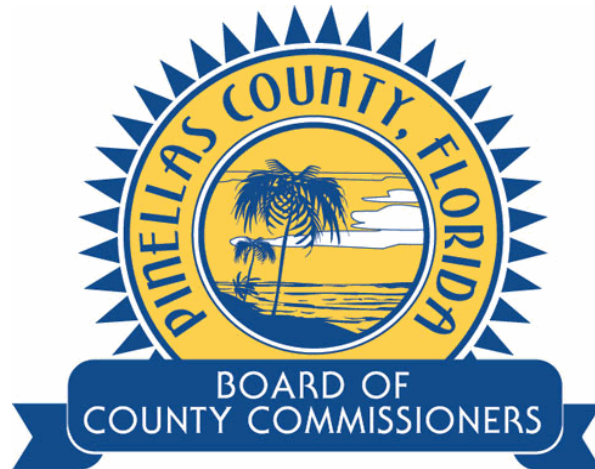


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Hybrid In-Person and Virtual Regular Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, November 18, 2025
2:00 P.M.

Public Hearings at 6:00 P.M.

Brian Scott, Chair
Dave Eggers, Vice-Chair
Rene Flowers
Chris Latvala
Vince Nowicki
Kathleen Peters
Chris Scherer

Barry A. Burton, County Administrator
Jewel White, County Attorney
Ken Burke, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller

ROLL CALL**INVOCATION****PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE****PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS**

1. [25-1091A](#) 35th Anniversary of the Pinellas Trail Proclamation:
 - Jan Hirschfield, President, Friends of the Pinellas Trail, Inc.
 - Scott Daniels, Vice President, Friends of the Pinellas Trail, Inc.
 - Dan Jost, Chief Park Ranger, Pinellas County Parks and Conservation Resources
 - Pinellas Trail photo contest winners:
 - Mark Majoros - Pets on the Trail Winner
 - Russ Drevitson - Favorite Spot Winner
 - Rue Tallarino - Selfie Winner
 - Diana Drake-Fry - Sunrises and Sunsets Winner
 - Miguel Celis - Animal and Plant Life Winner
2. [25-1610A](#) 2026 Achievement of Excellence in Procurement:
 - Merry Celeste, Division Director, Purchasing

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

3. [25-1438A](#) Citizens To Be Heard - Public Comment.

CONSENT AGENDA - Items 4 through 27**CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND COMPTROLLER**

4. [25-1742A](#) Minutes of the regular meetings held September 11, September 18, and October 7, 2025.
5. [25-1743A](#) Vouchers and bills paid from September 21 through October 25, 2025.

Reports received for filing:

6. [25-1744A](#) State of Florida Constitutional Officer Financial Report for 2024-2025 - Pinellas County Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller, pursuant to Section 218.36, Florida Statutes.
7. [25-1745A](#) State of Florida Constitutional Officer Financial Report for 2024-2025 - Pinellas County Property Appraiser, pursuant to Section 218.36, Florida Statutes.

8. [25-1746A](#) State of Florida Constitutional Officer Financial Report for 2024-2025 - Pinellas County Sheriff's Office, pursuant to Section 218.36, Florida Statutes.
9. [25-1748A](#) State of Florida Constitutional Officer Financial Report for 2024-2025 - Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections, pursuant to Section 218.36, Florida Statutes.
10. [25-1749A](#) State of Florida Constitutional Officer Financial Report for 2024-2025 - Pinellas County Tax Collector, pursuant to Section 218.36, Florida Statutes.
11. [25-1750A](#) Division of Inspector General, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller, Report No. 2025-18 dated September 9, 2025 - Follow-Up Audit of Economic Development Employment Sites Program.
12. [25-1751A](#) Division of Inspector General, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller, Report No. 2025-19 dated October 9, 2025 - Inspector General's Observation of the Public Works Customer and Technical Services Division 2025 Annual Physical Inventory of Fixed Assets.
13. [25-1752A](#) Division of Inspector General, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller, Report No. 2025-20 dated October 14, 2025 - Investigation of Building and Development Review Services Personnel Alteration of a Permit Record.
14. [25-1753A](#) Division of Inspector General, Clerk of the Circuit and Controller, Report No. 2025-21 dated October 14, 2025 - Investigative Review of a Building Permit.
15. [25-1754A](#) Division of Inspector General, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller, Report No. 2025-22 dated October 17, 2025 - Inspector General's Follow-Up Audit of Accounts Receivable Write-Offs for Fiscal Year 2023 and Inspection of the Accounts Receivable Write-Off Approval Memo for Fiscal Year 2022.
16. [25-1756A](#) Pinellas County Annual Operating and Capital Budget FY26.

Miscellaneous items received for filing:

17. [25-1757A](#) City of Clearwater Ordinance Nos. 9828-25, 9831-25, and 9837-25, adopted on September 18, 2025, annexing certain properties.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR DEPARTMENTS

Building and Development Review Services

18. [25-1560A](#) Plat of Innisbrook Parcel L Phase 2, a 62-lot subdivision.

Recommendation: Approval of the plat for Innisbrook Parcel L Phase 2 located in Section 24, Township 27 South, Range 15 East, and acceptance of the sidewalk and private street sign guarantee for recording.

- The property is located south of East Klosterman Road, west of Belcher Road.
- TLB 174- Palm Harbor, L.P. and Toll Southeast LP Company, Inc. is submitting this plat as a requirement for Site Plan 1050.09.
- The site is being subdivided into 62 single-family residential lots, 4 tracts.
- Sidewalk and street signs are a requirement of this development.

Construction and Property Management

19. [25-1697A](#) Award of bid to Advanced Roofing, Inc. for county-wide roofing replacement and repair roofing services and supplies, waterproofing, and related products and services.

Recommendation: Approval of the award of bid to Advanced Roofing, Inc. for county-wide roofing replacement and repair.

- This contract provides the County with various roofing-related services including, but not limited to roofing inspections, waterproofing, and repairs on an as-needed basis.
- Seven bids were received, with Advanced Roofing, Inc. recommended for award as the lowest responsive, responsible bidder with an annual average estimated value of \$1,468,500.00, total not to exceed sixty-month expenditure of \$7,342,500.00.
- Funding is included in the Fiscal Year 2026 Adopted Budget for Construction and Property Management within the General Fund. Future funding will be dependent on the annual adoption of the County's Operating Budget.

Contract No. 25-0354-ITB-C for an estimated average annual expenditure of \$1,468,500.00 with a total contract amount not to exceed \$7,342,500.00 for a term of sixty months based on the lowest responsive, responsible bid meeting specifications; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

County Administrator

20. [25-1672A](#) Receipt and file report of non-procurement items delegated to the County Administrator for the period ending October 31, 2025.

Recommendation: Accept the receipt and file report of non-procurement items delegated to the County Administrator.

Public Works

21. [25-1615A](#) Award of bid to Florida Drawbridges, Inc. for bridge related preventative maintenance and emergency repair services.

Recommendation: Approval of bid to Florida Drawbridges, Inc. for bridge related preventative maintenance and emergency repair services.

- This contract provides preventative maintenance services and emergency repair response for three County bascule bridges (Dunedin, Park Boulevard, and Beckett).
- Services include all labor, materials and equipment to perform routine preventative maintenance and emergency response to assess bridge conditions and make immediate repair and includes traffic control as needed.
- Contract term is thirty-six months in the total estimated amount of \$1,150,280.00 with an average annual expenditure of \$383,426.67.
- The sole responsive, responsible bid received was from Florida Drawbridges, Inc. in the amount of \$1,150,280.00 for three years with provision for one twenty-four-month extension. Other vendors notified stated they were lacking either required certification or necessary insurance coverage.
- Funding for this contract is included in the Fiscal Year 2026 budget of Public Works in the County Transportation Trust Fund.

Bid No. 25-0770-ITB-C in the estimated average annual amount of \$383,426.67 for a thirty-six-month total of \$1,150,280.00; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

Safety and Emergency Services

22. [25-1377A](#) Ranking of firms and agreement with Carousel Industries of North America, LLC for Vesta Maintenance.

Recommendation: Approval of the ranking of firms and agreement with the number one ranked firm Carousel Industries of North America, LLC (Carousel) for Vesta Maintenance.

- This contract will provide maintenance services for 9-1-1 Communications Centers with maintenance and support of the Vesta 9-1-1 Public Safety Call Handling Solution (Vesta) by Motorola Solutions as managed services for network devices and fail-over support between redundant WAN carriers.
- Two proposals were received with award recommendation to the top ranked firm Carousel.
- The initial term of this agreement is for sixty months with provisions for two additional twenty-four-month terms and a not to exceed value of \$10,180,408.64.
- Funding for this contract is derived from 9-1-1 Emergency Communications E911 System Special Revenue Fund, 911 Fees.

Contract No. 25-0581-RFP in the not-to-exceed contract value of \$10,180,408.64 effective for sixty months; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

23. [25-1324A](#) Ranking of firms and agreement with ZOLL Data Systems, Inc. for Ambulance Services Billing Software.

Recommendation: Approval of the ranking of firms and agreement with the number one ranked firm ZOLL Data Systems, Inc. (ZOLL) for Ambulance Services Billing Software.

- This contract will provide new ambulance services billing software to the Safety & Emergency Services Department's Financial Services Division.
- This upgrade is essential to eliminate the ongoing challenges of relying on 20-year-old technology to process and post payments on the high volume of claims (approximately 190,000 annually). The key improvements include integrated pre-billing activities e.g., insurance coverage detection, demographic verification, deductible management and address validation; automation of manual tasks to include the claims submission process, updates to the Medicare and Medicaid fee schedule, online patient payment portal, and printing and mailing services.
- Expected decrease in operating costs by reducing reliance on multiple third-party vendor contracts for: print/mail services, clearinghouse submissions, deductible management, Zoll Licenses (no license requirements on new software - embedded in per claims cost). These services are embedded in new software.
- Four proposals were received with award recommendation to the top ranked firm ZOLL.
- The initial term of this agreement is for sixty months with provisions for two additional, twenty-four-month terms and a not to exceed value of \$5,306,538.49.
- Funding for this agreement was Budgeted in the FY25 Adopted Budget in the Safety and Emergency Services Department in the EMS fund. It was not specifically budgeted in FY26 as it was expected to be spent in FY25. Funding for this agreement will likely be part of the Carry Forward Budget Amendment in February 2026.

Contract No. 25-0334-RFP in the not-to-exceed contract value of \$5,306,538.49 effective for sixty months; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

Utilities

24. [25-1567A](#) Award of bid to TLC Diversified, Inc. for Pump Station 182 rehabilitation construction services.

Recommendation: Approval of the award of bid to TLC Diversified, Inc. for Pump Station 182 rehabilitation construction services.

- This project will rehabilitate the existing pump station by replacing pumps and all mechanical systems, odor-control and backup generator.
- This station is located in Madeira Beach and conveys sewage flows to South Cross Bayou Water Reclamation Facility for multiple beach communities.
- Three bids received with award recommendation to TLC Diversified, Inc. as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder in the amount of \$3,190,000.00.
- All work is to be completed by June 30, 2027.
- The Small Business Enterprise commitment is 5% for this contract.
- Funding for this agreement is available under Pump Station 182 Rehabilitation project 005221A, included in the Capital Improvement Plan, funded by the Sewer Renewal and Replacement Fund, in the amount of \$3,681,000.00.

Contract 25-0422-ITB-C; PID 005221A in the amount of \$3,190,000.00 with all work to be completed by June 30, 2027; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

25. [25-1581A](#) Receipt and file report of civil lawsuits filed against Pinellas County as delegated to the County Attorney.

Recommendation: Accept the receipt and file report of civil lawsuits filed against Pinellas County.

AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS AND COUNCILS

Sheriff's Office

26. [25-1599A](#) Receipt and file report of Sheriff's Office grants received and service contracts for the quarter ending September 30, 2025.
- Recommendation:** Accept the receipt and file report of Sheriff's Office grants received and service contracts - payments to the Sheriff for July 1 through September 30, 2025.
27. [25-1600A](#) Receipt and file report of the Law Enforcement Trust Fund for the quarter ending September 30, 2025.
- Recommendation:** Accept the receipt and file report on the Law Enforcement Trust Fund from July 1 to September 30, 2025.

REGULAR AGENDA

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR DEPARTMENTS

Airport

28. [25-1593A](#) Award of bid to Hubbard Construction Company for the New Airco Taxiways project at the St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport.

Recommendation: Approval of the award of bid to Hubbard Construction Company for the New Airco Taxiways Project at the St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport.

- The project involves the construction of a new taxiway that will provide access to the Airco property for a future aviation-related tenant.
- Five bids received with award recommendation to Hubbard Construction Company as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder in the amount of \$15,394,958.10, which includes \$1,000,000 of owner-directed contingency.
- All work is expected to be completed by the end of May 2027.
- The Small Business Enterprise commitment for this project is 8%.
- This request is budgeted for in the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget of PIE in the Airport Revenue and Operating Fund. In the event that future fiscal year funding is not available for this project, the County maintains the authority to terminate this agreement.

Bid No. 25-0845-ITB-C; PID 000034A in the amount of \$15,394,958.10 with all work to be completed by May 2027; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

Construction and Property Management

29. [25-1605A](#) Memorandum of Understanding with the St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport for the Criminal Justice Center complex and jail facilities.

Recommendation: Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport for the Criminal Justice Center complex and jail facilities.

- An MOU has been in place since September 2, 1980.
- The current MOU expired on September 30, 2024.
- The new MOU term will be for a term of five years, expiring on September 30, 2029.
- The MOU annual rental rate, due on October 1 of each year, is revised every five years to reflect any increase or decrease in the Consumer Price Index-Urban.
- Beginning on October 1, 2024, the annual rental rate increased by \$215,299.81 (22.7%), from \$949,034.22 to \$1,164,334.03.
- Funding for this agreement is included in the Fiscal Year 2026 Adopted Budget for Construction and Property Management within the General Fund. Funding for future years is dependent on approval in the annual County Operating Budget.

30. [25-1606A](#) Memorandum of Understanding with the St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport for the Criminal Justice Center complex parking areas.

Recommendation: Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport for the Criminal Justice Center complex parking areas.

- An MOU has been in place since February 18, 1992.
- The current MOU expired on September 30, 2024.
- The new MOU term will be for a term of five years, expiring on September 30, 2029.
- The MOU annual rental rate, due on October 1 of each year, is revised every five years to reflect any increase or decrease in the Consumer Price Index-Urban.
- On October 1, 2024, the annual rental rate increased by \$59,617.83 (22.7%), from \$262,521.32 to \$322,139.15.
- Funding for this agreement is included in the Fiscal Year 2026 Adopted Budget for Construction and Property Management within the General Fund. Funding for future years is dependent on adoption in the annual County Operating Budget.

County Administrator

31. [25-1662A](#) Adoption of revisions made to the Honorary Naming Rights Policy and associated Resolution.

Recommendation: Approval of the adoption of revisions made to the Honorary Naming Rights Policy (Policy) and associated Resolution.

- Changes to Section II.B of Policy regarding the length of time an individual must have been deceased to be honored.
- Revisions to Policy outline responsibilities of Board and County Commissioners Administrator.
- Revisions provide clarification on Policy's limitations concerning correction or alteration of street names.
- Resolution proposed supports revisions to the Policy.
- No fiscal impact associated with this item.

32. [25-1679A](#) Municipal Services Taxing Unit special project funding for Tampa Bay Watch Waterfront boat lift replacements.

Recommendation: Approval of the Municipal Services Taxing Unit (MSTU) special project funding request, in the amount of \$20,000.00, for boat lift replacements at Tampa Bay Watch in Tierra Verde.

Additionally, delegate to the County Administrator the approval and execution of the Tampa Bay Watch Fiscal Year 2026 MSTU Funding Agreement, which will allow for a grant in the amount of \$20,000.00 to be reimbursed to the Tampa Bay Watch to replace two boat lifts.

- Tampa Bay Watch's skiff lifts-vital for environmental restoration and education-are failing due to age and storm damage. One is inoperable, the other near failure, jeopardizing critical water-based programs.
- These upgrades will restore full functionality and ensure safe, reliable waterfront operations for the next 20 years.
- After soliciting bids from six vendors, Edge Marine, a reliable past contractor, was selected as the lowest bidder at \$23,000.00.
- Any costs exceeding the MSTU grant will be covered by the Spurlino Foundation or Tampa Bay Watch's operating account, demonstrating strong financial stewardship and commitment to project completion.
- This investment will directly benefit the community by enabling continued access to environmental education, volunteer engagement, and coastal restoration efforts that support Pinellas County's strategic goals.
- The \$20,000.00 request for funding is a one-time expenditure of budgeted MSTU Special Projects funds.
- Funding for this project is included in the current-year General Government Budget in the General Fund. With approval of this special project for \$20,000.00, a total of \$336,733.94 will remain available for Board approved MSTU projects.

Convention and Visitors Bureau

33. [25-1622A](#) Two Capital Project Funding Agreements with the City of Clearwater for renovations to the Clearwater Beach Municipal Marina and the Eddie C. Moore Complex.

Recommendation: Approval of the two Capital Project Funding Agreements with the City of Clearwater (City) for the replacement of the Clearwater Beach Municipal Marina (Marina) and for renovations to the Eddie C. Moore Complex (ECM Complex) that will increase the attraction of tourists, in accordance with the Tourist Development Taxes Capital Project Funding Program Guidelines.

- The agreements with the City support two Tourist Development Tax-funded capital projects:
 - \$7,850,000.00 for the replacement of the Marina.
 - \$7,750,000.00 for renovations to the ECM Complex.
- Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB) staff negotiated the terms for a maximum return on investment for the County.
- Payment will be on a reimbursement basis at project completion.
- Tourist Development Council recommended five capital projects for funding on February 19, 2025, including renovation projects for the Marina and ECM Complex.
- Board of County Commissioners approved the five projects on March 25, 2025, for a total of up-to \$26,400,000.00 in funding.
- Funding for replacement of the Marina is not budgeted in the CVB's Fiscal Year 2026 Adopted Budget in the Tourist Development Tax Fund and may necessitate a budget amendment to realign funds set aside for Tourist Development Tax-funded capital projects, if the agreement is approved. There is lapse capital program funding available for Fiscal Year 2026 that may be sufficient for the Marina agreement.
- Funding for the renovations for the ECM Complex will be programmed in the Fiscal Year 2028 Proposed Budget.

Agreements for a combined total amount of \$15,600,000.00 are effective for three years from the date of execution by the County. Completion of the Marina is estimated to be in August 2026 and the ECM Complex is estimated to be complete in January 2028. Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

Emergency Management

34. [25-1668A](#) Third Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding with the Pinellas County School Board for Capital Improvement Program Funding of Hurricane Shelter Retrofitting of Pre-identified Pinellas County.

Recommendation: Approval of the Third Amendment of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Pinellas County School Board for funding increase to the hurricane shelter retrofits.

- Board approval for the original MOU and Capital Improvement Program (CIP) funding occurred on February 9, 2021, in the amount of \$1,563,373.00.
- Board approval for the First Amendment to the MOU and CIP funding occurred on May 7, 2024. Increased funds to \$4,500,000.00.
- Board approval for the Second Amendment to the MOU and CIP funding occurred on May 20, 2025. Increased funds to \$5,500,000.00.
- Third Amendment increases funding for the CIP Emergency Sheltering Project Number 004180A from \$5,500,000.00 to \$6,000,000.00 for a total increase of \$500,000.00.
- The increase is due to the addition of Campbell Park Elementary to the program.
- Funding for this project is reflected in the Adopted Fiscal Year 2026 Capital Budget, budgeted under the Emergency Sheltering Project 004180A, funded by the Local Infrastructure Sales Surtax (Penny for Pinellas).

Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

Housing & Community Development

35. [25-1669A](#) Affordable Housing Advisory Committee 2025 State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program Affordable Housing Incentives Strategies Report.

Recommendation: Accept the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC) 2025 State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Program Affordable Housing Incentives Strategies Report and authorize submittal to the Florida Housing Finance Corporation and Florida Housing Coalition.

- To receive SHIP funds for affordable housing programs, local governments must establish an AHAC to review policies and regulations that affect the cost of housing and annually report on incentives for affordable housing.
- On October 15, 2025, the AHAC approved the 2025 SHIP Affordable Housing Incentive Strategies Report.
- A public hearing seeking input on the report was held on October 15, 2025. No comments were received.
- The County's SHIP AHAC, established in 2008, is responsible for reviewing policies, land development regulations, the Comprehensive Plan Policy, and other aspects of the County's policies and procedures that affect the cost of housing.
- The AHAC strategies report has no fiscal impact on the County. Funding for SHIP is included in the Fiscal Year 2026 Adopted Budget for Housing and Community Development.

Human Services

36. [25-1505A](#) Contract with the State of Florida Department of Health for the operation of the Florida Department of Health in Pinellas County.

Recommendation: Approval of the contract with the State of Florida Department of Health for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 operation of the Florida Department of Health in Pinellas (DOH Pinellas).

- The contract provides direct ad valorem support to the State of Florida Department of Health pursuant to Chapter 154 Florida Statutes for the operation of DOH Pinellas to promote, protect, maintain, and improve the health and safety of all citizens and visitors through a system of coordinated county health departments.
- Funding in an amount not to exceed \$8,013,000.00 has been included in the Adopted FY26 Budget. These funds are generated by a dedicated millage rate of 0.0713 mills levied countywide as adopted at the Second Public Hearing on September 18, 2025.
- The County's share includes \$5,943,080.00 for core services and \$2,069,920.00 for the School Nurse Program. Since October 1, 2024, the School Nurse Program has provided approximately 531,579 services.
- Services maintained by the DOH Pinellas include environmental health services, communicable disease control, prevention services, primary care services, and School Nurse Programs. During the first three-quarters of FY25 (October - June), DOH Pinellas provided services to 79,215 clients.
- This contract does not include the Pinellas County Health Program, which is under a separate contract.
- This contract is included in the FY26 Adopted Budget in the Health Department Fund.

Parks and Conservation Resources

37. [25-1427A](#) Grant agreement with the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection for the Philippe Park Wastewater Collection System improvements project.

Recommendation: Approval of the grant agreement with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) for the rehabilitation and replacement of the existing septic sewer system at Philippe Park.

- The agreement provides up to \$2,450,000.00 in FDEP grant funds on a reimbursement basis, with a pledged \$1,000,000.00 local contribution from Pinellas County.
- The project includes the installation of approximately 2,800 linear feet of force main, four wastewater pumping stations to replace on-site septic systems, and improvements to Lift Station 614.
- The project is located within Philippe Park in Safety Harbor, an environmentally sensitive area adjacent to upper Old Tampa Bay.
- Philippe Park Wastewater Collection System Improvements project, 000341G, is budgeted in the Proposed Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-FY31 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and funded by Local Infrastructure Sales Surtax (Penny for Pinellas) and State grant funding. The budget reflected in the CIP aligns with the grant agreement.

38. [25-1698A](#) Memorandum of Understanding between Pinellas County and the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences for salary and fringe.

Recommendation: Approval of the reaffirmation letter and update to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences for salary and fringe according to Exhibit A.

- The MOU is renewed every 5 years.
- The reaffirmation letter is approved annually and details the cost to the County for each Extension Service position.
- The MOU provides for County payment of 40 percent of the annual salary and pooled fringe benefits for one director and four extension agents, 47 percent of salary and pooled fringe benefits for one resources management agent, and five percent of one University of Florida support position.
- The MOU work scope is to disseminate University information to the County's citizens and visitors relating to agriculture, 4-H and youth, community, natural resource development, and marine advisory programs.
- Funding for this MOU is included in the Fiscal Year 2026 Adopted Budget for the Parks and Conservation Resources Department within the General Fund. This MOU contains a fiscal non-funding clause, providing for termination should this portion of the budget not be approved.

Public Works

39. [25-1718A](#) Award of bid to Hubbard Construction Company for Fiscal Year 2025-2027 Countywide Pavement Preservation.

Recommendation: Approval of the award of bid to Hubbard Construction Company for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-2027 Countywide Pavement Preservation.

- The proposed FY25-27 Countywide Pavement Preservation contract consists of milling, resurfacing, application of pavement markings, and installation of traffic detector loops along various arterial, collector, and local roadways throughout the County as well as certain park roads.
- Four responsive bids were submitted. The low bid of \$18,904,436.74 received from Hubbard Construction Company was 10.09% under the Engineer's Estimate of \$ 21,026,758.33.
- This award is as a result of a rebid to include parks projects and add deadlines for a specific group of work.
- The Small Business Enterprise commitment is 10% for this contract.
- All work will be completed within 540 consecutive calendar days.
- Funding for this contract is not specifically represented in the FY26-FY31 Capital Improvement Plan because it is used on an as-needed basis and the contract establishes a not to exceed value, with obligation occurring upon issuance of work order assignments. Work orders will primarily be funded by the Road Resurfacing & Rehabilitation Program Project 004192A, funded by the Penny for Pinellas, and the Transportation Millage Capital Resurfacing Program Project 005700A, funded by the transportation millage.

Contract No. 25-0791-ITB-C, for \$18,904,436.74, with all work to be completed within 540 consecutive calendar days; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

40. [25-1619A](#) Award of bid to Suncoast Development of Pinellas County, Inc, for Fiscal Year 2026-2028 Countywide Americans with Disabilities Act, sidewalk, drainage, and roadway improvements.

Recommendation: Approval of the award of bid to Suncoast Development of Pinellas County, Inc, for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-2028 Countywide Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), sidewalk, drainage, and roadway improvements.

- This contract is for the proposed FY26-28 Countywide ADA, sidewalk, drainage, and roadway improvements work order contract that consists of ramp and sidewalk construction, curb and gutter repair or replacement, storm sewer and structure top repairs or installations, minor grading and sodding, concrete and asphalt driveway construction and spot asphalt pavement resurfacing and patching.
- Two submittals were received with award recommendation to Suncoast Development of Pinellas County, Inc., in the amount of \$17,735,290.00 as the lowest responsive and responsible bid.
- The bid was 5.04% under the engineer's estimate.
- The Small Business Enterprise commitment is 10% for this contract.
- All work will be completed within 730 consecutive calendar days.
- Funding is determined by the individual work order assignment sourced to the agreement, and actual expenditures are contingent upon work completed.
- Work orders will primarily be funded by the Road Resurfacing & Rehabilitation Program Project 004192A, funded by the Penny for Pinellas, and the Transportation Millage Capital Program Project 005700A, funded by the dedicated transportation millage.

Contract 25-0118-ITB-C in the amount of \$17,735,290.00 with all work to be completed within 730 consecutive calendar days; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

Safety and Emergency Services

41. [25-1300A](#) Renewal of Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for Advanced Life Support providers.

Recommendation: Approval of the renewal of Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity (COPCN) for the attached list of Advanced Life Support (ALS) providers. COPCNs are issued by Boards of County Commissioners in all counties in Florida. The certificate allows Emergency Medical Services (EMS) provider agencies to be licensed by the Florida Department of Health.

- The certificate process ensures there are coordinated and regulated EMS Systems at a county level. Certificates are issued on an annual basis to ensure continuous compliance to the various standards and requirements. There is no fiscal impact for certifications. Staff administration of the process is included in the annual operating budget for the EMS Fund.
- A COPCN is issued to ALS First Responders, ALS Helicopters, Hospital ground ambulances, and Sunstar in accordance with Section 401.25, Florida Statutes. There are 26 agencies that have been issued COPCNs by the BCC:
 - ALS First Responders (18): Cities of Clearwater, Dunedin, Gulfport, Largo, Madeira Beach, Oldsmar, Pinellas Park, Safety Harbor, Seminole, South Pasadena, St. Pete Beach, St. Petersburg, Tarpon Springs, Treasure Island, East Lake Tarpon Special Fire Control District, Lealman Special Fire Control District, Palm Harbor Special Fire Control & Rescue District, and Pinellas Suncoast Fire & Rescue District.
 - ALS Helicopter Ambulances (5): Florida Health Sciences Center, Inc., d/b/a Tampa General Hospital-Aeromed; Rocky Mountain Holdings, L.L.C., d/b/a Bayflite; Med-Trans Corporation, d/b/a LifeLine All Children's Hospital; Med-Trans Corporation, d/b/a Med Trans Florida; and Med-Trans Corporation d/b/a AirStar 1.
 - Hospitals - Ground - Neonatal/Pediatric Interfacility (2): Johns Hopkins All Children's Lifeline (Interfacility Ground); and BayCare Health System, d/b/a St. Joseph's Children's Hospital, Inc.
 - Sunstar (1): Pinellas County Emergency Medical Services Authority, d/b/a Sunstar.
- The current COPCNs will expire on December 31, 2025. If approved, the new expiration date will be December 31, 2026.

Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

Utilities

42. [25-1596A](#) Mobile Home Community Agreement for the construction of the Manufactured Home Communities Wastewater Collection Systems Improvements American Rescue Plan Act Project - Package 3 for Flowerwood Club Park Association, Inc.

Recommendation: Approval for the construction of the Manufactured Home Communities (MHC) Wastewater Collection Systems Improvements American Rescue Plan Act Project - Package 3 for Flowerwood Club Park Association, Inc. of Contract No. 24-0421-ITB-C.

- Agreement is for decommissioning and construction of a new wastewater system at Flowerwood Club Park Association, Inc. as part of MHC Wastewater Collection Systems Improvements Project - Package 3.
- County requests Board of County Commissioners approve the Agreement to proceed with construction. Work is anticipated to begin in December 2025.
- Total construction cost is estimated at \$3,363,957.55. Savings from the original grant award has been identified that allows Flowerwood to be added to project.
- Park was recently approached and asked if they still wanted to pursue project. Agreement was resigned two weeks ago by the Homeowners Association President.
- Funding for construction is available under Manufactured Home Communities Wastewater Collection System Improvements project 005015A, included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-FY31 Capital Improvement Plan, funded by the American Rescue Plan Act Fund, in the amount of \$5,434,283.19.

The County will record the agreement in its entirety including Attachments A and B; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS AND COUNCILS

Emergency Medical Services Authority

43. [25-1416A](#) Amendment to the Advanced Life Support First Responder Agreement with 16 municipalities and independent fire districts.

Recommendation: Sitting as the Pinellas County Emergency Medical Services Authority, approve the amendment to the Advanced Life Support (ALS) First Responder Agreement with 16 municipalities and independent fire districts.

- Amendment to the agreements with 16 municipalities and fire districts to provide ALS First Responder services.
- These amendments continue the 5-year term beginning on October 1, 2024, and ending on September 30, 2029.
- East Lake and South Pasadena agreements would like to update to 5-year terms to match the other provider agencies.
- These agreements will amend the 2024 ALS First Responder Agreements as outlined below.
- In aggregate, the 16 agreements represent a baseline increase of \$6,047,005.00 or 7.4% over Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-2025.
- Funding in the amount of \$74,764,160.00 is consistent and included within the FY26 Adopted Budget for the Emergency Medical Services Fund. The fiscal impacts of these agreements are sustainable over the 6-year EMS Fund forecast period.

Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

Fire Protection Authority

44. [25-1685A](#) Fire Protection Services Agreement between Belleair, Belleair Bluffs, Pinellas County, and Largo.

Recommendation: Sitting as the Pinellas County Fire Protection Authority, approve the Fire Protection Services Agreement with the City of Largo to provide fire protection services to the Town of Belleair, City of Belleair Bluffs, and the unincorporated portions of the Belleair Bluffs Fire District.

- The County, Belleair, and Belleair Bluffs have long-standing individual agreements to share the cost of operating a fire station to serve the Belleair, Belleair Bluffs and the Belleair Bluffs Fire Service Area with Largo serving as the service provider (Contractor).
- Belleair, Belleair Bluffs and the County wish to enter into a single agreement for Fire Protection Services, and Contractor wishes and is able to provide Fire Protection Services within the Town of Belleair, City of Belleair Bluffs and the unincorporated portions of the Belleair Bluffs Fire District (Fire Service Area) (as defined in Appendix A).
- The term of this agreement shall be for five years (October 1, 2025, to September 30, 2030). It may be extended for an additional five-year period following the initial term with the approval of the parties.
- The funding methodology and compensation is based upon a population-based methodology. The Cities and County will compensate Contractor for providing Fire Protection Services within the Town of Belleair, City of Belleair Bluffs, and the unincorporated portions of the Belleair Bluffs Fire District. The parties agree to a fixed percentage share based upon population as follows: Belleair 47%, Belleair Bluffs 25% and Pinellas County 28%.
- Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-2026 Fire Protection Services Net Operating Budget for the Belleair Fire Service Area - \$2,208,298.00.
- Funding for this was included and was consistent with the FY26 Adopted budget. Actual contracted amount will be lower than what is included within the FY26 Budget due to timing. Additional amount will fall to fund balance at the end of FY26.

Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

Tax Collector

45. [25-1550A](#) Third Amendment to the Second Floor Lease with Melrose Clearwater Holdings LLC and Solomon Clearwater Holdings LLC to extend the lease for the Pinellas County Tax Collector at Northside Square.

Recommendation:

Approval of the Third Amendment to the Second Floor Lease (Third Amendment) with Melrose Clearwater Holdings LLC and Solomon Clearwater Holdings LLC to extend the lease for the Pinellas County Tax Collector offices at 29399 U.S. Highway 19 North, Clearwater (Northside Square).

- The current Office Building Lease (Lease) expires on December 31, 2026.
- This Third Amendment will extend the Lease through December 31, 2027.
- The extension will better align with the Tax Collector's relocation to the new North County Service Center, 29582 U.S. Highway 19 North, Clearwater, which has a tentative completion date of August 2027.
- The fiscal impact for the fixed rent payments under the Third Amendment is \$588,960.81 in Fiscal Year (FY) 2027, and \$196,320.27 in FY28. The source of funds is the Tax Collector's State-approved budget.
- The fiscal impact for the variable operating expense payments under the Third Amendment is approximately \$120,513.69 in FY27, and approximately \$40,171.23 in the FY28. The source of funds is Construction & Property Management's budget.
- Fixed and variable rent payments under the Third Amendment reflect fair market value.
- The Third Amendment has no impact to the Tax Collector, CPM, or General Fund budget in FY26. Approval of this amendment will require funding in the Adopted FY27 Budget and Adopted FY28 Budget. Funding for future years of this agreement will likely be requested in future budgets.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

46. [25-1704A](#) Proposed initiation of litigation in the case of Pinellas County v. Kenneth J. Riley, Jr. - action for injunctive relief.

Recommendation: Approval and authorization for the County Attorney to initiate litigation in the case of Pinellas County v. Kenneth J. Riley, Jr.

47. [25-1705A](#) Proposed initiation of litigation in the case of Pinellas County v. Robert L. Henry and May D. Henry, et al. - action for foreclosure of Special Magistrate liens.

Recommendation: Approval and authorization for the County Attorney to initiate litigation in the case of Pinellas County v. Robert L. Henry and May D. Henry, et al.

48. [25-1706A](#) Proposed initiation of litigation in the case of Pinellas County v. Roger Harris, Daniel Hardin et al. - action for foreclosure of Special Magistrate liens.

Recommendation: Approval and authorization for the County Attorney to initiate litigation in the case of Pinellas County v. Roger Harris, Daniel Hardin et al.

49. [25-1562A](#) Proposed ratification of certain participation agreements and vote regarding plan confirmation in opioid settlements pursuant to the Florida Plan.

Recommendation: Ratification of the Administrator's delegated approval to execute agreements to effectuate the Florida Plan.

50. [25-1440A](#) County Attorney Reports.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

51. [25-1439A](#) County Administrator Reports.

COUNTY COMMISSION

52. [25-1077A](#) Appointment to the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council (Board of County Commissioners as a whole).

Recommendation: Sitting as the Emergency Medical Services Authority, approve the nomination of Anthony Degin to fill the Citizen Representative for Commission District 2 vacancy on the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council, for a term beginning on October 1, 2025, and ending on September 30, 2027.

- The Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council unanimously approved the nomination of Anthony Degin to fill the Commission District 2 Citizen Representative vacancy. Mr. Degin is the CEO of the Clearwater Free Clinic.
- The EMSAC Selection Committee received seven applications and rank-ordered the applicants, and Mr. Degin was unanimously nominated to fill the vacancy.
- Term to begin on October 1, 2025, and end on September 30, 2027.
- No ballot necessary; voice vote will suffice.

53. [25-1546A](#) Appointments to the Palm Harbor Community Services Agency, Inc. (Individual appointments by Commissioners Eggers, Nowicki, and Scott).

Recommendation: Approve three appointments to the Palm Harbor Community Services Agency, Inc. (PHCSA), each for a term of two years. These are individual commissioner appointments by Commissioners Eggers, Nowicki and Scott.

- Two Reappointments:
 - Ron Schultz reappointed by Commissioner Eggers.
 - Mr. Schultz is currently serving his third term on PHCSA.
 - Erika N. Picard reappointed by Commissioner Nowicki.
 - Ms. Picard replaced the previous District 3 appointee half-way through their term. Thus, Ms. Picard is serving her first term on PHCSA, though she will not have served a full two years.
- New Appointment by Commissioner Scott.
 - Jared A. Long
 - Commissioner Scott's current appointee, Ms. Sandra M. Faulkner is completing her fourth term on PHCSA and is not eligible to be reappointed.
- All three appointments will begin on December 1, 2025, and end November 30, 2027.
- Applications and resumes are attached to this agenda item.
- No ballot necessary. A voice vote will suffice.

54. [25-1260A](#) Selection of the 2026 Chair and Vice-Chair.

55. [25-1441A](#) County Commission New Business:
Pertinent and timely Committee/Board updates, policy considerations, administrative/procedural considerations, and other new business.

6:00 PM

PUBLIC HEARINGS

AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS AND COUNCILS

Human Resources

- 56.** [25-1571A](#) Pinellas County Human Resources fingerprinting ordinance.

Recommendation: Approval of a County ordinance that will allow Human Resources staff to fingerprint and receive Florida Department of Law Enforcement and Federal Bureau of Investigations criminal background records to screen County employees and applicants for positions that are determined by the Chief Human Resources Officer to be critical to security or public safety.

- Applicable positions may include positions that fall under a state grant that requires fingerprinting for eligibility, positions that require work to be performed at a public school, or positions that require access to a secured State system.
- There is no new fiscal impact associated with the ordinance.
- The ordinance is exempt from the Business Impact Estimate because it is required for compliance with federal or state law or regulation.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

57. [25-1629A](#) Amendment by resolution supplementing the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget realigning reserves and recognizing unanticipated revenue for requesting departments.

Recommendation: Approval of the amendment by resolution supplementing the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget realigning reserves and recognizing unanticipated revenue for requesting departments.

- Appropriate \$40,000.00, realigned from General Fund reserves to operating expenses in the General Fund for Human Services to accommodate higher than budgeted Medicaid payments to the State of Florida.
- Appropriate \$1,515,000.00, realigned from General Fund reserves to operating expenses in General Government to accommodate higher than budgeted costs for Hurricanes Milton and Helene.
- Appropriate \$50,000.00, realigned from Tourist Development Tax Fund reserves, to transfers in the for Convention and Visitors Bureau to accommodate higher than budgeted charges to the Tax Collector for collection of Tourist Development Taxes.
- Appropriate \$1,200,000.00, recognizing unanticipated revenues, to operating expenses in the Sewer Revenue and Operating Fund for Utilities to accommodate higher than budgeted costs for sewer line repairs.
- Appropriate \$756,000.00, recognizing unanticipated revenues, to operating expenses in the Fleet Management Fund for the Office of Fleet and Asset Management to accommodate higher than budgeted costs for parts and external repair services.

58. [25-1630A](#) Amendment by resolution supplementing the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget realigning reserves and recognizing unanticipated revenue for requesting departments.

Recommendation: Approval of the amendment by resolution supplementing the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Budget realigning reserves and recognizing unanticipated revenue for requesting departments.

- Amend the Hospital Direct Payment Program in the Human Services Department by recognizing \$191,567,060.00 in unanticipated revenue and appropriating this additional revenue to operating expenses in the Local Provider Participation Fund.
- Realign \$300,000.00 from Solid Waste reserves and appropriate these reserves to pay for the FY26 Solid Waste Master Plan refresh. This will fully fund the Master Plan refresh.
- Realign the operations, responsibilities, appropriations, and resources for the Fleet Management Division from the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) to the Office of Fleet and Asset Management under the County Administrator. This realignment has no fiscal impact.
- Realign operations, responsibilities, appropriations, and resources for the Purchasing Division and the Risk Management Division from DAS to the Office of Management and Budget under the County Administrator. This realignment has no fiscal impact.

59. [25-0089A](#) Ranking of firms and agreement with HDR Engineering, Inc. for a five-year update to the Solid Waste Master Plan. (Consent Agenda Item that is companion to Item No. 58).

Recommendation: Approval of the ranking of firms and agreement with the number one ranked firm, HDR Engineering, Inc. (HDR), for a five-year update to the Solid Waste Master Plan.

- This contract provides review of the existing 30-year Master Plan strategies, a technology assessment, landfill airspace valuation assessment, updated needs assessment and strategy identification, research of short-listed strategies, return-on-investment analysis of preferred revised strategies, and final Master Plan Update and Implementation Plan.
- One firm submitted a proposal and was evaluated with recommendation of award to HDR in the amount of \$499,699.00 in accordance with the Consultants Competitive Negotiations Act (CCNA), per Florida Statute 287.055.
- Three other firms responded however refused to submit proposals. One firm stated that the project was too large for them to submit as a prime and the other two firms proposed as subconsultants to HDR.
- Two certified Small Business Enterprise subconsultants are included in the award to HDR: Pelz Environmental Services, Inc. and Transformations PR, LLC for total SBE fees in the amount of \$18,940.00, or approximately 3.8% of the total award amount.
- Funding for this agreement was not fully budgeted in the Fiscal Year 2026 Adopted Budget and is contingent on a budget amendment.

Contract No. 25-0262-RFP-CCNA for a not-to-exceed amount of \$499,699.00, effective for 365 days; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

60. [25-1675A](#) Case No. FLU-25-08 (Justin Gingerich, Ignite Academy, Inc.)
A request for a Future Land Use Map amendment from Residential Rural to Institutional on approximately 5.23 acres located at 2271 Keystone Road in East Lake Tarpon.

Recommendation: Based upon the evidence and findings contained in the staff report and attachments, Case No. FLU-25-08 is recommended for approval:

An ordinance approving the application of Justin Gingerich, Ignite Academy, Inc. for a Future Land Use Map (FLUM) amendment from Residential Rural (RR) to Institutional (I).

- The applicant is seeking a FLUM amendment on a 5.23-acre parcel.
- The request would allow the applicant to redevelop the property with a private school for kindergarten through eighth grade students.
- The subject property fronts Keystone Road, a designated Scenic/Non-Commercial Corridor (SNCC). This is the only point of access to the subject property.
- A companion Zoning Atlas amendment request (Case No. ZON-25-07) is also proposed.
- The Local Planning Agency recommended approval of the request (Vote 5-1).
 - Four people appeared in favor, citing the appropriateness of and need for the school in the area.
 - Five people appeared in opposition, citing incompatibility with surrounding single-family homes and increased traffic.
 - 61 Letters in opposition have been received by the Zoning Division.

61. [25-1676A](#) Case No. ZON-25-07 (Ignite Academy, Inc.)
A request for a zoning change from R-A, Residential Agriculture to LI, Limited Institutional on approximately 5.23 acres located at 2271 Keystone Road in East Lake Tarpon. (Quasi-Judicial)

Recommendation: Based upon the evidence and findings contained in the staff report and attachments, Case No. ZON-25-07 is recommended for approval:

A resolution approving the application of Justin Gingerich of Ignite Academy, Inc. for a zoning change from R-A, Residential Agriculture to LI, Limited Institutional.

- The applicant is seeking a zoning change on a 5.23-acre parcel that currently contains a single-family home.
- The request would allow the applicant to redevelop the property with a private school for kindergarten through 8th grade students.
- The subject property fronts and takes access from Keystone Road, an arterial roadway and designated Scenic/Non-Commercial Corridor (SNCC).
- A companion Future Land Use map amendment request (Case No. FLU-25-08) is also proposed.
- The Local Planning Agency Recommended approval of the request (Vote 5-1)
 - Four people appeared in favor, citing the appropriateness of and need for the school in the area.
 - Five people appeared in opposition, citing incompatibility with surrounding single-family homes, noise, scale of project, and traffic.
 - 6 letters and a petition containing 54 signatures in opposition have been received.

62. [25-1674A](#) Case No. FLU-25-09 (Green Energy for North America, LLC)
A request for a Future Land Use Map amendment from Residential Urban to Residential Medium on approximately 18.43 acres located at 13400 Pine Street in unincorporated Largo.

Recommendation: Based upon the evidence and findings contained in the staff report and attachments, Case No. FLU-25-09 is recommended for denial:

An ordinance approving the application of Green Energy for North America, LLC for a Future Land Use Map (FLUM) amendment from Residential Urban (RU) to Residential Medium (RM).

- The applicant is seeking a FLUM amendment on an 18.43-acre parcel.
- The request would allow for an increase in density from 7.5 dwelling units per acre to 15 dwelling units per acre.
- The subject property is surrounded mostly by long-standing, lower density single family neighborhoods to the north, south, and west.
- The three adjacent corridors are minor in function and have limited capacity.
- There is no companion Zoning Atlas amendment; however, development of the property would first require submittal and approval of a Development Master Plan prior to site plan review and approval.
- The Local Planning Agency recommended denial of the request (vote 4-2).
- Two persons appeared in opposition, generally concerned with issues such as density, traffic, and flooding.

63. [25-1710A](#) Petition of Ross and Tracey Patton to vacate the 10-foot public drainage and utility easement Lying Along the North Boundary of Lot 5, Bardmoor Country Club North Phase 1, Plat Book 80, Page 54, Lying in Section 13-30-15, Pinellas County, Florida. (Quasi-Judicial)

Recommendation: Approval of the petition by Ross and Tracey Patton to vacate the portion of a public drainage and utility easement located on the property at 8639 Maidstone Court, Seminole, Florida.

- Request is for the vacation of the portion of a platted easement that is located on the petitioner's property.
- The request will allow the property owner to demolish the existing pool deck and pool and replace with a new deck and pool.
- Staff recommends approval with the condition that Pinellas County is granted a new Utility and Drainage Easement that runs through the rear of the property.
- If the petition is granted, the Board of County Commissioners is asked to adopt the attached Resolution pursuant to Florida State Statute §177.101.

Authorize the Clerk of the Circuit Court to record the resolution in the public records of Pinellas County.

64. [25-1411A](#) Resolution electing to not exempt property under Section 196.1978(3)(o), Florida Statutes, commonly known as the Live Local Act Property Tax Exemption.

Recommendation: Recommend adoption of a resolution to not exempt property under the Live Local Act Property Tax Exemption (The Act).

- Section 196.1978(3), Florida Statutes, commonly known as the Live Local Act Property Tax Exemption, requires the Pinellas County Property Appraiser to exempt rental properties with households whose annual household income is between 80.0%-120.0% of the Area Median Income within a Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) from ad valorem taxes.
- With the commencement of the 2025 tax roll, taxing authorities may “opt-out” of providing The Act to certain rental units in multifamily projects that would otherwise qualify for the 80.0% to 120.0% Tax Exemption if the latest Shimberg Center for Housing Studies Annual Report (Shimberg Annual Report) identifies a surplus of affordable and available units.
- On November 19, 2024, the Board approved a resolution to “opt-out” for 2025, but a new resolution is required to continue it for 2026.
- The County finds that the Shimberg Annual Report continues to identify a surplus of affordable and available units within the Tampa St. Petersburg- Clearwater MSA, in which Pinellas County is located, for those households that meet the income criteria for the 80.0% to 120.0% Tax Exemption.
- Pursuant to Section 196.1978(3)(o), Florida Statutes, the County remains eligible for the “opt-out” election and, pending approval of this resolution, elects not to exempt properties eligible for the exemption and requests that the Pinellas County Property Appraiser not grant any such exemptions.
- This resolution applies to all ad valorem property tax levies imposed by the County. If approved, it will take effect on January 1, 2026, and will expire or be renewed pursuant to the provisions Section 196.1978(3)(o), Florida Statutes.
- The adoption of this resolution has no fiscal impact on the County.

65. [25-1517A](#) Acquisition Agreement for the Wastewater Collection and Transmission System with the Town of North Redington Beach.

Recommendation: Approval of the Acquisition Agreement for the Wastewater Collection and Transmission System with the Town of North Redington Beach (Town).

- Town desires to transfer its wastewater collection and transmission system to County.
- County and Town have a long-standing agreement for treatment and disposal of Town's wastewater.
- Town executed the agreement on September 11, 2025.
- Town conducted multiple public meetings, advertised transfer in a local newspaper and completed execution of agreement during a public hearing Town Commission meeting.
- Subject to Board of County Commissioner's approval. Once approved, County will assume operation and maintenance of wastewater collection and transmission system on December 2, 2025.
- Town agrees to pay County \$1,625,317.18 for purchase of its wastewater collection system.
- Funds paid by the Town to the County will be receipted to the Sewer Renewal and Replacement Fund and allocated to two program projects for capital improvements to the acquired wastewater collection system.

Agreement will be effective from date of execution; Town agrees to pay County \$1,625,317.18 for purchase of its wastewater collection system; Authorize Chairman to sign and Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

66. [25-1489A](#) Proposed amendments to Chapter 14, Pinellas County Code-Restoration of Definitions, Enhancement of Retail Pet Sales Oversight, Modification of Public Nuisance Animal Reporting, and Modernization of Impoundment Protocols During Emergencies and Disasters.

Recommendation: Conduct a public hearing for the proposed ordinance updates on the augmentation and clarification of Pinellas County Code.

- Ordinance updates to strengthen, modify, and modernize Chapter 14.
- Approve definition updates and new definitions in Section 14-26 Definitions.
- Approve ordinance updates on the augmentation and clarification of code of section 14-29 Pet Dealerships; kennels; and hobby breeders.
- Approve ordinance updates on the augmentation and clarification of code of section 14-30 Public Nuisance Animals.
- Approve ordinance updates on the augmentation and clarification of code of section 14-48 Impoundment.
- These amendments to the County's ordinances have no fiscal impact on the County.

ADJOURNMENT