

Section I

Notice of Development of Proposed Rules and Negotiated Rulemaking

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

State Board of Education

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

6A-4.0049 Classical Education Teaching Certificates

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To support the implementation of Section 1012.55(6), F.S., through the creation of a new rule that will codify issuance requirements and renewal procedures for restricted classical education teaching certificates.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Educator certification

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 1001.02(1), 1001.03(3), 1012.55(6), 1012.56(14), F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 1012.55, F.S.

IF REQUESTED IN WRITING AND NOT DEEMED UNNECESSARY BY THE AGENCY HEAD, A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW:

DATE AND TIME: November 3, 2026, 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m., ET, or until business is concluded, whichever is earlier.

PLACE:

<https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/213119734299385?p=iWO9F0aHx0eT2152LT>

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Tiani Snelling, Director of Policy and District Support, Bureau of Educator Certification, 325 West Gaines Street, Suite 201, Tallahassee, FL 32399, (850)245-0063, Tiani.Snelling1@fldoe.org. To request a rule development workshop, please go to <https://web02.fldoe.org/rules> or contact: Chris Emerson, Director, Office of Executive Management, Christian.Emerson@fldoe.org.

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

Section II

Proposed Rules

NONE

Section III

Notice of Changes, Corrections and Withdrawals

NONE

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 16, 2026, the Southwest Florida Water Management District, has issued an order granting a variance.

Petitioner's Name: Eastmonte Homeowners Association, Inc. - File Tracking No. 26-4442

Date Petition Filed: June 4, 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 16, 2026, the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Hotels and Restaurants, received a petition for an Emergency Variance from Delray Beach Craft Brewing LLC located in Delray Beach.

Paragraph 61C-1.004(2)(a), Florida Administrative Code, subsection 61C-4.010(7), Florida Administrative Code, subsection 61C-4.010(6), Florida Administrative Code, and Section 6-402.11, 2017 FDA Food Code. The above referenced F.A.C. addresses the requirement that at least one accessible bathroom on the same level be provided for use by customers and employees. They are requesting to utilize bathrooms located on a different level.

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 on or 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

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Division of Hotels and Restaurants

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

61C-1.004 General Sanitation and Safety Requirements

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR VARIANCE OR WAIVER
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 16, 2026, the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Hotels and Restaurants, received a petition for An Emergency Variance from Pita Hut Enterprises LLC. located in Orlando.

Paragraph 61C-1.004(1)(a), Florida Administrative Code and Paragraph 5-202.11(A), 2017 FDA Food Code. The above referenced F.A.C. addresses the requirement that each establishment have an approved plumbing system installed to transport potable water and wastewater. They are requesting to utilize holding tanks to provide potable water and to collect wastewater at the handwash sink.

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.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Pharmacy

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B16-26.203 Pharmacist Licensure by Examination (U.S. Graduates); Application

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR VARIANCE OR WAIVER
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 14, 2026, the Board of Pharmacy, received a petition for a variance or waiver from Linney Magdaleno, Esq. Chapman Law Group on behalf of Tram T. Le.

The Petitioner is seeking a variance or waiver of Rule 64B16-26.203, F.A.C., which requires applicants who are at least eighteen (18) years of age and a recipient of a degree from a school or college of pharmacy accredited by an accrediting agency recognized and approved by the United States Department of Education may apply to take the licensure examination.. Comments on this petition should be filed with the Board of Pharmacy/MQA, within 14 days of publication of this notice.

A copy of the Petition may be obtained by contacting: Traci Zeh, Executive Director, Board of Pharmacy, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin C08, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3258; (850)488-0595 or by email at MQA.Pharmacy@flhealth.gov.

FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

67-21.026 HC Credit Underwriting Procedures

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR VARIANCE OR WAIVER
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 16, 2026, the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, received a petition for a waiver from EHDOD Council Towers Limited Partnership. from subsection 67-21.026(10), F.A.C. (7-8-18) such that Petitioner may have costs outside of the GMP contract, and from paragraph 67-21.026(13)(e), F.A.C. (7-6-22) such that the General Contractor is permitted to self-perform work exceeding a de minimis amount.

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.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES
Securities

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

69W-600.0024 Application for Registration as an Associated Person (Investment Adviser and Federal Covered Advisor)

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR VARIANCE OR WAIVER
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 15, 2026, the Office of Financial Regulation (Securities), received a petition for a Waiver from paragraph 69W-600.0024(6)(b), Florida Administrative Code, from Michael Locke.

The petition seeks a Waiver of paragraph 69W-600.0024(6)(b), F.A.C., which requires an associated person of an investment adviser or federal covered adviser to provide the Office with one of the following:

1. Proof of passing, within two years of the date of application for registration, the Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination (Series 65); or 2. Proof of passing, within two years of the date of application for registration, the General Securities Representative Examination (Series 7), the Uniform Combined State Law Examination (Series 66), and proof of passing within four years of the date of application for registration, the Securities Industry Essentials (SIE) Examination. Comments on this petition should be filed with the Agency Clerk, Office of Financial Regulation, P.O. Box 8050, Tallahassee, Florida 32314-8050, (850)410-9889, Agency.Clerk@flofr.gov within 14 days of publication of this notice.

A copy of the Petition may be obtained by contacting: Agency Clerk, Office of Financial Regulation, P.O. Box 8050, Tallahassee, Florida 32314-8050, (850)410-9889, Agency.Clerk@flofr.gov.

Section VI

Notice of Meetings, Workshops and Public Hearings

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind

The Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind (FSDB) announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Friday, October 30, 2026, Endowment and Investment Committee 8:30 a.m.; Regular BOT Mtg. 9:15 a.m.

PLACE: FSDB Campus, 207 San Marco Ave., St. Augustine, FL 32084, Moore Hall's Center for Learning and Development (CLD). Moore Hall is located on the corner of San Marco Avenue and Macaris Street.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Endowment and Investment Committee Mtg will review endowment reports and/or policy.

The Board of Trustees will hold its regularly scheduled meeting to consider all agenda items and committee reports, including any new or unfinished business presented during the meeting. Please note: Only the regular meeting at 9:15 a.m. will be live-streamed and available on the FSDB website at www.fsdbk12.org.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Cindy Brueckner, Executive Assistant to the President, at (904)827-2210 or by email at bruecknerc@fsdbk12.org. It is also available 7 days prior to the meeting at www.fsdbk12.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 48 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Cindy Brueckner, Executive Assistant to the President, at (904)827-2210 or by email at bruecknerc@fsdbk12.org. Please note: FSDB provides American Sign Language interpreters at all public meetings. If you require additional support to access the meeting, please contact Ms. Brueckner at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting. 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: Cindy Brueckner, Executive Assistant to the President, at (904)827-2210 or by email at bruecknerc@fsdbk12.org.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Postsecondary Reciprocal Distance Education Coordinating Council

The Postsecondary Reciprocal Distance Education Coordinating Council (PRDECC) announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 29, 2026, 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: Turlington Building, 325 West Gaines Street, Suite 1721-25, Tallahassee, Florida.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Postsecondary Reciprocal Distance Education Coordinating Council (PRDECC) will conduct a review of initial and renewal institutional applications to participate in the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA) as well as reports submitted by institutions.

PUBLIC COMMENT: The Council is committed to promoting transparency and public input during its public meetings. Speakers are requested to submit a written comment by emailing the Council Office no later than one (1) business day before the meeting at flsarainfo@fldoe.org and to indicate whether they represent a group or faction. The Council will hear public comment only regarding issues on the agenda. Individuals and representatives of groups will generally be allotted three minutes, but the time may be extended or shortened at the discretion of the chair. The Chair may impose a cumulative time limit for all public comment on any agenda item.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: The Council Office at Commission for Independent Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Suite 1414, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0400, by visiting www.fldoe.org/sara, or by calling Brady Lyon at (850)245-3200.

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: The Council Office at Commission for Independent Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Suite 1414, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0400, by visiting www.fldoe.org/sara, or by calling Brady Lyon at (850)245-3200. 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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DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT

The Florida Department of Law Enforcement announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 27, 2026, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

PLACE: Virtual - Microsoft Teams Meeting

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Domestic Security Coordinating Group (DSCG) Executive Board will meet to hear presentations and discuss issues relating to Florida's domestic security priorities. The period for public comments will be from 9:15 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.

PLEASE NOTE: this meeting is the rescheduled date and venue from the original October 13-14, 2026, meeting that was postponed due to Hurricane Isaias.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: The Domestic Security Assistance Program, DSAP@fdle.state.fl.us. 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: (850)410-7517. 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: DSAP at (850)410-7517 or (850)410-7742.

WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

St. Johns River Water Management District

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

40C-9.110 Land Management Plans

The St. Johns River Water Management District announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, November 19, 5:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.

PLACE: St. Johns County Public Library Main Branch, 1960 N. Ponce DeLeon Blvd., St. Augustine, FL 32084

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The purpose of this meeting is to receive public comment regarding considerations for the District's ten-year Land Management Plan for the Twelve Mile Swamp Conservation Area.

Comments may be presented orally or in writing at the meeting. Written comments may also be submitted via mail or electronic mail to P.O. Box 1429, Palatka, FL 32178-1429, to the attention of Chris Kinslow or ckinslow@sjrwmd.com, respectively. Comments should be mailed to arrive at the office prior to the date of the public meeting.

A Draft Land Management Plan for Twelve Mile Swamp Conservation Area is available upon request from Chris Kinslow at ckinslow@sjrwmd.com or on the District's website, sjrwmd.com, in the Document Library.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Chris Kinslow. ckinslow@sjrwmd.com, (386)643-1939, P.O. Box 1429, Palatka, FL 32178-1429.

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: Chris Kinslow. ckinslow@sjrwmd.com, (386)643-1939. 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: Chris Kinslow, ckinslow@sjrwmd.com, (386)643-1939.

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Board of Professional Engineers

The Florida Board of Professional Engineers Nominations Committee announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Immediately following the November 4, 2026, 1:00 p.m. board meeting

PLACE: via video and/or telephone conference

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: to nominate a chair and vice for 2026 and any other business of the committee.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89389815895>

Meeting ID: 893 8981 5895

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(Washington DC)

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Rebecca Sammons, rsammons@fbpe.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 10 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Rebecca Sammons, rsammons@fbpe.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).

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For more information, you may contact: Rebecca Sammons, rsammons@fbpe.org

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, beginning at 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/786253573>. 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

Division of Public Health Statistics and Performance Management

The Florida Department of Health Institutional Review Board announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Monday, October 26, 2026, 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m., EST

PLACE: Conference call: Microsoft Teams Meeting

<https://teams.microsoft.com/join/238572606206967?p=6eGYfwthVMMaGFv245>

Meeting ID: 238 572 606 206 967

Passcode: DQ33Me3m

Dial in by phone: +1(850)792-1375

Phone conference ID: 309 239 218#

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: To conduct & review new research studies involving human participants, modifications to existing studies, and continuing review of ongoing research to ensure research studies comply with regulations per the Department's ethical standards.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: IRB@flhealth.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: Annaliese Sojka, IRB Coordinator, (850)558-9680, or by emailing IRB@flhealth.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). For more information, you may contact: IRB@flhealth.gov.

FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION

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

DATE AND TIME: October 28, 2026, 9:00 a.m. (Tallahassee local time)

PLACE: The offices of Florida Housing Finance Corporation, 227 North Bronough Street, Suite 5000, Tallahassee, Florida 32301

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: To conduct a TEFRA hearing concerning the potential future issuance of tax-exempt bonds or notes by Florida Housing pursuant to a plan of finance to provide additional financing for the acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of the following multifamily residential rental development in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$13,000,000.

The proposed Development is Residences at Cedar Creek f/k/a Cross Creek Gardens at

Quincy II, a 94-unit multifamily residential rental development located at 1735 South Springs Road, Gadsden County, Quincy, FL 32351. The owner and operator of the development is ACRUVA Community FL10, LLC, located at 800 Fairway Drive, Suite 291, Deerfield Beach,

FL 33441 or such successor in interest in which ACRUVA Community FL10, LLC or an affiliate thereof, is a managing member, general partner and/or controlling shareholder. The prospective manager of the proposed development is Royal American Management, Inc., located at 1022 W. 23rd Street, Suite 300, Panama City, FL 32405.

All interested parties may present oral comments at the public TEFRA hearing or submit written comments regarding the potential bond or note issuance pursuant to a plan of finance for the development being financed. Written comments should be received by Florida Housing by 5:00 PM (Tallahassee local time), October 23, 2026, and should be addressed to the

attention of Jade Grubbs, Multifamily Loans and Bonds Director. Any persons desiring to present oral comments should appear at the hearing.

If requested in writing, a fact-finding hearing will be held in the county where the property is located. When possible, the local hearing will be held before the formal TEFRA hearing and comments received at the local hearing will be placed on record at the TEFRA hearing.

Any person requiring a special accommodation at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact Jade Grubbs, Multifamily Loans and Bonds Director, Florida Housing Finance Corporation at (850)488-4197 at least five calendar days prior to the meeting. If you are hearing impaired, please contact Florida Housing using the Dual Party Relay System that can be reached at 1(800)955-8770 (Voice) and 1(800)955-8771 (TDD).

Any person who decides to appeal any decision made by Florida Housing with respect to any matter considered at this hearing, will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purpose may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings be made, which will include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.

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The proposed Development is 40th Street Lofts, a 65-unit multifamily residential rental development located at 3215 N. 40th Street, Hillsborough County, Tampa, FL 33605. The owner and operator of the development is 40th Street Lofts, LLC located at 1408 North

Westshore Blvd., Suite 804, Tampa, FL 33607 or such successor in interest in which 40th Street Lofts, LLC or an affiliate thereof, is a managing member, general partner and/or controlling shareholder. The prospective manager of the

proposed development is United Apartment Group, Inc. located at 1045 Central Pkwy N., #201, San Antonio, TX 78232.

All interested parties may present oral comments at the public TEFRA hearing or submit written comments regarding the potential bond or note issuance pursuant to a plan of finance for the development being financed. Written comments should be received by Florida Housing by 5:00 p.m. (Tallahassee local time), October 23, 2026,

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DATE AND TIME: October 28, 2026, 10:00 a.m. (Tallahassee local time)

PLACE: The offices of Florida Housing Finance Corporation, 227 North Bronough Street, Suite 5000, Tallahassee, Florida 32301

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: To conduct a TEFRA hearing concerning the potential future issuance of tax-exempt bonds or notes by Florida Housing pursuant to a plan of finance to provide additional financing for the acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of the following multifamily residential rental development in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$15,000,000.

The proposed development is Twin Lakes Estates – Phase III, a 92-unit multifamily residential rental development located at Herschell St., 150 ft W of Herschell St. & S Webster Ave. Intersection, Lakeland; and S Webster Ave., 50 ft E of S Webster Ave. & Herschell St. Intersection, Polk County, Lakeland, FL 33815. The owner and operator of the development is Twin Lakes III, Ltd. located at 3225 Aviation Ave., 6th Floor, Miami, FL 33133 or such successor in interest in which Twin Lakes III, Ltd. or an affiliate thereof, is a managing member, general partner and/or controlling shareholder. The prospective manager of the proposed development is HTG Management, LLC, located at 3225 Aviation Ave., 6th Floor, Miami, FL 33133.

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FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION

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

DATE AND TIME: October 28, 2026, 10:30 a.m. (Tallahassee local time)

PLACE: The offices of Florida Housing Finance Corporation, 227 North Bronough Street, Suite 5000, Tallahassee, Florida 32301

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: To conduct a TEFRA hearing concerning the potential future issuance of tax-exempt bonds or notes by Florida Housing pursuant to a plan of finance to provide additional financing for the acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of the following multifamily residential rental development in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$8,130,000.

The proposed Development is Summit Villas, an 80-unit multifamily residential rental development located at Scattered Site 1: W Dr Martin Luther King Jr Blvd, northwest of the intersection of W Dr Martin Luther King Jr Blvd and Hale Avenue; Scattered Site 2: Hale Avenue, southwest of the intersection of Hale Avenue and Cook Avenue, Hernando County, Brooksville, FL 34601. The owner and operator of the development is Summit Villas Senior, LLLP, located at 1100 NW 4th Ave., Delray Beach, FL 33444 or such successor in interest in which Summit Villas Senior, LLLP or an affiliate thereof, is a managing member, general partner and/or controlling shareholder. The prospective manager of the proposed development is Stephenson & Moore Inc., located at 706 Turnbull Avenue, Altamonte Springs, FL 32701.

All interested parties may present oral comments at the public TEFRA hearing or submit written comments regarding the potential bond or note issuance pursuant to a plan of finance for the development being financed. Written comments should be received by Florida Housing by 5:00 p.m. (Tallahassee local time), October 23, 2026, and should be addressed to the attention of Jade Grubbs, Multifamily Loans and Bonds Director. Any persons desiring to present oral comments should appear at the hearing.

If requested in writing, a fact-finding hearing will be held in the county where the property is located. When possible, the local hearing will be held before the formal TEFRA hearing and comments received at the local hearing will be placed on record at the TEFRA hearing.

Any person requiring a special accommodation at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact Jade Grubbs, Multifamily Loans and Bonds Director, Florida Housing Finance Corporation at 850-488-4197 at least five calendar days prior to the meeting. If you are hearing impaired, please contact Florida Housing using the Dual Party Relay System that can be reached at 1-800-955-8770 (Voice) and 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

Any person who decides to appeal any decision made by Florida Housing with respect to any matter considered at this hearing, will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purpose may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the

proceedings be made, which will include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Jade Grubbs, Multifamily Loans and Bonds Director

For more information, you may contact: Jade Grubbs, Multifamily Loans and Bonds Director

FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION

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

DATE AND TIME: October 28, 2026, 11:00 a.m. (Tallahassee local time)

PLACE: The offices of Florida Housing Finance Corporation, 227 North Bronough Street, Suite 5000, Tallahassee, Florida 32301

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: To conduct a TEFRA hearing concerning the potential future issuance of tax-exempt bonds or notes by Florida Housing pursuant to a plan of finance to provide additional financing for the acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of the following multifamily residential rental development in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$118,000,000.

The proposed Development is Gallery at Wagner Creek, a 460-unit multifamily residential rental development located at 1260 NE 16th Street, Miami-Dade County, Miami, FL 33136. The owner and operator of the development is Gallery at Wagner Creek, LLC, located at 2850 Tigertail Avenue, Suite 800 Miami, FL 33133 or such successor in interest in which Gallery at Wagner Creek, LLC or an affiliate thereof, is a managing member, general partner and/or controlling shareholder. The prospective manager of the proposed development is TRG Management Company, LLLP located at 2200 North Commerce Parkway, Suite 100, Weston, FL 33326.

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For more information, you may contact: Jade Grubbs, Multifamily Loans and Bonds Director

FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF COURT CLERKS

The Florida Trust announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, October 22, 2026, 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. (ET)

PLACE: Online

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: General Administrative Matters

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Skye Henning at SHenning@flclerks.com

For more information, you may contact: Melody Olander at MOlander@floridatrusteronline.com

CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING IN CENTRAL FLORIDA, INC.

The Center For Independent Living in Central Florida, INC announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 23, 2026, 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: 720 North Denning Drive, Winter Park FL 32789

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: CIL General Board Meeting

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Josue Obando (407)961-5541

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: Josue Obando (407)961-5541. 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).

BROWARD COLLEGE

The Broward College Presidential Search Committee announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 26, 2026, 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: Willis Holcombe Center, 111 East Las Olas Boulevard, Room 1208, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Presidential Search Firm

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: <https://public.onboardmeetings.com/Organization/nRXYfuAkmbKiT4aBzQa%2F8%2F02PNh5QgTHuSSq1R%2FHKewA> 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: Associate Vice President, Institutional Accessibility & ADA Coordinator at (954)201-6527 or email adacoordinator@broward.edu. 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: Board Clerk, at (954)201-7639 or email legalservices@broward.edu

FLORIDA SURPLUS ASSET FUND TRUST

The Florida Surplus Asset Fund Trust announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, October 29, 2026, 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: Teams Meeting ID: 217 498 420 071 206; Passcode: 4M8jx2un

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES - BOARD OF PARTICIPANTS

A. BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Call to Order/ Roll Call
2. Participant and Guest Introductions
3. Public Comments
4. Board Consideration Open Board Seat – Erika Langhans, St. Petersburg (Jeff)
5. Approval Prior Board Meeting Minutes
 - (a) July 30, 2026
6. Proposed Budget 2027, (Jeff)

B. STAFF REPORTS

1. Investment Advisor/Operations Manager Update - Chandler
 - (a) Economic and Market Update
 - (b) FL SAFE LGIP Portfolio Update
 - (c) Operations Manager Report
 - (d) Marketing Update
 - (e) Chandler Comments
2. Administrator Update - FMAS

- (a) Presentations, Conferences, FIPP Update, General Comments
- (b) Board Elections Update
- (c) FMAS Comments

C. OTHER ITEMS

- 1. FLSAFE Counsel's Comments
- 2. Participant's Comments
- 3. Advisory Council Member Comments
- 4. Board Member's Comments

D. SET NEXT MEETING DATE/ ADJOURNMENT

- 1. Future meeting dates: January 28, 2027; April 29, 2027

I look forward to seeing you in the meeting. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact either Jeff Larson, FLSAFE Administrator at (407)496-1597, jl Larson@floridamanagementservices.com

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Jeff Larson, FLSAFE Administrator at (407)496-1597, jl Larson@floridamanagementservices.com

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Section VII

Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Declaratory Statements

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Electrical Contractors' Licensing Board

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR DECLARATORY STATEMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Electrical Contractors' Licensing Board has received the petition for declaratory statement from Jeffrey Marlow filed on September 18, 2026. The petition seeks the agency's opinion as to the applicability of Chapter 489, Part II, F.S. as it applies to the petitioner.

Petitioner is seeking a declaratory statement clarifying whether providing consulting services to general contractors and property owners with commercial construction projects in Florida related to security systems as described in the Petition constitute 'contracting' requiring licensure by this Board. Except for good cause shown, motions for leave to intervene must be filed within 21 days after publication of this notice.

A copy of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Ruthanne Christie, Executive Director, Electrical Contractors' Licensing Board, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0751, (850)487-1395, or by electronic mail - Ruthanne.Christie@myfloridalicense.com.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B20-4.003 On-the-Job Training, Role and Observation of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Assistants

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR DECLARATORY STATEMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Board of Speech Language Pathology and Audiology has received the petition for declaratory statement from Mindy McClain Otto, B.S., filed on October 14, 2026. The petition seeks the agency's opinion as to the applicability of Rule 64B20-4.003, F.A.C., as it applies to the petitioner.

Petitioner asks the Board to issue a Declaratory Statement regarding clarification whether a licensed Speech Language Pathology Assistant is allowed to independently administer a standardized assessment for re-evaluation purposes without the presence of a supervisor.

A copy of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Brittany Auclair, Executive Director, Board of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin # C06, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3256, by phone (850)245-4161 or email at MQA.SpeechLanguage@flhealth.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

Division of State Fire Marshal

NOTICE OF DECLINATION FOR DECLARATORY STATEMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that The Department of Financial Services, Division of State Fire Marshal (Department) has declined to rule on the petition for declaratory statement filed by Victoria Pollock, CFO of Conservancy of Southwest Florida on October 15, 2026. The following is a summary of the agency's declination of the petition:

The Department of Financial Services, Division of State Fire Marshal (Department), received a Withdrawal of the Expedited Petition for Declaratory Statement from Victoria Pollock, CFO of Conservancy of Southwest Florida, on October 16, 2026

A copy of the Order Declining the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Sarah Marcos
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

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

University of Central Florida

Fire Alarm Contractors Continuing Service

NOTICE TO FIRE ALARM CONTRACTORS/VENDORS

The University of Central Florida (UCF) announces the solicitation of contractor services in the discipline of fire alarm contractors on projects that have a construction budget of less than \$8,021,250. These limits are subject to periodic revision and will be updated over time to match the most current version of the Board of Governors' Regulations. Prospective applicants should verify applicable thresholds at the time of submission.

Description: Provide product data, physical samples, design documents, specifications, and warranty services associated with the design, installation, repair, testing, inspection, and maintenance of complete and functional fire alarm systems.

Firms must have the capability to provide a complete fire alarm system without relying on "by others" scope. Each firm shall serve as the single point of contact and shall assume contractual responsibility for all work and services required to provide a complete, functional, and code-compliant fire alarm system, including any work performed by subcontractors or other third parties.

The University of Central Florida wishes to enter into an open-ended contract with multiple companies for a period of one year, with an option to renew for four additional one-year periods. The University has the right to amend the terms of the contract at each annual renewal.

All firms applying must be licensed in the State of Florida by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation as a Certified Alarm System Contractor I (EF) or Certified Electrical Contractor (EC) under Chapter 489, Part II, Florida Statutes, at the time of application and, if a corporation, registered to operate in the State of Florida by the Department of State, Division of Corporations. Each selected firm shall have a minimum single-project bonding capacity of \$2,000,000.

NOTE: The Selection Committee may reject all proposals and stop the selection process at any time. The University also reserves the right to cancel the project at any time.

Instructions for submitting a proposal can be found on the Project Fact Sheet. The Project Fact Sheet and Professional Qualifications Supplement Form may be obtained on our website

<https://www.fp.ucf.edu/vendors/current-advertisements/> or by contacting: Gina Seabrook, Email: gina.seabrook@ucf.edu, Phone: (407)823-5894.

We are accepting only electronic submissions, to be uploaded at: <https://ucf.bonfirehub.com/opportunities/258898>

Submittals must be received by 5:00 p.m. local time November 19, 2026. Late submissions or additional documentation will not be accepted.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT FOR HOGLE BOILERS (PHASE II) ITB-27-055

Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind (FSDB) requests proposals for the subject project and has issued a Competitive Solicitation to obtain competitive responses from qualified firms consistent with the requirements outlined in the Solicitation Document.

Selection will be made in accordance with the published Solicitation Document. Firm(s) must be properly licensed in the State of Florida at the time of submittal.

Be sure to read the entire solicitation document before contacting the Agency with questions, which must be submitted via e-mail. Only procedural questions will be answered on receipt – all other questions will only be answered according to the published timeline.

RESPONSE DUE DATE: December 7, 2026, no later than 1:45 p.m.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTAL: Firms interested in being considered for this project should access the Solicitation Document from: Purchasing | Florida School for the Deaf & the Blind Click “View Active Competitive Solicitations” and navigate to the project folder. RESPONDENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE for checking the FSDB website for amendments and addendums. Failure to comply with any changes published to the FSDB website may be grounds for rejecting a proposal.

Primary Contact: Elizabeth Nimitz, Purchasing Analyst - nimitze@fsdbk12.org; Kim Whitwam, Director of Purchasing – whitwamk@fsdbk12.org.

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., Monday, October 12, 2026, and 3:00 p.m., Friday, October 16, 2026.

Rule No.	File Date	Effective Date
5A-20.001	10/14/2026	11/3/2026
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
59A-9.020	10/15/2026	11/4/2026
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 HoldingsIV, 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.
