

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

MAY 12, 2026

A Regular Meeting was held at the Murdock Administration Complex in Commission Chambers; Room 119, Port Charlotte, Florida.

The following members were present: Chair Tiseo, Commissioner Constance, Commissioner Deutsch, Commissioner Doherty, and Commissioner Truex. Also in attendance were: County Administrator Flores, County Attorney David, Internal Audit Director Dan Revallo, and Minutes Clerk Gerace. The following members were absent: None.

The Meeting was called to order at 9:00 am

The Invocation was given by Reverend Larry Yerger, Our Savior Lutheran Church, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Changes to the Agenda

Addition #1: S-4, a) Authorize submission of State approval requests and related supporting materials; and b) Authorize further action by the Consortium Chair and appropriate CareerSource Southwest Florida Officers and Representatives as may be reasonably necessary to effectuate the Resolution; and c) Authorize the Chairman to sign the Statement of Intent; and d) Authorize the Chairman to sign the Request for Subsequent Local Workforce Development Area Designation.

Requested by: Economic Development

Change #1: S-3, Added attachment - Marine Advisory Committee Funding Consideration.

Requested by: Administration

Change #2: F-11, Added attachment - Updated Deletions.

Requested by: Purchasing

COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE MOVED TO APPROVE CHANGES TO THE AGENDA, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DOHERTY

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

Proclamations - Commissioner Christopher Constance

COMMISSIONER DOHERTY MOVED TO APPROVE CHANGES TO THE AGENDA, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

National Public Works Week

Public Works Director John Elias, Business Services Manager Kenna Hubai, Asset Management Manager Carly Hobson, Solid Waste Manager Richard Allen, and Maintenance and Operations Manager Karly Greene accepted the Proclamation.

Economic Development Week

SCORE Mentor Bill Reynolds, Charlotte County Chamber of Commerce Chief Executive Officer Bob White, Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Sean McLaughlin, Babcock Chamber Lucienne Pears, and Charlotte County Public Schools Career and Technical Director Brian Granstra and Superintendent Mark Vianello accepted the Proclamation.

National Police Week

Charlotte County Sheriff Bill Prummell and Punta Gorda Police Chief Pamela Smith accepted the Proclamation.

National Safe Boating Week, USCG AUX Flotilla 99

Lillian GaNun and Steven GaNun accepted the Proclamation.

Commissioner Deutsch discussed boating safety efforts and service.

Rotonda West Statue of Liberty Dedication Day

Andy Van Scyoc, Sam Besase, Gwen Grace, Derrick Hedges, and Karen Harvey accepted the Proclamation.

Memorial Day 2026

Proclamation to be given to **Commissioner Deutsch**.

Employee Recognition

Years of Service - April 2026

5 Years: Teeara Courrejolles, Human Services; Tara Brady, County Administration; Corey Davis, Public Safety; Erin Huro, Utilities; James Keltner, Community Development; **10 Years:** Sharon Parlow, Utilities; Ian Bell, Community Development; Mary Shelley, People Operations; Pater Lakoma, Community Development; Michelle Oquendo, Budget & Admin Services, IT; Idali Carabello, Budget & Admin Services, Fiscal Services; Katelyn Warram, Public Safety; Timothy Leake, Budget & Admin Services, Fleet; **15 Years:** Daniel Daumann, Community Services; Jacob Strefling, Public Safety; Jeremiah Johnson, Public Safety; Jeremy Strefling, Public Safety; Kyle Phillips, Public Safety; Lee Folkers, Public Safety; Matthew Roberg, Public Safety; Nicholas Wadlinger, Public Safety; Ryan Hay, Public Safety; **20 Years:** John Kelly III, Public Safety; William Hurcomb, Public Works; Antonio Freitas, Facilities Management; Brett Ducharme, Public Safety; Justin Smoak, Public Safety; O'Neal Cunanan, Public Safety; and Patricia Stefan, Budget & Admin Services, Real Estate.

Award Presentations

PUBLIC INPUT - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Jim Darden mentioned Fiscal Year (FY) 2027 Boater Revolving Fund Grant Program.

Tim Ritchie commented on 25-264, Change Order 1, Interactive Growth Model Annual and 26-257, Ranking, Water Quality Trend Assessment and Dashboard Tool Development (Coastal and Heartland National Estuary Partnership (CHNEP)).

COMMITTEE VACANCIES

The committee vacancy list below is for informational purposes only. It is not part of the County Commission agenda upon which action is to be taken, and therefore not a topic on which public input is allowed at the beginning of this meeting.

The **Affordable Housing Advisory Committee** is searching for (1) one volunteer in the following categories to complete the term of Angela Hogan. The term begins immediately and expires December 31, 2026:

- Citizen who is actively engaged in the residential home building industry in connection with affordable housing.
- Citizen who is actively engaged in the banking or mortgage banking industry in connection with affordable housing.
- Citizen who is a representative of those areas of labor actively engaged in home building in connection with affordable housing.
- Citizen who is actively engaged as an advocate for low-income persons in connection with affordable housing.
- Citizen who is actively engaged as a for-profit provider of affordable housing.
- Citizen who is actively engaged as a not-for-profit provider of affordable housing.
- Citizen who is actively engaged as a real estate professional in connection with affordable housing.
- Citizen who actively serves on the local planning agency pursuant to F.S. section 163.3174.
- Citizen who resides within the county.
- Citizen who represents employers within the county.
- Citizen who represents essential services personnel, as defined in the local housing assistance plan.

Please contact Morgan.Cook@charlottecountyfl.gov for more information.

The following **MSBU/TU Advisory Boards** are seeking volunteers who must be both a property owner within and reside within the Unit. Submit applications to Public Works Department, 7000 Florida Street, Punta Gorda, Florida 33950; call 941-575-3600 or e-mail MSBU-TU@CharlotteCountyFL.gov.

- **Boca Grande Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2028, and one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2029.
- **Cook & Brown Street Unit** is seeking two members to fill positions with terms through October 31, 2027, two members to fill positions with terms through October 31, 2028, and one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2029.
- **Don Pedro Knight Island Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2029.
- **Gardens of Gulf Cove Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2029.

- **Greater Port Charlotte Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2028, and one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2029.
- **Harbour Heights Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking two members to fill positions with terms through October 31, 2028.
- **Manasota Key Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking two members to fill positions with terms through October 31, 2028.
- **Manchester Waterway Benefit Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2028.
- **Mid-Charlotte Stormwater Utility Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2028.
- **Northwest Port Charlotte Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2028.
- **Pirate Harbor Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2028.
- **Pirate Harbor Waterway Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2027.
- **Placida Area Street & Drainage Maintenance Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2028.
- **Rotonda Heights Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2028.
- **Rotonda Lakes Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2028.
- **Rotonda Sands Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2028.
- **Rotonda West Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2028.
- **South Charlotte Stormwater Utility Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2027.
- **South Gulf Cove Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2027.
- **Suncoast Waterway Maintenance Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2028, and one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2029.

The **Construction Industry Licensing Board** is seeking one volunteer to represent the “consumer advocate” category. Volunteer must be a resident of Charlotte County for at least two years and have no financial interest, direct or indirect, in the building trades. Length of term is four years. To obtain an application, please call 941-743-1298 or email Diane.Whidden@CharlotteCountyFL.gov.

Barrier Island Fire Service Municipal Service Benefit Unit (MSBU) Advisory Board is seeking a volunteer to fill a vacant position with term ending October 31, 2026. Applicants must be residents of Charlotte County and reside within the Unit. Submit applications to Public Safety Department, 26571 Airport Road, Punta Gorda, Florida 33982; call 941-833-5602 or email Dawn.Johnston@CharlotteCountyFL.gov.

The **Environmentally Sensitive Lands Oversight Committee** is searching for one (1) Charlotte County citizen to volunteer as a representative of environmental expertise and to fill the unexpired term of Cody Oleckna. The term begins immediately and will expire on December 31, 2027. For more information, please contact Morgan.Cook@charlottecountyfl.gov.

REPORTS RECEIVED AND FILED

Clerk of Court’s County Quarterly Investment Report

Comptroller Division

Clerk of Court’s County Quarterly Investment Report, March 31, 2026.

CONSENT AGENDA

COMMISSIONER DOHERTY MOVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA WITH THE EXCEPTION OF F-1, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

Clerk of the Circuit Court

A. Comptroller Division

1. Finance

Recommended Action: Approve the Clerk’s Finance Memorandum.

Budgeted Action: No action needed.

B. Minutes Division

1. Minutes

Recommended Action: Approve the following Minutes:

April 12, 2026 BCC Board Public Workshop

April 12, 2026 BCC Board Workshop

April 12, 2026 BCC Special Land Use Meeting
April 12, 2026 Local Transportation Quarterly Meeting
April 14, 2026 Utilities Department Quarterly Meeting
April 23, 2026 BCC Pre Agenda

Budgeted Action: No action needed.

Board of County Commissioners

C. Commission Office

1. Appointment - Pirate Harbor Street & Drainage Advisory Board

Recommended Action: Approve the appointment of Ken Meyer to fill a vacant position on the Pirate Harbor Street & Drainage Advisory Board. This appointment will be effective immediately and will expire on October 31, 2028.

Budgeted Action: No action needed.

D. County Administration

E. County Attorney

F. Budget and Administrative Services

Fiscal Services

Information Technology

Purchasing

1. 23-464, Amendment 2, Transportation Development Plan (Transit)

Recommended Action: a) Approve Amendment 2 to Contract 23-464, Transportation Development Plan with Alfred Benesch & Company of Tampa, Florida in the amount of \$147,862.00; and b) Authorize the Chairman to sign Amendment 2. This additional study will provide support for Transit to assess the feasibility of adding a fixed-route system to enhance current transit services in Charlotte County. The study will evaluate transit demand, operational requirements, and capital improvements to help prepare the County for future mobility needs.

Budgeted Action: No action needed. A third quarter budget amendment will be brought to the Board for approval. Grant funding for this capital expense will be provided by Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 Grant. There is a 20% local match required. Transportation Development Credits will be used as a “soft match”, which allows the federal share to be reimbursed up to 100% as authorized by Chapter 53 of the Title 49 U.S.C.

Commissioner Constance spoke to funding sources, prior agreement, fixed route, hybrid system, road improvements, employment centers, data sources, transit options, and community betterment. **Commissioner Deutsch** noted funding source, traffic study, fixed route, county design, Sarasota County, population centers, community service, system enhancements, and roadway expansion projects. **Commissioner Doherty** discussed

fixed route, feasibility study, future growth, funding, Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), and hybrid system.

Heidi Maddox, Transit Operations Manager responded to traffic study, community growth, enhanced transportation system, working age group, funding source and loss, amended contract, and area data.

COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE MOVED TO APPROVE AMENDMENT 2 TO CONTRACT 23-464, TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT PLAN WITH ALFRED BENESCH & COMPANY OF TAMPA, FLORIDA IN THE AMOUNT OF \$147,862.00; AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AMENDMENT 2. THIS ADDITIONAL STUDY WILL PROVIDE SUPPORT FOR TRANSIT TO ASSESS THE FEASIBILITY OF ADDING A FIXED-ROUTE SYSTEM TO ENHANCE CURRENT TRANSIT SERVICES IN CHARLOTTE COUNTY. THE STUDY WILL EVALUATE TRANSIT DEMAND, OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS, AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO HELP PREPARE THE COUNTY FOR FUTURE MOBILITY NEEDS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DOHERTY

MOTION CARRIED 4:1., COMMISSIONER DEUTSCH OPPOSED

2. 23-485, Approve Change Order 10, East Port Water Reclamation Facility Expansion (Utilities)

Recommended Action: Approve Change Order 10 to Request for Bids #23-485, East Port Water Reclamation Facility Expansion, with Poole and Kent Company of Florida, of Port Charlotte, Florida, in the amount of \$23,935.07. This project is for the upgrade of the East Port Water Reclamation Facility.

Budgeted Action: No action needed. Budgeted in the Capital Improvement Project “East Port WRF Expansion” as approved in the FY26 budget process. Funding will be supplied from the Utility Wastewater Connection Fee Fund.

3. 26-021, Approve Contract, Design - Port Charlotte Beach Replacement/Repair of Damaged Waterfront (Community Services)

Recommended Action: a) Approve contract for Request for Proposal #26-021, Design - Port Charlotte Beach Replacement/Repair of Damaged Waterfront, to Coastal Engineering of Bonita Springs, Florida, in the amount of \$436,270; and b) Authorize the Chairman to sign.

Budgeted Action: No action needed. Funding for this hurricane Milton repair is being provided through the County’s general revenues and collected in the hurricane fund. There is an anticipated reimbursement of 75% from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, with a Florida Department of Emergency Management reimbursement of 12.5%, and a local match of 12.5%.

4. 26-129, Approve Contract, Design - Zemel Road Landfill Operations Building (Facilities)

Recommended Action: a) Approve contract for Request for Proposal #26-129, Design - Zemel Road Landfill Operations Building, to Alliance Design Group Architecture, LLC, of Fort Myers, Florida, for a total not-to-exceed project cost of \$588,801; and b) Authorize the Chairman to sign contract.

Budgeted Action: No action needed. Budgeted in the Capital Improvement project “SW Landfill Operations Building Zemel” as approved in the FY26 budget process. Funding is supplied by the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund, landfill fees.

5. 26-373, Award, Burnt Store PowerFlex Drive Upgrades Project (Utilities)

Recommended Action: Approve award of Waiver of Bid Procedures #26-373, Burnt Store PowerFlex Variable Frequency Drives Upgrade Project, to Rexel USA, Inc. of Tampa, Florida for the total amount of \$442,896. This project will replace fifteen (15) existing PowerFlex 700 Variable Frequency Drives (VFDs), which lack the efficiency of newer technologies and will soon become obsolete.

Budgeted Action: No action needed. Budgeted in the Capital Improvement Project “SCADA System Upgrades” as approved in the FY26 budget process. Funding will be supplied from the Utility Operations & Maintenance Fund.

6. 26-323, Award, Emergency Debris Removal - Annual Contract (Public Works)

Recommended Action: a) Approve the award of Request for Proposal #26-323, Emergency Debris Removal - Annual Contract to the firms in descending order as follows: AshBritt, Inc, of Deerfield Beach, Florida, DRC Emergency Services, LLC, of Metairie, Louisiana, and Ceres Environmental Services, Inc., of Sarasota, Florida; to establish pre-qualified Contractors to assist Charlotte County in the management and removal of debris resulting from a catastrophic event or to assist the County with special needs and events for other than full-scale disasters. The initial term is through and including December 31, 2028, with three (3) one-year renewal terms options with CPI Index increase at renewal per CPI South Region; and b) Authorize the Chairman to sign the contracts; and c) Authorize the County Administrator to approve renewal options.

Budgeted Action: No action needed. Funding for this pre-awarded hurricane expense is being provided through the County’s general revenues and collected in the hurricane fund. There is an anticipated reimbursement of 75% from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, with a Florida Department of Emergency Management reimbursement of 12.5%, and a local match of 12.5%.

7. 26-211, Award, Indian Springs Cemetery Bank Stabilization (Public Works)

Recommended Action: a) Approve award of Request for Bid #26-211, Indian Springs Cemetery Bank Stabilization to Earth Tech Enterprises, Inc. of Fort Myers, Florida for the total amount of \$2,218,814.18. This is to secure the services of a Contractor for the successful channel and bank regrading and stabilization including riprap rubble ditch lining, gabion baskets and sheet pile wall construction; and b) Approve Resolution for budget adjustment BA26-240 in the amount of \$961,572; and c) Approve amending Capital Improvement Project “Indian Spring Cemetery Bank Stabilization” increasing total project by \$961,572. **RES 2026-098**

Budgeted Action: Approve budget adjustment BA26-240 in the amount of \$961,572 amending Capital Improvement Project “Indian Spring Cemetery Bank Stabilization” from \$1,444,722 to \$2,406,294. Funding is supplied by Capital Projects, ad valorem.

8. 26-399, Award Piggyback, Dozer Replacement (Public Works)

Recommended Action: a) Approve award of “Piggyback” to File #26-399, Dozer Replacement to Dobbs Equipment, LLC of Lutz, Florida, to purchase one (1) John Deere 850P LGP for the total cost of \$563,841 in accordance with Florida Sheriff’s Association Contract #FSA23-EQU21.0; and b) Approve Asset #38144 to be sold via auction.

Budgeted Action: No action needed. Budgeted in the Heavy Equipment Replacement Plan as approved in the FY26 budget process. Funding is supplied by the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund, landfill fees.

9. 25-264, Change Order 1, Interactive Growth Model Annual (Fiscal)

Recommended Action: a) Request Change Order #1 to approve the Sole Source File #25-264, Interactive Growth Model Annual awarded to Metro Forecasting Models, located in Bonita Springs, Florida. This change will increase the annual amount from a not-to-exceed of \$170,000 to not-to-exceed of \$355,000; and b) Authorize the County Administrator, or his designee, to approve renewal options for up to two (2) additional one (1) year periods at the same prices, terms and conditions, by mutual consent for a not-to-exceed amount of \$200,000 annually.

Budgeted Action: No action needed. Budgeted in the General Fund and the Utilities Maintenance and Operations Fund - BCC Control and Utilities Operations Budget - as approved in the FY 2026 budget process. Funding for the expenditure comes from Ad Valorem and User Fees.

10. 26-257, Ranking, Water Quality Trend Assessment and Dashboard Tool Development (CHNEP)

Recommended Action: a) Approve the ranking of firms for Request for Proposal #26-257, Water Quality Trend Assessment and Dashboard Tool Development: 1st ECCO Scientific, LLC of Gainesville, Florida; 2nd IVA Environmental Services of Port Charlotte, Florida; and 3rd Geosyntec Consultants, Inc. of Boca Raton, Florida; and b) Approve start of negotiations; and c) Authorize the Chairman to sign the Contract after completion of negotiations, if contract does not exceed the amount of \$59,117. This is for a Water Quality Trend Assessment and Dashboard Tool Development.

Budgeted Action: No action needed. Grant funding in the amount of \$31,697 is included in the FY26 budget for Coastal Heartland and National Estuary Program (CHNEP). Grant funding will be provided by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). There is no local match required.

11. Property Deletions for the Month of April 2026 (Purchasing)

(Change #2) Added attachment - Updated Deletions.

Recommended Action: Approve the deletion of additional property inventory items listed on the attached for the month of April 2026.

Budgeted Action: No action needed.

Real Estate Services

12. Resolution to Acquire: Various Intersection Improvements

Recommended Action: Approve Resolution authorizing the acquisition of real property or easement interests in real property by voluntary purchase, lot donation, or tax deed auction that may be required for intersection improvements at various locations. **RES 2026-099**

Budgeted Action: No action needed. Budgeted in the Capital Improvement Project “Intersection Improvements at Various Locations” as approved in the FY26 budget process. Funding is supplied from the Road Improvement Fund to be reimbursed by available road impact fees.

Risk Management

G. Community Development

H. Community Services

I. Economic Development

J. Emergency Management

K. Facilities Management

L. Human Services

M. People Operations

N. Public Safety

O. Public Works

P. Tourism Development

Q. Utilities

R. Other Agencies

REGULAR AGENDA

S. Regular Agenda

1. Public Works First Responder Recognition

Public Works

a) Adopt a Resolution recognizing Charlotte County Public Works as First Responders; and b) Authorize the Chairman to sign the Resolution. **RES 2026-100**

Mr. Elias mentioned National Public Works Week Proclamation and highlighted Public Works First Responder Recognition.

COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2026-100 RECOGNIZING CHARLOTTE COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS AS FIRST RESPONDERS; AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE RESOLUTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DOHERTY

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

2. Placida Fishing Pier

Community Services

Discussion and direction on the Placida Fishing Pier design options.

Tommy Scott, Community Services Director gave a brief overview of Placida Fishing Pier: History of the fishing pier, Coastal Engineering Consultants (CEC) evaluated the structures to provided alternatives for the causeway, backwall and pier, Evaluation took into account, Causeway option 1 - pre-storm, Causeway option 2 - hazard mitigation, Causeway option 3 - hazard mitigation with living shoreline, Backwall - replace seawall, Pier option 1 - repair existing structure, Pier option 2 - replace with timber pier, Pier option 3 - replace with hybrid structure, Comparison, Recommendation - CEC, Recommendation - Staff, replied to Federal Emergency Management Agency reimbursement eligibility, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP), regulatory agencies, federal permitting process, 2014 Sales Tax Program, cost increases, elevation change cost increases, and timeline.

Chair Tiseo mentioned Pier option 1 - repair existing structure, Causeway option 1 - pre-storm, Live Oak Point Park Pier, repair and expedited timeline, federal permitting process, community use, resiliency, FEMA reimbursement eligibility, Comparison, phased approach, and hybrid solution. **Commissioner Constance** spoke to Recommendation - Staff, increased expenses, permitting process, Pier option 1 - replace existing structure, federal oversight concerns, Causeway option 2 - hazard mitigation, Causeway option 3 - hazard mitigation with living shoreline, shoreline protections, expedited timeline, Comparison, phased-in approach, contract price, and Causeway option 1 - pre-storm. **Commissioner Deutsch** commented on Recommendation - Staff, total cost, FEMA reimbursements, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, project delay cost increases, Placida Boat Ramp proposal, public understanding, May 11, 2026 Mid-County Regional Library ribbon cutting ceremony, Pier option 1 - repair existing structure, and federal agencies. **Commissioner Doherty** noted Recommendation - Staff, timeline impacts, funding source, Pier option 1 - repair existing structure, Causeway option 1 - pre-storm, Comparison, and FEMA reimbursements. **Commissioner Truex** discussed Placida Boat Ramp, Pier option 1 - repair existing structure, Causeway option 1 - pre-storm, FEMA reimbursement process and eligibility, Sarasota County Commissioner Rob Cutsinger, Manasota Key, project delay cost impacts, and tax payer dollars.

County Administrator Flores responded to funding source and reimbursement efforts.

COMMISSIONER TRUEX MOVED TO APPROVE GOING FORWARD WITH STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION OF CAUSEWAY OPTION 3 AND PIER OPTION 2, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DOHERTY

MOTION CARRIED 3:2., CHAIR TISEO AND COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE OPPOSED

3. FY27 Boater Revolving Fund Grant Program

(Change #1) Added attachment – Marine Advisory Committee Funding.

Budget & Admin Services

a) Approve Resolution which funds the West Coast Inland Navigation District (WCIND) and Boater Improvement Fund (BIF) expenditures for Fiscal Year 2027 in the amount not to exceed \$1,674,608; and b) Authorize the County Administrator, or designee, to sign WCIND grant applications and agreements, sub-recipient agreements, and other necessary grant documents associated with the FY27 BRF grant cycle. **RES 2026-101**

Richard Arthur, Fiscal Services Manager highlighted FY 2027 Boater Revolving Fund Grant Program, remarked on beach renourishment program funding, annual subsidy, March 17, 2026 Board Workshop, and Resolution language.

Chair Tiseo mentioned beach renourishment and Marine Advisory Committee (MAC) funding. **Commissioner Constance** commented on previous cycles and MAC recommendations. **Commissioner Deutsch** noted MAC Meetings and Members, tax payer dollars, and beach renourishment. **Commissioner Doherty** spoke to Marine Advisory Committee Funding Consideration and Manasota Key. **Commissioner Truex** discussed Boater Improvement Fund utilization, beach renourishment, and Stump Pass dredging.

County Administrator Flores replied to March 17, 2026 Board Workshop, County subsidy, beach renourishment program cycle, and MAC funding.

County Attorney David interjected on Florida Statute funding use restrictions and compliance, dredging, beach renourishment, and Resolution language and Exhibits.

COMMISSIONER DEUTSCH MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE MARINE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MOTION FAILED DUE TO LACK OF SECOND

COMMISSIONER DOHERTY MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2026-101 WHICH FUNDS THE WEST COAST INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT (WCIND) AND BOATER IMPROVEMENT FUND (BIF) EXPENDITURES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027 IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,674,608; AND AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, OR DESIGNEE, TO SIGN WCIND GRANT APPLICATIONS AND AGREEMENTS, SUB-RECIPIENT AGREEMENTS, AND OTHER NECESSARY GRANT DOCUMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE FY27 BRF GRANT CYCLE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

(Addition #1) 4. CareerSource Southwest Florida Amendment to the Local Workforce Services Plan

Economic Development

a) Authorize submission of State approval requests and related supporting materials; and b) Authorize further action by the Consortium Chair and appropriate CareerSource Southwest Florida Officers and Representatives as may be reasonably necessary to effectuate the Resolution; and c) Authorize the Chairman to sign the Statement of Intent; and d) Authorize the Chairman to sign the Request for Subsequent Local Workforce Development Area Designation. **A.AGR 2026-056 / A.AGR 2026-057**

Kay Tracy, Economic Development Director highlighted CareerSource Southwest Florida Amendment to the Local Workforce Services Plan and remarked on April 28, 2026 Regular and Land Use Meeting missing document and scrivener error.

COMMISSIONER DOHERTY MOVED TO APPROVE AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF STATE APPROVAL REQUESTS AND RELATED SUPPORTING MATERIALS; AND AUTHORIZE FURTHER ACTION BY THE CONSORTIUM CHAIR AND APPROPRIATE CAREERSOURCE SOUTHWEST FLORIDA OFFICERS AND REPRESENTATIVES AS MAY BE REASONABLY NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE RESOLUTION; AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AGREEMENT 2026-056, THE STATEMENT OF INTENT; AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AGREEMENT 2026-057, THE REQUEST FOR SUBSEQUENT LOCAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AREA DESIGNATION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA

T. 10:00 A.M. Public Hearing or soon thereafter, as the agenda allows.

1. Second Quarter Budget Adjustments

Budget & Admin Services

Conduct a public hearing approving the Resolution to adopt budget adjustments that amend the FY25/26 budget. These adjustments which impact various funds are needed to align the FY25/26 budget with required changes and actual activity. **RES 2026-102**

Mr. Arthur highlighted Second Quarter Budget Adjustments.

Commissioner Constance mentioned carryforward funding.

Public Input

COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE MOVED TO CLOSE PUBLIC INPUT, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DOHERTY

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

COMMISSIONER DOHERTY MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2026-102 APPROVING BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS AND AMENDMENTS TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-206 CHARLOTTE COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DEUTSCH

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

PRESENTATION AGENDA

U. 10:00 A.M. Presentation or soon thereafter, as the agenda allows.

PUBLIC INPUT - ANY SUBJECT

Devin Storms commented on Deer Pass Road property pond, Firelight North, dewatering easement flooding impacts, Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD), FDEP, Charlotte Harbor, and Code Enforcement.

Carla Smith noted institutional power, medical documentation, DSK Law investigative report conclusion and cooperation, workplace policy, County records, employees, and equipment, patient privacy, elected officials, accountability, Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) violations, and Sunshine Law.

Cathy Bateman spoke to DSK Law investigative report and cooperation, county-issued equipment, Policy 3.53, obligations, August 18, 2026 Primary Election Day, John Fleming, and May 16, 2026 Grassroots Rising.

Craig Williams remarked on Charlotte County Administrative Code Policy 3.04, Florida Statutes 112.3 and 112.317, People Operations, and County resource usage prohibition.

Jerry Meiler discussed Manasota Key Resort rezoning request, June 8, 2026 Planning and Zoning Board Meeting, Charlotte 2050 Comprehensive Plan compliance, land development regulations, evacuation capacity limitations, proposed building height, Coastal High Hazard Area, seasonal congestion, Coastal High Hazard Area, traffic impact analysis, mitigation plan, Tom Adams Bridge, and infrastructure upgrades.

Carol Leonard mentioned Manasota Key Resort rezoning request, citizen concerns, storm damage, dismantled regulations, FEMA, local control impacts, overdevelopment, environmental damage, and beach renourishment benefits.

Bonnie Elliot commented on Charlotte Sun Pulte Group proposal publication.

United States Air Force Retired Colonel Mary Ann Tipton noted East County development and mining project concerns, TCP-24-04, Pulte Group, PAL-26-01, Z-26-15, Tarpon Cove, Gulfshore Business Meadow Vue publication, Attorney Derek Rooney, neighborhood meetings, agricultural land preservation, and Senate Bill 290.

Tim Ritchie, March Against Mosaic President spoke to Matt the Welder, legislative policy and delegation, lobbyists, Pat Neal, representation, Representatives Danny Nix and Vanessa Oliver, Senator Ben Albritton, and Charlotte Harbor.

Camilla Spicer remarked on natural resources, May 27, 2025 Regular and Land Use Meeting, Buc-ee's, Coastal High Hazard Area, endangered wildlife, Pulte Group, May 11, 2026 Planning and Zoning Meeting, PAL-26-01, traffic studies and impacts, Bermont and Washington Loop Roads, Manasota Key turtle patrol, and overdevelopment.

AA. County Administrator Comments

Eve Sweeting, Legislative Manager discussed FEMA Review Council May 7, 2026 Meeting and Final Report recommendations and public comment deadline, responsibility reallocation, disaster declaration request process and methodology change, public assistance direct payment, federal funding impacts and category elimination, project reprioritization, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) qualification impacts, Refined Risk Reduction Program, phased approach, and approval process.

Commissioner Truex mentioned FEMA Meeting.

BB. County Attorney Comments - None

CC. Economic Development Director Comments

Ms. Tracy commented on Economic Development Week Proclamation and May 6, 2026 Hurricane Preparedness Webinar for Businesses attendees.

Commissioner Constance spoke to hurricane season.

DD. County Commissioner Comments

Chair Tiseo noted May 6, 2026 Joint Meeting with Charlotte County-Punta Gorda MPO and Heartland Regional Transportation Planning Organization (HRTPO) attendance, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District Secretary Jamie Driggers, rule violation investigation and conclusion process, County Attorney consultation, DSK Law investigative report confidentiality, distribution, and cooperation, third party review determination, Rule 3.45, Civil Rights Act of 1964, due process, investigation testimony retaliation, workplace hostility, questionable travel expenses, judgement, and policy review and changes. **Commissioner Constance** discussed Flag Day Drone Show, Tourism dollars and May 8, 2026 Breakfast Event attendance, Florida Restaurant and Lodging Association, Deer Pass Road, SWFWMD, water flow and drought impacts, May 6, 2026 Joint Meeting with Charlotte County-Punta Gorda MPO and HRPTO attendance, DeSoto County Administrator Mandy Hines, US 17, Kings Highway, Bermont Road, Florida Association of Counties (FAC), State Road (SR) 31, population growth, infrastructure, and traffic studies. **Commissioner Deutsch** mentioned Buc-ee's, Pulte Group, Manasota Key Resort, Deer Pass Road, Manasota Key, DSK Law investigative report and cooperation requirement, Memorial Day, Flag Day, and Independence Day community events, consistency, and former County Attorney Janette Knowlton. **Commissioner Doherty** commented on May 6, 2026 Joint Meeting with Charlotte County-Punta Gorda MPO and HRTPO, Sarasota/Manatee and Lee MPOs, Kings Highway, US 17, Bermont Road, SR 31, FDOT District Secretary Jamie Driggers, and partnership opportunities. **Commissioner Truex** spoke to Deer Pass Road, SWFWMD, investigation confidentiality concerns and disclosure, and due process.

ADJOURNED: 11:35 am

Joseph M. Tiseo, Chair

DATE ADOPTED: _____

ATTEST:

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