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

MAY 21, 2026

Present: Commissioner Ashlee M. Hofberger, Chair, District 4
Commissioner Steven R. Stroberger, Vice Chair, District 1
Commissioner Steven L. Barry, District 5
Commissioner Michael S. Kohler, District 2
Commissioner Lumon J. May, District 3
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, Operations 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 Hofberger, Chair, called the Regular Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Invocation

   Pastor Dean Taylor delivered the invocation.

3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

   Commissioner Stroberger led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

REGULAR BCC AGENDA – Continued

4. Items Added to the Agenda.

For Information: Commissioner Kohler added a verbal add-on item regarding the Code Enforcement Lien at 3715 W. Jackson Street to the agenda.

5. Adoption of the Agenda.

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

Motion: So moved [as amended]
Made by: Commissioner May **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

6. Commissioners' Forum:

A. District 2 – Commissioner Kohler provided comments;

B. District 5 – Commissioner Barry provided comments;

C. District 3 – Commissioner May provided comments;

D. District 1 – Commissioner Stroberger provided comments; and

E. District 4 – Commissioner Hofberger provided comments.

FOR INFORMATION: The Board agreed to discuss staff and Commissioner aides serving on various boards as part of the review of HR policies and procedures.

7. Proclamations.

   I. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action:

      A. Adopt the Proclamation declaring the week of May 17 through May 23, 2026, as "Emergency Medical Services Week" in Escambia County, Florida;

      B. Adopt the Proclamation declaring May 22, 2026, as "National Maritime Day" in Escambia County, Florida, and recognizing the contributions of the Pensacola Bay Area Propeller Club to the advancement of the local maritime community;

      C. Adopt the Proclamation commending and congratulating Mrs. Audrey Martin Washington on her retirement and expressing gratitude for over 33 years of faithful and dedicated service to the citizens of Escambia County, Florida;

      D. Adopt the Proclamation commending the Pensacola Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Inc. for a successful "Jack and Jill Kids Market" event; and

      E. Ratify the Proclamation commending and congratulating Mr. James Scott, a Vehicle Maintenance Technician in the Mass Transit Department, on his retirement.

Motion: So moved
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously
Speaker(s): Dr. Benjamin Abo, Jim Grace, Audrey Martin Washington, and Cicely Ford

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 9:01 a.m. Public Hearing, advertised in the *Pensacola News Journal* on May 7, 2026, for consideration of adopting an Ordinance repealing and replacing Chapter 10 of the Escambia County Code of Ordinances, entitled Animals;

      (2) The 9:02 a.m. Public Hearing, advertised in the *Escambia Sun Press* on May 14, 2026, for consideration of the Fiscal Year 2026 proposed Grant Application by the Mass Transit Department for Mass Transit Projects for FDOT Section 5310 Funds for Capital Expenses; and

      (3) The 9:03 a.m. Public Hearing, advertised in the *Escambia Sun Press* on May 14, 2026, for consideration of the Fiscal Year 2026 proposed Grant Application by the Mass Transit Department for Mass Transit Projects for FDOT Section 5311 Capital and Operating Expenses; and

   B. The *Board of County Commissioners – Escambia County, Florida, Meeting Schedule May 18, 2026, through May 22, 2026,* as published in the *Escambia Sun Press* on May 14, 2026.

Motion: I'll move it
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously

REGULAR BCC AGENDA – Continued

9. Public Hearings.

   I. Recommendation: That the Board, at the 9:01 a.m. Public Hearing, adopt an Ordinance [Number 2026-22] repealing and replacing Chapter 10 of the Escambia County Code of Ordinances, entitled Animals.

Motion: Move the 9:01
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously
Speaker(s): John Kidd

   II. Recommendation: That the Board hold a 9:02 a.m. Public Hearing to receive comments from the public concerning the Fiscal Year 2026 proposed Grant Application by the Mass Transit Department for Mass Transit Projects for Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Section 5310 Funds for Capital Expenses.

Motion: Move the item
Made by: Commissioner May **Seconded by:** Commissioner Barry
Disposition: Carried unanimously
Speaker(s): None

   III. Recommendation: That the Board hold a 9:03 a.m. Public Hearing to receive comments from the public concerning the Fiscal Year 2026 proposed Grant Application by the Mass Transit Department for Mass Transit Projects for Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Section 5311 Capital and Operating Expenses.

Motion: Move the item
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously
Speaker(s): None

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 Tourist Development Tax (TDT) Collections Data for the March 2026 returns received in the month of April 2026, as prepared by the Treasury Department of the Clerk and Comptroller's Office.

   - Total collections received in April 2026 were $1,958,293 compared to $1,819,529 in April 2025. A comparison of April 2026 to April 2025 is a 7.6% increase.

   - Year-to-date collections for FY2026 are $9,041,795 compared to $8,741,175 for FY2025. A comparison of FY2026 to FY2025 is a 3.4% increase.

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

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

   A. Accept, for filing with the Board's Minutes, the Report of the Gary Sansing Public Forum held May 7, 2026; and

   B. Approve the Minutes of the Regular BCC Meeting held May 7, 2026.

Motion: Move the Clerk's Report
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously
Speaker(s): Larry Downs, Jr.

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

I. FOR ACTION

1. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning a two-year, at-large appointment to the Escambia County Planning Board:

   A. Reappoint Reid Rushing effective June 4, 2026, through June 3, 2028; or

   B. Appoint Matt Ables effective June 4, 2026, through June 3, 2028; or

   C. Appoint Mike Harbison effective June 4, 2026, through June 3, 2028; or

   D. Appoint Dylan Paul effective June 4, 2026, through June 3, 2028.

Motion: Move to reappoint Reid Rushing to the Planning Board
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger and Commissioner Kohler
Disposition: Carried unanimously

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

I. TECHNICAL/PUBLIC SERVICE CONSENT AGENDA

1. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning Amendment #1 to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Agreement #22PLN35 for the Pensacola and Perdido Bays Estuary Program's Compound Rain and Tidal Flooding in the Pensacola and Perdido Bay Area Under Future Climate Scenarios Project:

   A. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign Amendment #1 to the FDEP Agreement #22PLN35, which extends the Agreement to complete the Project and makes changes in the task timelines within the Agreement period from June 30, 2026, through June 30, 2027; and whereas FDEP requested an update to Attachment 1, Attachment 2, Attachment 3, Attachment 5, and Attachment 6 following updates from the Office of the General Counsel and Resilient Florida Program; and

   B. Authorize the Chair or designee to sign, subject to legal sign-off, any subsequent documents required for services related to this Project that do not exceed Board approval thresholds or established policy.

Motion: Move the item
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried 4-0, with Commissioner May temporarily out of Board Chambers
Speaker(s): Christopher Curb

2. Recommendation: That the Board approve and authorize the Chair to sign the Conservation Easement over real property located at 1245 Parasol Place, granted by Peak by the Sea, LLC, Elizabeth C. Peak, to Escambia County, Florida.

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The “balance” refers to Technical/Public Service Consent Agenda items 2 through 9, with the exception of item 4, which was held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Kohler
Disposition: Carried unanimously

I. TECHNICAL/PUBLIC SERVICE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

3. Recommendation: That the Board authorize the scheduling of a Public Hearing on June 17, 2026, at 5:32 p.m., to consider the adoption of an Ordinance creating the Dunleith Subdivision Amenities Municipal Services Benefit Unit (MSBU).

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The "balance" refers to Technical/Public Service Consent Agenda items 2 through 9, with the exception of item 4, which was held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Kohler
Disposition: Carried unanimously

4. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the General Agreement between the National Park Service, Gulf Islands National Seashore (GINS), and Escambia County, Florida, for the Provision of Emergency Medical Services:

A. Approve the General Agreement between the National Park Service, GINS, and Escambia County, Florida, through the Emergency Medical Services Division (EMS) of the Public Safety Department, to establish the terms and conditions under which the parties will provide mutual emergency medical assistance within and near the boundaries of the GINS and the County; and

B. Authorize the Chair to sign the General Agreement.

Motion: Move the item
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously
Speaker(s): Melissa Pino, Larry Downs, Jr., and Kevin Wade

5. Recommendation: That the Board adopt and authorize the Chair to sign a Resolution [R2026-51] approving the donation and conveyance of five book vending machines, branded for West Florida Public Libraries (WFPL), to the School District of Escambia County, Florida, with one machine placed within each Commissioner District.

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The "balance" refers to Technical/Public Service Consent Agenda items 2 through 9, with the exception of item 4, which was held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Kohler
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

I. TECHNICAL/PUBLIC SERVICE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

6. 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 Perdido Key, allowing the number of sound decibels to exceed 70 dbA (sound level measured by taking four sound readings over a continuous 15-minute period, with the four readings taken at approximately equal intervals at or within the property boundary of the receiving land use) for the Flora-Bama Independence Day Fireworks Display on July 4, 2026, from 9:00 p.m. to 9:15 p.m.

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The “balance” refers to Technical/Public Service Consent Agenda items 2 through 9, with the exception of item 4, which was held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Kohler
Disposition: Carried unanimously

7. 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 (sound level measured by taking four sound readings over a continuous 15-minute period, with the four readings taken at approximately equal intervals at or within the property boundary of the receiving land use) for the Pensacola Beach Chamber of Commerce Independence Day Fireworks Display, to be launched from a barge off Quietwater Beach on July 4, 2026, from 9:05 p.m. to 9:25 p.m.

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The “balance” refers to Technical/Public Service Consent Agenda items 2 through 9, with the exception of item 4, which was held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Kohler
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

I. TECHNICAL/PUBLIC SERVICE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

8. 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 (sound level measured by taking four sound readings over a continuous 15-minute period, with the four readings taken at approximately equal intervals at or within the property boundary of the receiving land use) for the Portofino Independence Day Celebration Fireworks Display, off the beach area near Portofino Resort on July 4, 2026, from 9:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The “balance” refers to Technical/Public Service Consent Agenda items 2 through 9, with the exception of item 4, which was held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Kohler
Disposition: Carried unanimously

9. Recommendation: That the Board approve and authorize the Chair to sign the MOU between Escambia County, Florida, and Waterfront Rescue Mission, Inc. to allow a cooperative effort with the Escambia County Department of Animal Welfare to assist the less fortunate and their dogs with supportive care and temporary housing.

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The “balance” refers to Technical/Public Service Consent Agenda items 2 through 9, with the exception of item 4, which was held for a separate vote.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Kohler
Disposition: Carried unanimously

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA

1. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action regarding the State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Down Payment Assistance Strategy and the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Down Payment Assistance Program:

   A. Acknowledge the implementation of the SHIP Down Payment Assistance Strategy administered in-house, as reflected in the amended Local Housing Assistance Plan (LHAP) included in the agenda backup;

   B. Approve the CRA Affordable Housing Funding Plan and related program guidelines, and authorize the use of CRA funds to assist eligible homebuyers with purchase assistance in designated CRA Districts in accordance with the CRA Affordable Housing Funding Plan;

   C. Authorize the use of the Neighborhood Enterprise Division's (NED) established processes and procedures for lien terms, administrative signoff, approvals, closings, and lien cancellations for CRA-funded purchase assistance activities;

   D. Authorize staff to make minor revisions to the SHIP LHAP, CRA Affordable Housing Funding Plan guidelines, and related documents necessary to ensure consistency with applicable funding requirements and program administration; and

   E. Authorize the County Administrator, as appropriate, to execute any additional documents required to implement and administer the SHIP and CRA Down Payment Assistance Programs and all related activities.

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 1 through 26, with the exception of items 2, 21, and 22, which were held for separate votes.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

2. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the Subcontract Agreement with the Pensacola and Perdido Bays Estuary Program (PPBEP) for funding under the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Grant Award #NA22NMF0080234 Oyster REEF Education Program:

A. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to sign the Subcontractor Agreement funded by the NOAA Grant Award #NA22NMF0080234 Oyster REEF Education Program, in the amount of $49,329; and

B. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to sign, 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.

Funds are available in Fund 110, Other Grants and Projects, Cost Center 220344, NOAA PB Oyster Education. Upon Board approval, an Administrative Budget Amendment will be processed to align the budget with the approved subcontract.

Motion: Move the item
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously
Speaker(s): Christopher Curb

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

3. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning an Agreement with the Pensacola and Perdido Bays Estuary Program (PPBEP), in the amount of $33,000, for the Water Quality Monitoring Collaborative Network Project:

   A. Approve the award and authorize the County Administrator to sign the PPBEP Agreement for the Water Quality Monitoring Collaborative Network Project;

   B. Adopt and authorize the Chair to sign the Resolution [R2026-52] approving Supplemental Budget Amendment #SBA-26051 Fund 118, in the amount of $33,000, to recognize the proceeds from the PPBEP and to appropriate these funds for implementation of the Water Quality Monitoring Collaborative Network Project;

Revenues			
Source of Funds	**Amount**	**Account Codes**	**Contract**
Pensacola and Perdido Bays Estuary Program, as funded under U.S. EPA Agreement #05d42125	$33,000	Fund 118, Gulf Coast Restoration Fund Account (new), PPBEP Collaborative Network	Agreement Relating to the Water Quality Monitoring Collaborative Network Project between Escambia County and PPBEP
Total Revenue	$33,000		

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II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

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Expenditures			
Source of Funds	Amount	**Account Codes**	**Contract**
Pensacola and Perdido Bays Estuary Program, as funded by U.S. EPA Agreement #05D42125	$27,1789	Fund 118, Gulf Coast Restoration Fund Cost Center 222019 (new) Object Code 55201	Agreement Relating to the Water Quality Monitoring Collaborative Network Project between Escambia County and PPBEP
Pensacola and Perdido Bays Estuary Program, as funded under U.S. EPA Agreement #05D42125	$5,811	Fund 118, Gulf Coast Restoration Fund Cost Center 222019 (new) Object Code 55204	Agreement Relating to the Water Quality Monitoring Collaborative Network Project between Escambia County and PPBEP
Total Expenditures	**$33,000**		

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II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

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C. Authorize the Escambia County Water Quality Laboratory to analyze environmental samples for PPBEP to support this joint project based on the reimbursement rates stated in the approved Scope of Work; and

D. Authorize the Chair or Vice Chair to approve and sign, subject to legal review and sign-off, time extensions that do not alter other finite terms of the agreement.

Analytical services will be provided on an as-needed basis with no guaranteed minimum number of tests to be performed. All revenue generated will be deposited into Restricted Fund 101, Revenue Account 343903 (Water Quality Lab).

The portion of the Water Quality Monitoring Collaborative Network Project to be performed by the Natural Resources Management Department is located within Pensacola and Perdido Bays, adjacent to Escambia County Commission Districts 1, 2, and 4.

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The "balance" refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 1 through 26, with the exception of items 2, 21, and 22, which were held for separate votes.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

4. Recommendation: That the Board approve and authorize the County Administrator to issue and sign Change Order #2 to Purchase Order #260916, Blue Arbor Inc., in the amount of $11,100 for temporary labor services as needed for the Natural Resources Management Department, per PD 24-25.091.

Department:	Natural Resources Management
Divisions:	RESTORE, Natural Resources Conservation, NRM Admin, Marine Resources, Water Quality
Type:	Addition
Vendor:	Blue Arbor Inc
Project Name:	Temporary Labor Services
Purchase Order #:	260916
Change Order #:	2
Change Order Amount:	$16,000
Change Order 1:	$5
Original Amount:	$44,911
New Purchase Order Amount:	$60,916
Funding Source:	Fund 001, General Fund, Cost Centers 220100, and 220800; Fund 101, Restricted Fund, Cost Centers 220310, 220334, and 220336; Fund 110, Other Grants & Projects, Cost Center 220323 Fund 117, Perdido Key Beach Mouse, Cost Center 220335; Fund 118, Gulf Restoration Fund, Cost Center 222054

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The "balance" refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 1 through 26, with the exception of items 2, 21, and 22, which were held for separate votes.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

5. Recommendation: That the Board approve and authorize the County Administrator to issue and sign Change Order #11 to Purchase Order #191138 to Volkert, Inc., in the amount of $57,376, on Contract PD 17-18.027 for the Pensacola Living Shoreline Project for bid support, as-built certifications, and limited construction oversight.

Department	Natural Resources Management
Division	RESTORE
Type	Addition
Amount	$57,376
Vendor	Volkert Inc.
Project Name	Pensacola Living Shoreline
Contract	PD 17-18.027
Purchase Order	#191138
Change Order #	11
Change Order #1	$375,532.21
Change Order #2	$41,001.70
Change Order #3	Time Extension Only
Change Order #4	Time Extension Only

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II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

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Change Order #5	Administrative Only
Change Order #6	$45,684.66
Change Order #7	$43,799.80
Change Order #8	$148,604
Change Order #9	$137,857
Change Order #10	Time Extension Only
Change Order #11	$57,376
Original Contract Amount	$217,480
Cumulative Amount of Change Orders Through this Change Order	$849,855.37
Funding Sources for this Change Order:	Cost Center 222016 NFWF 76084 - $18,897.87 Cost Center 222052 FDEP #24SRP05 Living Shoreline - $38,478.13

This project is located in District 2.

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 1 through 26, with the exception of items 2, 21, and 22, which were held for separate votes.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

6. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the Contract Award PD 24-25.070, Task Order Solicitation for Code Enforcement Re-Solicit:

   A. Approve the award of a new contract to Account-Abilities Corporation;

   B. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to sign the Agreement;

   C. Approve and authorize the Department of Natural Resources Management, in conjunction with the Office of Purchasing, to issue Purchase Orders based on the most responsive, responsible bid for each task order, and

   D. Amend the Board's Action of October 16, 2025, to approve the authorization of Cumulative Total expenditures over $50,000, in Fiscal Year 2025-2026, to contractors performing demolition or lot clearing services for the Department of Natural Resources Management, Environmental Enforcement Division, for Individual Property Bids of less than $50,000, based on competitive quotes. A request is being made to add the above-mentioned vendor to the list.

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II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

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		Cumulative Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Expenditure Amount:	$1,358,750
	Vendor Name:	**Vendor Number:**	
1.	A Cut Above Landscaping and Property Maintenance, Inc.	433034	
2.	Account-Abilities Corporation	433713	
3.	BR Bonner's Hauling, Inc.	020229	
4.	Byrd Lawn Service, LLC	431070	
5.	Collins Family Land Services, LLC	426847	
6.	Demolition Pros, LLC	013673	
7.	Greenwood Tree, LLC	430120	
8.	Herron's Tree Service and Debris Hauling, LLC	081416	
9.	Jette Custom Builders, LLC	433536	
10.	Larry Gates Construction, Inc.	423827	
11.	Peters Land Service, LLC	433033	
12.	SNR General Contractors, LLC	431942	
13.	Taylor"D Construction and Co., LLC	429259	
14.	XL Property Maintenance, LLC	433664	
15.	XTreme Logistics Gulf Coast, LLC	423756	

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Funds are available in Fund 103, Cost Center 220110, Object Code 53401.

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The "balance" refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 1 through 26, with the exception of items 2, 21, and 22, which were held for separate votes.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

7. Recommendation: That the Board approve the selection of a pool of bond underwriters to be used to support the financing, refinancing, or restructuring of the County's debt over an initial term of five years with an option to renew for an additional two one-year periods if desired.

The County anticipates the future issuance of certain local government debt as determined and approved by the Board. Underwriters will assist the County in the structuring, marketing, and executing the negotiated sale of bonds to meet the financing requirements of each specific transaction.

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The "balance" refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 1 through 26, with the exception of items 2, 21, and 22, which were held for separate votes.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

8. Recommendation: That the Board ratify the County Administrator's signature on the Florida Department of Children and Families Criminal Justice Mental Health, and Substance Abuse (DCF CJMHSA) Reinvestment GRANT-2026, Appendix H - Commitment of Match Donation Forms, which will provide the necessary documentation for Lakeview Center, Inc. to apply for a state grant to establish a new mental health program (CJMHSA-Escambia) designed to provide dedicated staff to assist Escambia County residents experiencing mental health challenges to stabilize and navigate through the health and justice systems. Dedicated TEAM (Teaching, Education, Accountability and Motivation) positions will consist of a Mental Health Case Manager, Peer Specialist, and a Program/Sim Committee Coordinator who will reduce recidivism rates in Escambia County and will motivate participants to make the changes necessary to remain out of the justice system.

   The Lakeview Center, Inc. is the Escambia County designated Central Receiving Facility (CRF) that serves as a single access point for adults in mental health crisis under the Baker Act or ex-parte Marchman Acts. The CRF is a secure facility that provides screening, triage, and linkage to appropriate levels of care.

   The Lakeview Center will apply for and manage all aspects of the DCF CJMHSA Reinvestment Grant.

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The "balance" refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 1 through 26, with the exception of items 2, 21, and 22, which were held for separate votes.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

9. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the Memorandum of Agreement between the Santa Rosa Island Authority and Escambia County, Florida, relating to emergency medical services during the 2026 Blue Angels Air Show:

   A. Approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the Santa Rosa Island Authority (SRIA) and Escambia County, Florida, through the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Division of the Public Safety Department, to establish the terms and conditions under which EMS will provide additional emergency medical assistance for a compensation of $15,000 per day during the 2026 Blue Angels Air Show which will take place on July 16 through July 18, 2026; and

   B. Authorize the Chair to sign the Memorandum of Agreement.

   Revenue generated from this agreement will be recognized to Fund 408, Revenue Account 34612.

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The "balance" refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 1 through 26, with the exception of items 2, 21, and 22, which were held for separate votes.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

10. Recommendation: That the Board approve and authorize the County Administrator or designee to issue and sign Change Order #1 to Purchase Order #260410, in the amount of $25,000 to Medline Industries, LP to provide additional funds for medical supplies needed for Fiscal Year 2026.

Department:	Corrections
Division:	Medical
Type:	Additive
Amount:	$25,000
Vendor:	Medline Industries LP
Purchase Order #:	260410
Change Order #:	1
Original Amount:	$45,000
Change Order #1:	$25,000
Cumulative CO Amount:	$25,000
New Purchase Order Amount:	$70,000
Funding Source:	Fund 001, General Fund, Cost Center 290402, Inmate Medical

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 1 through 26, with the exception of items 2, 21, and 22, which were held for separate votes.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

11. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the funds awarded to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) under the umbrella of the U.S. Department of Justice National Criminal History Improvement Program (NCHIP) Grants:

A. Ratify the acceptance and installation of the iris scanner, which was purchased by FDLE with funds awarded in the amount of $2,500;

B. Adopt and authorize the Chair to sign the Resolution [R2026-53] approving Supplemental Budget Amendment #SBA-26052 Other Grants and Projects Fund 110 in the amount of $2,500 to recognize proceeds; and

C. Authorize the Corrections Department Director to sign and submit the Acknowledgment of Property Receipt Form to FDLE.

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 1 through 26, with the exception of items 2, 21, and 22, which were held for separate votes.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

12. Recommendation: That the Board approve the following allocations of Law Enforcement Trust (LET) Funds per the requirements of F.S. 932.7055(5) for Outside Agency partners in Escambia County for Fiscal Year 2025-2026:

A. Florida Sheriff's Youth Ranches, Inc. in the amount of $5,000; and

B. FavorHouse of Northwest Florida, Inc. in the amount of $4,000.

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 County Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller.

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

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 1 through 26, with the exception of items 2, 21, and 22, which were held for separate votes.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

13. Recommendation: That the Board approve and authorize the County Administrator to issue and sign a Purchase Order for the payment to Florida Municipal Insurance Trust in the amount of $142,293 for the additional premium for audit period October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025.

Vendor/Contractor	Funding	Amount
Florida Municipal Insurance Trust	Fund 501, Internal Service Fund, Cost Center 140834, Object Code 54501	$142,293

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 1 through 26, with the exception of items 2, 21, and 22, which were held for separate votes.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

14. Recommendation: That the Board approve and authorize the County Administrator to sign the Amendment to the Agreement between Escambia County, Florida, and Dennis Keith Cole for the management of the Lake Stone Campground Facility, for an amount of $15,000 to be paid in 12 equal monthly installments of $1,250 with housing and utilities provided and renew the existing Contract for an additional year, effective June 1, 2026.

Vendor/Contractor	**Funding**	**Amount**	**Contract Number**
Dennis Keith Cole	Fund 001 Cost Center 350204 Object Code 53401	$15,000	Lake Stone Campground Management Agreement

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 1 through 26, with the exception of items 2, 21, and 22, which were held for separate votes.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

15. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning an Interlocal Agreement with the Santa Rosa Island Authority (SRIA), related to Public Transportation Services on Pensacola Beach for 2026:

A. Approve the Interlocal Agreement between Escambia County, Florida, and SRIA, related to Public Transportation Services on Pensacola Beach, from May 22. 2026 through September 7, 2026, with the SRIA reimbursing the County for all budgeted operating costs; and

B. Authorize the Chair to sign the Interlocal Agreement.

Revenues			
Source of Funds	**Amount**	**Account Codes**	**Vendor**
Interlocal Agreement	$249,998.86	Fund 104, Mass Transit Account 337403, SRIA Contribution	Santa Rosa Island Authority
Total Revenue	**$249,998.86**		
Expenditures			
Source of Funds	**Amount**	**Account Codes**	**Vendor**
Interlocal Agreement	$249,998.86	Fund 104, Mass Transit Account 320402, Pensacola Beach Trolley	N/A
Total Expenditures	**$249,998.86**		

Funding: SRIA will reimburse the County based on the contract terms. The estimated budgeted amounts included in the Fiscal Year 2026 approved budgets for these revenues and expenses were $220,060 and $206,568, respectively. The increase to the estimated budget is due to the increase in fuel prices.

No additional funding will be required from the County for this activity.

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 1 through 26, with the exception of items 2, 21, and 22, which were held for separate votes.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

16. Recommendation: That the Board approve and authorize the County Administrator to issue a Notice of Termination for the existing Agreement between Escambia County, Florida, and ALS Group USA, Corp, Inc., per the terms and conditions of PD 23-24.102, Escambia County Landfill Analytical Services, pursuant to section 7, Termination. This termination is due to ALS's failure to perform the scope of services in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement.

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 1 through 26, with the exception of items 2, 21, and 22, which were held for separate votes.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

17. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the contract award for PD 25-26.047 Escambia County Analytical Services:

A. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to sign the Agreement between Escambia County, Florida and Advanced Environmental Laboratories, Inc., to provide laboratory analytical testing for annual ground and surface water monitoring for Perdido, Klondike, Beulah, and Saufley Field landfills, as required by the Florida Department of Environmental Laboratories, Inc., per the terms and conditions of PD 25-26.047 Escambia County Analytical Services; and

B. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to issue and sign a Purchase Order to Advanced Environmental Laboratories, Inc., in the amount of $24,792.52.

Vendor/Contractor	**Funding**	**Amount**	**Contract Number**
Advanced Environmental Laboratories, Inc.	Fund 401 Solid Waste Fund Cost Center: 230304 Environmental Quality Object Code: 53401 Other Contractual Services - $11,000 Cost Center: 230309 Closed Landfills -Object Code: 53401 Other Contractual Services - $11,000 Cost Center: 230316 Saufley Landfill - Object Code: 53401 Other Contractual Services - $2,792.52	$24,792.52	PD 25-26.047 Escambia County Analytical Services

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The "balance" refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 1 through 26, with the exception of items 2, 21, and 22, which were held for separate votes.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

18. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the Contract Award for the Architectural Design Services for the New Century Community Shelter - HS020, PD 25-26.041:

A. Approve and authorize the County Administrator or designee to sign the Agreement between Escambia County, Florida, and Seay, Seay and Litchfield P.C., for the Architectural Design Services of the New Century Community Shelter - HS020, per the terms and conditions of PD 25-26.041, for the amount of $611,840;

B. Approve and authorize the County Administrator to issue and sign a Purchase Order in the amount of $611,840 to Seay, Seay and Litchfield P.C.; and

C. 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.

Vendor	Funding	Amount	Contract
Seay, Seay and Litchfield, P.C.	Fund 128, CDBG-DR Rebuild Florida Cost Center 320429, Century Community Shelter Grant #HS020	$611,840	PD 25-26.041

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 1 through 26, with the exception of items 2, 21, and 22, which were held for separate votes.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

19. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the acceptance of a portion of real property, located at 1621 Lepley Road, from Glenn and Deloise Grandison:

A. Accept the property, via donation, from Glenn and Deloise Grandison, for additional Right-of-Way, located at 1621 Lepley Road;

B. Authorize the payment of documentary stamps because the property is being donated for governmental use and the County benefits from the acceptance;

C. Authorize the Chair or Vice Chair to accept the Quitclaim Deed as of the day of delivery of the Quitclaim Deed to the Chair or Vice Chair, and authorize the Chair or Vice Chair to acknowledge the Board's acceptance at that time; and

D. Authorize the Chair or Vice Chair to sign the Quitclaim Deed.

This property is located in Commission District 3.

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 1 through 26, with the exception of items 2, 21, and 22, which were held for separate votes.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

20. Recommendation: That the Board adopt and authorize the Chair to sign a Resolution [R2026-54] authorizing the conveyance of used X-Rays Units to the Wildlife Sanctuary of Northwest Florida.

Wildlife Sanctuary of Northwest Florida has expressed an interest in these two mobile X-ray units because it will offer the ability to do in-house radiographs that would greatly improve the quality and efficiency of care for thousands of wildlife patients the sanctuary sees each year, as well as the permanent residents of the sanctuary.

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 1 through 26, with the exception of items 2, 21, and 22, which were held for separate votes.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

21. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the acceptance of two drainage easements for the Brickyard Road Drainage Improvement Project:

A. Accept the donation of the following drainage easements for the Brickyard Road Drainage Improvement Project;

B. Accept Temporary Construction Easement from David R. Wooten and Joan H. Wooten;

C. Authorize the payment of Documentary Stamps because the properties are being donated for governmental use (drainage improvements) and the County and the citizens benefit from the acceptance of this property;

D. Authorize the payment of incidental expenditures associated with the recording of the documents; and

E. Authorize the Chair or Vice Chair to accept the Drainage Easements on the day of delivery to the Chair or Vice Chair to acknowledge the Board's acceptance at that time.

The Drainage Easements are located in District 5.

Motion: Move the item
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously
Speaker(s): Christopher Curb

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

22. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the realignment of District 5 Dirt Road Paving project funds in Fund 353, Local Option Sales Tax (LOST) IV:

A. Approve Administrative Budget Amendment #ABA-26116, in the amount of $8,022,410, transferring funds for the realignment of District 5 Dirt Road Paving Program, Fund 353, Local Option Sales Tax (LOST) IV, Cost Center 210106, "Transportation and Drainage - Dirt Road Paving"; and

B. Approve the realignment of completed or delayed for Right-of-Way constraints, the project funds in Fund 353, Local Option Sales Tax (LOST) IV, Cost Center 210106, "Transportation and Drainage - Dirt Road Paving," as indicated below.

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FROM			
Project Number	**DISTRICT**	**PROJECT NAME**	**AMOUNT**
23EN1945	5	Ashcraft Road Phase II	$305,986
	5	Bradberry Road	$312,500
	5	Cedartown Road	$65,000
	5	Chalker Road	$89,941
	5	Filligim Lane	$50,000
	5	Foster Road - Design	$50,000
25EN2675	5	Foster Road - Construction	$473,210
21EN1495	5	Four Star Farm Road	$22
	5	Godwin Road	$50,000
	5	Hall Road - Design	$100,000
18EN0355	5	Hall Road Phase I - Construction	$29,093
25EN2685	5	Hall Road Phase II	$535,100
	5	Jones Road - Design	$120,000

	5	Jones Road - Construction	$1,006,000
25EN2665	5	Koehn Road	$50,000
21EN1485	5	O. C. Phillips Road Phase II	$1,055,455
18EN0179	5	Open Graded Cold Mix (OGCM)	$70,419
24EN2325	5	Railroad Street - Design	$50,000
24EN3005	5	Railroad Street - Construction	$642,744
21EN1625	5	Robinson Street	$55,000
19EN0635	5	Siglar	$22,028
26EN2985	5	Spence Road	$100,000
26EN2995	5	Spence Road Ph1	$628,360
21EN1635	5	Tobias/Arena Road	$745,418
20EN0975	5	Toler Road	$428,000
20EN1155	5	Water Tank Road - Design	$50,000
20EN1155	5	Water Tank Road - Construction	$351,610
24EN2315	5	York Road - Design	$50,000
25EN2695	5	York Road - Construction	$536,524
		TOTAL TO TRANSFER FROM PROJECTS	**$8,022,410**
TO			
25EN2875	5	Cedar Tree Lane DRP	$2,300,000
26EN1605	5	D5 Dirt Road Paving	$564,550
26EN3175	5	Fargo Road	$75,000
26EN3055	5	Frank Ard Road	$1,900,000
21EN1605	5	D5 Dirt Road Paving	$980,106
19EN0765	5	Lambert Bridge Road	$2,200,000
20EN1145	5	Pine Barren Church Road	$450
20EN1165	5	Whirlpool Road	$2,304
		TOTAL TO TRANSFER TO PROJECTS	**$8,022,410**

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II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

22. Continued…

Motion: Move the item
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously
Speaker(s): Josh Roberson

23. Recommendation: That the Board approve Administrative Budget Amendment #ABA-26119, in the amount of $300,000, to transfer funds from LOST IV Transportation and Drainage, Carver Park Project to DeSoto Road Project in Cantonment.

Expenditures - From		
Source of Funds	**Amount**	**Account Codes**
Fund 353, LOST IV Transportation and Drainage	$300,000	Fund 353, LOST IV, Cost Center 210106, Object Code 56301, Project #23EN1965 Carver Park
Total Expenditure	**$300,000**	
Expenditures - To		
Source of Funds	**Amount**	**Account Codes**
Fund 353, LOST IV, Transportation and Drainage	$300,000	Fund 353, LOST IV, Cost Center 210106, Object Code 56301, PN 25EN2845 - DeSoto Road
Total Expenditures	**$300,000**	

Desoto Road is located in Commission District 5.

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The "balance" refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 1 through 26, with the exception of items 2, 21, and 22, which were held for separate votes.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Continued

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

24. Recommendation: That the Board ratify the agreement related to PD 25-26.040, John R. Jones Stadium Complex Upgrades-Building Upgrades and Landscape Design between Escambia County, Florida, and HDR Architecture, Inc., due to a technical error on page 17.

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 1 through 26, with the exception of items 2, 21, and 22, which were held for separate votes.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

25. Recommendation: That the Board approve and authorize the County Administrator to issue and sign Change Order #1 to Purchase Order #260671 in the amount of $64,000 to Blue Arbor, Inc., for additional temporary workers to support the Afterschool and Summer Youth Summer Camp programs at various community centers in the County.

Department:	Neighborhood and Human Services
Type:	Addition
Vendor:	Blue Arbor, Inc.
Project PD Number:	PD 24-25.091
Project Name:	Community Center Temp Workers for After-school and Summer Camp Programs
Purchase Order:	260671
Original Amount:	$40,000
Change Order #1:	$64,000
New Purchase Order Amount:	$104,000
Funding Source:	Fund 353, Cost Center 370107, Object Code 53401, Project #19NH0389

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 1 through 26, with the exception of items 2, 21, and 22, which were held for separate votes.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

II. BUDGET/FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA – Continued

26. Recommendation: That the Board approve and authorize the Chair to sign the Subordination and Intercreditor Agreement between Escambia County, Florida (Junior Lender), and The Housing Partnership, Inc. (Senior Lender) related to loans and/or grants for Johnson Lakes Apartments for substantial rehabilitation and construction.

Motion: Move the balance **For Information:** The “balance” refers to Budget/Finance Consent Agenda items 1 through 26, with the exception of items 2, 21, and 22, which were held for separate votes.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously

III. FOR DISCUSSION

1. Recommendation: That the Board take the following action concerning the purchase of real property located at 17 Virginia Way:

   A. Approve the Contract for Sale and Purchase for $164,000 for approximately 0.7517 acres from Billie S. Bray, to be used as a driving range area for the Tax Collector's Office;

   B. Authorize and approve the Chair to sign the Contract for Sale and Purchase approved by the County Attorney's Office for the acquisition of real property located at 17 Virginia Way; and

   C. Authorize the County Attorney's Office to prepare, and the Chair to sign, subject to legal review and sign-off, any documents necessary to complete the acquisition of this property without further action of the Board if the purchase is approved.

   This acquisition is located in Commission District 3.

Motion: Move the item
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously
Speaker(s): Melissa Pino

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S REPORT – Alison Rogers, County Attorney

I. FOR ACTION

1. Recommendation: That the Board accept the following information [concerning case dismissal in the matter of *Matthew Windham v. Escambia County, Florida, et al.*, Case No.: 2026 CA 000192]:

   By notice dated April 17, 2026, the Court dismissed the case brought by Mr. Windham against Escambia County and Horace Jones, in his official capacity.

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

2. Recommendation: At the request of the Levin Papantonio firm, that the Board:

   A. Waive the conflict of interest to allow Levin Papantonio to represent a local citizen who is not an employee of the County in a case against the County arising from a motor vehicle collision at a County transfer facility on March 2, 2026; and

   B. Authorize the County Attorney to execute the Waiver on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners.

Motion: Move to support A and B
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously
Speaker(s): Melissa Pino

3. Recommendation: At the request of Commissioner Kohler, that the Board discuss whether to direct the Supervisor of Elections to place a referendum on the November 3, 2026 general election ballot regarding the Escambia Children's Trust.

Disposition: No action taken **For Information:** The Board held a lengthy discussion regarding the Escambia Children's Trust (ECT), including a review of data from an ECT report, and the tangible and perceived ROI of the impact of the ECT. The Board agreed to take a deeper dive and discuss further at the June Committee of the Whole and requested that both the ECT and School Board be present for the discussion.
Speaker(s): Cynthia E. Brown, Bill Chavis, Larry Downs, Jr., Stan McDaniels, Lindsey Cannon, Charles Bare, Kevin Wade, Melissa Pino, Todd Thomson, William Clay, James Washington, Jonathan Green, and Arnetha Welcome

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S REPORT – Continued

I. FOR ACTION – Continued

4. Recommendation: At the request of County Administrator Wes Moreno, that the Board authorize the Chair to execute the proposed Second Amendment of Employment Agreement to provide for his employment through the end of calendar year 2027.

Motion: Move the item, to approve the amendment and extension **For Information:** The Board and County Administrator Moreno discussed addressing a transition plan for a new Administrator in early 2027.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried unanimously
Speaker(s): Melissa Pino, Kevin Wade, Derrick Scott, and Jonathan Green

5. Recommendation: That the Board:

A. Adopt the County Attorney's Succession and Transition Plan, naming Will Nelson, Senior Assistant County Attorney, as County Attorney Designate; and

B. Direct that within ninety (90) days, the County Attorney bring back to the Board a negotiated employment agreement with Mr. Nelson to serve as County Attorney effective January 5, 2027; and

C. Direct the County Attorney to alert the Board at the earliest opportunity if contract negotiations appear unsuccessful.

OR

D. Direct the Human Resources Department to commence a search for the County Attorney position, with parameters as established by the Board.

Motion: Move A, B, and C **For Information:** All Board members expressed support for Mr. Nelson's qualifications and abilities, but Commissioner Kohler and Commissioner May leaned towards a competitive search, and encouraged Mr. Nelson and any other staff to apply.
Made by: Commissioner Barry **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger
Disposition: Carried 3-2, with Commissioner Kohler and Commissioner May voting "no"

ITEMS ADDED TO THE AGENDA

1. Verbal Add-On Item to Discuss Lien Relief for 3715 W. Jackson Street

Motion: Move to waive the interest costs and maintain the abatement costs **For Information:** The Board asked Mr. Morgan and County staff to try to find any documentation showing payments made towards the abatement and agreed to take this item up again if any documentation was produced.
Made by: Commissioner Kohler **Seconded by:** Commissioner Stroberger and Commissioner May
Disposition: Carried unanimously
Speaker(s): Frank Morgan, Stan McDaniels, and Larry Downs, Jr.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Hofberger, Chair, declared the Regular Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners adjourned at 12:32 p.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: ______________________
Ashlee M. Hofberger, Chair

ATTEST:
Pam Childers
Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller

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Deputy Clerk

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SEAL ESCAMBIA CO., FL

Approved: June 17, 2026