

BOARD ACTION  
June 4, 2024

	<b><u>CITIZEN QUESTION AND COMMENT PERIOD</u></b>	
	No one wished to address the Board at this time.	
APPROVED	<b>Tab 1.</b> Request from Planning and Zoning to recommend approval to advertise an Ordinance adopting a Second Amendment to the Interlocal Service Boundary Agreement (ISBA) with the City of Umatilla. There is no fiscal impact.	STERN
	<b>Tab 2. <u>REZONING AGENDA</u></b>	
	<b><u>REGULAR AGENDA REZONING CASES:</u></b>	
APPROVED	Tab 1. <b>Ordinance No. 2024-14</b> Rezoning Case # PZ2023-312 Connolly Property Rezone approximately 0.69 +/- acres from Rural Residential District (R-6) and Mixed Residential District (R-7) to Planned Commercial District (CP), amend Planned Commercial District (CP) Ordinance #2000-7 (Attachment "G") to establish a new CP ordinance for approximately 3.11 +/- acres that includes the aforementioned 0.69 +/- acres to facilitate the development of an automotive service station and convenience store.	STERN
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Shields mentioned that he took the Pinecastle bombing range tour.	SHIELDS
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Shields relayed that Memorial Day at the City of Groveland was a great event.	SHIELDS
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Shields remarked that Sumter Electric Cooperative (SECO) and Lake-Sumter State College (LSSC) had an event where they were trying to canvass the community, noting that there was possibly some grant funding for individuals who were having issues paying their electric bills; therefore, they were trying to figure out the best way to do this.	SHIELDS
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Shields said that he had a Lake Economic Area Development (LEAD) Board meeting.	SHIELDS
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Shields commented that he attended a strategic brainstorming session for the Orlando Economic Partnership.	SHIELDS
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Shields stated that under the new Inflation Reduction Act, a municipality could receive a cash payment for putting in solar and/or battery	SHIELDS

	<p>storage. He showed a slide regarding a proposal he had seen, and he explained that in this example, there was a \$1 million project for 330 kilowatts (KW) of solar and 250 KW of battery storage. He elaborated that the panels were good for 30 years but that the batteries had to be replaced every 10 years at an estimated \$173,000. He indicated that \$400,000 could be received back from the Federal Government under Section 6417 of the Inflation Reduction Act, noting that one would always receive 30 percent, and that they had also received an additional 10 percent for buying local. He indicated that they were left with \$600,000 in costs, and that it could be financed or paid for with cash. He mentioned that there would be savings of \$72,000 per year on electricity, and that the bond payment would be far less than this at \$0.13 per kilowatt hour (kwh). He elaborated that this would be a \$2 million savings over the life of the system, though the batteries would need to be refreshed.</p>	
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	<p>Commr. Parks related that he attended the Caribbean American Association of Lake County Jerk Festival in the City of Clermont on the previous Saturday, noting that there was good food and many people.</p>	PARKS
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	<p>Commr. Parks reminded the Board that they would be discussing the Ferndale interlocal service boundary agreement (ISBA) on June 11, 2024.</p>	PARKS
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	<p>Commr. Campione stated that she attended a Wekiva River Basin Commission meeting and that it was impactful. She commented that discussion about the kayak launch had been requested, and that she had explained what the County wanted to accomplish, which would be a low impact kayak launch. She relayed that the feedback from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) was good and that they had asked that the County revise their map and proposal, as well as work on specific parameters. She mentioned that there was a concern that the County might one day want to put a restaurant there if they were deeded the land, noting that these issues could be addressed in the documents to clarify that the use of the property could not be for commercial purposes, etc. She relayed her understanding that there were some issues where some people had entered the Seminole State Forest property and had put graffiti on the bridge, etc. She clarified that this was another issue that needed to be addressed, but that it was not on County property. She said that she would discuss this with the Lake County Sheriff, and she opined that between Seminole and Lake County law enforcement, they may be able to help in this regard, noting that the Florida Forestry Service would have to help as well. She opined that with having a location where once per day someone from the County was opening and closing the area, it would put more eyes on the area, which could be a good thing. She added that there were concerns about how this could interfere with wildlife traversing the area, opining that those issues could be addressed by how they designed the walkway. She reiterated that FDOT was</p>	CAMPIONE

	<p>positive and that they just wanted the County to make some revisions and put some conditions in place to be brought back to them. She then said that discussion came up about the Hillcrest project, which would come back to the Board as a Comprehensive Plan (Comp Plan) amendment case, and she relayed that she had emphasized to the Wekiva River Basin Commission that the Board would comply with the Wekiva Study Area standards and the County's own standards. She commented that the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council (ECFRPC) had weighed in with an objection, but there was no technical information or presentation made to the council; therefore, she expressed concerns for the ECFRPC being involved if there was not an opportunity for everyone involved in a land use case to attend the meeting and present technical information. She opined that it could tip the scales when the State was looking at something and saw that the ECFRPC weighed in, and that this was not appropriate. She opined that the Board needed to take a position on future situations that might come up.</p>	
<p>FOR YOUR INFORMATION</p>	<p>Commr. Campione commented that she attended an Elder Affairs Coordinating Council meeting, and opined that there was more that the County could be doing to connect seniors and residents to opportunities, services and each other. She commented that the Lake County Sheriff was going to talk to the group about the services his office provided, which included checking on homebound people or those who did not have relatives, etc., noting that some people did not realize they could sign up.</p>	<p>CAMPIONE</p>
<p>FOR YOUR INFORMATION</p>	<p>Commr. Campione stated that she attended the first Homeless Mitigation Advisory Committee meeting, and that they discussed many positive things occurring in the county that were focused on helping direct people in need to housing; however, they quickly learned that they were going to have Sunshine Law issues on the Committee unless they reconfigured it or set it up as a working group instead of an appointed committee. She elaborated that many people on the committee worked in the same field and were making calls, and that she and Ms. Melanie Marsh, County Attorney, would work on this and bring something back to the Board. She noted that the Board may have to disband the Committee and let them reestablish themselves as a working group. She added that she thought about reaching out to the Lake 100 as a possible place to house this working group, and that she could still serve as a liaison and bring back recommendations.</p>	<p>CAMPIONE</p>
<p>FOR YOUR INFORMATION</p>	<p>Commr. Campione relayed that for Amendment 4, she had been working with Ms. Marsh on proposed language to hopefully bring back to the Board at the following meeting. She indicated that she had done research and compared the States of New York and California laws, and that this was basically the same thing; therefore, she opined that if the amendment passed, the State of Florida would essentially have the same law for abortion as those states. She opined that it was pretty extreme, and she did not think that people</p>	<p>CAMPIONE</p>

	realized this because they did not quite understand what the word “viability” meant. She opined that they were talking about the end of a six or seven month pregnancy, and said that there was also language that allowed someone to make a decision up until the time of birth. She expressed concerns for this, and she hoped that the people in the State of Florida did not want this as their law. She opined that it was important for people to understand what it said and that it would put them in the same place as the other states with the most extreme abortion laws. She reiterated that it was her goal to bring something back for the Board to review, and clarified that it was more about helping people be informed and do research on it.	
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Blake complimented Mr. George Taylor, Director for the Office of Library Services, and staff because the Library Advisory Board had their impact fee meeting. He added that it went smoothly, that the process was improved, and that about \$1.5 million would be coming to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) for final approval.	BLAKE
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Smith related that he visited the Pinecastle range.	SMITH
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Smith mentioned a large solar farm on Interstate 10 between Lake City and the City of Tallahassee.	SMITH
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Smith hoped that everyone remembered why they had Memorial Day, and took pride in being an American during that time.	SMITH
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Smith stated that they had the Senior Expo, as well as the Senior Blue Book, which provided information to many people; additionally, it was available at every Walgreens and library within the county.	SMITH
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Smith remarked that he had conversations with Mr. Bobby Bonilla, Executive Director for Parks and Water Resources, about Hickory Point, noting that some good things were happening there. He praised Mr. Bonilla and staff, and he thought that it was going to be good for everyone to use.	SMITH
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Smith mentioned that it was National Cheese Day and National Hug Your Cat Day.	SMITH