

**RESOLUTION
NUMBER 2026-**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE
CHARLOTTE COUNTY UTILITIES SOUTH COUNTY UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS
PROJECT, INCLUDING THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN ELEVATED POTABLE WATER
STORAGE TANK AND RELATED WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS, AND
ACKNOWLEDGING FUNDING ASSISTANCE THROUGH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT
OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR
HURRICANES HELENE AND MILTON (SAFHI) PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the Charlotte County Board of County Commissioners approved the selection of Weston & Sampson Engineers, Inc. to prepare a Basis of Design Report (BODR) related to the proposed South County Utility Improvements Project, including the construction of an Elevated Potable Water Storage Tank and Water Booster Station upgrades serving the South County Burnt Store Water System area; and

WHEREAS, Weston & Sampson Engineers, Inc. presented the findings and recommendations of the Basis of Design Report to the Charlotte County Board of County Commissioners at a public meeting held on January 7, 2025; and

WHEREAS, following presentation and discussion of the Basis of Design Report, the Board determined that the proposed South County Utility Improvements Project is necessary to improve potable water service reliability, system capacity, and operational resiliency for customers served in South Charlotte County, Burnt Store Water System; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte County Utilities has been awarded funding assistance in the amount of approximately \$10.7 million through the United States Environmental Protection Agency Supplemental Appropriation for Hurricanes Helene and Milton (SAFHI) Program, administered through the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP), to support implementation of the South County Utility Improvements Project; and

WHEREAS, the Charlotte County Board of County Commissioners authorized Weston & Sampson Engineers, Inc. to proceed with preparation of plans, specifications, and contract documents necessary for the construction of the South County Utility Improvements Project; and

WHEREAS, the construction of the Elevated Potable Water Storage Tank and associated water system improvements serves an important public purpose by improving potable water system reliability, enhancing water storage capacity, and strengthening infrastructure resilience for the residents of Charlotte County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA:

Section 1. The Board of County Commissioners hereby supports the South County Utility Improvements Project, including the construction of an Elevated Potable Water Storage Tank and associated potable water system improvements.

Section 2. The Board hereby acknowledges and accepts funding assistance through the United States Environmental Protection Agency Supplemental Appropriation for Hurricanes Helene and Milton (SAFHI) Program administered by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for implementation of the project.

Section 3. The Board affirms that it has reviewed the Basis of Design Report and associated findings and has authorized the preparation of engineering plans, specifications, and contract documents necessary to construct the South County Utility Improvements Project.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Charlotte County, Florida, this ____ day of _____, 2026.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: _____
Chair

ATTEST:
Clerk of the Circuit Court and Ex-Officio
Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners

By: _____
Deputy Clerk