

RESOLUTION
NUMBER 2026-

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE ONE CHARLOTTE, ONE WATER PLAN AS A COUNTY WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK; PROVIDING IMPLEMENTATION PARAMETERS; PROVIDING THAT FUTURE EXPENDITURES AND CERTAIN IMPLEMENTATION ACTIONS REQUIRE SEPARATE BOARD APPROVAL; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the conservation and protection of the natural resources and scenic beauty of Charlotte County ("County") is vitally important to the health, welfare, and safety of its citizens and is further essential in maintaining the highly desirable tourist and retirement economic sectors that have arisen due to the County's unique climatic and quality-of-life advantages; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection has identified multiple water bodies within Charlotte County as impaired, including portions of Charlotte Harbor, Lemon Bay, the Peace River, the Myakka River, and certain contributing watersheds; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte County has developed the One Charlotte, One Water Plan ("Plan") to establish a comprehensive, integrated, and adaptive framework for protecting and improving water quality and quantity throughout Charlotte County; and

WHEREAS, the One Charlotte, One Water Plan identifies long-term visions, pathways to those visions, and specific Vision Tasks relating to monitoring, modeling, watershed improvement planning, stormwater management, drinking water and wastewater

management, intergovernmental coordination, public engagement, and related water stewardship initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte County's Strategic Plan includes the Bold Goal of adopting and implementing the One Charlotte, One Water Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners ("Board") finds that adoption of the One Charlotte, One Water Plan serves a valid public purpose by establishing a coordinated approach to the protection and management of the County's water resources; and

WHEREAS, the Board further finds that the One Charlotte, One Water Plan is intended to function as a planning and policy guidance document and that adoption of the Plan does not, by itself, authorize expenditures, appropriate funds, approve capital projects, create advisory bodies, amend the Comprehensive Plan, amend the Charlotte County Code, establish regulatory requirements, or otherwise approve implementation measures requiring separate Board action.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Charlotte County, Florida:

Section 1. The Board of County Commissioners hereby adopts the One Charlotte, One Water Plan as Charlotte County's guiding framework for coordinated water resource stewardship, planning, and management activities.

Section 2. County staff shall utilize the One Charlotte, One Water Plan in evaluating opportunities, developing recommendations, pursuing partnerships and grant opportunities, prioritizing initiatives, and advancing Vision Tasks identified within the Plan, consistent with applicable law and County policy.

Section 3. Nothing in this Resolution or in the One Charlotte, One Water Plan shall be construed to authorize, absent a presentation to and affirmative vote of the Board of County Commissioners where otherwise required by applicable law, County policy, or established administrative procedures:

(a) authorize the expenditure or appropriation of County funds not otherwise approved through the County's budgetary processes;

(b) approve the award of contracts or procurement actions requiring Board approval;

(c) approve the initiation of capital projects requiring Board authorization;

(d) amend the Charlotte County Comprehensive Plan;

(e) amend the Charlotte County Code;

(f) establish advisory boards or committees; or

(g) implement any recommendation or Vision Task requiring Board approval under applicable law, County policy, or established administrative procedures.

Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED this 23rd day of June, 2026.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: _____
Joseph M. Tiseo, Chairman

ATTEST:
Roger D. Eaton, Clerk of the Circuit
Court and Ex-Officio Clerk to the
Board of County Commissioners

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

By: _____
Thomas M. David, County Attorney
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