

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE ESCAMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

MAY 1, 2025

Present: Commissioner Michael S. Kohler, Chair, District 2
Commissioner Ashlee M. Hofberger, Vice Chair, District 4
Commissioner Steven L. Barry, District 5
Commissioner Lumon J. May, District 3
Commissioner Steven R. Stroberger, District 1
Honorable Pam Childers, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller
Codey Leigh, General Counsel, Clerk and Comptroller's Office
Wesley J. Moreno, County Administrator
Alison Rogers, County Attorney
DeLana Allen-Busbee, Operations Supervisor, Clerk and Comptroller's Office
Jose Gochez, Program Manager, County Administrator's Office

Location: Ernie Lee Magaha Government Building, Board Chambers, First Floor
221 Palafox Place, Pensacola, Florida

Minutes prepared by: DeLana Allen-Busbee

REGULAR BCC AGENDA

1. Call to Order

Commissioner Kohler, Chair, called the Regular Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners to order at 5:31 p.m.

2. Invocation

Pastor Gary Porter of Encounter Church delivered the invocation.

3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Commissioner Kohler led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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REGULAR BCC AGENDA – Continued

4. Items Added to the Agenda.

For Information: There were no items added to the agenda.
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5. Adoption of the Agenda.

Recommendation: That the Board adopt the agenda as prepared (or duly amended).

Motion: So moved
Made by: Commissioner May
Seconded by: Commissioner Barry
Disposition: Carried unanimously

6. Commissioners’ Forum:

- A. District 5 – Commissioner Barry provided comments;
- B. District 3 – Commissioner May provided comments;
- C. District 1 – Commissioner Stroberger provided comments;
- D. District 4 – Commissioner Hofberger provided comments; and
- E. District 2 – Commissioner Kohler provided comments.

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REGULAR BCC AGENDA – Continued

7. Proclamations.

- I. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action:
- A. Adopt the Proclamation congratulating Joe and Katie Pastucha on their 75th wedding anniversary;
 - B. Adopt the Proclamation celebrating 100 years of Mrs. Sybil L. Cain Majors' life;
 - C. Adopt the Proclamation commending and congratulating Mr. Christopher Patterson, a Library Services Technician in the West Florida Public Library, on his selection as "Employee of the Month" for May 2025;
 - D. Ratify the Proclamation congratulating Mark Luke, a Maintenance Technician with the Facilities Management Department, for 20 years of faithful and dedicated service;
 - E. Ratify the Proclamation recognizing and congratulating the 52 students selected as the Cox Communications Inspirational Student Heroes and the Escambia County Council of PTAs/PTSAs Student of the Year; and
 - F. Ratify the Proclamation declaring May 3, 2025, as "Rosamond Johnson Beach Day" in Escambia County, Florida.

Motion: I make the motion
Made by: Commissioner Hofberger
Seconded by: Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously
Speaker(s): Joe Pastucha, Christopher Patterson, and Tammy Thurow

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REGULAR BCC AGENDA – Continued

8. Recommendation: That the Board waive the reading of the legal advertisement(s) and accept, for filing with the Board's Minutes, the certified affidavit(s) establishing proof of publication for the Public Hearing(s) on the agenda, and the Board of County Commissioners – Escambia County, Florida, Meeting Schedule:

A. The following three Public Hearings on the agenda:

- (1) The 5:31 p.m. Public Hearing, advertised in the *Pensacola News Journal* on April 24, 2025, for consideration of the Request for Exemption from the Escambia Children's Trust;
- (2) The 5:45 p.m. Public Hearing, advertised in the *Pensacola News Journal* on March 27, 2025, for consideration of the adoption of an Ordinance amending the Future Land Use Map - SSA-2025-01; and
- (3) The 5:46 p.m. Public Hearing, advertised in the *Pensacola News Journal* on April 22, 2025, for consideration of the adoption of an Ordinance amending Chapter 11, "Coastal Management Element," of the Escambia County Comprehensive Plan: 2030; and

B. The *Board of County Commissioners – Escambia County, Florida, Meeting Schedule April 28, 2025, through May 2, 2025*, as published in the *Pensacola News Journal* on April 24, 2025.

Motion: So moved
Made by: Commissioner May
Seconded by: Commissioner Hofberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

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REGULAR BCC AGENDA – Continued

9. Public Hearings.

- I. Recommendation: That the Board, at the 5:31 p.m. Public Hearing, consider the request from the Escambia Children's Trust (ECT) for an exemption from contributing tax increment revenues to the nine redevelopment trust funds for each designated redevelopment area within the jurisdictional boundaries of Escambia County for the 2024 tax year in the principal amount of \$495,157.18.

Motion: I would like to make a motion that we schedule a second public hearing for May 15 th at the meeting starting at 1:30 p.m.
For Information: County Attorney Rogers reviewed the options before the Board and the Commissioners held a lengthy discussion regarding their various ideas and intentions for the funds at the center of the public hearing, including an Interlocal with the Children’s Trust to fund the County’s Youth Employment Program and requesting the contributions to utilize towards infrastructure in CRA districts.
Made by: Commissioner Hofberger
Seconded by: Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried 4-1, with Commissioner Kohler voting “no”
Speaker(s): Meredith Bush, Kristin Fairchild, Tywone Moss, Raymond Evil, Lucy Adams Stevenson, Jacoby Kirkland, Hailey Bingham, Gabrielle Osten, Payten Sims, and Lindsey Cannon

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CLERK & COMPTROLLER'S REPORT – Honorable Pam Childers, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller

I. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Recommendation: That the Board accept, for filing with the Board's Minutes, the Escambia County Health Facilities Authority, Pensacola, Florida, Financial Statements, September 30, 2024, and 2023, as provided to the Clerk to the Board's Office.

Motion: Move the Clerk's Report
Made by: Commissioner Barry
Seconded by: Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

2. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning Minutes and Reports prepared by the Clerk's to the Board's Office:

- A. Accept, for filing with the Board's Minutes, the Report of the Committee of the Whole Workshop held April 3, 2025;
- B. Accept, for filing with the Board's Minutes, the Report of the Gary Sansing Public Forum held April 17, 2025; and
- C. Approve the Minutes of the Regular BCC Meeting held April 17, 2025.

Motion: Move the Clerk's Report
Made by: Commissioner Barry
Seconded by: Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

II. FOR INFORMATION

1. Recommendation: No action required.

Attached for informational purposes is the Clerk's Post-Payment Review of Discretionary Fund Expenditures and Post-Payment Legal Review with observations and recommendations.

Motion: Move the Clerk's Report
Made by: Commissioner Barry
Seconded by: Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

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GROWTH MANAGEMENT REPORT – Horace Jones, Director, Development Services Department

I. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **Recommendation:** That the Board of County Commissioners (BCC), at the 5:45 p.m. Public Hearing, review and adopt an Ordinance [Number 2025-16] amending Chapter 7, "The Future Land Use (FLU) Element," Policy FLU 1.1.1, to provide for an amendment to the 2030 FLU Map (SSA-2025-01), changing the FLU category of a parcel located within Section 33, Township 2S, Range 31W, Parcel Number 33-2S-31-2000-084-027, totaling 1.67 (+/-) acres, located on Gulf Beach Highway from Commercial (C) to Mixed-Use Suburban (MU-S).

Motion: Motion to approve
Made by: Commissioner Hofberger
Seconded by: Commissioner Barry
Disposition: Carried unanimously
Speaker(s): None

2. **Recommendation:** That the Board of County Commissioners (BCC), at the 5:46 p.m. Public Hearing, review and adopt an Ordinance [Number 2025-17] amending the Escambia County Comprehensive Plan: 2030, as amended; amending Chapter 11, "Coastal Management Element," to update the element to contain specific requirements related to sea level rise.

This hearing serves as the second of two public hearings.

Motion: So moved
Made by: Commissioner Barry
Seconded by: Commissioner Hofberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously
Speaker(s): None

GROWTH MANAGEMENT REPORT – Continued

II. FOR ACTION

1. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the recording of Fallschase at Pathstone, Commercial Subdivision (a 5-lot commercial subdivision) located in the Beulah Community, District 1, and lying south of U.S. Alternate Highway 90 (West Nine Mile Road) and east off Pathstone Boulevard, owned by Pathstone (FL) 2017, LLC, and Quiktrip Corporation, and developed by Pathstone (FL) 2017, LLC. Prior to recording, the County Surveyor and the Clerk of the Circuit Court must sign the final plat as set forth in Section 2-5.7, of the Escambia Land Development Code. Also, prior to recording, the County Surveyor must sign the final plat as set forth in Chapter 177.081 (1) Florida Statutes:
 - A. Approve the final plat for recording;
 - B. Approve the street names “East River Oaks Drive” and “Pathstone Boulevard”;
 - C. Accept the right-of-way as depicted upon the final plat for permanent County maintenance. The subdivision will connect to Fallschase at Pathstone Phase 1 which was previously approved by the BCC, July 8, 2021, with all public easements, ponds and drainage improvements within public easements for permanent County maintenance. The cost of maintenance is to be funded through the establishment of a storm water management Municipal Services Benefit (MSBU).; and
 - D. Authorize the Chairman or Vice Chairman to execute a Two-Year Warranty Agreement for streets and drainage improvements without surety.

Motion: So moved
Made by: Commissioner Stroberger
Seconded by: Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

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GROWTH MANAGEMENT REPORT – Continued

II. FOR ACTION – Continued

2. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the recording of Sanctuary Subdivision Phase 3 (a 53-lot single family residential subdivision) located in the Quintette Community, District 5, and lying west off Stacey Road, south of West Quintette Road, and east off County Road North Highway 95A, owned and developed by D.R. Horton, Inc. Prior to recording, the County Surveyor and the Clerk of the Circuit Court must sign the final plat as set forth in Section 2-5.7, of the Escambia Land Development Code. Also, prior to recording, the County Surveyor must sign the final plat as set forth in Chapter 177.081 (1) Florida Statutes:
 - A. Approve the final plat for recording;
 - B. Approve the street names “Gallinule Street,” “Kildeer Street,” and “Albatross Street”;
 - C. Accept all public easements, pond and drainage improvements within public easements as depicted upon the final plat for permanent County maintenance with the condition that the maintenance of the pond is not the responsibility of the County until Northwest Florida Water Management District (NFWFMD) has approved the pond to be converted to Operation and Maintenance. If at any point during home construction, it is found to be in violation with the NFWFMD permit, the County Engineer will advise the Building Official to hold building permits and inspections until it is corrected. The cost of maintenance is to be funded through the establishment of a storm water management Municipal Services Benefit Unit (MSBU); and
 - D. Authorize the Chairman or Vice Chairman to execute a Two-Year Warranty Agreement for streets and drainage improvements without surety.

Motion: So moved
Made by: Commissioner Barry
Seconded by: Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

GROWTH MANAGEMENT REPORT – Continued

III. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Recommendation: That the Board authorize the scheduling of the following Public Hearings:

May 15, 2025

- A. 1:45 p.m. - A Public Hearing - Escambia County Floodplain Management Ordinance

Summary: The purpose of this ordinance is to adopt the FEMA issued Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMS) and amend the Escambia County Land Development Code (LDC) to update the floodplain management regulations to conform with federal regulations.

- B. 1:46 p.m. - A Public Hearing - Santa Rosa Island Authority Floodplain Management Ordinance

Summary: The purpose of this ordinance is to adopt the FEMA issued Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMS) for Pensacola Beach and amend the Escambia County Land Development Code (LDC) to update the floodplain management regulations to conform with federal regulations.

- C. 1:47 p.m. - A Public Hearing - Building Services Floodplain Ordinance

Summary: The purpose of this ordinance is to amend the Escambia County Code of Ordinances Part 1, Chapter 14, to incorporate updated floodplain management regulations consistent with the Florida Building Code.

- D. 1:48 p.m. - A Public Hearing - Building Services Santa Rosa Island Floodplain Ordinance

Summary: The purpose of this ordinance is to amend the Escambia County Code of Ordinances Part 1, Chapter 14, to incorporate updated floodplain management regulations for Pensacola Beach consistent with the Florida Building Code.

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III. CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

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- E. 1:49 p.m. - A Public Hearing Opting Out of the Mid-West Sector Plan and Assigning a Future Land Use Category - 800 BLK Well Line Road - OSP-2024-03 (second of two public hearings)

Summary: The applicant is requesting to remove a parcel from the adopted Escambia County Mid-West Sector Plan, Jacks Branch Detailed Specific Area Plan; the applicant is also requesting that a Future Land Use category of Mixed-Use Suburban (MU-S) be assigned to the parcel. The purpose of this hearing is to include attachments that were missing at the April 17, 2025, BCC Meeting. This hearing is necessary to ensure compliance with Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, and to provide the public with a complete and accurate amendment package.

June 5, 2025

- A. 5:45 p.m. - A Public Hearing to amend the Official Zoning map to include the following Rezoning Case that will be heard by the Planning Board on May 6, 2025.

Case No.:	Z-2024-03
Address:	Off Hwy 297 and Off Hwy 297A
Property Reference No.:	02-1S-31-4106-000-000 and 02-1S-31-4106-001-001
From:	LDR, Low Density Residential district (4 du/acre)
To:	MDR, Medium Density Residential district (10 du/acre)
FLU Category:	MU-S, Mixed-Use Suburban
Commissioner District:	5
Requested by:	Meredith Bush, Agent for Sarina and Hoque, LLC, Owner

- B. 5:46 p.m. - A Public Hearing - Small Scale Amendment - 3900 Blk Kelly Ave and 3920 Kelly Ave A & B - SSA-2025-02

Summary: This Ordinance is changing the Future Land Use on the above-mentioned parcel from Commercial (C) to Mixed-Use Urban (MU-U).

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III. CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

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C. 5:47 p.m. - A Public Hearing - Small Scale Amendment - 9200 Fowler Ave - SSA-2025-03

Summary: This Ordinance is changing the Future Land Use on the above-mentioned parcel from Mixed-Use Urban (MU-U) and Commercial (C) to Mixed-Use Urban (MU-U).

Motion: So moved
Made by: Commissioner Barry
Seconded by: Commissioner Hofberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Wesley J. Moreno, County Administrator

I. TECHNICAL/PUBLIC SERVICE CONSENT AGENDA

1. Recommendation: That the Board accept for filing with the Board's Minutes, April 3, 2025, Community Redevelopment Agency's (CRA) Meeting Minutes, prepared by LaDarren Taylor, CRA Coordinator.

Motion: Move it, Mr. Chairman [Technical/Public Service Consent Agenda items 1 through 6]
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Made by: Commissioner May

Seconded by: Commissioner Hofberger
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Disposition: Carried unanimously

2. Recommendation: That the Board approve the Request for Disposition of Property forms for the Natural Resources Management Department for the equipment described and listed on the request forms with the reason for disposition stated.

Motion: Move it, Mr. Chairman [Technical/Public Service Consent Agenda items 1 through 6]
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Made by: Commissioner May

Seconded by: Commissioner Hofberger
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Disposition: Carried unanimously

3. Recommendation: That the Board confirm the election of Commissioner Ashlee M. Hofberger as Chairperson of the Value Adjustment Board (VAB) for the 2025 Tax Year.

Motion: Move it, Mr. Chairman [Technical/Public Service Consent Agenda items 1 through 6]
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Made by: Commissioner May

Seconded by: Commissioner Hofberger
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Disposition: Carried unanimously

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

I. TECHNICAL/PUBLIC SERVICE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

4. Recommendation: That the Board approve the following "Special Event Permit Application" for a limited waiver of the noise restrictions imposed by the Escambia County Noise Abatement Ordinance regarding Pensacola Beach, allowing the number of sound decibels to exceed 70 dbA for the Second Baptist Church at Portofino Fireworks Display, off the beach area near Portofino Resort on June 12, 2025, from 9:50 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Motion: Move it, Mr. Chairman [Technical/Public Service Consent Agenda items 1 through 6]
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Made by: Commissioner May

Seconded by: Commissioner Hofberger
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Disposition: Carried unanimously

5. Recommendation: That the Board authorize staff to start the due diligence process required for acquisition of properties identified as potential locations for the relocation of Escambia County Area Transit (ECAT). This includes title search, appraisals, conducting inspections, collecting information, and environmental assessments.

These properties are located in Commission District 3.

Motion: Move it, Mr. Chairman [Technical/Public Service Consent Agenda items 1 through 6]
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Made by: Commissioner May

Seconded by: Commissioner Hofberger
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Disposition: Carried unanimously

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

I. TECHNICAL/PUBLIC SERVICE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

6. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the scheduling of a Public Hearing to consider the Petition to Vacate a portion of an alleyway located in Block 57 of the Beach Haven Subdivision:

- A. Authorize the scheduling of a Public Hearing for June 5, 2025, at 5:31 p.m., to consider the vacation of a 12-foot-wide alleyway between lots 9-16 and a portion of the alleyway adjacent to lots 17-18 in Block 57 of Beach Haven Subdivision, as petitioned by Wiley C. "Buddy" Page, agent for Estelle Starr, owner; and
- B. Require the Petitioner to notify all property owners within a 500-foot radius.

The real property mentioned in this Petition to Vacate is located in Commission District 2.

Motion: Move it, Mr. Chairman [Technical/Public Service Consent Agenda items 1 through 6]
Made by: Commissioner May
Seconded by: Commissioner Hofberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA

1. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the Residential Improvement Grant Program Funding and Lien Agreements:
 - A. Ratify the following Residential Improvement Grant Program Funding and Lien Agreements between Escambia County Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) and Property Owner(s); and

PLEASE NOTE: This table continues through Page 18.

Item #	Property Owner(s)	Address	Fund	Cost Center	Improvement	Amount	Homestead
1	William D. Tremmel	7657 Old Hickory Drive	151	370114 - Warrington	Replacement Windows and Exterior Paint	\$10,000	Yes
2	Jo Ann Welch	548 South First Street	151	370114 - Warrington	HVAC Conversion/ Replacement	\$4,132	Yes
3	Bettie Carol Derivas, trustee under the Carlos Alfred Derivas and Bettie Carol Derivas Joint Living Trust, dated July 10, 2010	205 Edgewater Drive	151	370114 - Warrington	Replacement Roof	\$5,065	Yes
4	James W. Balkom, Jr. and Lillian Sheryl Balkom	322 East Sunset Avenue	151	370114 - Warrington	HVAC Conversion/ Replacement	\$4,350	Yes

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Item #	Property Owner(s)	Address	Fund	Cost Center	Improvement	Amount	Homestead
5	Robert T. and Ruth C. Armstrong	1603 Cedrus Lane	151	370119 - Ensley	Privacy Fence Installation	\$1,579	Yes
6	Scott and Tabitha Fredricks	911 Bartow Avenue	151	370114 - Warrington	HVAC Conversion/ Replacement	\$4,143	Yes
7	Linne Katz	8335 Hitchcock Drive	151	370119 - Ensley	Replacement Roof	\$10,000	Yes
8	Bonnie M. Schubert	3120 West La Rua Street	151	370113 - Brownsville	Replacement Windows	\$10,000	Yes
9	Belinda G. Glencoe	8809 Chisholm Road	151	370119 - Ensley	Replacement Windows	\$5,270	Yes
10	Charles M. Walton, Jr. and Susan G. Walton	538 South First Street	151	370114 - Warrington	Replacement Windows	\$6,970	Yes
11	Susan Smith	429 Baublits Court	151	370114 - Warrington	Total Electric Rewire and HVAC Conversion	\$9,800	Yes
12	Richard H. Jemison and Melodie A. Hoppa-Jemison	8737 Chisholm Road	151	370119 - Ensley	Replacement Exterior Doors	\$7,731	Yes
13	Horace Green	460 East Ensley Street	151	370119 - Ensley	Replacement Windows	\$5,407	Yes
14	Seth and Kimberly Quance	221 Greenridge Drive	151	370119 - Ensley	Replacement Windows	\$6,887	Yes

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Item #	Property Owner(s)	Address	Fund	Cost Center	Improvement	Amount	Homestead
15	Joseph Tranchina and Phyllis Tranchina, as Co-Trustees of the Joseph Tranchina and Phyllis Tranchina Joint Revocable Trust dated August 18, 2022	8457 Meliaceae Drive	151	370119 - Ensley	Outdoor Security Camera Installation	\$1,268	Yes

- B. Authorize the Chair to sign the Funding and Lien Agreements and any related documents necessary to implement the Grant Awards.

Motion: Move the balance

For Information: The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 1 through 26, with the exception of item 7, which was held for a separate vote, as amended to drop item 22.

Made by: Commissioner May

Seconded by: Commissioner Barry

Disposition: Carried unanimously

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II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

2. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the Cancellation of the Residential Rehab Grant Program Liens:

- A. Ratify the following Cancellations of Residential Rehab Grant Program Liens, as the Grant recipients have met their two years of compliance with the Residential Rehab Grant Program; and

Item #	Property Owner(s)	Address	Fund	Cost Center	Improvement	Amount	Homestead
1	Jill M. McIlwain	322 Bryant Road 32507	151	370114 - Warrington	Sanitary Sewer Connection	\$2,685	Yes
2	Ella Mikie Lepulu Little-Anoa'I	2530 Brooklyn Street	151	370120 - Atwood	Replacement Roof	\$4,800	Yes
3	William B. Johnson	1 Glendower Court	151	370114 - Warrington	Septic Sewer Connection	\$3,809	Yes

- B. Authorize the Chair to execute the Cancellation of Lien Documents.

Motion: Move the balance

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Made by: Commissioner May

Seconded by: Commissioner Barry

Disposition: Carried unanimously

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II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

3. Recommendation: That the Board adopt and authorize the Chair to execute the Resolution [R2025-39] approving Supplemental Budget Amendment #SBA-25037, Fund 110 in the amount of \$65,000 to recognize revenue received from the Santa Rosa Island Authority (SRIA) to reimburse the County for Dredging of Lafitte Cove and placing the revenue into Fund 110 where the dredging expense was booked.

Motion: Move the balance
For Information: The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 1 through 26, with the exception of item 7, which was held for a separate vote, as amended to drop item 22.
Made by: Commissioner May
Seconded by: Commissioner Barry
Disposition: Carried unanimously

4. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Resilient Florida Program Grant Agreement #25PLN60:
- A. Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the FDEP Resilient Florida Program Grant Agreement #25PLN60, in the amount of \$500,000 for the development of the Escambia County Bayou Grande Watershed Master Plan;
- B. Authorize the Chair or Vice-Chair to execute, subject to legal sign-off, any subsequent program-related documents for this project that do not alter the finite terms and funding amounts or budgets; and
- C. Adopt and authorize the Chair to execute the Resolution [R2025-40] approving Supplemental Budget Amendment #SBA-25044 to recognize and appropriate \$500,000, awarded under Agreement #25PLN60 for the development of the Escambia County Bayou Grande Watershed Master Plan.

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Revenues			
Source of Funds	Amount	Account Codes	Contract
FDEP Resilient Florida Program	\$500,000	Fund 110, Other Grants and Projects, Revenue Account (new), Bayou Grande #25PLN60	25PLN60
Total Revenue	\$500,000		
Expenditures			
Source of Funds		Account Codes	Contract
FDEP Resilient Florida Program	\$500,000	Fund 110, Other Grants and Projects, Cost Center 220349 (new), Bayou Grande #25PLN60, Object Code 53101	25PLN60
Total Expenditures	\$500,000		

This project will occur in Commission Districts 1 and 2.

Motion: Move the balance

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Made by: Commissioner May

Seconded by: Commissioner Barry

Disposition: Carried unanimously

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

5. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the Defense Reinvestment Grant Agreement (#S0274) with the State of Florida, Department of Commerce, for density reduction and encroachment protection around Naval Air Station (NAS) Pensacola:
 - A. Approve the Defense Reinvestment Grant (DIG) Grant Agreement #S0274, in the amount of \$495,000, with the State of Florida, Department of Commerce to facilitate the purchase of land and/or Restrictive Use Easements (RUEs) to manage encroachment issues in the area between NAS Pensacola's boundaries and the limits of the Airfield Influence Planning Districts (AIPDs);
 - B. Authorize the Chair to execute the Grant Agreement and any future documents related to no-cost time extensions, subject to legal review and sign-off, without further action of the Board; and
 - C. Adopt and authorize the Chair to sign the Resolution [R2025-41] approving Supplemental Budget Amendment SBA-25043, Fund 110, in the amount of \$495,000, to recognize proceeds from the Florida Department of Commerce and to appropriate these funds to facilitate the purchase of land and/or Restrictive Use Easements (RUEs) to manage encroachment issues in the area between NAS Pensacola's boundaries and the limits of the Airfield Influence Planning Districts (AIPDs).

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TABLE 1

Revenues			
Source of Funds	Amount	Account Codes	Contract
State of Florida Department of Commerce (DOC)	\$495,000	Fund 110, Other Grants and Projects, Account 334288 (new) Defense Reinvest S0274	S0274
Total Revenue	\$495,000		
Expenditures			
Source of Funds	Amount	Account Codes	Contract
State of Florida Department of Commerce (DOC)	\$495,000	Fund 110, Other Grants and Projects, Cost Center 221035 (new), Defense Reinvest S0274 Object Code 56101, Land	S0274
Total Expenditures	\$495,000		

Table 1 above is related to the Supplemental Budget Amendment, which will increase Fund 110 by \$495,000.

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TABLE 2

Contractor/Vendor	Funding Information	Amount	Grant Agreement No.
Escambia County (Local Match - Cash and In-Kind Services)	Fund 110, Other Grants & Projects Cost Center 221030 DIG Navy Match	\$150,000	N/A

Table 2 above is related to the Grant matching funds, which are currently available in Fund 110.

Motion: Move the balance

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Made by: Commissioner May

Seconded by: Commissioner Barry

Disposition: Carried unanimously

6. Recommendation: That the Board accept the record for the Fiscal Year 2025, First and Second Quarter, Quarterly Community Partners Reports, which ended March 31, 2025.

Motion: Move the balance

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Made by: Commissioner May

Seconded by: Commissioner Barry

Disposition: Carried unanimously

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II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

7. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action regarding the Tourist Development Tax (TDT) allocations for the John R. Jones sports upgrades and the University of West Florida (UWF) Project:
- A. Approve and confirm its support of the John R. Jones Stadium and Sports Arena artificial turf conversion project in the amount of \$25,000,000 to be paid for with TDT funding (1-2 Cent and 5th Cent TDT). This tourism project was approved by the Tourist Development Council (TDC) at its meeting held on April 15, 2025;
 - B. Authorize and approve staff to move forward with the process of obtaining a bank loan in the amount of \$25,000,000 to be paid for with TDT funding, to be used to finance the John R. Jones Stadium and Sports Arena artificial turf conversion project with an estimated annual debt service ranging from \$2,100,000 to \$3,300,000 depending on the duration of the bank loan; and
 - C. Approve and confirm its support of the allocation of \$2,000,000 to be used toward the UWF Stadium Construction project, to be paid for from TDT Public Facility reserves funding (1-2 Cent and 4th Cent TDT). This tourism project was approved by the TDC at its meeting held on April 15, 2025.

Project funding is available within the Escambia County TDT Fund (108) to support these tourism projects.

Motion: Move the item

For Information: The Board discussed the impact this project is expected to have on the diversity of the tourism economy in the area and how it could attract regional and potentially national visitors to the county. Michael Rhodes, Parks and Recreation Director, confirmed that county staff would coordinate all events at the park.

Made by: Commissioner Barry

Seconded by: Commissioner May

Disposition: Carried unanimously

Speaker(s): Tom Jardine

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

8. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the issuance of a Purchase Order, in excess of \$50,000, to Master Medical Equipment, LLC:
- A. Approve the use of PD 23-24.142 to purchase 35 Multi-Therapy Infusion Pumps;
 - B. Authorize the use of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) County Grant funds for the purchase of Multi-Therapy Infusion Pumps; and
 - C. Authorize the County Administrator to issue and sign a Purchase Order in the amount of \$66,550 to Master Medical Equipment, LLC, for the purpose of purchasing 35 Multi-Therapy Infusion Pumps.

Vendor/Contractor	Funding	Amount	Contract Number
Master Medical Equipment, LLC Vendor #429056	Fund 110, Other Grants & Projects	\$55,625	PD 23-24.142
	Cost Center, 330318	\$10,925	
	Object Code, 55206		
	Fund 408, EMS Operations		
	Cost Center, 330302		
	Object Code, 55206		

The additional funding required is available in Fund 408.

Motion: Move the balance

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Made by: Commissioner May

Seconded by: Commissioner Barry

Disposition: Carried unanimously

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

9. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action regarding the purchase of a new marine safety and dispatch software platform for the Water Safety Division:
- A. Approve the implementation of the Watchtower Platform Software; and
- B. Approve and authorize the purchase of licenses for the Operative IQ system, in the amount of \$4,982 for a one-year license.

Vendor/Contractor	Funding	Amount
Watchtower Solutions, Inc. Vendor #432608	Fund 001 Cost Center 330801, SRIA Object Code 55403	\$4,982

Funds are available in Cost Center 330801 to support this purchase.

Motion: Move the balance

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Made by: Commissioner May

Seconded by: Commissioner Barry

Disposition: Carried unanimously

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

10. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action regarding the Cotcare Repair Center Agreement:

- A. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to execute the Ferno-Washington, Inc., Cotcare Repair Center Agreement between Ferno-Washington, Inc., and Escambia County, Florida; and
- B. Approve and authorize the purchase of training classes in the amount of \$2,500, which allows for three participants.

Vendor/Contractor	Funding	Amount
Ferno-Washington, Inc. Vendor Number #060890	Fund 408, Emergency Medical Services Cost Center 330302 Object Code 53401	\$2,500

Funds are available in Fund 408 to support this purchase.

Motion: Move the balance

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Made by: Commissioner May

Seconded by: Commissioner Barry

Disposition: Carried unanimously

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

11. Recommendation: That the Board take the following actions concerning PD 24-25.051 for a Life Skills Program to provide a comprehensive Parenting Skills Program aimed at supporting incarcerated parents in developing and improving their parenting skills:
- A. Approve the Agreement, PD 24-25.051, between Escambia County, Florida and Om Worldwide, Inc., dba Mindful Staffing Solutions with an estimated annual budget of \$195,750, per the terms and conditions;
 - B. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to execute the Agreement; and
 - C. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to issue and sign the purchase order issued in excess of \$50,000.

Vendor/Contractor	Funding	Amount	Contract Number
Om Worldwide, Inc., dba Mindful Staffing Solutions	Fund 111 - Detention/Commissary, Cost Center 290406	\$70,000	PD 24-25.051

Motion: Move the balance

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Made by: Commissioner May

Seconded by: Commissioner Barry

Disposition: Carried unanimously

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

12. Recommendation: That the Board take the following actions concerning PD 24-25.048 for a Life Skills Program to provide a comprehensive cognitive and behavioral method for cultivating self-awareness, self-discovery, and empowerment for our inmate population:

- A. Approve the Agreement, PD 24-25.048, between Escambia County, Florida and Om Worldwide, Inc., dba Mindful Staffing Solutions with an estimated annual budget of \$195,750, per the terms and conditions;
- B. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to execute the Agreement; and
- C. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to issue and sign the Purchase Order issued in excess of \$50,000.

Vendor/Contractor	Funding	Amount	Contract Number
Om Worldwide, Inc., dba Mindful Staffing Solutions	Fund 111 - Detention/Commissary, Cost Center 290406	\$70,000	PD 24-25.048

Motion: Move the balance

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Made by: Commissioner May

Seconded by: Commissioner Barry

Disposition: Carried unanimously

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

13. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning BuyBoard Contract #743-24 Law Enforcement Body Cameras, Supplies, and Equipment:

- A. Approve and authorize the use of BuyBoard Contract #743-24; and
- B. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to execute Change Order #1, in the amount of \$20,000 to Axon Enterprise, Inc., for replacement tasers and taser supplies needed for Fiscal Year 2025.

Department:	Corrections
Division:	Jail
Type:	Addition
Amount:	\$20,000
Vendor:	Axon Enterprise, Inc.
Purchase Order #:	251068
Change Order #:	1
Original Amount:	\$45,000
Change Order #1:	\$20,000
Cumulative Amount:	\$20,000
New Purchase Order Amount:	\$65,000
Funding Information:	Fund 001, General Fund; Cost Center 290401, Detention

Motion: Move the balance

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Made by: Commissioner May

Seconded by: Commissioner Barry

Disposition: Carried unanimously

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

14. Recommendation: That the Board approve the following allocations of Law Enforcement Trust (LET) Funds per the requirements of Florida Statute 932.7055(5) for Outside Agency partners in Escambia County for Fiscal Year 2024/2025:

- A. Hope Above Fear, Inc., in the amount of \$1,500; and
- B. Keyz 2 Achieve, Inc., in the amount of \$1,000.

Upon approval of these funding allocations, the Sheriff's Office will process all appropriate paperwork and submit for payment from LET Funds to the Escambia Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller.

Funding Source: Law Enforcement Trust, Fund 121; Cost Center 540103; Account Code 58201, Aids to Private Organizations

Motion: Move the balance
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Made by: Commissioner May
Seconded by: Commissioner Barry
Disposition: Carried unanimously

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

15. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the lease of a loader for the Pensacola Beach Division of Public Works:

A. Authorize the use of Sourcewell Contract #011723-JDC; and

B. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to issue and sign a Purchase Order for \$17,095.40 to Deere & Company for monthly lease fees of \$3,419.08 per month for the remaining five months of the current fiscal year for Public Works/Pensacola Beach.

Vendor	Funding	Amount	Contract Number
Deere & Company Vendor #100304	Fund 001 Cost Center 260107 Object Code 54401	\$17,095.40 (\$3,419.08/month x 5 months)	Sourcewell Contract #011723-JDC

Motion: Move the balance

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Made by: Commissioner May

Seconded by: Commissioner Barry

Disposition: Carried unanimously

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

16. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the Contract award for Security Services for the Escambia County Central Office Complex (ECCOC), PD 24-25.074, between Escambia County, and Triton Protection Group, LLC:
- A. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to execute the Agreement between Escambia County, Florida, and Triton Protection Group, LLC, per the terms and conditions of PD 24-25.074 for armed security services, in the amount of \$95,640.90 per year, for the period June 1, 2025, through May 31, 2028, with the option for two additional one-year renewals; and
- B. Authorize the County Administrator or his designee to sign a Purchase Order, in the amount of \$95,640.90, to Triton Protection Group, LLC, for armed security services.

Vendor/Contractor	Funding	Amount	Contract Number
Triton Protection Group, LLC	Fund 001, Cost Center 240201, Object Code 53401	\$27,550	PD 24-25.074
Triton Protection Group, LLC	Fund 116, Cost Center 240302, Object Code 53401	\$27,550	PD 24-25.074
Triton Protection Group, LLC	Fund 406, Cost Center 250111, Object Code 53401	\$40,541	PD 24-25.074

Motion: Move the balance

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Made by: Commissioner May

Seconded by: Commissioner Barry

Disposition: Carried unanimously

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

17. Recommendation: That the Board approve and authorize the County Administrator to execute an Amendment to PD 18-19.075 with Global Tel*Link Corporation for the Inmate Telephone Services System, to extend the contract on a month-to-month basis for up to an additional three months to allow for interim performance to be completed. The new contract for these services has been prepared and approved by Legal and sent to the selected vendor.

Fund 111, Detention/Jail Commissary; Revenue Account 342302.

Motion: Move the balance

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Made by: Commissioner May

Seconded by: Commissioner Barry

Disposition: Carried unanimously

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

18. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action regarding a Blanket Purchase Order, in excess of \$50,000, for Eagle Cleaning Service, Inc.:

A. Approve the first of two possible one-year renewals to be effective May 1, 2025, per the conditions of PD 23-24.021. This contract is between Escambia County, Florida, and Eagle Cleaning Service, Inc.; and

B. Approve and authorize the County Administrator or his designee to issue a Purchase Order to Eagle Cleaning Service, Inc. in the amount of \$800,000.

Vendor/Contractor	Funding	Amount	Contract Number
Eagle Cleaning Service, Inc. Vendor #427438 Contract Custodial Services for Various County Buildings Amount: \$800,000	Fund 001 (General) Cost Center 310202 (Facilities Management/Custodial Management/Custodial) Fund 113 (Library Fund) Cost Center 110502 (Library Maintenance)	\$600,000 \$200,000	PD 23-24.021 BCC Approved April 4, 2024 Effective Date May 1, 2024 - May 1, 2027

Motion: Move the balance

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Made by: Commissioner May

Seconded by: Commissioner Barry

Disposition: Carried unanimously

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II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

19. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the Contract Award for the Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Design Services for Century Bridge Replacement, HS019 ENG, PD 24-25.042:

- A. Approve the Agreement between Escambia County, Florida, and Municipal Engineering Services, Inc., per the terms and conditions for the CDBG-DR Design Services for Century Bridge Replacement, HS019 ENG, PD 24-25.042, in the amount of \$532,518;
- B. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to execute the Agreement;
- C. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to issue and sign a Purchase Order, in the amount of \$532,518, to Municipal Engineering Services, Inc., and

Vendor	Funding	Amount	Contract Number
Municipal Engineering Services, Inc.	Fund 128, Cost Center 210155, CDBG-DR of Rebuild Florida-Century Drainage and Road Improvements, Object Code 53401	\$532,518	PD 24-25.042 CDBG-DR Contract HS019

- D. Approve and authorize the Chair or County Administrator or his designee to sign, subject to legal review and sign-off, any subsequent agreements and program-related documents for this project that do not alter the finite terms of funding amounts or budgets.

Motion: Move the balance

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Made by: Commissioner May

Seconded by: Commissioner Barry

Disposition: Carried unanimously

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

20. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the Bayou Grande Villas Drainage Improvement Project:

A. Approve Administrative Budget Amendment #ABA-25074, in the amount of \$121,072, to transfer funds from Lake Charlene Phase 2 (Bridle Trail) to the Bayou Grande Villas Drainage Improvement Project; and

Expenditures - From		
Source of Funds	Amount	Account Codes
Fund 353, LOST IV, Transportation and Drainage	\$121,072	Fund 353, LOST IV, Cost Center 210106, Object Code 56301, PN 23EN2102 - Lake Charlene Phase 2 (Bridle Trail)
Total Expenditure	\$121,072	
Expenditures - To		
Source of Funds	Amount	Account Codes
Fund 353, LOST IV, Transportation and Drainage	\$121,072	Fund 353, LOST IV, Cost Center 210106, Object Code 56301, PN 22EN1642 - Bayou Grande Villas Drainage Improvement Project
Total Expenditures	\$121,072	

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II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

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- B. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to issue and sign Change Order #1 to Purchase Order #242200 to Bear General Contractors, LLC, in the amount of \$121,071.15, for the Bayou Grande Villas Drainage Improvement Project, PD 23-24.059.

Department:	Engineering
Division:	Construction Management
Type:	Addition
Amount:	\$121,021.15
Vendor:	Bear General Contractors, LLC
Project Name:	Bayou Grande Villas Drainage Improvement Project
Contract:	PD 23-24.059
Purchase Order #:	242200
Change Order #:	1
Change Order #1:	\$121,071.15
Original Contract Amount:	\$4,784,106.69
Cumulative Amount of Change Orders Through This Change Order:	\$121,071.15
New Contract Amount:	\$4,905,177.84
Funding Source:	Fund 353, LOST IV, Cost Center 210106, Object Code 56301, Project #22EN1642

The Bayou Grande Villas Drainage Improvement Project is located in Commission District 2.

Motion: Move the balance
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Made by: Commissioner May
Seconded by: Commissioner Barry
Disposition: Carried unanimously

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

21. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the Oakfield Acres Palafox Street Drainage Project:

A. Adopt and authorize the Chair to sign the Resolution [R2025-42] approving Supplemental Budget Amendment #25041, in the amount \$190,585, to fund Emerald Coast Utilities Authority (ECUA) costs for the Oakfield Acres Palafox Street Drainage Project;

Revenues		
Source of Funds	Amount	Account Codes
Fund 353, LOST IV	\$190,585	Fund 353, LOST IV, ECUA Cont-Capital Projects, Account Code 337302
Total Revenue	\$190,585	
Expenditures		
Source of Funds	Amount	Account Codes
Fund 353, LOST IV	\$190,585	Fund 353, LOST IV, Cost Center 210106, Object Code 56301, Project #21EN1613
Total Expenditures	\$190,585	

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II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

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- B. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to issue and sign Change Order #1 to Purchase Order #241692 to Waggoner Engineering, Inc., in the amount of \$281,422.50, for the Oakfield Acres Palafox Street Drainage Project, PD 21-22.075; and

Department:	Engineering
Division:	Construction Management
Type:	Addition
Amount:	\$281,422.50
Vendor:	Waggoner Engineering, Inc. (formerly Sigma Consulting Group, Inc.)
Project Name:	Oakfield Acres Palafox Street Drainage Project
Contract:	PD 21-22.075
Purchase Order #:	241692/231642
Change Order #:	1
Change Order #1:	\$281,422.50
Original Contract Amount:	\$845,525
Cumulative Amount of Change Orders Through This Change Order:	\$281,422.50
New Contract Amount:	\$1,126,947.50
Funding Source:	Fund 353, LOST IV, Cost Center 210106, Object Code 56301, Project #21EN1613 Escambia County \$90,837.75 ECUA - \$190,584.75 Total - \$281,422.50

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II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

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- C. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the Interlocal Cost-Sharing Agreement (Utility Relocation for Oakfield Acres Palafox Drainage Project) between Escambia County, Florida, and the Emerald Coast Utilities Authority (ECUA).

The Oakfield Acres Palafox Street Drainage Project is located in Commission District 3.

Motion: Move the balance
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Made by: Commissioner May
Seconded by: Commissioner Barry
Disposition: Carried unanimously

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

22. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the issuance of a Purchase Order on Contract PD 23-24.010, "Professional Services," for Transportation Project Support for the Engineering Department, Transportation and Traffic Operations (TTO) Division:

A. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to issue and sign a Purchase Order, in the amount of \$203,444, to Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc., for Transportation Project Support for the Engineering Department, Transportation and Traffic Operations (TTO) Division; and

Vendor/Contractor	Funding	Amount	Contract Number
Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc.	Fund 175, Transportation Trust Fund, Cost Center 211201, Object Code 53101	\$203,444	PD 23-24.010

B. Approve and authorize the department(s), in conjunction with the Office of Purchasing, to negotiate Task Orders according to Florida Statutes 287.055, "Consultants Competitive Negotiation Act," (A&E Services), on a project-by-project basis.

Motion: Move the balance

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Made by: Commissioner May

Seconded by: Commissioner Barry

Disposition: Carried unanimously

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

23. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the Contract Award for Construction Services for the Perdido Estates Stormwater Improvements Municipal Services Benefit Unit (MSBU) Project, PD 24-25.068, to Utility Services Co., Inc.:

A. Approve Administrative Budget Amendment #ABA-25081, in the amount of \$407,350, to set up funding for the Perdido Estates Stormwater Improvements (MSBU) Project;

Expenditures		
Source of Funds	Amount	Account Codes
Fund 353, LOST IV, LOST Admin Reserves	\$407,350	Fund 353, LOST IV, Cost Center 110280, Object Code 56301
Total Expenditure	\$407,350	
Expenditures		
Source of Funds	Amount	Account Codes
Fund 353, LOST IV, Transportation and Drainage	\$407,350	Fund 353, LOST IV, Cost Center 110102, Object Code 56301, PN 25DS2762
Total Expenditures	\$407,350	

B. Approve the Agreement between Escambia County, Florida, and Utility Services Co., Inc., per the terms and conditions of the Perdido Estates Stormwater Improvements (MSBU) Project, PD 24-25.068, in the amount of \$871,121.53;

C. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to execute the Agreement;

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- D. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to issue and sign a Purchase Order, in the amount of \$871,121.53, to Utility Services Co., Inc., and

Vendor	Funding	Amount	Contract Number
Utility Services Co., Inc.	Fund 177, MSBU, Perdido Estates Stormwater Improvements, Cost Center 142057, Object Code 56301, \$463,772.00 Fund 353, LOST IV, Cost Center 110102, District 2 Discretionary, Object Code 56301, PN 25DS2762, \$407,349.53	\$871,121.53	PD 24-25.068

- E. Approve and authorize the Chair or County Administrator or his designee to sign, subject to legal review and sign-off, any subsequent agreements and program-related documents for this project that do not alter the finite terms of funding amounts or budgets.

The Perdido Estates Stormwater Improvements (MSBU) Project is located in Commission District 2.

Motion: Move the balance

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Made by: Commissioner May

Seconded by: Commissioner Barry

Disposition: Carried unanimously

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

24. Recommendation: That the Board approve the reimbursement of six invoices in the amount of \$127,344.92 submitted to Escambia County from Escambia River Electric Cooperative, Inc. (EREC), that took place prior to the Notice to Proceed being issued. This reimbursement request is related to the Escambia County Broadband System (P.D.22-23.030) approved by the Board at the meeting held on March 2, 2023. The Escambia County Clerk and Comptroller's Office has stated that the three invoices can be paid with the Board's approval, since the expenditures are part of the total cost of the Escambia County Broadband Project.

Vendor	Funding	Invoice Number	Amount	Contract
Escambia River Electric Cooperative, Inc.	Fund 119 Cost Center 110195 Non-ARPA Admin	30053500-02	\$36,815.19	PD 22-23.030
Escambia River Electric Cooperative, Inc.	Fund 119 Cost Center 110195 Non-ARPA Admin	30053500-03	\$10,876.68 \$7,854.57	PD 22-23.030
Escambia River Electric Cooperative, Inc.	Fund 119 Cost Center 110195 Non-ARPA Admin	30053500-05	\$5,202.73	PD 22-23.030
Escambia River Electric Cooperative, Inc.	Fund 119 Cost Center 110195 Non-ARPA Admin	30053500-06	\$7,351.48	PD 22-23.030

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Vendor	Funding	Invoice Number	Amount	Contract
Escambia River Electric Cooperative, Inc.	Fund 119 Cost Center 110195 Non-ARPA Admin	30053500-08	\$59,074.06	PD 22-23.030
Escambia River Electric Cooperative, Inc.	Fund 119 Cost Center 110195 Non-ARPA Admin	31326235	\$170.21	PD 22-23.030

Motion: Move the balance

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Made by: Commissioner May

Seconded by: Commissioner Barry

Disposition: Carried unanimously

25. Recommendation: That the Board approve and authorize the County Administrator to sign the Master Service Agreement with Conexon Connect, LLC, to provide internet service for 20 County owned facilities located within the Escambia River Electric Cooperative’s service area for a 24-month term at no cost to the County.

Motion: Move the balance

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Made by: Commissioner May

Seconded by: Commissioner Barry

Disposition: Carried unanimously

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II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

26. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the Postage Meter Order Form/Lease Agreement with Pitney Bowes, Inc., for the Department of Building Services:

- A. Authorize use of the State of Florida Contract #44102100-17-1;
- B. Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Order Form/Lease Agreement with Pitney Bowes, Inc., for a term of 60 months in the amount of \$54.61 per month; and
- C. Approve the issuance of a Purchase Order to Pitney Bowes, Inc.

Motion: Move the balance

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Made by: Commissioner May

Seconded by: Commissioner Barry

Disposition: Carried unanimously

III. FOR DISCUSSION

1. Recommendation: That the Board continue the discussion concerning the Fire/MSBU.

Disposition: No action taken

For Information: The Board held a robust discussion concerning potential adjustments to the Fire MSBU, including possible options for adjustments; the process for making any changes; hope that good news would be forthcoming from the Santa Rosa Island Authority to help offset the cost of fire services on the island; and level of service on the island versus the mainland. The Board agreed to take up the discussion again on May 15th after an update is received from SRIA.

Speaker(s): Rhonda Dorfman, June Guerra, Craig Ferris, Jeremy Johnson, Stephanie Powell, Arthur Leary, Steve Luppert, Christine Cook, Ryan Frazee, Marsha Chouinard, Michael K. Pinzone, Rhea Kessler, Charlie Rotenberry, Beverly Campbell, Tom Jardine, and Eric Sharplin

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

III. FOR DISCUSSION – Continued

2. Recommendation: In accordance with Section 46-139 of the Escambia County Code of Ordinances and consistent with Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) acquisition requirements, the Board either approve, via super-majority vote, or deny the following action regarding the acquisition of real property for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program - Voluntary Home Buyout (HMGP-VHB):

- A. Authorize the purchase of the following parcels in accordance with the terms and conditions contained in the Contract for Sale and Purchase, and Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Guidelines:

Property Owner	Property Address	Parcel Size	Purchase Price
Robert Greenhouse	8236 Tempest Drive	0.16 Acres	\$180,000
William Robertson and Johanna McDaniel	9751 Harlington Street	0.22 Acres	\$343,900
Ralph and Ursula Gaines	9775 Harlington Street	0.20 Acres	\$390,250
William and Kathy Ralli	527 Li Fair Place	0.50 Acres	\$405,000

- B. Approve the Contracts for Sale and Purchase for the acquisition of real property in the HMGP-VHB program;
- C. Authorize the payment of documentary stamps and recording fees, pursuant to HMGP guidelines; and
- D. Authorize the County Attorney's Office to prepare and the Chair or Vice Chair to execute, subject to legal review and sign-off, any documents necessary to complete these acquisitions without further action of the Board.

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III. FOR DISCUSSION – Continued

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Funds are available as indicated below:

Fund	Cost Center	Object Code	Project No.	Description	Project Name
112	210138	56301	FDEM4564	FDEM HMPG 4564 Grant 4564-031-R	Bristol Park
112	210139	56301	4564032R	FDEM HMPG 4564 Grant 4564-032-R	County Wide Acquisitions
112	210140	56301	4564024R	FDEM HMPG 4564 Grant 4564-024-R	Sagebrush
112	210143	56301	4486017R	COVID 19 HMGP Grant 4456-017-R	Escambia Co Pensacola and Cantonment Acquisitions
128	210151	56301		CDBG -DR Rebuild Florida Voluntary - Voluntary Home Buyout	Match 10%

Motion: I make a motion

Made by: Commissioner Hofberger

Seconded by: Commissioner Barry

Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ATTORNEY’S REPORT – Alison Rogers, County Attorney

I. FOR ACTION

1. Recommendation: At the request of Commissioner Kohler, that the Board approve and authorize the scheduling of a Public Hearing on Thursday, June 5, 2025, at 5:32 p.m., to consider repealing and replacing Chapter 58, Article IV of the Escambia County Code of Ordinances relating to fair housing.

Motion: Move the County Attorney’s Report
Made by: Commissioner May
Seconded by: Commissioner Hofberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

2. Recommendation: At the request of Commissioner Kohler, that the Board approve and authorize the scheduling of a Public Hearing on Thursday, June 5, 2025, at 5:33 p.m., to consider repealing Chapter 100, Article I, Sec. 100-1 - 100-6 of the Escambia County Code of Ordinances, relating to the Escambia County Human Relations Commission (HRC).

Motion: Move the County Attorney’s Report
Made by: Commissioner May
Seconded by: Commissioner Hofberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

3. Recommendation: That the Board accept the following information:

On January 27, 2025, Arbitrator Joan G. Hill issued a Final and Binding Arbitration Opinion finding the termination of Paramedic Stephanie Vinson and EMT Courtney Duncan was not supported by "just cause." The Arbitrator ordered the County to reinstate both employees with full seniority and to award back pay and all lost benefits, subject to a written reprimand.

Final back pay was calculated at \$17,418.90 for Ms. Duncan and \$34,177.77 for Ms. Vinson, with simple interest at 9.38% per annum. The awards were submitted to the Florida Retirement System (FRS), and the back wages will be treated as eligible for service credit.

Motion: Move the County Attorney’s Report
Made by: Commissioner May
Seconded by: Commissioner Hofberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

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COUNTY ATTORNEY’S REPORT – Continued

I. FOR ACTION – Continued

4. Recommendation: That the Board approve a total settlement payment of \$80,000 to be paid and distributed to Plaintiff’s counsel for Mehri Abrahamia in a settlement of all claims, including property damage, legal fees, and costs, in exchange for the execution of a General Release and Hold Harmless Agreement [in the Case of *Mehri Abrahamia v. Escambia County*, Case No. 2019 CA 000357].

Motion: Move the County Attorney’s Report
Made by: Commissioner May
Seconded by: Commissioner Hofberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

5. Recommendation: That the Board adopt the attached proposed Community Support Fund Policy.

Motion: Move the County Attorney’s Report
Made by: Commissioner May
Seconded by: Commissioner Hofberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

ITEMS ADDED TO THE AGENDA – None.

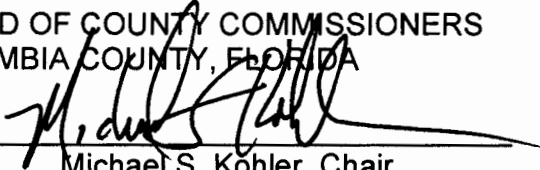
ANNOUNCEMENTS – None.

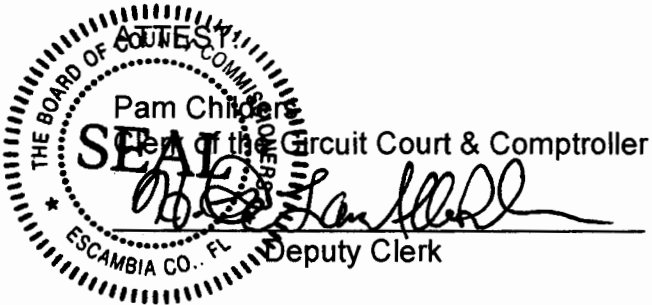
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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Kohler, Chair, declared the Regular Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: 
Michael S. Kohler, Chair



Approved: May 15, 2025