

RESOLUTION 14-64

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING THE MOVING ALACHUA COUNTY FORWARD CITIZEN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE; ESTABLISHING A SUNSET DATE; ESTABLISHING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE; ESTABLISHING THE RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE; PROVIDING FOR THE TERM OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE; ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR THE CONDUCT OF MEETINGS AND OPERATION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on June 10, 2014 the Board of County Commissioners of Alachua County adopted Ordinance 2014-12 to place a voter referendum titled, Moving Alachua County Forward, a Charter County and Regional Transportation System Surtax to be utilized by Alachua County and the municipalities within Alachua County for the planning, development, construction, operation, and maintenance of roads and bridges, bus systems, and on-demand transportation services and for the payment of principal and interest on bonds used for the construction of such bus systems, roads, or bridges; and

WHEREAS, a referendum on said surtax will be held on November 4, 2014, and the voters of Alachua County may approve said surtax; and

WHEREAS, the ballot language for the referendum calls for 'Citizen Oversight'; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Alachua County wishes to establish a Citizen Oversight Committee to ensure that the Moving Alachua County Forward surtax revenues will be expended consistent with the ballot language if approved by the voters;

NOW THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED BY THE ALACHUA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

Section 1. Advisory Committee Established. The Board of County Commissioners of Alachua County, Florida (Board) hereby establishes the Moving Alachua County Forward Citizen Oversight Committee (Advisory Committee).

Section 2. Designated Special Committee. This Advisory Committee is designated as a Special Committee, per the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners Rules of Procedure: Guidelines for Boards & Committees. The sunset date for this Advisory Committee will be on or before December 31, 2024.

Section 3. Membership and Qualifications. The Advisory Committee shall consist of no more than seven (7) voting members plus four (4) alternate members. All members must be residents of Alachua County. Two (2) of the members plus one (1) alternate will be appointed by the County, two (2)

of the members plus one (1) alternate will be appointed by the City of Gainesville, two (2) of the members plus one (1) alternate will be appointed by the Alachua County League of Cities and one (1) member plus one (1) alternate will be appointed by the Board of Directors of the Gainesville Area Chamber of Commerce. Members may not be county or municipal elected officials or employees. Members shall be appointed for 4 year staggered terms.

Section 4. Responsibilities and Duties. The responsibility of the Advisory Committee shall be to:

1. Assure citizens and elected officials that funds approved through the referendum are expended only for projects as approved in the Moving Alachua County Forward Ballot Language and the County and Municipal Transportation System Project Lists attached to interlocal agreements as may be amended.
2. Track overall expenditure of Moving Alachua County Forward one percent sales surtax revenues.
3. Provide recommendations to the County and municipalities if amendments are proposed to the Moving Alachua County Forward Ordinance and/or County and Municipal interlocal agreements designating eligible projects.

Section 5. Operations. The Advisory Committee shall be guided by the by-laws approved by the Advisory Committee and the Alachua County Commission's Rules of Procedure. The by-laws shall include the following provisions and such other provisions as the Advisory Committee may deem appropriate:

1) Elections. The Advisory Committee shall annually elect one of its members as Chair, and such other officers as the Advisory Committee deems necessary to meet its needs. Vacancies in offices shall be filled by election at the next regular meeting following the date the vacancy occurred.

2) Meetings. Meetings of the Advisory Committee or any subcommittee thereof, shall be open to the public and the media and shall be conducted in compliance with the Sunshine Law, Section 286.011, Florida Statutes. The County Manager or his or her designee shall produce minutes of the meetings which shall be submitted to the Advisory Committee for approval. The Advisory Committee shall meet at least twice per year and as often as the Committee feels is necessary to accomplish the responsibilities and duties in Section 4 of this Resolution. The Chair shall preside and conduct meetings of the Advisory Committee according to the most recent edition of Alice Sturgis' Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure. Special meetings may be called by the Chair or by any three (3) members of the Advisory Committee upon forty-eight (48) hours written notice to all members and to the County Manager or his or her designee.

3) Agenda. The Chair shall be responsible for the meeting agenda. The County Manager or designee shall serve as staff liaison to the Advisory Committee and shall aid in preparing and distributing the agenda prior to the meeting. The County Manager or designee, or any

member of the Advisory Committee may place an item on the agenda by notifying the staff liaison prior to the preparation of the agenda.

4) Subcommittees. Subcommittees comprised of members of the Advisory Committee may be appointed by the Chair.

5) Quorum. A quorum will consist of no less than four members. Recommendations and decisions of the Advisory Committee must be made by a majority vote of those present and voting.

6) Attendance. The attendance policy for the Advisory Committee shall be in accordance with the attendance policy for boards and committees set forth in the Alachua County Commission's Rules of Procedure.

7) Compensation. Members of the Advisory Committee shall receive no compensation for the performance of their duties and responsibilities.

8) Reports. The Advisory Committee will compile information received from the county and municipalities and provide annual reports to the County Commission and each City Commission consistent with its mission. The Committee will provide a final report prior to ceasing operations. The Advisory Committee shall copy all reports and communications to the County Manager or designee for forwarding to the Chair of the County Commission. Any Advisory Committee reports required by the Alachua County Commission's Rules of Procedure shall be submitted in accordance with said Rules.

Section 6. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

DULY ADOPTED in regular session, this 12 day of August, A.D., 2014.

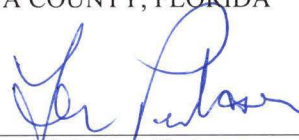
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ATTEST:


J. K. Irby, Clerk

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA

By:


Lee Pinkoson, Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM


County Attorney