the following subjects: Impact Fee Study; Chassahowitzka Boat Ramp; and Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD).

Item F1 - Outstanding Commissioners' List

G. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR - STEVE L. HOWARD

G.1. Dashboard Presentation - BOCC Strategic Initiatives for 2023 & 2024

Dashboard Presentation - BOCC Strategic Initiatives for 2023 & 2024

Consensus on moving Outstanding Commissioners list to Dashboard (**Veronica Kampschroer, Special Projects Manager**)

County Administrator Steve Howard introduced the Special Projects Manager Veronica Kampschroer, who provided the presentation and Mr. Howard and Ms. Kampschroer responded to questions from the Board.

County Attorney Denise A. Dymond Lyn provided clarification, followed by Board discussion with Ms. Lyn, Mr. Howard, and Ms. Kampschroer.

The consensus of the Board was given to direct staff to move the Outstanding Commissioners' List to the county dashboard.

Ms. Kampschroer requested the removal of item 5 - Airport Improvement Fixed-Base Operator (FBO's) from the Outstanding Commissioners' List.

Board discussion continued with Management and Budget Director Erin Dohren.

Ms. Kampschroer continued the presentation and Ms. Kampschroer and Mr. Howard responded to questions from the Board.

H. PRESENTATIONS/PUBLIC HEARINGS

H.1. 1:30 p.m. Public Hearing on an Ordinance amendment Chapter 46 - Fire Prevention and Protection

a. Conduct a Public Hearing to adopt an amendment to Chapter 46 - Fire Prevention and Protection - an ordinance of Citrus County, Florida, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, amending Article III, Section 46-73, entitled Purpose, Intent, and Implementation; providing for severability; providing for codification; providing for modification; providing for repeal of inconsistent provisions; providing for an effective date.

b. If approved, authorize the Chairman to execute the ordinance. **(Craig Stevens, Fire Chief)**

County Attorney Denise A. Dymond Lyn read the proposed ordinance amendment title into the record.

Fire Chief Craig Stevens provided an overview and the recommendation.

There were no citizen comments.

Motion to approve and authorize the Chair to execute the ordinance amendment Chapter 46 - Fire Prevention and Protection.

Mr. Stevens responded to questions from the Board prior to the vote.

RESULT: Adopted

MOVER: Rebecca Bays

SECONDER: Diana Finegan

AYES: Davis Schlabach, Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan

NAY: None

Ordinance Number 2024-A05

H.2. 1:40 p.m. Annual Financial Report

a. Acknowledge receipt of Citrus County's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report and condensed Popular Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ended

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b. Approve and authorize the Chair and Clerk as the Chief Financial Officer to authorize the Financial Analyst to submit their signatures electronically on the Annual Financial Report. **(Angela Vick, Clerk of the Circuit Courts & Comptroller)**

Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller Angela Vick recognized staff and Clerk of the Circuit Court Chief of Staff Traci Philips introduced Jeff Wolf, Shareholder with MooreStephensLovelace (MSL) CPA's & Advisors, who provided the presentation.

Motion to approve item H2a and b: a) Acknowledge receipt of Citrus County's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report and condensed Popular Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023; and b) Authorize the Chair and Clerk, as the Chief Financial Officer, to authorize the Financial Analyst to submit their signatures electronically on the Annual Financial Report.

County Attorney Denise A. Dymond Lyn addressed the Chair prior to the vote.

RESULT: Adopted

MOVER: Jeff Kinnard D.C.

SECONDER: Diana Finegan

AYES: Davis Schlabach, Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan

NAY: None

Item H2 Power Point

H.3. 1:45 p.m. Public Hearing for Section 5307 FY24-25

a. Conduct a public hearing as required by the Federal Transit Administration to obtain public input on the Program of Projects for Section 5307 funding.

b. Authorize the Chairman, or 1st Vice Chairman, respectively, of the Board of County Commissioners of Citrus County, Florida, to grant Signature Authority to Transit Services Director to electronically submit the grant application, resulting contract, amendments, assurances, and certifications as required to obtain funding from the Federal Transit Administration, after review by the County Attorney, without the need to bring the documents before the Board of County Commissioners of Citrus County, Florida.

c. Authorize staff to submit a request for Toll Revenue Credits to FDOT in the amount of \$131,638 for use as Capital Match for FTA 5307 grant. **(Eric Head, Community Services Director)**

Transit Services Director Joanne Granger provided the recommendation.

There were no citizen comments.

Motion to approve item H3a, b, and c.

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

H.4. 1:50 p.m. Public Hearing for FTA Section 5339 Funding

- a. Conduct a public hearing as required by the Federal Transit Administration to obtain public input on the Program of Projects for Section 5339 funding.
- b. Authorize the Chairman, or 1st Vice Chairman, respectively, of the Board of County Commissioners of Citrus County, Florida, to grant Signature Authority to Transit Services Director to electronically submit the grant application, resulting contract, amendments, assurances, and certifications as required to obtain funding from the Federal Transit Administration, after review by the County Attorney, without the need to bring the documents before the Board of County Commissioners of Citrus County, Florida.
- c. Authorize staff to submit a letter requesting Toll Revenue Credits to FDOT in the amount of \$131,837 for use as Capital Match for FTA 5339 grant. **(Eric Head, Community Resources Director)**

Transit Services Director Joanne Granger provided the recommendation.

Citizen Steven Schwartz commented.

Ms. Granger responded to comments from Mr. Schwartz.

Motion to approve item H4b and c.

Ms. Granger responded to questions from the Board prior to the vote.

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

[Public Speaker Form for Item H4](#)

H.5. 1:55 p.m. PV-2023-00007 DeFoor - Vacate easement

- a. Conduct a public hearing to consider PV-2023-00007, Dale Defoor
- b. If approved, direct the Chairman and Clerk to execute the Resolution and the Clerk to record the Resolution in the public records. **(Eric Landon, Growth Management Director)**

Land Development Director Joanna Coutu provided the staff presentation.

There were no citizen comments.

Motion to approve item H5a and b.

RESULT: **Adopted**

MOVER: Rebecca Bays

SECONDER: Ruthie Davis Schlabach

AYES: Davis Schlabach, Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan

NAY: None

Resolution Number 2024-024

Item H5 Power Point

I. ADVISORY BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS, NOMINATIONS & APPOINTMENTS

No items.

J. COMMITTEE REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Jeff Kinnard, D.C. shared information from the Keep Citrus County Beautiful meeting, followed by a Board discussion regarding wildflowers on the roadsides.

Second Vice Chair Diana Finegan announced the Department of Juvenile Justice annual one-day conference in Oxford, Florida at the Oxford Assembly of God, and it's called "Exploring Youth Safety and Services" from 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM to be held on Friday, April 19th, 2024.

Chair Holly Davis provided an update from the Tourist Development Council meeting.

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K. COMMISSIONER RUTHIE DAVIS SCHLABACH - DISTRICT 3

Commissioner Ruthie Schlabach discussed pickle ball courts in Beverly Hills, followed by comments from County Administrator Steve Howard.

L. COMMISSIONER JEFF KINNARD D.C. - DISTRICT 1

No items.

M. 2ND VICE CHAIR DIANA FINEGAN - DISTRICT 2

No items.

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N. 1ST VICE CHAIR REBECCA BAYS - DISTRICT 4

No items.

O. CHAIR HOLLY L. DAVIS - DISTRICT 5

No items.

P. COUNTY ATTORNEY DENISE A. DYMOND LYN

No items.

Q. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

The following individuals addressed the Board on various issues:

Steven Schwartz

Janet Barek

Bob Rutemiller, representing TOO FAR WATER & NATURAL RESOURCE FOUNDATION, INC.

Commissioners responded to comments from the public.

[Public Speaker Forms for Item Q](#)

R. UPCOMING MEETINGS

1. Regular Meeting, April 9, 2024, at 1:00 PM, Citrus County Courthouse, Room 100, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450
2. Regular Meeting, April 23, 2024, at 1:00 PM, Citrus County Courthouse, Room 100, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450
3. Regular Meeting, May 14, 2024, at 1:00 PM, Citrus County Courthouse, Room 100, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450

S. UPCOMING WORKSHOPS AND SPECIAL MEETINGS

No items.

T. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Clerk's Note: The meeting was recessed at 4:17 PM and resumed at 5:05 PM.

T.1. 5:05 pm PUD-2023-00010 OLP RS Partners, LLC nonres PUD

- a. Conduct a public hearing on March 26, 2024, at 5:05 p.m. to review and consider application PUD-2023-00010, OLP RS Partners, LLC.
- b. If approved, direct the Chair and Clerk to execute the ordinance for PUD-2023-00010, OLP RS Partners, LLC. **(Eric Landon, Growth Management)**

County Attorney Denise A. Dymond Lyn polled the Board for ex parte communications.

Motion to adopt the back-up material of this application.

RESULT: Adopted

MOVER: Ruthie Davis Schlabach

SECONDER: Rebecca Bays

AYES: Davis Schlabach, Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan

NAY: None

Ms. Lyn read the proposed ordinance title into the record.

Jessica Icerman, Attorney with Stearns Weaver Miller representing Olson Land Partners (OLP) RS Partners, provided a presentation and responded to questions from the Board.

Ms. Icerman introduced the following individuals who provided presentations and responded to questions from the Board: Brandon Hebron, Project Engineer; Rick Olson and Chris Ferrari, OLP RS Partners representing the developer; and Ken Metcalf, Director of Planning with Stearns Weaver Miller.

Land Development Principal Planner Joe Hochadel provided the staff presentation and responded to questions from Ms. Icerman and the Board.

Citizen Janet Barek commented.

Mr. Hochadel responded to comments from the Board, followed by comments by Ms. Lyn.

Ms. Icerman provided a rebuttal.

Based on competent and substantial evidence, approve and direct the Chair and Clerk to execute the ordinance for PUD-2023-00010, OLP RS Partners, LLC. with all conditions in the staff report, except for the 10th condition 5th bullet, removing the bullet point that says "parking that

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requires backing out into the shared access drive will not be permitted".

Board discussion ensued with Ms. Lyn.

Motion was amended to include all 13 conditions.

Deputy Clerk Amy Novinger requested clarification of the motion.

Motion was amended to add a condition that parking for PD 3 must be no less than 60 spaces.

Ms. Lyn addressed the Board for clarification of the motion.

Deputy Clerk Amy Novinger read the motion into the record.

Board discussion continued.

The motion was amended to add: require shared monument signage that meets Land Development Code (LDC) standards.

Deputy Clerk Amy Novinger read the final motion into the record.

RESULT: Adopted

MOVER: Jeff Kinnard D.C.

SECONDER: Diana Finegan

AYES: Davis Schlabach, Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan

NAY: None

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The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 PM.

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