Section I
Notice of Development of Proposed Rules and Negotiated Rulemaking

DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT

Domestic Security

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
11R-1.001 Procedures

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: Establish procedures for domestic and foreign terrorist organization designations and petitions for removal

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Designation of Terrorist Organizations; procedure for designation and petitions for removal.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 943.03102, 943.03, F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 943.03102, 943.03, F.S.

IF REQUESTED IN WRITING AND NOT DEEMED UNNECESSARY BY THE AGENCY HEAD, A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE NOTICED IN THE NEXT AVAILABLE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE REGISTER.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Agency Clerk at (850)410-7746, or designationappealorobjection@fdle.state.fl.us, or write to Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Agency Clerk, 2331 Phillips Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32308. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Agency Clerk at (850)410-7746, or designationappealorobjection@fdle.state.fl.us, or write to Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Agency Clerk, 2331 Phillips Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32308.

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS NOT AVAILABLE.

DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Mental Health Program

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
65E-5.1303 Discharge from Receiving and Treatment Facilities

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: Amendments will align mental health receiving and treatment facility rules with statutory changes regarding discharge planning.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Discharge Planning.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 394.457(5), 394.46715 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 394.4573, 394.459(11), 394.460 FS.

IF REQUESTED IN WRITING AND NOT DEEMED UNNECESSARY BY THE AGENCY HEAD, A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE NOTICED IN THE NEXT AVAILABLE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE REGISTER.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Elizabeth Floyd. Elizabeth can be reached at Elizabeth.Floyd@myflfamilies.com.

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS AVAILABLE AND CAN BE OBTAINED, AT NO CHARGE, FROM THE CONTACT PERSON LISTED ABOVE.

Section II
Proposed Rules

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
64B4-3.001 Application for Licensure for Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling Applicants

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Board proposes a rule amendment that updates the language and incorporates the application on Form DH-MQA 1174, Application for Licensure as a Clinical Social Worker, Marriage & Family Therapist or Mental Health Counselor by Examination.

SUMMARY: To propose an amendment that updates the rule language and incorporates the application on Form DH-MQA 1174, Application for Licensure as a Clinical Social Worker, Marriage & Family Therapist or Mental Health Counselor by Examination.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

The Agency has determined that this rule will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of $200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: During discussion of the economic impact of this rule at

its Board meeting, the Board concluded that this rule change will not have any impact on licensees and their businesses or the businesses that employ them. The rule will not increase any fees, business costs, personnel costs, will not decrease profit opportunities, and will not require any specialized knowledge to comply. This change will not increase any direct or indirect regulatory costs. Hence, the Board determined that a Statement of Estimated Regulatory Costs (SERC) was not necessary and that the rule will not require ratification by the Legislature. No person or interested party submitted additional information regarding the economic impact at that time.

Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or to provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days after publication of this notice.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 491.004(5), 491.005, FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 456.013, 456.0635, 491.005, 491.0065, 491.017 FS.

IF REQUESTED WITHIN 21 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, A HEARING WILL BE SCHEDULED AND ANNOUNCED IN THE FAR.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Ashleigh K. Irving, Executive Director, Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling, 4052 Bald Cypress Way Bin C-08, Tallahassee, FL 32399-3258, telephone: (850)488-0595, or by electronic mail – Ashleigh.Irving@flhealth.gov

THE TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

64B4-3.001 Application for Licensure for Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling Applicants.

Every applicant for licensure by examination as a clinical social worker, marriage and family therapist or mental health counselor shall submit to the Board a completed application on Form DH-MQA 1174, Application for Licensure as a Clinical Social Worker, Marriage & Family Therapist or Mental Health Counselor by Examination (Revised 8/2026 ~~12/2025~~), hereby adopted and incorporated by reference, which can be obtained from http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-20350 ~~http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-19078~~, or the web at http://www.floridasmentalhealthprofessions.gov/resources.

The application shall be accompanied with the application fee and the initial licensure fee. An application for licensure by examination shall be accompanied with the application fee and the initial active status license fee specified in Rule 64B4-4.002, F.A.C.

Rulemaking Authority 491.004(5), 491.005, FS. Law Implemented 456.013, 456.0635, 491.005, 491.0065, 491.017 FS. History–New 7-6-88, Amended 1-28-91, 11-3-92, Formerly 21CC-3.001, 61F4-3.001, Amended 11-13-96, Formerly 59P-3.001, Amended 6-8-09, 2-24-10, 4-4-13, 5-12-16, 9-1-16, 8-7-18, 3-18-19, 3-9-21, 3-27-23, 7-10-24, 3-23-25, 11-3-25, 3-15-26, _____.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling

DATE PROPOSED RULE WAS APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: August 13, 2026

DATE NOTICE OF RULE DEVELOPMENT WAS PUBLISHED IN FAR: October 8, 2026

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B4-3.0085 Intern Registration

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Board proposes a rule amendment that updates and incorporates the application on Form DH-MQA 1175, Application for Registration as a Registered Intern for Clinical Social Work, Marriage & Family Therapy or Mental Health Counseling.

SUMMARY: The proposed amendment updates the rule language and incorporates the application on Form DH-MQA 1175, Application for Registration as a Registered Intern for Clinical Social Work, Marriage & Family Therapy or Mental Health Counseling.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

The Agency has determined that this rule will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of $200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: During discussion of the economic impact of this rule at its Board meeting, the Board concluded that this rule change will not have any impact on licensees and their businesses or the businesses that employ them. The rule will not increase any fees, business costs, personnel costs, will not decrease profit opportunities, and will not require any specialized knowledge to comply. This change will not increase any direct or indirect regulatory costs. Hence, the Board determined that a Statement of Estimated Regulatory Costs (SERC) was not necessary and

that the rule will not require ratification by the Legislature. No person or interested party submitted additional information regarding the economic impact at that time.

Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or to provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days after publication of this notice.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 491.004(5) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 456.013, 456.0635, 491.0045, 491.005 FS.

IF REQUESTED WITHIN 21 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, A HEARING WILL BE SCHEDULED AND ANNOUNCED IN THE FAR.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Ashleigh K. Irving, Executive Director, Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling, 4052 Bald Cypress Way Bin C-08, Tallahassee, FL 32399-3258, telephone: (850)488-0595, or by electronic mail – Ashleigh.Irving@flhealth.gov

THE TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

64B4-3.0085 Intern Registration.

(1) An individual who intends to practice in Florida to satisfy the post-master's experience must register as an intern by submitting a completed application to the Board on Form DH-MQA 1175, Application for Registration as a Registered Intern for Clinical Social Work, Marriage & Family Therapy or Mental Health Counseling (Revised 8/2026 ~~5/2025~~), hereby adopted and incorporated by reference, which can be obtained from http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-20349 ~~http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18557~~, or the web at www.floridasmentalhealthprofessions.gov/resources. The application shall be accompanied by the application fee specified in Rule 64B4-4.015, F.A.C., which is non-refundable.

(2) Through (11) No Change.

Rulemaking Authority 491.004(5) FS. Law Implemented 456.013, 456.0635, 491.0045, 491.005 FS. History–New 6-8-09, Amended 2-24-10, 10-17-10, 4-4-13, 2-9-16, 6-7-16, 9-1-16, 2-27-19, 3-9-21, 9-8-21, 5-30-23, 7-11-24, 11-24-24, 11-3-25, .

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling

DATE PROPOSED RULE WAS APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: August 13, 2026

DATE NOTICE OF RULE DEVELOPMENT WAS PUBLISHED IN FAR: October 8, 2026

Section III
Notice of Changes, Corrections and Withdrawals

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares and Mobile Homes

RULE NO.:	RULE TITLE:
61B-23.001	Board of Administration and Committees; Fiduciary Duty

NOTICE OF CHANGE

Notice is hereby given that the following changes have been made to the proposed rule in accordance with section 120.54(3)(d)1., F.S., published in Vol. 52 No. 143, July 24, 2026, issue of the Florida Administrative Register.

61B-23.001 Condominium Meetings

(1) No change.

(2) Video conference. Video conference is any platform capable of supporting simultaneous audio and visual communication. Video conference platforms include, but are not limited to, Zoom, GoTo Meeting, Microsoft Teams, Webex, and Google Meet. Any meeting conducted by video conference and open to unit owners must be recorded, regardless of if video or audio is disabled or becomes disabled, and such recordings must be maintained as official records of the association pursuant to section 718.111(12)(a), F.S. or as subsequently renumbered.

(3) No change.

(4) Notice of meetings. The notice for any meeting, for the purpose of conducting any association business, must comply with the following requirements:

(a) No change.

(b) The notice must include the date, time, and location of the meeting, together with any applicable telephone number, conference code, passcode, password, or electronic link necessary for video conference participation, and shall contain a detailed agenda of all items to be considered. Each agenda must include:

1. Clearly identified agenda items for which a vote or action will be taken. The description of each matter must be sufficiently detailed to identify the subject of the proposed vote or action and may not consist of a vague, general, or single-word reference.

2. A designated period during which unit owners may ask questions and make comments, subject to written reasonable rules adopted by the association governing the frequency, duration, and manner of unit owner questions. Unit owners must be given an opportunity to speak and ask questions

regarding each agenda item and ask questions concerning topics expressly addressed by statute. For items requiring a vote, the opportunity to speak must be given prior to the board taking a vote on that item.

(c) and (d) No change.

(5) No change.

(6) Conduct of meetings. The association shall implement the following measures for all board of administration, committee, and unit owner meetings:

(a) through (d) No change.

(e) Meetings held via video conference, telephone, or similar real-time electronic media shall be conducted in a manner reasonably designed to permit all unit owners to participate. For purposes of this paragraph, "reasonably designed" means utilizing procedures and technology that are objectively adequate to provide unit owners a meaningful opportunity to attend, observe, speak when authorized by law, and vote when permitted, including but not limited to the use of microphones and speakers.

(f) Subject to reasonable rules of procedure adopted by the board, any unit owner shall have the right to speak with respect to all agenda items. Unit owners shall also have the right to ask questions concerning topics expressly addressed by statute, including but not limited to, reports on the status of construction or repair projects, the status of revenues and expenditures during the current fiscal year, and other issues affecting the condominium. The right to speak and ask questions shall be permitted whether physically present or participating by authorized electronic means. This right applies to all meetings of the board of administration and committees. A summation of the questions and responses, whether verbal or in writing, must be included in the meeting minutes.

(g) The board shall make a good faith effort to provide accurate and responsive answers to questions posed by the unit owners. For purposes of this section, a "good faith effort" means an honest, reasonable, and diligent response. A response is reasonable if it is objectively appropriate under the circumstances based on the material information available at the time and does not omit or misrepresent material facts. A perfect or exhaustive response is not required, but should address the substance of the question. ~~that reasonably addresses the substance of the question, is based on all material information reasonably available at the time, and does not omit or misrepresent material facts.~~ A good faith effort also requires disclosure of any known limitations, uncertainties, or unavailable information relevant to the response.

(h) through (j) No change.

(7) and (8) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 718.112(2)(b)5., 718.112(2)(c), 718.112(2)(d), 718.501(1)(g) FS. Law Implemented 718.111(1), 718.112(2) FS. History–New 7-22-80, Amended 7-6-81, 8-31-83, 12-4-83, 10-1-85, Formerly 7D-23.01, Amended 1-27-87, 9-7-88, 7-17-91, 12-20-92, Formerly 7D-23.001, Amended 2-22-94, 4-14-99,_____.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Osteopathic Medicine

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B15-14.0131 Practice Standards for the Certification of Smoking Marijuana as a Route of Administration

NOTICE OF CORRECTION

Notice is hereby given that the following technical change has been made to the above rule:

64B15-14.0131 Practice Standards for the Certification of Smoking Marijuana as a Route of Administration.

(1) No change.

(2) Standards. The nature and extent of the requirements set forth below will vary depending on the practice setting and circumstances presented to the qualified physician. In addition to the requirements set forth in Section 381.986(4), F.S., the Board has adopted the following standards for the issuing of certifications by qualified physicians for the medical use of marijuana in a form for smoking:

(a) through (b) No change.

(c) Informed consent. The qualified physician will discuss and have the patient complete the "Medical Marijuana Consent Form" (DH-MQA-5026) set forth in Rule 64B15-14.013 ~~64B15-14.012~~, F.A.C. In addition, the qualified physician shall discuss the risks and benefits of the use of smokable marijuana including the risk of abuse and addiction, the negative health risks associated with smoking marijuana as well as physical dependence with the patient, persons designated by the patient, or with the patient's surrogate or guardian if the patient is incompetent. The discussion shall also include expected benefits, duration, options, and common side effects. Special attention must be given to those patients who are at risk of misuse or diversion of their medications.

(d) through (g) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 381.986~~(4)~~, 459.005~~(1)~~ FS. Law Implemented 381.986, 459.015~~(1)(g)~~ FS. History–New 7-13-21, Technical Change 10-16-26.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE RULE IS: Brittany Auclair, Executive Director, Board of Osteopathic Medicine/MQA, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C06, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3256, (850)488-0595 or by email at Brittany.Auclair@flhealth.gov

Section IV
Emergency Rules

NOTE: The full text of Emergency Rules that are currently in effect can be viewed by going to https://flrules.org/Notice/emergencyRules.asp.

Section V
Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Rule Variance or Waiver

WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS
Southwest Florida Water Management District
RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
40D-22.201 Year-Round Water Conservation Measures
NOTICE OF DISPOSITION FOR VARIANCE OR WAIVER
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 15, 2026, the Southwest Florida Water Management District, has issued an order granting a variance.
Petitioner's Name: James and Jenny Barned. - File Tracking No. 26-4443
Date Petition Filed: June 5, 2026
Rule No.: 40D-22.201, F.A.C.
Nature of the rule for which variance or waiver was sought: Lawn and Landscape Irrigation
Date Petition Published in the Florida Administrative Register: June 8, 2026
General Basis for Agency Decision: Petitioner demonstrated substantial hardship and proposed an alternative means of achieving the purpose of the statute implemented by the rule.
A copy of the Order may be obtained by contacting: Camille R. Mourant, 7601 US Highway 301, Tampa, Florida 33637, (813)438-4906, water.variances@watermatters.org.

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
Division of Hotels and Restaurants
RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
61C-4.010 Sanitation and Safety Requirements
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR VARIANCE OR WAIVER
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 15, 2026, the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Hotels and Restaurants, received a petition for a An Emergency Variance from Brighter Way Hospitality Service LLC located In Panama City. Subsection 61C-4.010(7) Florida Administrative Code and subsection 61C-4.010(6), Florida Administrative Code. The above referenced F.A.C. addresses the requirement that at least one accessible bathroom be provided for use by customers and employees. They are requesting to share the bathrooms located within a nearby establishment under a different ownership for use by customers and employees.
The Division of Hotels and Restaurants will accept comments concerning the Petition for 5 days from the date of publication of this notice. To be considered, comments must be received before 5:00 p.m.
A copy of the Petition may be obtained by contacting: Daisy.Aleman@myfloridalicense.com, Division of Hotels and Restaurants, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1011.

FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION
RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES:
67-48.002 Definitions
67-48.0072 Credit Underwriting and Loan Procedures
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR VARIANCE OR WAIVER
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 14, 2026, the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, received a petition for a Waiver of Florida Administrative Code subsections 67-48.0072(26) and 67-48.002(96) (06/28/2023) and the 2023 QAP from The Landings at Sugarloaf Key, LLC. extending the SAIL loan closing deadline from October 9, 2026, to January 29, 2027; permitting the Credit Exchange, including the immediate return of Petitioner’s 2024 Tax Credits and an immediate allocation of new housing credits; and grant a corresponding extension of deadlines applicable to those credits, including the placed-in-service deadline.
A copy of the Petition may be obtained by contacting: Ana McGlamory, Corporation Clerk, Florida Housing Finance Corporation, 227 North Bronough Street, Suite 5000, Tallahassee, FL 32301-1329. The Petition has also been posted on Florida Housing’s website at floridahousing.org. Florida Housing will accept comments concerning the Petition for 14 days from the date of publication of this notice. To be considered, comments must be received on or before 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on the 14th day after publication of this notice at CorporationClerk@floridahousing.org or Florida Housing Finance Corporation, Attn: Corporation Clerk, 227 North Bronough Street, Suite 5000, Tallahassee, Florida 32301-1329.

FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION
RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
67-21.003 Application and Selection Process for Developments
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR VARIANCE OR WAIVER
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 14, 2026, the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, received a petition for a waiver of paragraph 67-21.003(8)(i), Florida Administrative Code (7-10-25) from Gallery at SoMi Parc Phase Two, LLC. to decrease the "Total Set-Aside Percentage".
A copy of the Petition may be obtained by contacting: Ana McGlamory, Corporation Clerk, Florida Housing Finance

Corporation, 227 North Bronough Street, Suite 5000, Tallahassee, FL 32301-1329. The Petition has also been posted on Florida Housing's website at floridahousing.org. Florida Housing will accept comments concerning the Petition for 14 days from the date of publication of this notice. To be considered, comments must be received on or before 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on the 14th day after publication of this notice at CorporationClerk@floridahousing.org or Florida Housing Finance Corporation, Attn: Corporation Clerk, 227 North Bronough Street, Suite 5000, Tallahassee, Florida 32301-1329.

FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION
RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
67-48.0072 Credit Underwriting and Loan Procedures
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR VARIANCE OR WAIVER
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 14, 2026, the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, received a petition for a waiver of subsections 67-48.0072(12) and 67-21.026(10), Florida Administrative Code (08/27/2024) from WHFT LL Workforce, Ltd. requiring a singular guaranteed maximum price construction contract ("GMP").
A copy of the Petition may be obtained by contacting: Ana McGlamory, Corporation Clerk, Florida Housing Finance Corporation, 227 North Bronough Street, Suite 5000, Tallahassee, FL 32301-1329. The Petition has also been posted on Florida Housing's website at floridahousing.org. Florida Housing will accept comments concerning the Petition for 14 days from the date of publication of this notice. To be considered, comments must be received on or before 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on the 14th day after publication of this notice at CorporationClerk@floridahousing.org or Florida Housing Finance Corporation, Attn: Corporation Clerk, 227 North Bronough Street, Suite 5000, Tallahassee, Florida 32301-1329.

FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION
RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
67-21.006 MMRB Development Requirements
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR VARIANCE OR WAIVER
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 15, 2026, the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, received a petition for a waiver of subsection 67-21.006(2), F.A.C. (7/10/2025) from Morning Pointe, LLLP. such that, in connection with the Development, the Single-Family Homes may be included in, and remain part of, the Development notwithstanding that each of the Single-Family Homes contains fewer than two (2) dwelling units.
A copy of the Petition may be obtained by contacting: Ana McGlamory, Corporation Clerk, Florida Housing Finance Corporation, 227 North Bronough Street, Suite 5000, Tallahassee, FL 32301-1329. The Petition has also been posted on Florida Housing's website at floridahousing.org. Florida Housing will accept comments concerning the Petition for 14 days from the date of publication of this notice. To be considered, comments must be received on or before 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on the 14th day after publication of this notice at CorporationClerk@floridahousing.org or Florida Housing Finance Corporation, Attn: Corporation Clerk, 227 North Bronough Street, Suite 5000, Tallahassee, Florida 32301-1329.

FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION
RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
67-21.026 HC Credit Underwriting Procedures
NOTICE OF DISPOSITION FOR VARIANCE OR WAIVER
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 15, 2026, the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, entered the Order Closing File for the EHDOC Council Towers Limited Partnership's Petition for Waiver of subsection 67-21.026(10), F.A.C. (7-8-18) and paragraph 67-21.026(13)(c), F.A.C. (7-10-25) and Amended Petition for Waiver of subsection 67-21.026(10), F.A.C. (7-8-18) and paragraph 67-21.026(13)(c), F.A.C. (7-10-22). The Petition was filed on July 23, 2026, and notice of receipt of the petition was published on July 24, 2026, in Volume 52, Number 143 of the F.A.R.
A copy of the Order may be obtained by contacting: Ana McGlamory, Corporation Clerk, Florida Housing Finance Corporation, 227 N. Bronough St., Ste. 5000, Tallahassee, FL 32301-1329.

Section VI
Notice of Meetings, Workshops and Public Hearings

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
The Florida Department of Transportation, District One announces a hearing to which all persons are invited.
DATES AND TIMES: Tuesday, October 27, 2026, 4:00 p.m. (In-person); Wednesday, October 28, 2026, 6:00 p.m. (Virtual)
PLACES: Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church, 1225 Piper Boulevard, Naples, FL 34110 and Microsoft Teams
GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is hosting a public hearing to discuss capacity improvements to I-75 in Collier and Lee counties to help address growing congestion and support the region's long-term growth. The hearing is to express your views concerning auxiliary lane capacity improvements within the project. This hearing will not include noise wall information, but it will be provided when available. Participate in the hearing either in-person OR virtually. Both events will include a presentation reviewing the proposed improvements followed by a verbal comment period.
In-Person: Tuesday, October 27, 2026, 4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. View project materials – "Open House", 4:30 p.m. Formal presentation and verbal comment period

Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church, 1225 Piper Boulevard, Naples, FL 34110
Virtually: Wednesday, October 28, 2026
Microsoft Teams
Register in advance: https://tinyurl.com/I75CollierLeeHearing
6:00 p.m. Formal presentation and verbal comment period
Comments and questions can be submitted through the project webpage https://www.swflroads.com/project/452544-1 or by email or mail to the project manager at: Melody Joyner, CPM, Corridors Program Development Manager, Florida Department of Transportation - District One, Mail Station 1-41, Melody.Joyner@dot.state.fl.us
While comments about the project are accepted at any time, they must be received or postmarked by Tuesday, November 10, 2026, to be included in the formal hearing record. All comment methods are weighed equally. The purpose of this project is to increase capacity, improve traffic operations, and enhance safety on I-75 from Golden Gate Parkway to Alico Road within Collier and Lee Counties. Proposed improvements include adding segments of additional lanes (including auxiliary and express lanes) in both directions. This project has been advanced as a part of the Moving Florida Forward Infrastructure Initiative, a statewide effort to deliver congestion relief faster and more efficiently to Florida's residents and visitors. As population and development increase, congestion on I-75 will continue to worsen without added capacity. These improvements are designed to meet travel needs well into the future.
A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Melody Joyner, CPM, Corridors Program Development Manager, Florida Department of Transportation - District One, Melody.Joyner@dot.state.fl.us, (863)519-2822
Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Cynthia Sykes, District One Title VI Coordinator, at (863)519-2287, or email at Cynthia.Sykes@dot.state.fl.us. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).
For more information, you may contact: Melody Joyner, CPM, Corridors Program Development Manager, Florida Department of Transportation - District One, Melody.Joyner@dot.state.fl.us, (863)519-2822.

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLES
Division of Motor Vehicles
RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
15C-7.002 Motor Vehicle, Mobile Home and Recreational Vehicle Dealers' Records; Maintenance Requirements; Accessibility; Retention; Penalties
The Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (FLHSMV) announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.
DATE AND TIME: November 5, 2026, 9:00 a.m. (EST)
PLACE: Virtual Meeting - Join: https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/263659778771551?p=YoNgTTWGgvClbWpv6b
Meeting ID: 263 659 778 771 551
Passcode: Bh3jR758
GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: In accordance with Section 320.275, Florida Statutes, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles is holding a meeting of the Automobile Dealers Industry Advisory Board (ADIAB) with motor vehicle dealer industry representatives to discuss matters related to the motor vehicle dealer industry.
A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Heather Roberson, 2900 Apalachee Parkway, Tallahassee, FL 32399, (850)617-3171. HeatherRoberson@flhsmv.gov
Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Heather Roberson, 2900 Apalachee Parkway, Tallahassee, FL 32399, (850)617-3171. HeatherRoberson@flhsmv.gov . If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS
The Florida Veterans Foundation announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.
DATE AND TIME: October 29, 2026, 10:00 a.m.
PLACE: Microsoft Teams Call:
Link: https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_Yzg4NGYzZjMtZTg2NC00NjE2LWIzNmMtZTM4YjNiMmVmOWVk%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%226f0c11c8-a34e-40af-b4c5-2e4d08cef248%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22b83b573f-51c7-4c52-af43-707329f9cbc2%22%7d
GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Executive Committee Meeting. The upcoming date for our continued efforts in supporting and honoring our veterans.
A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Raymond Miller, Administrative Officer, (850)782-4305
Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by

contacting: Raymond Miller, Administrative Officer, (850)782-4305. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).
For more information, you may contact: Raymond Miller, Administrative Officer, (850)782-4305

DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS
Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program
The Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.
DATE AND TIME: *Date Change: October 20, 2026, 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. (Reference: #31104425)
PLACE: 8333 W. McNab Road, Suite 231. Tamarac, FL 33321
GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Broward Council Business (Quarterly Public Meeting for October)
A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Florida Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program - Broward: Ph:(954)597-2266, or email: ltcopinformer@elderaffairs.org
Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 72 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Ph:(954)597-2266, or email: ltcopinformer@elderaffairs.org. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION
The Agency for Health Care Administration announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.
DATE AND TIME: Thursday, October 29, 2026. 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
PLACE: Microsoft Teams: https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/245041236481614?p=IqYJcwfho2kJFpWwIw
Dial in by phone: +1(850)792-4898,,842031631#
GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: This is a meeting of the Full Pediatric Cardiac Technical Advisory Panel (PCTAP) to which all interested parties are invited. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the business of the PCTAP.
A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Jureaka Trumpet, Florida Center for Health Information and Transparency at Jureaka.trumpet@ahca.myflorida.com or (850)412-3741.
Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 3 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Jureaka Trumpet, Florida Center for Health Information and Transparency at Jureaka.trumpet@ahca.myflorida.com or (850)412-3741. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).
For more information, you may contact: Jureaka Trumpet, Florida Center for Health Information and Transparency at Jureaka.trumpet@ahca.myflorida.com or (850)412-3741.

AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION
The Agency for Health Care Administration announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.
DATE AND TIME: November 18, 2026, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
PLACE: Virtual: Microsoft Teams
Microsoft Teams meeting
Join:
https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/239225300546642?p=g8UDhY8YTm2YrPaegf
Meeting ID: 239 225 300 546 642
Passcode: CP2ej7SP
Dial in by phone +1(850)792-4898,,170570161# United States, Tallahassee
Find a local number
Phone conference ID: 170 570 161#
For organizers: Meeting options | Reset dial-in PIN
GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Medicaid Advisory Committee (MAC) meeting.
A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Kissa Smith in the Medicaid Director’s Office by email at MACBAC@ahca.myflorida.com.
Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Kissa Smith in the Medicaid Director’s Office by email at MACBAC@ahca.myflorida.com. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).
For more information, you may contact: Kissa Smith in the Medicaid Director’s Office by email at MACBAC@ahca.myflorida.com.

AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION
The Agency for Health Care Administration announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.
DATE AND TIME: November 18, 2026, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
PLACE: Virtual: Microsoft Teams
Microsoft Teams meeting
Join:
https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/243369219418219?p=GQdm36IAuP9wHdoyPm

Meeting ID: 243 369 219 418 219
Passcode: AR7WQ9oF
Dial in by phone +1(850)792-4898,,680794503# United States, Tallahassee
Find a local number
Phone conference ID: 680 794 503#
GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Beneficiary Advisory Council (BAC) meeting.
A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Kissa Smith in the Medicaid Director's Office by email at MACBAC@ahca.myflorida.com.
Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Kissa Smith in the Medicaid Director's Office by email at MACBAC@ahca.myflorida.com. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).
For more information, you may contact: Kissa Smith in the Medicaid Director's Office by email at MACBAC@ahca.myflorida.com.

AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION
Medicaid
The Medicaid Drug Utilization Review (DUR) Board announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.
DATE AND TIME: Thursday, December 10, 2026, 1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Eastern Standard Time
PLACE: Virtual
Join the meeting now
Meeting ID: 285 491 424 080 869 3
Passcode: XG7M2wV3
Dial in by phone 1(850)792-4898,,958782537#United States, Tallahassee
Find a local number
Phone conference ID: 958 782 537#
For organizers: Meeting options|Reset dial-in PIN
GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: This meeting involves review and approval of drug use criteria and standards for both prospective and retrospective drug use review, application of criteria and standards in the DUR activities; review and report results of drug use reviews; recommend and evaluate educational intervention programs. The number of speakers is limited, and selection is made by lottery system. Public testimony requests for the December 10, 2026, DUR Board meeting will be OPEN from 6:00 a.m. ET on October 16, 2026 through Monday, October 16, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. ET. Those selected for public testimony must be present during the slide presentation to speak. You will be notified of your selection status by 5:00 p.m. ET on Monday, November 23, 2026. All interested parties can request a 2-minute speaker slot by completing the online form at: https://forms.cloud.microsoft/g/iqLeGtGXad
A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Mekia.Jackson@ahca.myflorida.com or Marquetta.Howard-Chambers@ahca.myflorida.com
For more information, you may contact: Mekia.Jackson@ahca.myflorida.com or Marquetta.Howard-Chambers@ahca.myflorida.com

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AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION
Medicaid
The Pharmaceutical and Therapeutics Committee Meeting announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.
DATE AND TIME: Friday, December 11, 2026, 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Eastern Standard Time
PLACE: Virtual
Please click the link below to join the webinar:
Join the meeting now
Meeting ID: 287 468 021 120 207
Passcode: kn7nS2WV
Dial in by phone 1(850)792-4898,,884409959#United States, Tallahassee
Find a local number
Phone conference ID: 884 409 959#
For organizers: Meeting options Reset dial-in PIN
GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: December P&T Agenda: Pharmacy Meeting Notices | Florida Agency for Health Care Administration
NOTE: Public testimony requests for December 11, 2026, P&T Committee meeting will be OPEN from 6:00 a.m., ET on October 16,2026 through Monday, October 16, 2026, at 5:00 p.m., ET. Those selected for public testimony must be present during the slide presentation to speak. You will be notified of your selection status by 5:00 p.m., ET on Monday, November 23, 2026. All interested parties can request a 2-minute speaker slot by completing the online form at https://forms.cloud.microsoft/g/psnsfxvyxk
A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Mekia.Jackson@ahca.myflorida.com and Marquetta.Howard-Chambers@ahca.myflorida.com

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DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
Board of Architecture and Interior Design
The Board of Architecture and Interior Design announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.
DATES AND TIMES: October 29, 2026, 9:00 a.m.; October 30, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Hampton Inn & Suites Downtown St. Petersburg, 80 Beach Drive NE, St. Petersburg, Florida 33701. Telephone (727)892-9900.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: October 29, 2026 - Probable Cause Panel Meeting - licensed case reviews are closed to the public.

October 30, 2026 - General Business Meeting - including disciplinary case reviews, application reviews, rules, reports, and professions discussion.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Board of Architecture and Interior Design, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0751. Telephone (850)717-1982.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Board of Architecture and Interior Design, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0751. Telephone (850)717-1982. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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For more information, you may contact: Board of Architecture and Interior Design, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0751. Telephone (850)717-1982.

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Board of Accountancy

The Board of Accountancy announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: November 13, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: The Senate Chamber, Room 215, Florida Historic Capitol Museum, 400 South Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1100

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Board will meet to consider enforcement proceedings including consideration of investigation officers' reports, rules, and other general business.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Niyati Bhatt, (352)333-2505.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 2 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Niyati Bhatt. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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For more information, you may contact: Niyati Bhatt.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

The Department of Environmental Protection announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: November 17, 2026, 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Tryon Library Meeting Room, 1200 Langley Avenue, Pensacola, Florida 32504.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The purpose of this public meeting is to obtain public comment on the draft underground injection control permit (File No. 0001150-013-015-UO/1I, WACS ID 2222) for Ascend Performance Materials, LLC. The draft permit proposes to authorize the continued operation of three Class I industrial injection wells at the Ascend Performance Materials facility located at 3000 Old Chemstrand Rd., Cantonment, Florida 32533, in Escambia County. The Class I injection wells dispose of wastewater primarily generated from the manufacturing of synthetic fibers and organic chemicals. Wastewater injected at the facility also includes other related activities such as blowdown and condensate, laboratory and utility operations, and wastewater from the Cerex Advanced Fabrics, Inc., facility. Ascend submitted its application for the operation of the wells and associated monitor wells on Nov. 24, 2021, and DEP issued the draft permit on Aug. 31, 2026. The Notice of Draft Permit was published in the Pensacola News Journal on Sept. 2, 2026. During this open-house style public meeting, representatives of both DEP and Ascend Performance Materials, LLC, will be available to answer questions and provide information about the draft permit. All comments made by interested parties during the public comment period shall be considered in determining final agency action in accordance with Rule 62-528.330, Florida Administrative Code.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Richard Lobinske, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Underground Injection Control Program by U.S. mail at 2600 Blair Stone Road, MS 3520, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, by phone at (850)245-8655 or by email at APP@FloridaDEP.gov.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, religion, sex, pregnancy, national origin, age, handicap or marital status. Persons who require special accommodations under the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) or persons who require translation services (free of charge) are asked to contact DEP’s Limited English Proficiency Coordinator at

(850)245-2118 or LEP@FloridaDEP.gov at least ten (10) days before the meeting. If you have a hearing or speech impairment, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, (800)955-8771 (TDD) or (800)955-8770 (voice).

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling

The Board of Clinical Social Work Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: November 12, 2026, 9:00 a.m., ET

PLACE: Microsoft TEAMS at https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/215198151066379?p=yWTUiCN61mpkwUnW5Z

or by phone (850)792-1375 using Access Code: 709 142 618#

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: General board business involving discussion and actions, including, but not limited to general board business, licensure applications, rules, and disciplinary matters.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: the board office at (850)245-4292 or by visiting our website at https://floridasmentalhealthprofessions.gov/meeting-information/.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Trenia Gage, Program Operations Administrator by phone at (850)558-9599, by email at Trenia.Gage@flhealth.gov, or by mail at 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin C-08, Tallahassee, FL 32399. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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For more information, you may contact: Trenia Gage, Program Operations Administrator by phone at (850)558-9599, by email at Trenia.Gage@flhealth.gov, or by mail at 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin C-08, Tallahassee, FL 32399.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
Board of Medicine

The Florida Board of Medicine announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Friday, December 4, 2026, 8:00 a.m., ET, or soon thereafter.

PLACE: (CORRECTED) You may join the virtual meeting from your computer, tablet, or smartphone through the following link https://meet.goto.com/115840333. You may also attend the meeting via telephone at (872)240-3212 and use the access code 115-840-333. To maximize your access to the meeting, the Department recommends that you download the GoToMeeting app on your computer, tablet, or smartphone prior to the meeting, https://meet.goto.com/install. If you are required to or otherwise intend to make an appearance before the Board, you must do so from a quiet place with limited activity. You may not appear from your car. The Department also recommends that you connect to the meeting platform at least 15 minutes prior to the start of the meeting to make sure you can successfully establish a connection.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: General business of the Board. Please check the Board's website at https://flboardofmedicine.gov/meeting-information for cancellations or changes to the meeting date or time or call the Board at (850)245-4131 for more information.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: https://flboardofmedicine.gov/meeting- information.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: the Board by email at BOM.MeetingMaterials@flhealth.gov or by calling the Board at (850)245-4131. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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For more information, you may contact: the Board at BOM.MeetingMaterials@flhealth.gov or by calling the Board at (850)245-4131.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
Board of Medicine

The Florida Board of Medicine's Rules/Legislative Committee announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, December 3, 2026, 3:00 p.m., ET, or soon thereafter.

PLACE: (CORRECTED) You may join the virtual meeting from your computer, tablet, or smartphone through the following link https://meet.goto.com/78623573. You may also attend the meeting via telephone at (571)317-3122 and use the access code 786-253-573. To maximize your access to the meeting, the Department recommends that you download the

GoToMeeting app on your computer, tablet, or smartphone prior to the meeting, https://meet.goto.com/install. If you are required to or otherwise intend to make an appearance before the Committee, you must do so from a quiet place with limited activity. You may not appear from your car. The Department also recommends that you connect to the meeting platform at least 15 minutes prior to the start of the meeting to make sure you can successfully establish a connection

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: General business of the Committee. Committee meetings may be canceled prior to the meeting date. Please check the Board's website at https://flboardofmedicine.gov/meeting-information for cancellations or changes to the meeting date or time or call the Board at (850)245-4131 for more information.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: the Board of Medicine at https://flboardofmedicine.gov/meeting-information.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: the Board by email at BOM.MeetingMaterials@flhealth.gov or by calling the Board at (850)245-4131. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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For more information, you may contact: the Board at BOM.MeetingMaterials@flhealth.gov or by calling the Board at (850)245-4131.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Medicine

The Florida Board of Medicine's Credentials Committee announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, December 3, 2026, beginning at 8:00 a.m., ET, or soon thereafter.

PLACE: (CORRECTED) You may join the virtual meeting from your computer, tablet, or smartphone through the following link https://meet.goto.com/672009541. You may also attend the meeting via telephone at (408)650-3123 and use the access code 672-009-541. To maximize your access to the meeting, the Department recommends that you download the GoToMeeting app on your computer, tablet, or smartphone prior to the meeting, https://meet.goto.com/install. If you are required to or otherwise intend to make an appearance before the Committee, you must do so from a quiet place with limited activity. You may not appear from your car. The Department also recommends that you connect to the meeting platform at least 15 minutes prior to the start of the meeting to make sure you can successfully establish a connection.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: General business of the Committee. Committee meetings may be canceled prior to the meeting date. Please check the Board's website at https://flboardofmedicine.gov/meeting-information for cancellations or changes to the meeting date or time or call the Board at (850)245-4131 for more information.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: https://flboardofmedicine.gov/meeting- information.

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For more information, you may contact: the Board at BOM.MeetingMaterials@flhealth.gov or by calling the Board at (850)245-4131.

FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION

The Florida Housing Finance Corporation announces a workshop to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: November 10, 2026, 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time

PLACE: Florida Housing Finance Corporation, 227 N. Bronough Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301. The workshop will also be available by webinar. The registration information for the webinar will be posted to the following website once available:

https://www.floridahousing.org/programs/developers-multifamily-programs/competitive/2026/itp-2026-217.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: This conceptual workshop will discuss ITP 2026-217 SAIL Financing to Preserve Extremely Low Income Units in the Development's Portfolio with the opportunity for the public to provide comments and suggestions.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Bryan Barber (850)488-4197.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to

participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Bryan Barber (850)488-4197. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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SOUTH FLORIDA COMMUNITY CARE NETWORK

The South Florida Community Care Network, LLC d/b/a Community Care Plan announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: November 9, 2026, 3:00 p.m.

PLACE: Memorial Healthcare System, 3111 Stirling Road, Hollywood, Florida 33312 in the Executive Conference Room – 2nd floor.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Meeting of the Audit & Compliance Committee to discuss general matters. Interested persons may submit written comments or other documentation regarding the Audit & Compliance Meeting to: Attn: Legal Department, South Florida Community Care Network, LLC d/b/a Community Care Plan, 1643 Harrison Parkway, Suite H-200, Sunrise, Florida 33323, Email: public.comments@ccpcares.org.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Migdalia Soto-Roba at mroba@ccpcares.org or (954)622-3227.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 3 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Victoria Tuffy at vtuffy@ccpcares.org or (954)622-3232. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

If any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, he/she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence from which the appeal is to be issued.

For more information, you may contact: Justin Marshall, Esq., Senior Vice President and Chief Legal Officer, South Florida Community Care Network, LLC d/b/a Community Care Plan, at jmarshall@ccpcares.org or (954)622-3402.

SOUTH FLORIDA COMMUNITY CARE NETWORK

The South Florida Community Care Network, LLC d/b/a Community Care Plan announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: November 9, 2026, 3:00 p.m., or immediately following completion of the Audit & Compliance Committee Meeting, whichever is later.

PLACE: Memorial Healthcare System, 3111 Stirling Road, Hollywood, Florida 33312 in the 3111 Small Executive Conference Room.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Members will meet to discuss general matters. Interested persons may submit written comments or other documentation regarding the Member Meeting to: Attn: Legal Department, South Florida Community Care Network, LLC d/b/a Community Care Plan, 1643 Harrison Parkway, Suite H-200, Sunrise, Florida 33323, Email: public.comments@ccpcares.org.

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For more information, you may contact: Justin Marshall, Esq., Senior Vice President and Chief Legal Officer, South Florida Community Care Network, LLC d/b/a Community Care Plan, at jmarshall@ccpcares.org or (954)622-3402.

KIMLEY-HORN AND ASSOCIATES, INC.

The Osceola County Transportation & Transit Department announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATES AND TIMES: Tuesday, October 27, 2026, 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., IN-PERSON; Wednesday, October 28, 2026, 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. VIRTUALLY

PLACES: In-Person: Cornerstone Family Church, 2925 Canoe Creek Road, St. Cloud, FL 34772; VIRTUALLY on GoToWebinar

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Osceola County is holding an in-person meeting on Tuesday, October 27, 2026, from 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., and a virtual Alternatives Public Meeting on Wednesday, October 28, 2026, from 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m., regarding the Lake Gentry Road Project Development & Environment (PD&E) Study. The purpose of this project is to evaluate potential improvements to Lake Gentry Road, such as adding a median, shared use paths,

and on-street parking. The public meeting is being held to present information and receive community feedback. The County is offering multiple ways to participate in the meeting. All participants will receive the same information regardless of which option they choose.

• In-Person Option: The community is invited to attend the Alternatives Public Meeting at the Cornerstone Family Church, 2925 Canoe Creek Road, St. Cloud, FL, 34772 on Tuesday, October 27, 2026. Attendees will have an opportunity to come anytime between 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. to view a looping presentation and project displays, speak with project team members, and provide comments.

• Virtual Meeting (Online) Option: Interested persons may participate in a Virtual Alternatives Public Meeting on Wednesday, October 28, 2026, from a computer, tablet, or mobile device via GoToWebinar at https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4790522042195794782 (case sensitive). The meeting will run from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and will include the same presentation offered at the in-person open house. Attendees in the virtual meeting will have an opportunity to download project displays and provide comments or ask questions.

• Phone-In Option (Listen Only): Persons may also call into the Virtual Alternatives Public Meeting by dialing (877)309-2074 and entering the passcode 359-380-865 when prompted. Persons choosing this option are encouraged to provide comments or ask questions after the virtual meeting by contacting Osceola County Project Manager Madalyn Smith.

If you are unable to attend the open house or participate online, you may contact the Osceola County Project Manager, Madalyn Smith, directly at the phone number (689)364-3686. The County is seeking feedback from nearby property owners, business owners, interested persons, organizations, and the general public about this project and the proposed improvements.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Not applicable.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Brenda Hernandez, Osceola County Title VI Coordinator, at (407)742-1208 (TTD: (800)955-8771) or email at Brendai.Hernandez@osceola.org. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

Section VII
Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Declaratory Statements

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR DECLARATORY STATEMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco has received the petition for declaratory statement from Between Brewery, Inc. filed on October 01, 2026. The petition seeks the agency's opinion as to the applicability of sections 561.22, 561.221, 561.24, 561.411, 561.42, 561.56, and 561.57, Fla. Stat. as it applies to the petitioner. Petitioner, a for-profit corporation operating a brewery and taproom and presently holding a CMB malt beverage manufacturer license and a brewery-complex 2COP vendor license, has inquired as to the applicability of sections 561.22, 561.221, 561.24, 561.411, 561.42, 561.56, and 561.57, Fla. Stat. to Petitioner’s plan to acquire a distributor license for malt beverages.

A copy of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Susan Hartmann Swartz; susan.swartz@myfloridalicense.com; (850)717-1252; DBPR, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399.

Please refer all comments to: Susan Hartmann Swartz; susan.swartz@myfloridalicense.com; (850)717-1252; DBPR, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

Division of State Fire Marshal

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR DECLARATORY STATEMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Department of Financial Services, Division of State Fire Marshal (Department) has received the petition for declaratory statement from Victoria Pollock, CFO of Conservancy of Southwest Florida filed on October 14, 2026. The petition seeks the agency's opinion as to the applicability of Florida Fire Prevention Code, 69A-60, NFPA 1, Chapter 35. NFPA 150, Fire and Life Safety in Animal Housing Code, 2019, Section 16.3.5.1.4 as it applies to the petitioner. Question # 13. a) Should conflicts between state agencies (Florida Wildlife Commission and Florida Department of Financial Services/State Fire Marshals Office) be resolved at the local fire code enforcement level? b) Should conflicts between state agencies (Florida Wildlife Commission and Florida Department of Financial Services/State Fire

Marshals Office) be resolved at the state level? c) If experts deem the installation of fire sprinklers in rehabilitation structures a hazard to the recovering animal, should the state override the requirement and allow the structure to house injured animals? d) If fire sprinkler installations negatively affect the rehabilitation of injured animals, should they be required to be installed at the state, municipal, or county level? e) Would the State Fire Marshals Office consider working directly with the Florida Wildlife Commission and develop an emergency rule amending the fire sprinkler requirements found in NFPA 150 as referenced in Chapter 35 of the Florida Fire Prevention Code - NFPA 1 for all facilities that rehabilitate wildlife?

A copy of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Sarah.Marcos@myfloridacfo.com

Section VIII
Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding the Validity of Rules

Notice of Petition for Administrative Determination has been filed with the Division of Administrative Hearings on the following rules:

NONE

Notice of Disposition of Petition for Administrative Determination has been filed with the Division of Administrative Hearings on the following rules:

NONE

Section IX
Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Non-rule Policy Challenges

NONE

Section X
Announcements and Objection Reports of the Joint Administrative Procedures Committee

NONE

Section XI
Notices Regarding Bids, Proposals and Purchasing

NONE

Section XII
Miscellaneous

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Index of Administrative Rules Filed with the Secretary of State Pursuant to subparagraphs 120.55(1)(b)7. – 8., F.S., the below list of rules were filed in the Office of the Secretary of State between 3:00 p.m., Friday, October 9, 2026, and 3:00 p.m., Thursday, October 15, 2026.

Rule No.	File Date	Effective Date
5A-20.001	10/14/2026	11/3/2026
6A-1.0957	10/9/2026	10/29/2026
6A-10.0246	10/9/2026	10/29/2026
12D-9.014	10/13/2026	11/2/2026
12D-9.019	10/13/2026	11/2/2026
12D-9.020	10/13/2026	11/2/2026
12D-9.026	10/13/2026	11/2/2026
12D-16.002	10/13/2026	11/2/2026
25-4.0161	10/12/2026	11/1/2026
25-6.0131	10/12/2026	11/1/2026
25-7.0131	10/12/2026	11/1/2026
25-7.101	10/12/2026	11/1/2026
25-30.120	10/12/2026	11/1/2026
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59A-35.060	10/15/2026	11/4/2026
60CC-2.004	10/15/2026	11/4/2026
60CC-2.005	10/15/2026	11/4/2026
60CC-2.006	10/15/2026	11/4/2026
61-35.027	10/13/2026	11/2/2026
64-4.214	10/13/2026	11/2/2026
64B17-9.001	10/15/2026	11/4/2026
68B-52.004	10/15/2026	11/4/2026
68D-21.004	10/13/2026	11/2/2026
69O-197.007	10/15/2026	11/4/2026

LIST OF RULES AWAITING LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 120.541(3), 373.139(7) AND/OR 373.1391(6), FLORIDA STATUTES		
Rule No.	**File Date**	**Effective Date**
14-10.0043	4/11/2025	**/**/****
65C-9.004	3/31/2022	**/**/****

HERNANDO COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

HERNANDO COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REPORT OF PUBLIC INTEREST DETERMINATION REGARDING UNSOLICITED PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP PROPOSAL

Project: Northwest Waste Management Facility Landfill Gas-to-Renewable Natural Gas Project

Private Entity: Viridi Energy Asset Holdings IV, LLC

Notice is hereby given that Hernando County, Florida (the "County"), received an unsolicited proposal from Viridi Energy Asset Holdings IV, LLC ("Viridi") pursuant to section 255.065, Florida Statutes, and Sections 44 and 45 of the Hernando County Procurement Manual. Viridi proposes to finance, design, construct, own, operate, and maintain an integrated landfill gas collection, control, and beneficial-use project at the County's Northwest Waste Management Facility. The proposed project includes expansion and optimization of the landfill's gas collection and control system and construction of a renewable natural gas processing facility that would convert collected landfill gas into pipeline-quality renewable natural gas.

The Hernando County Board of County Commissioners considered the unsolicited proposal at a duly noticed public meeting held on August 25, 2026. At the meeting, the proposal was presented, and affected public entities and members of the public were afforded an opportunity to provide comments. The Board authorized County staff to proceed with negotiating an interim agreement with Viridi and to continue consideration of the proposal without initiating a public bidding phase, subject to the additional public meeting, public-interest determination, agreement negotiations, and approval requirements of section 255.065, Florida Statutes, and the Hernando County Procurement Manual. The Board considered the factors required by section 255.065(3)(c), Florida Statutes, and made the following preliminary findings:

Benefits to the Public

The proposed project would improve the collection and management of landfill gas at the Northwest Waste Management Facility, increase methane-capture efficiency, reduce emissions, support environmental and regulatory compliance, and convert an existing waste product into a beneficial renewable-energy resource. The project would also expand and improve the facility's gas collection and control infrastructure, including extraction wells, collection piping, flare systems, and associated monitoring and control systems. These improvements would support existing landfill operations and future landfill-cell development. The project is proposed to be funded entirely through private investment, thereby avoiding upfront County capital expenditures. It would also create a new long-term revenue stream for the County from an existing County resource and may support local employment and economic activity.

The Board also considered that the County's prior agreement for the beneficial use and monetization of landfill gas has been terminated. At present, the collected landfill gas is not being put to its highest and best environmental or financial use for the benefit of County residents. The proposed project would provide a means to convert that existing resource into renewable natural gas, improve its environmental use, and restore an opportunity for the County to receive revenue from the gas. Although Viridi proposes to own the renewable natural gas facility during the proposed term and ownership is not presently proposed to be conveyed to the County after commercial operations begin, the public benefits apart from ownership include privately funded infrastructure improvements, enhanced landfill-gas management, improved environmental performance, support for regulatory compliance, recurring revenue to the County, and preservation of County ownership and control of the underlying landfill property.

Financial Structure and Economic Efficiencies

Viridi proposes to fund 100 percent of the project's development and construction costs and to assume responsibility for financing, design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the landfill gas collection and renewable natural gas systems. No upfront capital cost to the County is proposed. Compensation to the County would be performance-based and derived from a royalty on gross revenues generated by the sale of renewable natural gas and associated environmental attributes. Payments would be calculated monthly and remitted quarterly, accompanied by production and revenue reports. Based upon the proposal, estimated County revenue during the proposed twenty-year term ranges from approximately $19,885,540 to $40,000,168, with an estimated net present value ranging from approximately $11,313,862 to $19,659,423. These figures remain projections subject to validation, negotiation, market conditions, project performance, and approval of an interim agreement and comprehensive agreement. The proposed structure may produce economic efficiencies by combining project financing, design, construction, operation, maintenance, and optimization under a single private entity; using private capital instead of

County capital; and generating revenue from landfill gas that would otherwise have limited beneficial use.

The Board also considered the potential availability and financial significance of the federal investment tax credit ("ITC") to the proposed project. Based on the information presented at the meeting, the facility would need to be placed in service and producing renewable natural gas by the end of 2028 to obtain the maximum anticipated benefit associated with the ITC. The Board considered the proposed schedule important because the availability and value of the tax credit may affect the project's financial structure, economic feasibility, and potential financial return to the County. The availability, amount, and treatment of any tax credit remain subject to applicable federal law, project eligibility, timely completion, and further due diligence and negotiation.

Qualifications, Experience, and Ability of the Private Entity to Perform the Project

Viridi represented that it and its personnel have experience developing, financing, constructing, commissioning, owning, and operating landfill gas-to-renewable-natural-gas projects throughout the United States. The proposal identifies representative projects in Alabama, Wisconsin, New Hampshire, and Nebraska. Viridi also represented that its financing platform is supported by institutional capital and relationships with infrastructure lenders. Based on the information submitted, Viridi and its proposed team appear to possess relevant experience and qualifications sufficient to warrant further consideration and negotiation. Final determinations concerning financial capacity, technical capability, performance requirements, security, and risk allocation will be addressed through additional due diligence and negotiation of any interim and comprehensive agreements.

Compatibility With Regional Infrastructure Plans

The proposed project is compatible with existing and planned operations at the Northwest Waste Management Facility. The site has established landfill operations, continuing disposal capacity, consistent waste intake, and proximity to pipeline infrastructure. The proposed project would be located within the existing landfill footprint and is expected to require approximately one-half to one acre for the renewable natural gas processing facility. Potential infrastructure considerations include utility service, pipeline interconnection, site access, landfill traffic, construction staging, and coordination with existing and future landfill operations. These matters would be evaluated and addressed during due diligence, project design, permitting, and negotiation of the interim and comprehensive agreements.

Public Comments

No comments opposing or raising concerns regarding the proposed project were submitted by affected public or private business entities during the August 25, 2026, meeting. During the August 25, 2026, meeting, members of the public asked questions and offered comments concerning project safety, regulatory oversight by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (“FDEP”), the purpose of the proposed extraction wells, the need for appropriate protections during contract negotiations, opportunities to use qualified local contractors, the County’s current disposition of landfill gas and any resulting unrealized revenue, and the project’s anticipated financial and environmental benefits to the community. It was explained that the County's prior agreement to monetize landfill gas had been terminated and that the gas is not currently being used in a manner that provides the best available environmental and financial benefits to County residents. In response to the remaining questions, representatives explained that the facility would be operated in accordance with applicable federal and state safety requirements governing gas facilities and that local firefighters would be provided an opportunity to tour the facility and receive site-specific orientation. Representatives further confirmed that the project would be subject to applicable FDEP permitting and regulatory requirements. Regarding the wells, it was clarified that they are gas-extraction wells, not injection wells, and that landfill-gas collection wells are required independently of the proposed project because landfill gases cannot be released uncontrolled into the atmosphere. Representatives also stated that reasonable efforts would be made to engage qualified local contractors. The County further advised that it would retain qualified external consultants with relevant industry expertise to assist with due diligence and contract negotiations and to protect the County’s interests. The Board considered these questions, responses, and favorable public comments regarding the project’s potential financial and environmental benefits and determined that the matters raised can be appropriately addressed through regulatory compliance, technical review, due diligence, and carefully negotiated agreement terms and therefore do not preclude further consideration of the proposal.

Public Interest Determination

Based upon the foregoing factors and findings, the Board determined that further consideration of the unsolicited proposal without initiating a public bidding phase is in the public interest. The proposed project has the potential to provide substantial environmental, operational, infrastructure, and financial benefits to the County while using private financing and avoiding upfront County capital costs. This determination authorizes continued evaluation and negotiation only. It does not constitute approval of an interim agreement, comprehensive agreement, lease, gas-rights agreement, construction activity, or final project. Any interim agreement and comprehensive agreement will be presented to the Board of County Commissioners for consideration and approval at duly noticed public meetings. The County reserves the right to

discontinue negotiations or reject the proposal at any time before execution of a comprehensive agreement. A second duly noticed public meeting will be held at a date and time to be determined in the John Law Ayers County Commission Chambers, Hernando County Government Center, 20 North Main Street, Room 160, Brooksville, Florida 34601. At that meeting, the Board will receive additional public comment and determine whether to proceed with an interim agreement for the unsolicited proposal without engaging in a public bidding process. This report is published in the Florida Administrative Register pursuant to section 255.065, Florida Statutes, and Section 45 of the Hernando County Procurement Manual.

Section XIII
Index to Rules Filed During Preceding Week

NOTE: The above section will be published on Tuesday beginning October 2, 2012, unless Monday is a holiday, then it will be published on Wednesday of that week.