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ARPA UPDATE BARKER

Mr. Sean Beaudet, Grants Coordinator for the Office of Management and Budget, stated that staff would provide an update on the affordable housing solicitation results and use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds. He related that the Board had tentatively approved \$3 million for affordable housing projects and programs, and that the Office of Procurement Services had issued a formal solicitation to secure an affordable housing project.

Mr. Ron Falanga, Director for the Office of Procurement Services, said that the Office of Procurement Services issued a request for proposal (RFP) between December 16, 2021 and January 20, 2022, and that they had received two responsive and responsible submissions from Find, Feed & Restore and New Beginnings of Central Florida. He mentioned that they were both ARPA compliant, and that evaluations had been conducted through formal selection committee procedures. He elaborated that the focus of Find, Feed & Restore was on workforce housing, which included tenants with income too high to qualify for standard affordable housing subsidies, and that they were being funded by grants and partnerships. He relayed that the development included seven duplexes, which comprised 14 three-bedroom, two and a half bath units with garages, for a pathway to homeownership on two acres on Pruitt Street in the City of Leesburg, and that it would be called Hannah Grace Gardens. He commented that it would require at least 18 months of Lake County residency/employment and enrollment in hosted financial literacy and homeownership mentoring programs to qualify for a unit, and that 30 percent of the units would be set aside for police officers and educators. He stated that the rent for a unit would be \$900 per month compared to an average area rent of \$1,345 per month, and that the total amount requested was \$3 million. He then explained that the focus of New Beginnings of Central Florida was on transitional housing, which included temporary housing with supportive services for the unhoused, and that they were being funded by faith-based organizations and grants. He related that the project included building six cottage-sized two-bedroom homes for transitional housing on a 2.1 acre site located at 415 Citrus Tower Blvd in the City of Clermont which currently contained a 12,000 square foot building containing a training center and a thrift store. He mentioned that there were on-site caseworkers to aid residents in plan development for self-sufficiency, job trainers to enhance residents' work skills while in the program, and volunteers to teach the necessary classes to prepare each person to live independently, and that the total requested amount was about \$1.2 million. He said that based on the County's needs and its best interests, staff recommended that the County award \$3 million to Find, Feed & Restore.

	The Board awarded \$3 million to Find, Feed & Restore.	
DISCUSSION	Tab 23. Update and discussion regarding the Four Corners Community Center. The Board approved to provide up to \$3 million for renovations at Cagan Crossings Community Library to accommodate classrooms and meeting space in partnership with Lake Sumter State College (LSSC) and Lake Technical College (Lake Tech).	BARKER
APPROVED	Tab 1. Request for approval of the minutes of the BCC Meetings of December 21, 2021 (Regular Meeting), December 30, 2021 (Special Meeting), January 4, 2022 (Regular Meeting), and February 7, 2022 (Special Meeting).	COONEY
	CITIZEN QUESTION AND COMMENT PERIOD	
	Ms. Deborah Shelley, with Citizens for the Preservation of Rural, commented that she had a copy of the rural conservation subdivision design standards ordinance, which would be presented to the Board at the May 10, 2022 Board of County Commissioners (BCC) meeting, and she opined that the rural protection areas (RPA) should be included as applicable locations. She opined that all of the Cities would have to agree on this concept in order for it to work, and she asked if there would be another plan if the Cities did not agree. She also mentioned that members of Citizens for the Preservation of Rural would like to see the Interlocal Service Boundary Agreements (ISBA) reviewed, and opined that the boundaries should be modified by excluding RPAs. She opined that the ISBAs were not working as planned, and that the Cities were encroaching into some RPA boundaries with devastating effects. She relayed her understanding that the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council (ECFRPC) would be assisting with the County initiative to involve all the Cities, and she expressed concern about current growth policies. She hoped that the County could improve on this, and said that she looked forward to continued participation in the County initiative to involve all the Cities.	
	Mr. Vance Jochim, a concerned citizen, opined that the County should consolidate the trips of the waste haulers and discontinue the separate trips for recyclers. He also opined that election integrity in the State of Florida could be improved, opining that Senator Alan Hays Lake County, Supervisor of Elections, provided vague answers instead of professional analysis and feedback on voting machine integrity and other systems. He opined that there should be a formal audit, and he requested that an audit be initiated.	
	Pastor Michael Watkins, a resident of Lake County, related that there would	

be an event on June 12, 2022 at Wooton Park in the City of Tavares to unify the County and pray for the concerns of their communities and country, and he asked that the Board provide a proclamation for Race Amity Day. He opined that there were many organizations that were working to make this county better, and that this event could build bridges and break down barriers.

Mr. Steve Bishop, Executive Director and President for the Florida Region of USA Volleyball, shared a progress report on the Hickory Point Beach Complex. He related that they had completed construction which enhanced the complex, noting that the County had invested \$3 million of Tourism Development Tax (TDT) funds for this project. He commented that visitors had come to Lake County from over 100 cities across the State of Florida, from 25 states in the United States (U.S.), and from 15 countries of the world to visit Hickory Point Beach since 2014 when the complex opened, and that it had generated over \$11 million in economic impact for the community. He mentioned that they were the official home court for the Lake Sumter Lake Hawks Beach Volleyball program, which served LSSC, and that they were a national training site for USA Volleyball, one of four in the U.S., adding that they also serviced the Beach ParaVolley athletes. He related that in November 2021, World ParaVolley, an international Paralympic federation, designated Hickory Point Beach Complex as the first beach development center in the world, and that two weeks prior, Hickory Point Beach Complex had hosted the American Volleyball Coaches Association Small College Beach Championships, which included 34 colleges from 16 states, adding that it was the largest collegiate beach volleyball tournament in the country. He commented that on the following weekend, they would host the Sunshine State Athletics High School State Beach Championships, which included 22 schools, and that they were a finalist to host the Inaugural 2023 and 2024 National Beach Championships for the NCAA.

Pastor Jim Mory, of Union Congregational Church in the City of Tavares, commented that he was committed to community events that brought diverse people together to build stronger relationships and a stronger community. He expressed appreciation for the Board's consideration of Race Amity Day, and he hoped that it would be a wonderful event.

Ms. Cindy Newton, a resident of Commission District 4, wondered if the Board could be quicker about initiating the rural conservation design standards and making it part of the Comp Plan, opining that Lake County was losing many sensitive areas and RPAs. She commented that Seminole County was doing a listening tour, and she suggested that the Board attend a meeting or reach out to them for ideas.

PROCLAMATION

Tab 2. Request approval and presentation of Proclamation 2022-46 BRANCO designating May 2022 as Building Safety Month in Lake County.

APPROVED	Tab 3. Approval of Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller's Consent Agenda (Items 1-2)	COONEY
	1. Notice is hereby provided of warrants paid prior to this meeting, pursuant to Chapter 136.06 (1) of the Florida Statutes, which shall be incorporated into the Minutes and filed in the Board Support Division of the Clerk's Office.	
	2. Notice is hereby provided of having received the City of Leesburg's FY 2021 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.	
APPROVED	Tab 4. Request from County Attorney to recommend adoption of Resolutions 2022-47 (Mackin), 2022-48 (Greeson-Rice Jones), and 2022-49 (Gamble), instituting Eminent Domain proceedings for acquisition of property needed for the CR 466A Road Project, and approval to proceed with pre-suit negotiation offers. The fiscal impact (expenditure) cannot be determined at this time. Commission District 5.	MARSH
APPROVED	Tab 5. Request from County Attorney to recommend approval of Second Amendment to Lease Agreement between Lake County and Alfred Street Holding Company, LLC, for the Clerk's Division of Inspector General at 401 East Alfred Street in Tavares. The fiscal impact is \$6,502.17 for Fiscal Year 2022 (payments for July, August and September) and \$26,138.72 for Fiscal Year 2023. Commission District 3.	MARSH
APPROVED	<u>Tab 6.</u> Request from Procurement Services to recommend approval to declare items as surplus and grant authorization to remove them from the County's official fixed asset inventory records. The fiscal impact (revenue) cannot be determined at this time.	BARKER
APPROVED	Tab 7. Request from Economic Growth to recommend approval of Eighth Amendment to Declaration of Restrictive Covenants for Lake County Central Park a/k/a Christopher C. Ford Commerce Park. There is no fiscal impact. Commission District 1.	GARCIA
APPROVED	Tab 8. Request from Economic Growth to recommend approval: 1. To provide Tourist Development Tax funding for host fees and related event expenses for Lake County and the Greater Orlando Sports Commission's bid to host the 2022 Major League Fishing Cup tournament to take place on the Clermont Chain of Lakes; and 2. To authorize the Chairman to execute the agreement with Major League Fishing and the Central Florida Sports Commission, Inc. dba Greater Orlando Sports Commission, if selected as the tournament host location. The fiscal impact is not to exceed \$74,999 (expenditure – TDT funding).	GARCIA

	Commission District 2.	
APPROVED	Tab 9. Request from Economic Growth to recommend approval: 1. To provide Tourist Development Tax funding for host fees and related event expenses for Lake County and the Florida Region USA Volleyball, Inc.'s bid to host the 2022 NORCECA Continental Championship to take place at Hickory Point Beach in Tavares. The target weekend for this event is November 30 -December 4, 2022; and 2. To provide Tourist Development Tax funding for host fees and related event expenses for Lake County and the Florida Region USA Volleyball, Inc.'s bid to host the 2022 World ParaVolley Tour Stop to take place at Hickory Point Beach in Tavares. The target weekend for this event is November 30 -December 4, 2022; and 3. To authorize the Chairman to execute the agreements with Florida Region USA Volleyball, NORCECA Continental Championship, and World ParaVolley if selected as the tournaments' host location. The fiscal impact of the NORCECA Continental Championship is not to exceed \$90,000 (expenditure – TDT funding). The fiscal impact of the World ParaVolley Tour Stop is not to exceed \$60,000 (expenditure – TDT funding). Both events are located in Commission District 3.	GARCIA
APPROVED	Tab 10. Request from Emergency Management to recommend approval: 1. Of a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for Lake County's continued participation in the Orlando Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI); and 2. To authorize the Chairman to execute the MOA; and 3. To designate the Office of Emergency Management Director as the primary representative for Lake County to the UASI Working Group; and 4. For the County Manager to execute any future no-cost amendments or modifications to the MOA. There is no fiscal impact.	CARPENTER
APPROVED	Tab 11. Request from Emergency Medical Services to recommend approval of Second Amendment to Lease Agreement between Lake County and Phyllis B. Cross for the Eustis area EMS Station 141 located at 702 South Grove Street, in Eustis. The fiscal impact is \$16,200 (expenditure) for Fiscal Year 2023. Commission District 4.	CARPENTER
APPROVED	Tab 12. Request from Planning and Zoning to recommend approval to advertise an Ordinance creating Chapter XVI, Lake County Code, Appendix E, Land Development Regulations, entitled Wellness Way Area Plan Development Standards, which establishes design criteria for new development within the Wellness Way Area Plan. The fiscal impact cannot be determined at this time. Commission District 2.	BRANCO

APPROVED	Tab 13. Request from Public Safety Support to recommend approval: 1. Of Contract 22-426 for tower lighting for Public Safety Support to Lumenserve, Inc. (Austin, Texas); and 2. To authorize the Office of Procurement Services to execute all supporting documentation. The estimated fiscal impact is \$58,363.20 (expenditure) and is within, and will not exceed, the fiscal year budget.	CARPENTER
APPROVED	Tab 14. Request from Facilities Management to recommend approval: 1. Of Contract Q2022-00058 for Lake County Parking Garage Cable Railing Repair to Restocon Corporation (Tampa, FL); and 2. To authorize the Office of Procurement Services to execute all supporting documentation. The fiscal impact is \$84,750 (expenditure) and is within, and will not exceed, the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget. Commission District 3.	SCHNEIDER
APPROVED	Tab 15. Request from Public Works to recommend: 1. Approval of a Local Agency Program (LAP) Agreement; and 2. Adoption of supporting Resolution 2022-50 with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) for construction and inspection services for the Green Mountain Trail project in Minneola; and 3. Adoption of Unanticipated Revenue Resolution 2022-51 adding \$2,000,000 to the Federal/State Grants Fund for the Green Mountain Trail Project. The estimated fiscal impact is \$2,070,425 (\$2,000,000 revenue/expenditure in grant funding, \$70,425 expenditure – impact fees). Commission District 2.	SCHNEIDER
APPROVED	Tab 16. Request from Public Works to recommend approval of an amendment to extend contract #FWC11355 with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) for six months for aquatic vegetation control services. There is no fiscal impact.	SCHNEIDER
APPROVED	Tab 17. Request from Transit Services to recommend approval of the Coordination Agreement with United Way of Lake and Sumter Counties for the provision of transportation services for local Veterans to various locations throughout Central Florida that provide veteran services. There is no fiscal impact.	SCHNEIDER
PRESENTATION	Tab 18. Presentation on the Transportation Impact Fee Update Study. The Board approved the presentation and directed staff to make	SCHNEIDER

	recommendations at a future meeting.	
PRESENTATION	Tab 19. Presentation of Economic Development Partnership between Elevate Lake and LEAD, board discussion and direction. The Board approved a contract to pay \$150,000 for the current year, and that \$500,000 be placed in the budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023, with a provision to sunset the economic development organization (EDO) designation in two years.	GARCIA
APPROVED	Tab 21. PUBLIC HEARING: Recommend adoption of Resolution 2022-53 to vacate a platted right of way located east of CR 450 and north of East Umatilla Blvd. The closest municipality is the City of Umatilla. There is no fiscal impact (vacation application fee included in Approval to Advertise Agenda). Commission District 4.	SCHNEIDER
APPROVED	Tab 22. PUBLIC HEARING: Recommend adoption of Resolution 2022-54 to vacate portions of unimproved rights of way as shown on the unrecorded Map of Higley located east of CR 452 and south of Emeralda Island Road. The closest municipality is the City of Leesburg. There is no fiscal impact (vacation application fee included in Approval to Advertise Agenda). Commission District 4.	SCHNEIDER
DISCUSSION	ADDENDUM Tab 29. Discussion on a letter received from the Town of Montverde regarding traffic calming on County Road 455.	PARKS
DISCUSSION	ADDENDUM Tab 28. Discussion and direction regarding the City of Eustis' request to purchase the Lake County Fairgrounds property.	PARKS
DENIED	Tab 24. Request from GFL Solid Waste Southeast and Waste Pro of Florida for an extraordinary rate adjustment. The Board denied the request for the rate increase of areas one and three, and approved a contingency plan with area two if areas one and three voluntarily pulled out of their contracts.	BARKER
APPROVED	Tab 20. PUBLIC HEARING: Recommend approval: 1. Of an amended budget for Fiscal Year 2022 to include a reconciliation of beginning fund balance and other adjustments; and 2. Adoption of Resolution 2022-52 for a supplemental budget for Fiscal Year 2022.	BARKER

APPOINTMENTS/ APPROVED	Tab 25. Request approval to appoint a member to the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee, and approval of applicable waiver.	CAMPIONE
	• Member who is actively engaged in the residential home building industry in connection with affordable housing: Mariela Garcia	
	Commissioner Campione is the liaison to the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee.	
APPOINTMENTS/ APPROVED	Tab 26. Request approval to appoint Mary Nichols as the primary and Harvey Miller as the alternate to the Library Advisory Board as members representing the City of Umatilla, Mary Page as the primary member representing the City of Minneola, and Norma Emerson as the primary member representing the City of Tavares. Commissioner Blake is the liaison to the Library Advisory Board.	BLAKE
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Shields commented that he had attended an Arts and Cultural Alliance meeting.	SHIELDS
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Shields said that he had attended a Four Corners meeting with the other Counties there.	SHIELDS
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Shields mentioned that he had been working on Water Safety Day.	SHIELDS
NO ACTION TAKEN	ADDENDUM Tab 27. Recommend approval of a temporary appointment to the Tourist Development Council for the vacancy representing owners and operators. The Board instructed staff to advertise for a temporary alternate position contingent on the return of the regular Tourist Development	SMITH
	Council (TDC) member, and to send a letter to the family of the regular TDC member.	
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Smith commented that he had attended the American Volleyball Coaches Association Small College Beach Championships, relaying that there were 34 teams from 16 states and over 3,000 visitors over five days.	SMITH
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Smith related that he met with the Bassville Park community concerning a community center on April 20 and 21, 2022. He commented that they were working with a church to revitalize the Bassville Park area, and that there was good participation from the community.	SMITH

FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Smith mentioned that he and Mr. Fred Schneider, Assistant County Manager, participated in a ride along.	SMITH
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Smith related that he had attended the Farm Bureau dinner on the previous evening.	SMITH
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Smith commented that he and Mr. Bobby Bonilla, Director for the Lake County Office of Parks and Trails, visited the Lake Apopka Trail Loop to meet with an Orange County Commissioner there.	SMITH
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Campione relayed that she had attended a community meeting held by a developer on a land use case that would be heard the following week, and that it was in her district. She mentioned that while there, some residents told her that Sorrento Pines had removed many trees that were supposed to be left intact, and she asked staff to investigate it, adding that she would like to discuss what course of action would be appropriate and how to ensure that it could not happen.	CAMPIONE
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Blake commented that April 18, 2022 was National Tax Freedom Day, and that the American Tax Foundation had calculated that it was the date on average that people had worked all year to pay off their tax obligations.	BLAKE
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Blake said that he had attended the bill signing with Florida Governor Ron DeSantis in The Villages area for the higher education reform bill, and commented that it was very well attended. He commented that among the attendees was the Florida Commissioner of Education Richard Corcoran, and Senator Manny Diaz, Jr. who would be the new Florida Commissioner of Education.	BLAKE
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Blake relayed that Mr. Elon Musk had acquired the social network company, Twitter, and he opined that it was a positive sign that society could coexist.	BLAKE
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Parks remarked that he had also attended the Farm Bureau dinner, and that they wanted to keep agriculture in Lake County.	PARKS
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Parks commented that he had attended the Florida Wildlife Corridor summit, and he distributed a handout containing data that they had compiled over the prior two years about wildlife corridors and working with the agriculture industry, noting that Representative Keith Truenow and Representative Paul Renner were in attendance.	PARKS

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FOR YOUR	Commr. Parks related that the plan for State Road (SR) 516, which was the	PARKS
INFORMATION	Lake/Orange Expressway, was presented at the South Lake Chamber of	
	Commerce, and that he would like to have it presented to the Board in a future	
	BCC meeting. He commented that it was the only road in the southeast that	
	would have dynamic charging, allowing an electric vehicle with that	
	capability to charge while driving over it.	