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MEETING NOTICE

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

There will be a meeting of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council on September 26, 2013. The meeting will be held at the Lake City Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites, 213 Southwest Commerce Boulevard, Lake City, Florida. Dinner will start at 7:00 p.m. and the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

*Please call the Council at (352) 955-2200, or (800) 226-0690, or email laine@ncfrpc.org by September 23rd to let us know if you will be attending the meeting. (You can call after hours and leave a message on voice mail too.) **THANK YOU.***

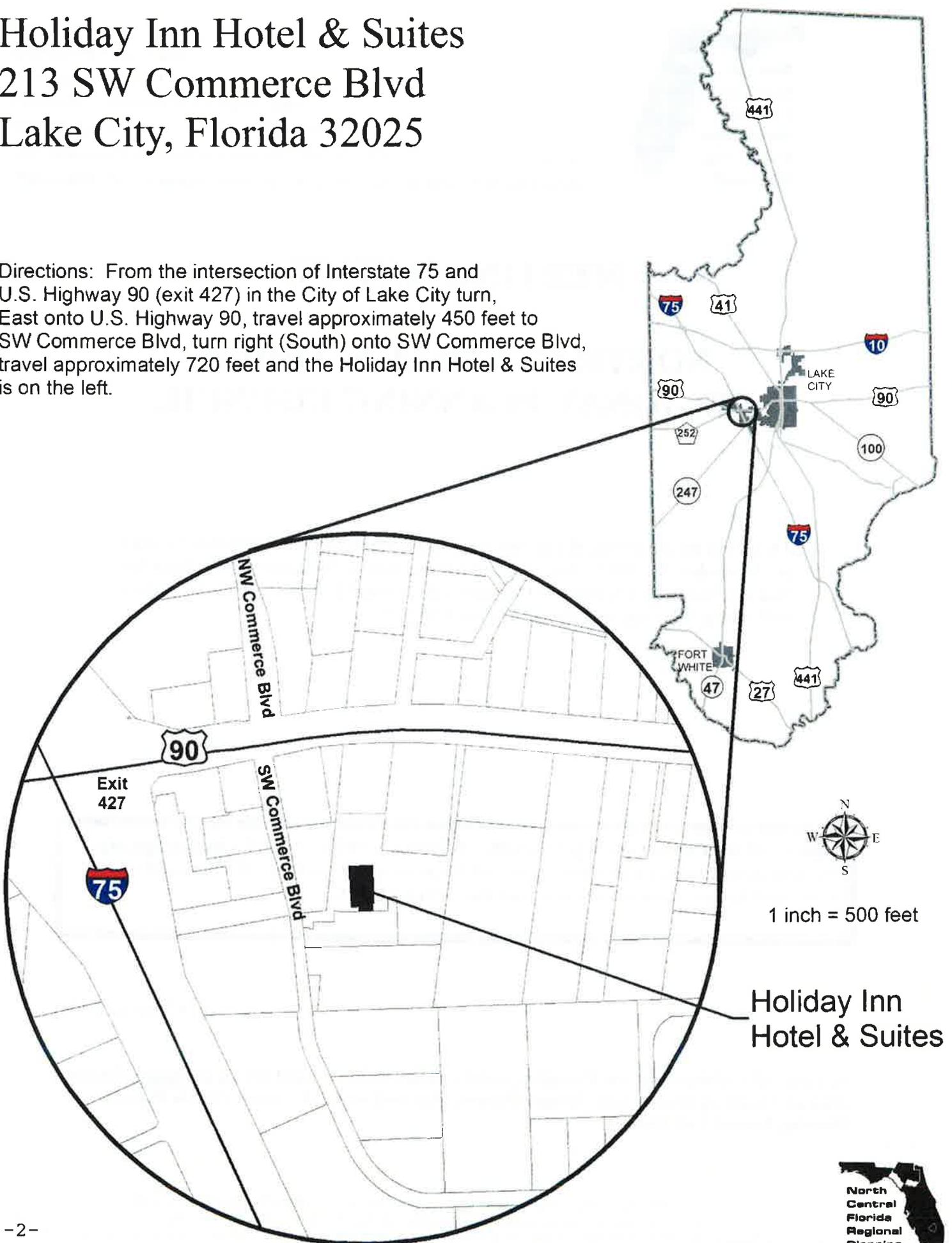
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Please be advised that the Council meeting packet is posted on the Council website at <http://ncfrpc.org> (click on Upcoming Meetings and Meeting Packets, then click on North Central Florida Regional Planning Council Full Packet.)

Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites

213 SW Commerce Blvd
Lake City, Florida 32025

Directions: From the intersection of Interstate 75 and U.S. Highway 90 (exit 427) in the City of Lake City turn, East onto U.S. Highway 90, travel approximately 450 feet to SW Commerce Blvd, turn right (South) onto SW Commerce Blvd, travel approximately 720 feet and the Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites is on the left.





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NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites
 213 Southwest Commerce Boulevard
 Lake City, Florida

September 26, 2013
 7:30 p.m.

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NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
MINUTES

Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites
Lake City, Florida

August 22, 2013
7:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Susan Baird, Alachua County
Stephen Bailey, Columbia County
Ed Braddy, City of Gainesville
LaBarfield Bryant, City of Jasper
Charles Chestnut IV, Alachua County
Louie Davis, City of Waldo
Rick Davis, Madison County
Rusty DePratter, Columbia County
Donnie Hamlin, Lafayette County
Thomas Hawkins, City of Gainesville
Jason Holifield, Dixie County
Timothy Marden, City of Newberry
James Montgomery, Columbia County
Garth Nobles, Jr., City of Live Oak
Frank Ogborn, City of Archer
Patricia Patterson, Taylor County
DeLoris Roberts, City of Hawthorne
Daniel Riddick, Bradford County
Carolyn Spooner, City of Starke
Kenrick Thomas, Gilchrist County
Lorene Thomas, Dixie County
Randy Wells, City of Gainesville
Robert Wilford, City of Alachua
Charles Williams, Hamilton County

NON-VOTING DELEGATE

Ginger Travers, City of High Springs

STAFF PRESENT

Steve Dopp
Scott Koons
Carol Laine
Martha Orthoefer
Jean Strong

MEMBERS ABSENT

Bob Barnas, City of High Springs
Beth Burnam, Hamilton County
Jim Catron, City of Madison
Don Cook, City of Perry
Karen Cossey, Union County
Sandra Haas, Suwannee County
Susan Bottcher, City of Gainesville
Robert Hutchinson, Alachua County
Lee Pinkoson, Alachua County
Lauren Poe, City of Gainesville
Wesley Wainwright, Suwannee County
Mike Williams, Madison County
Stephen Witt, City of Lake City

COUNCIL ATTORNEY PRESENT

Jonathan Wershaw

OTHERS PRESENT

Dave Cobb, Florida Power and Light
Brian Delburn, Florida Dept. of Transportation
Jordan Green, Florida Dept. of Transportation
Bill Henderson, Florida Dept. of Transportation
Carlos Herd, Suwannee River
Water Management District
Jesse Quillen, Columbia County Economic Development
Joseph Riddick
Russell Simpson, Florida Dept. of Env. Protection

Board Members names are bolded

Gubernatorial Members names are italicized

I. INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Nobles called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with an invocation given by Mr. Montgomery and a pledge of allegiance to the flag. Chair Nobles stated that there was a quorum of the Council.

Chair Nobles welcomed and introduced Dave Cobb, Florida Power and Light, Jesse Quillen, Director of the Columbia County Economic Development Department and member of the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Committee, Diana Davis, wife of Council member Louie Davis and Joe Riddick, past member and former Council Chair from Bradford County.

Chair Nobles asked that Item VI.B.4., #76 - City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment, be added to the agenda.

ACTION: Commissioner Spooner made the motion, with a second by Mayor Davis to add Item VI.B.4., #76 - City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment, to the agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

II. LEGISLATIVE GUEST SPEAKER

Chair Nobles stated that the Honorable Clovis Watson, Jr., Florida House of Representatives District 20, was unable to attend the Council meeting due to an illness in his family.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - July 25, 2013

Chair Nobles asked that the minutes of the July 25, 2013 meeting be approved as written.

ACTION: Commissioner Patterson made the motion, with a second by Ms. Thomas to approve the minutes of the July 25, 2013 meeting as written. The motion carried unanimously.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Monthly Financial Report - July 2013
- B. Local Government Comprehensive Planning Assistance Service Agreements - Fiscal Year 2013-14
- C. Hazardous Waste Monitoring Verification and Notification Services Agreements - Fiscal Year 2013-14
- D. Agreement with Florida Division of Emergency Management to Update Hazards Analyses - Fiscal Year 2013-14

Chair Nobles asked if there were any questions regarding the items on the Consent Agenda and requested that these items be approved.

ACTION: Councilman Bryant made the motion, with a second by Mayor Ogborn, to approve the items on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

V. CHAIR'S REPORT

A. Introduction of New Members

Chair Nobles introduced and welcomed new members Mayor Ed Braddy from the City of Gainesville and Commissioner DeLoris Roberts from the City of Hawthorne.

B. Certificate of Service for Council Employee - Martha Orthoefer - 10 Years

Scott Koons, Executive Director, introduced Martha Orthoefer, who joined the Council staff on July 28, 2003. Ms. Orthoefer currently serves as a Senior Planner in the Council's Community Development Block Grant Program. Chair Nobles presented a 10-year Certificate of Service and a 10-year service pin to Ms. Orthoefer. Mr. Koons and Chair Nobles thanked her for her dedicated service to the Council.

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Executive Committee - None

B. Clearinghouse Committee

Due to the absence of Clearinghouse Committee Chair Sandra Haas, Vice-Chair Thomas Hawkins gave the Clearinghouse Committee report. He stated that the Clearinghouse Committee met earlier in the evening and reviewed two local government comprehensive plan amendments and one strategic regional policy plan proposed update.

#72 - Madison County Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment

#73 - Northeast Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan Proposed Update

#74 - Town of Micanopy Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment

Commissioner Hawkins further reported that subsequent to the distribution of the Council meeting packets, Council staff received the following late-arriving item which requires action prior to the next Council meeting.

#76 - City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment (added to agenda)

Commissioner Hawkins stated that with regard to Item #72, Madison County Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment, the Clearinghouse Committee found that the County comprehensive plan, as amended, may result in significant adverse impacts to Natural Resources of Regional Significance located within the County. Therefore, he stated that the Committee recommended that the County add policies to its Comprehensive Plan which would ensure that the natural resource protection policies already included in the County Comprehensive Plan are applied to Natural Resources of Regional Significance. He further stated that the Clearinghouse Committee also recommended that references to "prime natural aquifer recharge areas" in the County Comprehensive Plan be replaced with references to "high aquifer recharge areas." Commissioner Hawkins stated that the Committee found that adverse impacts may occur to the Regional Road Network located

within the County. Therefore, he stated that the Clearinghouse Committee recommended the County Comprehensive Plan include Transportation Planning Best Practices contained in the North Central Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan as goals and policies in the County Comprehensive Plan.

ACTION: Commissioner Hawkins made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Patterson, to approve the Clearinghouse Committee recommendation concerning Item #72, Madison County Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Hawkins stated that with regards to Item #74, Town of Micanopy Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment, the Clearinghouse Committee found that the Comprehensive Plan, as amended, is not anticipated to result in significant adverse impacts to Natural Resources of Regional Significance, regional facilities, or adjoining local governments. He stated that the Committee recommended forwarding these findings to the Town and the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity as regional comment.

ACTION: Commissioner Hawkins made the motion, with a second by Councilman Bryant, to approve the Clearinghouse Committee recommendation concerning Item #74, Town of Micanopy Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Hawkins stated that with regards to Item #76, City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment, the Clearinghouse Committee found that the City Comprehensive Plan, as amended, may create significant adverse impacts to segments of the Regional Road Network located within the City and within Gilchrist County. Therefore, he stated that the Committee recommended that the City consider adding Transportation Planning Best Practices found in the regional plan as goals and policies in the City Comprehensive Plan. Commissioner Hawkins further stated that the Committee recommended replacing the City aquifer recharge map with the new aquifer recharge map contained in the regional plan. He added that the Committee also recommended replacing references to the recharge map contained in goals and policies of the City Comprehensive Plan with references to the new recharge map. Commissioner Hawkins stated that the Clearinghouse Committee recommended forwarding these findings to the City and the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity as regional comment.

ACTION: Commissioner Hawkins made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Spooner, to approve the Clearinghouse Committee recommendation concerning Item #76, City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment (added to agenda). The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Hawkins reported that the Clearinghouse Committee also reviewed Item #73, Northeast Florida Regional Council Proposed Strategic Regional Policy Plan Update. He stated that the Committee recommended that the Northeast Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan:

- (1) Include policies similar to those contained in the North Central Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan to mitigate declines to the potentiometric surface of the Floridan Aquifer;
- (2) Include a policy similar to a policy contained in the North Central Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan which encourages water management districts to take into account, and to not violate, the minimum flows and levels of water bodies located within adjacent water management districts when preparing water supply plans and when issuing consumptive use permits;
- (3) Include policies similar to policies contained in the North Central Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan which encourage the inclusion of Transportation Planning Best Practices in local government comprehensive plans; and
- (4) Include examples of Best Transportation Practices similar to those contained in the North Central Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan.

Commissioner Hawkins stated that the Clearinghouse Committee recommended forwarding these findings to the Northeast Florida Regional Council and the Executive Office of the Governor as regional comment.

ACTION: Commissioner Hawkins made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Chestnut, to approve the Clearinghouse Committee recommendation concerning Item #73, Northeast Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan Regional Update. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Audit Committee

1. Selection of Auditor for Fiscal Year 2012-13, 2013-14 and 2014-15

Mr. Koons reported that the Audit Committee recommends that the Council approve the selection of the auditing firm of Powell and Jones, Certified Public Accountants to conduct the Fiscal Year 2012-13, Fiscal Year 2013-14 and Fiscal Year 2014-15 audits of the Council's accounts, including the Council's Employee Pension Plan, with the understanding that this selection is for a three-year period unless the Council determines that the service being rendered is unsatisfactory.

ACTION: Commissioner DePratter made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Patterson, to approve the selection of the auditing firm of Powell and Jones, Certified Public Accountants to conduct the Fiscal Year 2012-13, Fiscal Year 2013-14 and Fiscal Year 2014-15 audits of the Council's accounts, including the Council's Employee Pension Plan, with the understanding that this selection is for a three-year period unless the Council determines that the service being rendered is unsatisfactory. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Engagement Letter for Fiscal Year 2012-13 Audit

Mr. Koons stated that the Audit Committee met with Mr. Richard Powell of the auditing firm Powell and Jones, Certified Public Accountants, of Lake City, Florida, on August 13, 2013, at the Council offices, at which time they discussed the methodology to be employed, the staff capability, experience of the firm with similar audits, and the fee that would be charged. Mr. Koons reported that the Audit Committee recommends that the Chair execute an engagement letter with Powell and Jones, Certified Public Accountants, to conduct the Fiscal Year 2012-13 audit of the Council's accounts, including the Council's Employee Pension Plan, for a lump sum fee for this service of \$14,500.

ACTION: Commissioner Wilford made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Chestnut, to authorize the Chair to execute an engagement letter with the auditing firm of Powell and Jones, Certified Public Accountants, to conduct the Fiscal Year 2012-13 audit of the Council's accounts, including the Council's Employee Pension Plan, for a lump sum fee for this service of \$14,500. The motion carried unanimously.

VII. EX-OFFICIO MEMBER REPORTS

Chair Nobles introduced Jordan Green, District 2 Rural Area Transportation Development Engineer, Florida Department of Transportation. Mr. Green gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Florida Department of Transportation's Vision for the 21st Century. He stated that the Vision calls for planning a transportation system that maintains Florida's economic competitiveness by meeting transportation needs of today for moving people and freight as well as identifying long-range future needs and solutions that support statewide and regional goals for economic development, quality of life and environmental stewardship. He further stated that the Transportation Vision Plan uses creative financing alternatives, offers transportation choices, places strong emphasis on port development, reduces bureaucracy and streamlines decision-making, plans and develops future corridors and provides faster project delivery to keep Florida moving. Chair Nobles thanked Mr. Green for his presentation.

Russell Simpson, Ombudsman, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, stated that the Department continues to streamline the regulatory permitting process. He stated that assistance can be obtained by contacting his office.

VIII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. Florida Regional Councils Association Monthly Report

Mr. Koons reported that the Florida Regional Councils Association is the statewide organization of the 11 regional planning councils. The Association strengthens Florida's regional planning councils, partners with government and the business community to enhance regional economic prosperity and improves the consistency and quality of regional planning councils programs to ensure they add value to state, regional and local initiatives. He stated that the accomplishments of the Association's Director of Intergovernmental Affairs,

Sheri Coven, are reported each month to the Council. He also highlighted several of the accomplishments listed in the July 2013 report that was included in the Council meeting packet.

B. Florida Regional Councils Association Annual Report

Mr. Koons stated that the Florida Regional Councils Association is the statewide association of all 11 regional councils in Florida. It is governed by a Policy Board made up of three representatives (county, municipal, gubernatorial) from each Council who are in turn advised by the Executive Directors Advisory Committee comprised of all 11 executive directors. He further stated that Chair Nobles, Commissioner Riddick and Ms. Thomas currently serve on the Florida Regional Councils Association. He stated that the 2012-13 Annual Report for the Association was included in the Council packet and also distributed to Council members prior to the meeting.

C. Florida Chamber Foundation Scorecard™

Mr. Koons stated that the Florida Chamber Foundation has developed the Florida Scorecard™ to provide Florida leaders the metrics needed to secure Florida's future. The Florida Chamber Foundation's objective to develop a 20-year, statewide strategic plan requires a commitment to measuring our current status and progress toward the stated goals of the Six Pillars 20-year Strategic Plan. He further stated that the Scorecard reports metrics for each of the Six Pillars benchmarked to the other 49 states. The Six Pillars are Talent Supply and Education, Innovation and Economic Development, Infrastructure and Growth Leadership, Business Climate and Competitiveness, Civic and Governance Systems and Quality of Life and Quality Places. He reviewed the August 2013 Scorecard™ that was included in the Council meeting packet.

D. North Central Florida Rural Area of Critical Economic Concern Redesignation

Mr. Koons reported that during the 1999 session, the Florida Legislature passed, and the Governor signed into law, legislation supporting economic development in the rural areas of the state. Section 288.0656(7), Florida Statutes, authorizes the Rural Economic Development Initiative to recommend to the Governor up to three areas for designation as rural areas of critical economic concern. He further reported that on April 23, 2003, Governor Bush designated Baker, Bradford, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Jefferson, Lafayette, Levy, Madison, Putnam, Suwannee, Taylor and Union Counties as a rural area of critical economic concern for a term of five years and on June 11, 2008, Governor Crist signed Executive Order Number 08-132 redesignating the area as a rural area of critical economic concern for another five-year term.

Mr. Koons stated that the Rural Economic Development Initiative met on April 26, 2013 and agreed to recommend to the Governor to continue the designation of the above counties as a rural area of critical economic concern and on June 11, 2013, Governor Scott signed Executive Order Number 13-151 redesignating the area within the boundaries of Baker, Bradford, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Jefferson, Lafayette, Levy, Madison, Putnam, Suwannee, Taylor and Union Counties as a rural area of critical economic concern. This redesignation will be in effect for five years and will expire on June 12, 2018.

E. North Florida Water Working Group

Mr. Koons stated that on November 29, 2011, the Columbia County Board of County Commissioners hosted a tri-county public meeting and forum in Lake City with the Suwannee County Board of County Commissioners and the Hamilton County Board of County Commissioners to discuss north Florida water issues. The Columbia County Board of County Commissioners took action to establish a multi-county work group, known as the Florida Leaders Organized for Water, to engage a hydrologist and discuss what steps need to be taken and what studies need to be conducted to potentially challenge the consumptive water use permit issued to Jacksonville Electric Authority by St. Johns River Water Management District in May 2011. He stated that on March 11, 2013, the Florida Leaders Organized for Water held their last meeting and that a new group, called the North Florida Water Working Group, has been formed with the primary goal of protecting north Florida's water supply.

Mr. Koons reported that the goal of the North Florida Water Working Group is to restore, promote and maintain water flow and quality with a focus on legislation. The first meeting of the Working Group was held in Lake City on July 14, 2013. He stated that the Group outlined their goals and objectives, which were later refined at their second meeting held on July 24, 2013 where they also discussed potential water conservation legislation ideas. Other concepts discussed were the availability of secondary water sources for use prior to tapping the aquifer, as well as the efficient use of our current water supply.

F. Check Fraud Status Report

Mr. Koons reported that on March 20, 2013, a fraudulent check in the amount of \$49,523.00 that was written on the Council's bank account was processed and paid by Wells Fargo. Also on March 20, 2013, Council staff filed an affidavit of check fraud concerning this matter with Wells Fargo. On March 25, 2013, Council staff filed a crime report concerning this matter with the Gainesville Police Department. On April 18, 2013, the Council Attorney sent a letter to Wells Fargo requesting that Wells Fargo remit to the Council within 30 days the unauthorized \$49,523.00 released by Wells Fargo from the Council's account. He added that on June 3, 2013, attorneys for Wells Fargo responded via letter stating that Wells Fargo will not reimburse the Council for the \$49,523.00 released from the Council's account by Wells Fargo.

Mr. Koons stated that at their meeting on July 25, 2013, the Council authorized the Council Attorney to file a lawsuit against Wells Fargo to recover the unauthorized \$49,523.00, to engage Stanley Cushman from the law firm of Scruggs and Carmichael to serve as co-counsel for the lawsuit and to designate Scott Koons, Executive Director, as the Council's representative concerning all matters related to such lawsuit. The Council also authorized the Council Attorney and the Executive Director to contact federal and state law enforcement agencies to discuss the fraudulent check processed and paid out of the Council's bank account by Wells Fargo.

Mr. Wershow then reported that on August 5, 2013, he and Mr. Koons met with the Bill Cervone, State Attorney of the Florida Eighth Judicial Circuit. He further reported that he has also had discussions with Frank Williams, Assistant U.S. Attorney in Gainesville and with an agent from the Federal Bureau of Investigation. He also reported that on August 6, 2013, a lawsuit was filed against Wells Fargo to recover the Council's funds, but that a response had not yet been received from Wells Fargo.

Commissioner Wilford reported that Mayor Matthew Surrency from the City of Hawthorne was recently elected Second Vice-President of the Florida League of Cities.

Chair Nobles informed the Council that the next Council meeting will be held on September 26, 2013 at the Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites in Lake City. The meeting was adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Garth R. Nobles, Jr., Chair

9/26/13

Date



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September 19, 2013

TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director 

SUBJECT: Monthly Financial Report - August 2013

Please find attached a copy of the Monthly Financial Report for the Council's activities for August 2013. The following paragraphs discuss revenues and expenditures to the budget for the month and year to date. Status of the adjusted general fund balance of the Council at the end of the month is also provided on the attached Monthly Financial Report.

Revenue

The total revenue for the Council for year to date is within budgeted figures. Revenue at the end of 11 months was 76 percent of budget

Expenditures

The total expenditures for the Council for year to date are within budgeted figures. Total expenditures at the end of 11 months are 83 percent of budget. It is anticipated that the year should end with revenues exceeding expenditures.

Fund Balance

The adjusted general fund balance of the Council was \$1,526,916 at the end of the last fiscal year. At August 31, 2013, it was \$1,555,986.

Conclusion

In conclusion, staff is pleased with the financial condition of the Council. The adjusted general fund balance should remain at an acceptable level at the end of the fiscal year.

Overall, as is regularly reported, the financial condition of the Council is sound. Staff is not aware of anything in the current fiscal year that will change this situation. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Attachment

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NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
Summary Financial Statement (Unaudited)
August 31, 2013

	Adopted Budget FY 2012 - 13	August 2013	Year to Date	Percent of Budget
Revenue	1,967,300	102,704	1,491,142	76%
Expenses	1,967,300	144,773	1,626,456	83%

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

Financial Statement (Unaudited)

August 31, 2013

	Adopted Budget FY 2012 - 13	August 2013	Year to Date	Percent of Budget
Revenue				
Program Development	33,900	4	33,580	99%
Regional Planning				
State Planning & Review	30,000	0	30,000	100%
Developments of Regional Impact Review	15,000	0	0	0%
Public Safety & Regulatory Compliance				
Homeland Security Activities	57,000	0	55,538	97%
Hazardous Waste Monitoring	39,500	0	0	0%
Local Emergency Planning Committee	93,300	0	73,650	79%
Hazards Analyses	10,100	0	9,778	97%
Energy Resiliency & Assurance Studies	30,000	0	30,315	101%
Transportation				
Gainesville Urbanized Area Transportation Planning	614,400	0	385,525	63%
Gainesville Urbanized Area Mass Transit	170,000	0	130,151	77%
Transportation Disadvantaged - Alachua County	22,200	0	16,048	72%
Transportation Disadvantaged - Region	157,900	0	121,631	77%
Economic Development				
Comp Econ Development Strategy & Tech Assistance	108,000	0	92,250	85%
Original Florida Tourism Task Force Staffing	35,000	0	18,188	52%
Original Florida Tourism Task Force	42,000	0	39,006	93%
Vision North Central Florida			2,500	
Local Government Assistance				
General Technical Services	20,000	0	20,000	100%
City & County Planning Services	313,000	61,312	245,250	78%
Community Development Block Grant Administration	176,000	41,388	187,732	107%
Total Revenue	1,967,300	102,704	1,491,142	76%

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
Financial Statement (Unaudited)
August 31, 2013

	Adopted Budget FY 2012 - 13	August 2013	Year to Date	Percent of Budget
Expenses				
Audit	15,000		14,295	95%
Building Debt Service	44,600	3,714	40,854	92%
Building Occupancy & Grounds	40,000	2,458	26,690	67%
Contractual Services	77,000	1,959	44,269	57%
Dues, Publications & Subscriptions	40,000	1,005	42,539	106%
Furniture & Equipment	30,000		14,648	49%
Insurance and Bonding	17,000		16,948	100%
Legal Costs	12,000	1,134	8,832	74%
Machine Rental/Maintenance	6,000		4,669	78%
Meeting Expenses	19,000	1,496	16,672	88%
Moving Expense	2,000		0	0%
Office Supplies	41,000	1,683	25,411	62%
Personnel Costs	1,397,200	112,101	1,221,728	87%
Postage	13,000	475	6,801	52%
Printing	3,000		1,450	48%
Recruiting	2,000		0	0%
Reproduction	12,000	2,893	11,537	96%
Telephone	6,000	507	5,843	97%
Travel	86,000	14,876	86,694	101%
Original Florida Tourism Task Force	42,000	473	36,577	87%
Contingency	62,500		0	0%
Total Expenses	1,967,300	144,773	1,626,456	83%

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
Financial Statement (Unaudited)
August 31, 2013

Nonspendable General Fund Balance, 10/01/12	45,566
Assigned General Fund Balance, 10/01/12	
Unemployment Claim Fund	30,000
Legal Defense Fund	100,000
Capital Reserve Fund	470,000
Unassigned General Fund Balance, 10/01/12	<u>926,916</u>
Total General Fund Balance, 10/01/12	1,572,482
Less Nonspendable General Fund Balance, 10/01/12	<u>(45,566)</u>
Adjusted General Fund Balance, 10/01/12	1,526,916
Member Dues, Year to Date	118,962
Misc. Income, Year to Date	
Sales	38
Interest Income	1,290
Proceeds from Loan Portfolio Sale	2,755
Other	5,603
Expended Regional Support	(45,633)
Expended Local Technical Service	(1,947)
Expended Member Support to Economic Development	(28,344)
Expended Program Development	<u>(23,654)</u>
Adjusted General Fund Balance, 08/31/13	1,555,986



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September 19, 2013

TO: Council Members
FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director 
SUBJECT: Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board Appointments

RECOMMENDATION:

Appoint members to the Bradford, Madison and Union County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Boards.

BACKGROUND:

According to Rule 41-2.012 of the Florida Administrative Code, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, serving as the Designated Official Planning Agency, is responsible for appointing members to the local Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Boards. Please find attached the following applications for Board membership:

- Janice Johnson - Bradford County voting Florida Association for Community Action Representative
- Matthew Pearson - Madison and Union County voting Florida Association for Community Action Representative
- Vernon C. Dukes - Union County alternate Citizen Advocate
- Leila Rykard - Madison County voting local Medical Community Representative

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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September 27, 2013

Mr. Vernon C. Dukes
P.O. Box 325
Lake Butler, FL 32054

RE: Florida's Transportation Disadvantaged Program

Dear Mr. Dukes:

This letter is in regard to Florida's Transportation Disadvantaged Program established by Chapter 427, Florida Statutes. As you know, the purpose of this program is to assist individuals who are unable to transport themselves because of age, disability or income status.

The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council is the planning agency for this program and provides staff support to the Union County Transportation Disadvantaged Board. The Board oversees the provision of transportation disadvantaged services in Union County.

The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, serving as the Designated Official Planning Agency, is responsible for appointing members to the Union County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board. The Council appointed you the alternate Citizen Advocate to the Union County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board at its September 26, 2013 meeting. Your one-year term of appointment will end June 30, 2014.

We look forward to working with you on the Board. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 15, 2013 at 1:15 p.m. Meeting notices and materials will be sent to you a week before each meeting. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Lynn Godfrey, Senior Planner, at extension 110.

Sincerely,

Garth R. Nobles, Jr.
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September 27, 2013

Ms. Janice Johnson
1255 N.E. County Road 225
Lawtey, FL 32058

RE: Florida's Transportation Disadvantaged Program

Dear Ms. Johnson:

This letter is in regard to Florida's Transportation Disadvantaged Program established by Chapter 427, Florida Statutes. The purpose of this program is to assist individuals who are unable to transport themselves because of age, disability or income status.

The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council is the Designated Official Planning Agency for this program and provides staff support to the Bradford County Transportation Disadvantaged Board. The Board oversees the provision of transportation disadvantaged services in Bradford County.

The Planning Council, serving as the Designated Official Planning Agency, is responsible for appointing members to the Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Boards in our region. The Council appointed you the voting Florida Association for Community Action Representative on the Bradford County transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board at its September 26, 2013 meeting.

We look forward to working with you on the Board. The next Bradford County Coordinating Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 15, 2013 at 9:30 a.m. Meeting notices and materials will be sent to you a week before each meeting. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Lynn Godfrey, Senior Planner, at extension 110.

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Mr. Matthew Pearson, Programs Director
Suwannee River Economic Council
P.O. Box 70
Live Oak, Florida 32064

RE: Florida's Transportation Disadvantaged Program

Dear Mr. Pearson:

This letter is in regard to Florida's Transportation Disadvantaged Program established by Chapter 427, Florida Statutes. As you know, the purpose of this program is to assist individuals who are unable to transport themselves because of age, disability or income status.

The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, serving as the Designated Official Planning Agency, is responsible for appointing members to the Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Boards in our region. The Council appointed you the voting Florida Association for Community Action Representative on the Madison and Union County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Boards at its September 26, 2013 meeting.

We look forward to working with you on the Boards. The next Union County Coordinating Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 15, 2013 at 1:15 p.m. The next Madison County Coordinating Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 2, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. Meeting notices and materials will be sent to you a week before each meeting. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Lynn Godfrey, Senior Planner, at extension 110.

Sincerely,

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Ms. Leila C. Rykard, Human Services Specialist
Madison County Health Department
218 SW 3rd Avenue
Madison, FL 32340

RE: Florida's Transportation Disadvantaged Program

Dear Ms. Rykard:

This letter is in regard to Florida's Transportation Disadvantaged Program established by Chapter 427, Florida Statutes. As you may know, the purpose of this program is to assist individuals who are unable to transport themselves because of age, disability or income status.

The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council is the planning agency for this program and provides staff support to the Madison County Transportation Disadvantaged Board. The Board oversees the provision of transportation disadvantaged services in Madison County.

The Council, serving as the Designated Official Planning Agency, is responsible for appointing members to the Madison County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board. The Council appointed you the voting Medical Community Representative to the Madison County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board at its September 26, 2013 meeting. Please find enclosed information about Florida's Transportation Disadvantaged Program.

We look forward to working with you to successfully plan and coordinate transportation disadvantaged services. The next Coordinating Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 2, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. Meeting notices and materials will be sent to you a week before each meeting. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Lynn Godfrey, Senior Planner, at extension 110.

Sincerely,

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TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director *SRK*

SUBJECT: U. S. Economic Development Administration
Short-Term Planning and State Planning Grant Amendment

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the Executive Director to submit a six-month extension amendment for the Federal Assistance for a Short-Term Planning and State Planning Investment Grant awarded by the U.S. Economic Development Administration in the amount of \$200,000 and authorize the Chair to execute the time extension.

BACKGROUND:

The Florida Regional Councils Association is undertaking a Leadership Training and Capacity Building for Statewide Economic Development initiative. Funding for this initiative has been provided by the U.S. Economic Development Administration in the form of a Short-Term Planning and State Planning Grant in the amount of \$200,000 being matched with an additional \$50,000 of Florida Regional Councils Association funds for a total project cost of \$250,000.

In order to qualify for a 20 percent match level, a regional planning council, serving as a U.S. Department of Commerce designated economic development district, with at least one county with a per capita income that is equal to or less than 50 percent of the average national per capita income, had to file the grant application. The only two counties in Florida that meet this criteria are Lafayette County at 48.7 percent and Union County at 49.7 percent. Thus, the Council was the grant applicant for this project with the understanding that the Florida Regional Councils Association is providing the \$50,000 in matching funds.

In order to complete all activities pursuant to the Leadership Training and Capacity Building for Statewide Economic Development initiative, including the Florida Regional Councils Association Policy Board Retreat scheduled for January 9-10, 2014, it is recommended that a six-month time extension amendment be filed with the U.S. Economic Development Administration.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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September 19, 2013

TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director 

SUBJECT: Transportation Disadvantaged Program Resolutions of Appreciation

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the attached resolutions of appreciation for E. W. Hodges, Danny Johnson, Jean Rosebrock and Myrtle Webb.

BACKGROUND:

The attached resolutions of appreciation are regarding Florida's Transportation Disadvantaged Program established by Chapter 427, Florida Statutes:

- E.W. Hodges served as the Florida Association for Community Action Representative on the Bradford County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board from July 2000 to August 2013;
- Danny Johnson served as the Citizen Advocate on the Hamilton County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board from December 2010 to June 2013 and the Columbia, Hamilton and Suwannee Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board from June 2013 to September 2013;
- Jean Rosebrock served as the Citizen Advocate on the Bradford County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board from April 2012 to August 2013; and
- Myrtle Webb served as the Florida Association for Community Action Representative on the Madison County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board from December 2000 to August 2013.

If you have questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Attachments

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, E.W. Hodges has served as the Florida Association for Community Action Representative on the Bradford County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board since July 2000; and

WHEREAS, E.W. Hodges ably discharged his duties as the Florida Association for Community Action Representative on the Bradford County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the members and staff of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council do hereby express their appreciation to E.W. Hodges for the dedicated service he rendered to the Bradford County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board, and for his concern for the transportation disadvantaged needs of Bradford County and the State of Florida; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That this expression of appreciation be spread upon the minutes of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council for all citizens of the community to view and recognize the accomplishments and service of E.W. Hodges.

Garth R. Nobles, Jr., Chair

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September 26, 2013

Mr. E.W. Hodges
7886 SW CR 18
Hampton, FL 32044

RE: Florida's Transportation Disadvantaged Program

Dear Mr. Hodges:

On behalf of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, I want to express our regret that you will no longer serve as the Florida Agency for Community Action Representative on the Bradford County Transportation Disadvantaged Board. Your knowledge and your concern for transportation disadvantaged individuals have made you a valuable asset to the Board.

As a token of our appreciation for your service, the Planning Council, at its regular meeting on September 26, 2013 unanimously approved the enclosed resolution. Thank you for taking the time to serve on this Board.

Sincerely,

Garth R. Nobles, Jr.
Chair

Enclosure

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Danny Johnson has served as the Citizen Advocate on the Hamilton County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board since December 2010 and the Columbia, Hamilton and Suwannee Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board since June 20, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Danny Johnson ably discharged his duties as the Citizen Advocate on the Hamilton County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board and the Columbia, Hamilton and Suwannee Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the members and staff of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council do hereby express their appreciation to Danny Johnson for the dedicated service he rendered to the Hamilton County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board and the Columbia, Hamilton and Suwannee Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board, and for his concern for the transportation disadvantaged needs of Columbia, Hamilton and Suwannee Counties and the State of Florida; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That this expression of appreciation be spread upon the minutes of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council for all citizens of the community to view and recognize the accomplishments and service of Danny Johnson.

Garth R. Nobles, Jr., Chair

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September 26, 2013

Mr. Danny Johnson
1153 US Hwy 41 NW, Suite 2
Jasper, FL 32052

RE: Florida's Transportation Disadvantaged Program

Dear Mr. Johnson:

On behalf of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, I want to express our regret that you will no longer serve as the Citizen Advocate on the Columbia, Hamilton and Suwannee Transportation Disadvantaged Board. Your knowledge and your concern for transportation disadvantaged individuals have made you a valuable asset to the Board.

As a token of our appreciation for your service, the Planning Council, at its regular meeting on September 26, 2013 unanimously approved the enclosed resolution. Thank you for taking the time to serve on this Board.

Sincerely,

Garth R. Nobles, Jr.
Chair

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Jean Rosebrock has served as the Citizen Advocate on the Bradford County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board since April 2012; and

WHEREAS, Jean Rosebrock ably discharged her duties as the Citizen Advocate on the Bradford County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the members and staff of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council do hereby express their appreciation to Jean Rosebrock for the dedicated service she rendered to the Bradford County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board, and for her concern for the transportation disadvantaged needs of Bradford County and the State of Florida; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That this expression of appreciation be spread upon the minutes of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council for all citizens of the community to view and recognize the accomplishments and service of Jean Rosebrock.

Garth R. Nobles, Jr., Chair

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September 26, 2013

Ms. Jean Rosebrock
795 SE 50th Street
Keystone Heights, FL 32656

RE: Florida's Transportation Disadvantaged Program

Dear Ms. Rosebrock:

On behalf of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, I want to express our regret that you will no longer serve as the Citizen Advocate on the Bradford County Transportation Disadvantaged Board. Your knowledge and your concern for transportation disadvantaged individuals have made you a valuable asset to the Board.

As a token of our appreciation for your service, the Planning Council, at its regular meeting on September 26, 2013 unanimously approved the enclosed resolution. Thank you for taking the time to serve on this Board.

Sincerely,

Garth R. Nobles, Jr.
Chair

Enclosure

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Myrtle Well has served as the Florida Association for Community Action Representative on the Madison County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board since December 2000; and

WHEREAS, Myrtle Webb ably discharged her duties as the Florida Association for Community Action Representative on the Madison County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the members and staff of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council do hereby express their appreciation to Myrtle Webb for the dedicated service she rendered to the Madison County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board, and for her concern for the transportation disadvantaged needs of Madison County and the State of Florida; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That this expression of appreciation be spread upon the minutes of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council for all citizens of the community to view and recognize the accomplishments and service of Myrtle Webb.

Garth R. Nobles, Jr., Chair

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September 26, 2013

Ms. Myrtle Webb
Suwannee River Economic Council
P. O. Box 207
Madison, FL 32341

RE: Florida's Transportation Disadvantaged Program

Dear Ms. Webb:

On behalf of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, I want to express our regret that you will no longer serve as the Florida Agency for Community Action Representative on the Madison County Transportation Disadvantaged Board. Your knowledge and your concern for transportation disadvantaged individuals have made you a valuable asset to the Board.

As a token of our appreciation for your service, the Planning Council, at its regular meeting on September 26, 2013 unanimously approved the enclosed resolution. Thank you for taking the time to serve on this Board.

Sincerely,

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TO: Council Members
FROM: Garth R. Nobles, Jr., Chair
SUBJECT: Resolution of Appreciation - Todd Chase

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the attached resolution of appreciation for Commissioner Todd Chase.

BACKGROUND:

As a token of appreciation for his service on the Council since May 2011 and in recognition of his commitment and concern for the growth and development of the north central Florida area, the attached resolution of appreciation is recommended for approval by the Council.

Attachment

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Resolution

OF APPRECIATION

WHEREAS, Todd Chase has been representing the City of Gainesville on the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council since May 2011;

WHEREAS, Todd Chase has ably discharged his duties throughout his association with the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the membership and staff of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council do hereby express their appreciation to Todd Chase for the dedicated service he has rendered to the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, and for his concern for the future growth and development of this area and the State of Florida; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That this expression of appreciation be spread upon the minutes of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council for all citizens of the region to view and recognize the accomplishments and service of Todd Chase.

Garth R. Nobles, Jr., Chair

Daniel Riddick, Secretary-Treasurer

ATTEST:

ADOPTED BY THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AT THEIR MEETING
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Honorable Todd Chase, City Commissioner
City of Gainesville
P. O. Box 490 MS 19
Gainesville, FL 32627-0490

Dear Commissioner Chase:

On behalf of the entire Planning Council, I want to express our regret that you will no longer be representing the City of Gainesville on the Council. Certainly your interest in the organization and your concern for growth and development in the north central Florida area has made you a valuable asset to the Council.

As a token of our appreciation for your service, the Council, at its regular meeting on September 26, 2013, unanimously approved the enclosed resolution. I hope this adequately expresses the feeling we have for the loss of your leadership as a Council member.

Sincerely,

Garth R. Nobles, Jr.
Chair

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TO: Council Members
FROM: Garth R. Nobles, Jr., Chair
SUBJECT: Resolution of Appreciation - Yvonne Hinson-Rawls

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the attached resolution of appreciation for Commissioner Yvonne Hinson-Rawls.

BACKGROUND:

As a token of appreciation for her service on the Council since May 2012 and in recognition of her commitment and concern for the growth and development of the north central Florida area, the attached resolution of appreciation is recommended for approval by the Council.

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Resolution

OF APPRECIATION

WHEREAS, Yvonne Hinson-Rawls has been representing the City of Gainesville on the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council since May 2012;

WHEREAS, Yvonne Hinson-Rawls has ably discharged her duties throughout her association with the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the membership and staff of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council do hereby express their appreciation to Yvonne Hinson-Rawls for the dedicated service she has rendered to the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, and for her concern for the future growth and development of this area and the State of Florida; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That this expression of appreciation be spread upon the minutes of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council for all citizens of the region to view and recognize the accomplishments and service of Yvonne Hinson-Rawls.

Garth R. Nobles, Jr., Chair

Daniel Riddick, Secretary-Treasurer

ATTEST:

ADOPTED BY THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AT THEIR MEETING
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September 27, 2013

Honorable Yvonne Hinson-Rawls, City Commissioner
City of Gainesville
P. O. Box 490 MS 19
Gainesville, FL 32627-0490

Dear Commissioner Hinson-Rawls:

On behalf of the entire Planning Council, I want to express our regret that you will no longer be representing the City of Gainesville on the Council. Certainly your interest in the organization and your concern for growth and development in the north central Florida area has made you a valuable asset to the Council.

As a token of our appreciation for your service, the Council, at its regular meeting on September 26, 2013, unanimously approved the enclosed resolution. I hope this adequately expresses the feeling we have for the loss of your leadership as a Council member.

Sincerely,

Garth R. Nobles, Jr.
Chair

Enclosure

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September 16, 2013

TO: Council Members

FROM: Garth R. Nobles, Jr., Chair

SUBJECT: Executive Director Appointed to
National Association of Development Organizations
Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Steering Committee

Our executive director, Scott Koons, has been appointed to the National Association of Development Organizations Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Steering Committee.

Founded in 1967, the National Association of Development Organizations provides advocacy, education, networking and research for the national network of 540 regional development organizations. National Association of Development Organization members provide professional, programmatic and technical assistance to over 2,300 counties and 15,000 municipalities. The Organization also promotes programs and policies that strengthen local governments, communities and economies through regional cooperation, program delivery and comprehensive strategies.

The Steering Committee will make recommendations to the U. S. Economic Development Administration concerning the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Content Guidelines. The Council, serving as a federally designated economic development district adopted the most recent five-year update of the North Central Florida Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy on September 2012. The Strategy used the Florida Chamber Foundation Six Pillars for Securing Florida's Future as the organizing framework.

The Strategy is an economic roadmap to diversify and strengthen the economy by setting forth goals and objectives necessary to solve economic development challenges. The Strategy analyzes the economy and serves as a guide for establishing goals and objectives, developing and implementing a plan of action and identifying investment priorities and funding sources. The Strategy integrates the human and physical capital planning in the service of economic development. This economic development planning provides the flexibility to adapt to global economic conditions and fully utilize the unique advantages of the region to maximize economic opportunity for the residents by attracting the private investment that creates jobs.

Congratulations to Scott!

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September 19, 2013

TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director *SRK*

SUBJECT: Amendment to Council's Organization Policy

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve an amendment to the Organization Policies of the Council by adding a new Section 18, entitled Public Participation.

BACKGROUND:

The Florida Legislature enacted Chapter 2013-227, Laws of Florida, relating to public comment at public meetings. The Chapter creates Section 286.0114, Florida Statutes, requiring that a member of the public be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard at a public meeting before any official action is taken on a proposition. The Chapter also provides for the Council to establish policies concerning the amount of time an individual has to address the Council, procedures for representatives of groups to address the Council, procedures or forms for an individual to use in order to inform the Council of a desire to be heard. The Chapter does not preclude the Council from maintaining orderly conduct or proper decorum at a public meeting.

Therefore, it is recommended that the Council adopt the attached amendment to the Organizational Policies of the Council by adding a new Section 18, entitled Public Participation.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Section 18: Public Participation. Members of the public shall be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard on a proposition before the Council. The opportunity to be heard need not occur at the same meeting at which the Council takes official action on the proposition if the opportunity occurs at a meeting that is during the decisionmaking process and is within reasonable proximity in time before the meeting at which the Council takes the official action. This provision does not prohibit the Council from maintaining orderly conduct or proper decorum in a public meeting. The opportunity to be heard is subject to policies adopted by the Council as provided herein.

(1) Policies of the Council which govern the opportunity for members of the public to be heard at public meetings are, as follows:

(a) Members of the public shall be allowed three minutes to address the Council;

(b) The Council may, at its discretion, require representatives of groups or factions on a proposition to address the Council, rather than allowing all members of such groups or factions to address the Council, at meetings in which a large number of individuals wish to be heard;

(c) Forms shall be provided at meetings of the Council for citizens and groups to use in order to inform the Council of a desire to be heard; to indicate support, opposition or neutrality on a proposition; and to indicate designation of representatives to speak for members of the public, groups or factions on a proposition if desired; and

(d) The Council shall include an item on the agenda of public meetings for public comment offering members of the public and representatives of groups or factions an opportunity to comment or to be heard on any matter pertinent to the Council not included as an agenda item at such public meeting.

The first part of the paper discusses the theoretical framework of the study, which is based on the idea that the political system is a complex of interacting institutions and actors. The second part of the paper describes the research design and the data used in the study. The third part of the paper presents the results of the study, and the fourth part discusses the implications of the findings.

CONCLUSIONS

The study has shown that the political system is a complex of interacting institutions and actors. The results of the study suggest that the political system is not a simple, linear process, but a complex, multi-faceted one. The findings of the study have important implications for the study of politics and government.



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TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Proclamation Declaring October 2013 as Community Planning Month

RECOMMENDATION:

Proclaim October 2013 as Community Planning Month by adopting the attached proclamation.

BACKGROUND:

The month of October 2013 has been chosen to celebrate National Community Planning Month. The American Planning Association and its professional institute, the American Institute of Certified Planners, endorse National Community Planning Month as an opportunity to highlight the contributions sound planning and plan implementation make to the quality of life in communities and the environment.

It is recommended that the Council join in the celebration of National Community Planning Month by designating October 2013 as Community Planning Month to recognize the valuable contributions made by professional community and regional planners and to extend its thanks for the continued commitment to public service by these professionals (see attached Proclamation).

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Attachment

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PROCLAMATION

DECLARING OCTOBER 2013 AS COMMUNITY PLANNING MONTH

WHEREAS, change is constant and affects all cities, towns, suburbs, counties, rural areas, regions, and other places; and

WHEREAS, community planning and plans can help manage this change in a way that provides better choices for how people work and live; and

WHEREAS, community planning provides an opportunity for all residents to be meaningfully involved in making choices that determine the future of their community; and

WHEREAS, the full benefits of planning requires public officials and citizens who understand, support, and demand excellence in planning and plan implementation; and

WHEREAS, the month of October 2013 is designated as National Community Planning Month throughout the United States of America and its territories; and

WHEREAS, the celebration of National Community Planning Month provides an opportunity to publicly recognize the participation and dedication of the members of planning and zoning boards and other citizen planners who have contributed their time and expertise to the improvement of the north central Florida region; and

WHEREAS, the celebration of National Community Planning Month provides an opportunity to publicly recognize the many valuable contributions made by professional community and regional planners in the north central Florida region and extend our heartfelt thanks for the continued commitment to public service by these professionals.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council that the month of October 2013 is hereby proclaimed as *Community Planning Month* throughout the north central Florida region in conjunction with the celebration of National Community Planning Month.

DULY ADOPTED AND PROCLAIMED this 26th day of September 2013.

ATTEST:

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Daniel Riddick, Secretary-Treasurer

Garth R. Nobles, Jr., Chair



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September 19, 2013

TO: Council Members
FROM: Garth R. Nobles, Jr., Chair
SUBJECT: Executive Director Annual Performance Evaluation

The employment contract between the Executive Director and the Council specifies that the Executive Committee shall adopt performance standards to annually review and evaluate the Executive Director. It further specifies that the annual review and evaluation of the Executive Director shall be conducted by the Executive Committee. It also specifies that at its discretion, the Executive Committee is authorized to provide a merit increase to the Executive Director on an annual basis commencing October 1st of each year.

The Executive Committee has adopted performance standards to review and evaluate the Executive Director. An evaluation form incorporating these performance standards was mailed to each Executive Committee member to be completed prior to the September 26, 2013 Council meeting. The results of this evaluation have been tabulated by Council administrative staff and will be reviewed by the Executive Committee at their meeting on September 26, 2013. The action of the Executive Committee concerning the Executive Director annual performance evaluation and merit pay adjustment will be reported to the Council at the September 26, 2013 meeting.

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TO: Council Members

FROM: Sandra Haas, Chair
Clearinghouse Committee

RE: Chair's Report

The next regularly-scheduled meeting of the Clearinghouse Committee is 6:00 p.m., September 26, 2013 at the Holiday Inn and Suites, 213 SW Commerce Boulevard, Lake City. At its meeting, the Committee will review the following Committee-level items which require Council action. I will present an oral report on the Committee's actions and recommendations at the Council meeting held later that evening.

COMMITTEE-LEVEL REVIEW ITEMS

Local Government Comprehensive Plan Amendments

- #71 - Alachua County Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DEO No. 13-3ESR)
- #78 - Alachua County Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DEO No. 13-4ESR)
- #79 - City of Gainesville Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendments (DEO 13-2ER)

Developments of Regional Impact

Advent Christian Village Local Government Development Order Amendment

Please be advised that the Clearinghouse Committee meeting packet is posted on the Council website at <http://ncfrpc.org> (click on Upcoming Meetings and Meeting Packets, then click on Clearinghouse Committee Full Packet).

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September 19, 2013

TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2012-13 Amended Budget

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the Fiscal Year 2012-13 amended budget as recommended by the Finance Committee.

BACKGROUND:

The Council takes action during each year to accept work under contracts and additional grants which were not anticipated when the original budget was prepared. In addition, because the Council adopts the budget 16 months prior to fiscal year end, generally a number of conditions change which cause the expenditure levels to vary from the original figures.

To amend the budget, by taking into account both the contractual changes made during the year and variations in expenditure levels, the Council annually considers a fiscal year-end amendment. Consistent with that practice, staff has proposed budget changes for the current year budget which reflect an overall net decrease of (\$76,400). This includes both increases and decreases in revenue for various program areas with associated changes in Direct and Indirect expenses.

The Finance Committee has reviewed the proposed budget changes and recommends that the Council approve the Fiscal Year 2012-13 amended budget.

For your information, please find attached a copy of the budget as adopted last year and the amended budget for this year. In addition, the paragraphs below provide an explanation for the most significant changes.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

The total revenue increase in the budget is made up of a number of changes which are both positive and negative. The most significant of these are discussed in the following paragraphs by major program areas.

- Program Development - The net decrease in revenues for this category is (\$10,000). The net decrease results primarily from the reallocation of member dues to Regional Planning activities.

- Regional Planning - The net increase in revenues for this category is \$10,000. The net increase primarily results from a reallocation of \$10,000 in members dues from Program Development.
- Public Safety and Regulatory Compliance - The net increase in revenues for this category is \$3,300. The net increase results primarily from an increase of \$3,500 for regional hurricane evacuation activities.
- Transportation - The decrease in revenues for this category is (\$47,200). The increase primarily results from a decrease in projected revenue in the amount of (\$55,200) from the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area.
- Economic Development - The net decrease in revenues for this category is (\$18,000). The net decrease primarily occurred as a result of a decrease of (\$18,000) for *The Original Florida Tourism Task Force* activities.
- Local Government Assistance - The net decrease in revenues for this category is (\$14,500). The net decrease primarily occurred as a result of a decrease of (\$11,200) in local government planning assistance contracts.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

As indicated previously, the sum of all of these changes, plus others listed in the attached tables represent a total decrease in Council activities of (\$76,400). This represents a (3.9) percent decrease. Thus, Council finances overall remain in sound condition.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Attachment

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TABLE I
 NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
 BUDGET - Adopted May 24, 2012
 FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2012 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2013

EXPENSES	INDIRECT EXPENSES	DIRECT EXPENSES	REVENUE	
Audit	\$15,000		Program Development	\$33,900
Building Debt Service	\$44,600		Regional Planning	
Building Occupancy & Grounds	\$40,000		State Planning & Review	\$30,000
Contractual Services	\$7,000	\$70,000	Developments of Regional Impact Review	\$15,000
Dues, Pubs., Subs. & Training	\$37,000	\$3,000	Public Safety & Regulatory Compliance	
Furniture & Equipment		\$30,000	Homeland Security Activities	\$57,000
Insurance & Bonding	\$17,000		Hazardous Waste Monitoring	\$39,500
Legal Services & Public Notices	\$9,000	\$3,000	Local Emergency Planning Committee	\$93,300
Machine Rental & Maintenance	\$6,000		Hazards Analyses	\$10,100
Meeting Expenses	\$17,000	\$2,000	Energy Resiliency & Assurance Studies	\$30,000
Moving Expenses	\$2,000		Transportation	
Office Supplies	\$40,000	\$1,000	Gainesville Urbanized Area Transportation Planning	\$614,400
Personnel	\$567,100	\$830,100	Gainesville Urbanized Area Mass Transit	\$170,000
Postage	\$4,000	\$9,000	Transportation Disadvantaged - Alachua County	\$22,200
Printing	\$3,000		Transportation Disadvantaged - Region	\$157,900
Recruiting	\$2,000		Economic Development	
Reproduction	\$12,000		Comp Econ Development Strategy & Technical Assistance	\$108,000
Telephone	\$6,000		Original Florida Tourism Task Force Staffing	\$35,000
Travel	\$57,000	\$29,000	Original Florida Tourism Task Force	\$42,000
Original Florida Tourism Task Force		\$42,000	Local Government Assistance	
Contingency		\$62,500	General Technical Services	\$20,000
			City & County Planning Services	\$313,000
			Community Development Block Grant Administration	\$176,000
Total Indirect Expenses	\$885,700			
Total Direct Expenses		\$1,081,600		
TOTAL EXPENSES (Direct & Indirect)		\$1,967,300	TOTAL REVENUE	\$1,967,300

TABLE II
 NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
 REVENUE BY PROGRAM - Adopted May 24, 2012
 FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2012 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2013

REVENUE	FEDERAL FUNDS	STATE FUNDS	MEMBER DUES	MTPO* FUNDS	DEV OF REGIONAL IMPACT FEES	SERVICE CONTRACTS	TOURISM TASK FORCE FUNDS	OTHER INCOME	TOTAL	TOTAL BY PROGRAM	% TOTAL BY PROGRAM
PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT			\$23,900					\$10,000	\$33,900	\$33,900	2%
REGIONAL PLANNING											
State Planning & Review			\$30,000						\$30,000		
Developments of Regional Impact Review					\$15,000				\$15,000	\$45,000	2%
PUBLIC SAFETY & REGULATORY COM											
Homeland Security Activities						\$57,000			\$57,000		
Hazardous Waste Monitoring						\$39,500			\$39,500		
Local Emergency Planning Committee	\$52,400	\$40,900							\$93,300		
Hazards Analyses		\$10,100							\$10,100		
Energy Resiliency & Assurance Studies						\$30,000			\$30,000	\$229,900	12%
TRANSPORTATION											
Gainesville Urbanized Area Trans Planning				\$614,400					\$614,400		
Gainesville Urbanized Area Mass Transit				\$170,000					\$170,000		
Trans Disadvantaged - Alachua Co				\$22,200					\$22,200		
Trans Disadvantaged - Region		\$157,900							\$157,900	\$964,500	49%
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT											
Comp ED Strategy & Technical Assistance	\$63,000		\$45,000						\$108,000		
Original Florida Tourism Task Force Staffing		\$35,000							\$35,000		
Original Florida Tourism Task Force		\$5,000					\$37,000		\$42,000	\$185,000	9%
LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE											
General Technical Services			\$20,000						\$20,000		
City & County Planning Services						\$313,000			\$313,000		
Comm Dev Block Grant Administration						\$176,000			\$176,000	\$509,000	26%
TOTAL	\$115,400	\$248,900	\$118,900	\$806,600	\$15,000	\$615,500	\$37,000	\$10,000	\$1,967,300	\$1,967,300	100%

* Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area

TABLE III
 NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
 EXPENSES BY PROGRAM - Adopted May 24, 2012
 FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2012 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2013

TOTAL	EXPENSES	REGIONAL PLANNING		PUBLIC SAFETY & REGULATORY COMPLIANCE				ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT				TRANSPORTATION			LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE			TOTAL	
		PROGRAM DEVELOP	STATE PLANNING & REVIEW	DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL IMPACT REVIEW	HOMELAND SECURITY	HAZARDOUS WASTE MONITORING	LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE	HAZARDS ANALYSES	ENERGY RESILIENCY & ASSURANCE STUDIES	COMP ED STRATEGY & TECHNICAL ASSIST	TOURISM TASK FORCE STAFFING	TOURISM TASK FORCE	TRANS DISADVANT	GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA TRANS PLANNING	GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA MASS TRANSIT	GENERAL TECHNICAL SERVICES	LOCAL PLANNING SERVICES		COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ADMIN
\$70,000	Contractual Services							\$31,000					\$39,000						\$70,000
\$3,000	Dues, Pubs., Subs. & Training	\$1,000						\$2,000											\$3,000
\$30,000	Furniture & Equipment	\$30,000																	\$30,000
\$3,000	Legal Services & Public Notices							\$1,500				\$1,500							\$3,000
\$2,000	Meeting Expenses	\$500						\$1,500											\$2,000
\$1,000	Office Supplies	\$1,000																	\$1,000
\$830,100	Personnel		\$12,300	\$6,800	\$24,600	\$17,400	\$24,600	\$4,100	\$14,300	\$50,300	\$16,800	\$83,700	\$259,700	\$81,900	\$8,700	\$142,200	\$82,700	\$830,100	
\$9,000	Postage		\$400		\$300	\$300	\$200			\$100	\$200	\$1,500	\$500		\$100	\$4,000	\$1,400	\$9,000	
\$29,000	Travel		\$2,500		\$5,500	\$2,000	\$6,000	\$500		\$3,000		\$2,000	\$2,500		\$1,000	\$500	\$3,500	\$29,000	
\$42,000	Original FL Tourism Task Force																	\$42,000	
\$62,500	Contingency	\$1,400	\$1,676	\$945	\$352	\$1,235	\$252	\$1,125	\$442	\$931	\$75	\$2,094	\$35,605	\$714	\$917	\$14,575	\$161	\$62,499	
\$885,700	Indirect Costs*		\$13,124	\$7,255	\$26,248	\$18,565	\$26,248	\$4,375	\$15,258	\$53,669	\$17,925	\$89,306	\$277,095	\$87,386	\$9,283	\$151,725	\$88,239	\$885,701	
\$1,967,300	TOTAL	\$33,900	\$30,000	\$15,000	\$57,000	\$39,500	\$93,300	\$10,100	\$30,000	\$108,000	\$35,000	\$42,000	\$180,100	\$614,400	\$170,000	\$20,000	\$313,000	\$176,000	\$1,967,300

* See Table I for line item expenses of Indirect Costs. Total indirect expenses are distributed among programs at the rate of 106.70% of Direct Personnel costs.

TABLE IV
 NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
 MEMBER LOCAL GOVERNMENT DUES - Adopted May 24, 2012
 FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2012 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2013

	POPULATION*		DUES @ .30** PER CAPITA
	JURISDICTION	TOTAL COUNTY	
Alachua County		245,550	
County Government	99,483	(20,577)	\$20,000
Alachua	9,108		\$2,732
Archer	1,139		\$750
Gainesville	123,105	(14,307)	\$22,625
Hawthorne	1,409		\$750
High Springs	5,358		\$1,607
Newberry	4,945		\$1,484
Waldo	1,003		\$750
Bradford County		24,365	
County Government	18,937		\$5,681
Starke	5,428		\$1,628
Columbia County		63,735	
County Government	52,022		\$15,607
Lake City	11,713		\$3,514
Dixie County		15,093	
County Government	15,093		\$4,528
Gilchrist County		16,072	
County Government	16,072		\$4,822
Hamilton County		11,960	
County Government	10,311		\$3,093
Jasper	1,649		\$750
Lafayette County		6,880	
County Government	6,880		\$2,064
Madison County		17,569	
County Government	14,697		\$4,409
Madison	2,872		\$862
Suwannee County		40,844	
County Government	33,986		\$10,196
Live Oak	6,858		\$2,057
Taylor County		19,474	
County Government	12,497		\$3,749
Perry	6,977		\$2,093
Union County		10,704	
County Government	10,704		\$3,211
TOTAL	472,246		\$118,962

*Official State estimates used for Revenue Sharing purposes: April 1, 2011.

**Minimum dues paid by any member local government is \$750.

Membership dues are reduced by one percent of the funds expended by a member local government for in-house planning activities provided such reduction shall not reduce the total dues to an amount less than \$20,000.

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1	10.0	100	1.0	1.0	0.1
2	15.0	100	1.0	1.0	0.2
3	20.0	100	1.0	1.0	0.3
4	25.0	100	1.0	1.0	0.4
5	30.0	100	1.0	1.0	0.5
6	35.0	100	1.0	1.0	0.6
7	40.0	100	1.0	1.0	0.7
8	45.0	100	1.0	1.0	0.8
9	50.0	100	1.0	1.0	0.9
10	55.0	100	1.0	1.0	1.0
11	60.0	100	1.0	1.0	1.1
12	65.0	100	1.0	1.0	1.2
13	70.0	100	1.0	1.0	1.3
14	75.0	100	1.0	1.0	1.4
15	80.0	100	1.0	1.0	1.5
16	85.0	100	1.0	1.0	1.6
17	90.0	100	1.0	1.0	1.7
18	95.0	100	1.0	1.0	1.8
19	100.0	100	1.0	1.0	1.9
20	105.0	100	1.0	1.0	2.0
21	110.0	100	1.0	1.0	2.1
22	115.0	100	1.0	1.0	2.2
23	120.0	100	1.0	1.0	2.3
24	125.0	100	1.0	1.0	2.4
25	130.0	100	1.0	1.0	2.5
26	135.0	100	1.0	1.0	2.6
27	140.0	100	1.0	1.0	2.7
28	145.0	100	1.0	1.0	2.8
29	150.0	100	1.0	1.0	2.9
30	155.0	100	1.0	1.0	3.0
31	160.0	100	1.0	1.0	3.1
32	165.0	100	1.0	1.0	3.2
33	170.0	100	1.0	1.0	3.3
34	175.0	100	1.0	1.0	3.4
35	180.0	100	1.0	1.0	3.5
36	185.0	100	1.0	1.0	3.6
37	190.0	100	1.0	1.0	3.7
38	195.0	100	1.0	1.0	3.8
39	200.0	100	1.0	1.0	3.9
40	205.0	100	1.0	1.0	4.0
41	210.0	100	1.0	1.0	4.1
42	215.0	100	1.0	1.0	4.2
43	220.0	100	1.0	1.0	4.3
44	225.0	100	1.0	1.0	4.4
45	230.0	100	1.0	1.0	4.5
46	235.0	100	1.0	1.0	4.6
47	240.0	100	1.0	1.0	4.7
48	245.0	100	1.0	1.0	4.8
49	250.0	100	1.0	1.0	4.9
50	255.0	100	1.0	1.0	5.0
51	260.0	100	1.0	1.0	5.1
52	265.0	100	1.0	1.0	5.2
53	270.0	100	1.0	1.0	5.3
54	275.0	100	1.0	1.0	5.4
55	280.0	100	1.0	1.0	5.5
56	285.0	100	1.0	1.0	5.6
57	290.0	100	1.0	1.0	5.7
58	295.0	100	1.0	1.0	5.8
59	300.0	100	1.0	1.0	5.9
60	305.0	100	1.0	1.0	6.0
61	310.0	100	1.0	1.0	6.1
62	315.0	100	1.0	1.0	6.2
63	320.0	100	1.0	1.0	6.3
64	325.0	100	1.0	1.0	6.4
65	330.0	100	1.0	1.0	6.5
66	335.0	100	1.0	1.0	6.6
67	340.0	100	1.0	1.0	6.7
68	345.0	100	1.0	1.0	6.8
69	350.0	100	1.0	1.0	6.9
70	355.0	100	1.0	1.0	7.0
71	360.0	100	1.0	1.0	7.1
72	365.0	100	1.0	1.0	7.2
73	370.0	100	1.0	1.0	7.3
74	375.0	100	1.0	1.0	7.4
75	380.0	100	1.0	1.0	7.5
76	385.0	100	1.0	1.0	7.6
77	390.0	100	1.0	1.0	7.7
78	395.0	100	1.0	1.0	7.8
79	400.0	100	1.0	1.0	7.9
80	405.0	100	1.0	1.0	8.0
81	410.0	100	1.0	1.0	8.1
82	415.0	100	1.0	1.0	8.2
83	420.0	100	1.0	1.0	8.3
84	425.0	100	1.0	1.0	8.4
85	430.0	100	1.0	1.0	8.5
86	435.0	100	1.0	1.0	8.6
87	440.0	100	1.0	1.0	8.7
88	445.0	100	1.0	1.0	8.8
89	450.0	100	1.0	1.0	8.9
90	455.0	100	1.0	1.0	9.0
91	460.0	100	1.0	1.0	9.1
92	465.0	100	1.0	1.0	9.2
93	470.0	100	1.0	1.0	9.3
94	475.0	100	1.0	1.0	9.4
95	480.0	100	1.0	1.0	9.5
96	485.0	100	1.0	1.0	9.6
97	490.0	100	1.0	1.0	9.7
98	495.0	100	1.0	1.0	9.8
99	500.0	100	1.0	1.0	9.9
100	505.0	100	1.0	1.0	10.0

ANALYSIS OF DATA FROM RUN NO. 100
TOTAL AREA UNDER CURVE = 10.0
PEAK AREA = 10.0
CONCENTRATION = 10.0%

TABLE I
 NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
 BUDGET - Proposed Amendment September 26, 2013
 FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2012 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2013

EXPENSES	INDIRECT EXPENSES	DIRECT EXPENSES	REVENUE	
Audit	\$15,000		Program Development	\$23,900
Building Debt Service	\$44,600		Regional Planning	
Building Occupancy & Grounds	\$31,000		State Planning & Review	\$55,000
Contractual Services	\$5,000	\$55,000	Developments of Regional Impact Review	\$0
Dues, Pubs., Subs. & Training	\$33,000	\$14,000		
Furniture & Equipment		\$15,000	Public Safety & Regulatory Compliance	
Insurance & Bonding	\$17,000		Homeland Security Activities	\$49,800
Legal Services & Public Notices	\$9,000	\$4,000	Hazardous Waste Monitoring	\$45,300
Machine Rental & Maintenance	\$6,000		Local Emergency Planning Committee	\$89,500
Meeting Expenses	\$19,000	\$1,000	Hazards Analyses	\$9,200
Office Supplies	\$26,000	\$1,000	Energy Resiliency & Assurance Studies	\$35,900
Personnel	\$580,100	\$830,100	Hurricane Evacuation Study	\$3,500
Postage	\$3,000	\$5,000	Transportation	
Printing	\$2,000		Gainesville Urbanized Area Transportation Planning	\$559,200
Reproduction	\$13,000		Gainesville Urbanized Area Mass Transit	\$174,700
Telephone	\$7,000		Transportation Disadvantaged - Alachua County	\$21,900
Travel	\$63,000	\$35,000	Transportation Disadvantaged - Region	\$161,500
Original Florida Tourism Task Force		\$38,000	Economic Development	
Contingency		\$19,100	Comp Econ Development Strategy & Technical Assistance	\$108,000
			Original Florida Tourism Task Force Staffing	\$21,000
			Original Florida Tourism Task Force	\$38,000
			Local Government Assistance	
			General Technical Services	\$5,000
			City & County Planning Services	\$301,800
			Community Development Block Grant Administration	\$187,700
Total Indirect Expenses	\$873,700			
Total Direct Expenses		\$1,017,200		
TOTAL EXPENSES (Direct & Indirect)		\$1,890,900	TOTAL REVENUE	\$1,890,900

TABLE II
 NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
 REVENUE BY PROGRAM - Proposed Amendment September 26, 2013
 FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2012 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2013

REVENUE	FEDERAL FUNDS	STATE FUNDS	MEMBER DUES	MTPO* FUNDS	DEV OF REGIONAL IMPACT FEES	SERVICE CONTRACTS	TOURISM TASK FORCE FUNDS	OTHER INCOME	TOTAL	TOTAL BY PROGRAM	% TOTAL BY PROGRAM
PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT			\$13,900					\$10,000	\$23,900	\$23,900	1%
REGIONAL PLANNING											
State Planning & Review			\$55,000						\$55,000		
Developments of Regional Impact Review					\$0				\$0	\$55,000	3%
PUBLIC SAFETY & REGULATORY COM											
Homeland Security Activities						\$49,800			\$49,800		
Hazardous Waste Monitoring						\$45,300			\$45,300		
Local Emergency Planning Committee	\$52,600	\$36,900							\$89,500		
Hazards Analyses		\$9,200							\$9,200		
Energy Resiliency & Assurance Studies	\$35,900								\$35,900		
Hurricane Evacuation Study						\$3,500			\$3,500	\$233,200	12%
TRANSPORTATION											
Gainesville Urbanized Area Trans Planning				\$559,200					\$559,200		
Gainesville Urbanized Area Mass Transit				\$174,700					\$174,700		
Trans Disadvantaged - Alachua Co				\$21,900					\$21,900		
Trans Disadvantaged - Region		\$161,500							\$161,500	\$917,300	49%
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT											
Comp ED Strategy & Technical Assistance	\$63,000		\$45,000						\$108,000		
Original Florida Tourism Task Force Staffing		\$21,000							\$21,000		
Original Florida Tourism Task Force		\$6,000					\$32,000		\$38,000	\$167,000	9%
LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE											
General Technical Services			\$5,000						\$5,000		
City & County Planning Services						\$301,800			\$301,800		
Comm Dev Block Grant Administration						\$187,700			\$187,700	\$494,500	26%
TOTAL	\$151,500	\$234,600	\$118,900	\$755,800	\$0	\$588,100	\$32,000	\$10,000	\$1,890,900	\$1,890,900	100%

* Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area

TABLE III
 NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
 EXPENSES BY PROGRAM - Proposed Amendment September 26, 2013
 FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2012 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2013

TOTAL	EXPENSES	REGIONAL PLANNING			PUBLIC SAFETY & REGULATORY COMPLIANCE				ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT				TRANSPORTATION		LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE			TOTAL		
		PROGRAM DEVELOP	STATE PLANNING & REVIEW	DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL IMPACT REVIEW	HOMELAND SECURITY	HAZARDOUS WASTE MONITORING	LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE	HAZARDS ANALYSES	ENERGY RESILIENCY & ASSURANCE STUDIES	HURRICANE EVACUATION STUDY	COMP ED STRATEGY & TECHNICAL ASSIST	TOURISM TASK FORCE STAFFING	TOURISM TASK FORCE	TRANS DISADVANT	GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA TRANS PLANNING	GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA MASS TRANSIT	GENERAL TECHNICAL SERVICES		LOCAL PLANNING SERVICES	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ADMIN
\$55,000	Contractual Services						\$16,000							\$39,000					\$55,000	
\$14,000	Dues, Pubs., Sub. & Training	\$6,000					\$8,000												\$14,000	
\$15,000	Furniture & Equipment	\$15,000																	\$15,000	
\$4,000	Legal Services & Public Notices						\$1,500						\$2,500						\$4,000	
\$1,000	Meeting Expenses	\$500					\$500												\$1,000	
\$1,000	Office Supplies	\$1,000																	\$1,000	
\$830,100	Personnel		\$25,600		\$20,500	\$19,500	\$26,600	\$3,100	\$16,400	\$1,000	\$50,300	\$10,100	\$85,600	\$251,200	\$84,900	\$1,700	\$144,800	\$88,800	\$830,100	
\$5,000	Postage		\$400		\$300	\$300	\$200				\$300	\$0	\$1,000	\$500		\$100	\$1,000	\$900	\$5,000	
\$35,000	Travel		\$2,000		\$5,500	\$2,000	\$6,000	\$500			\$4,000		\$4,000	\$4,000		\$1,000	\$2,500	\$3,500	\$35,000	
\$38,000	Original FL Tourism Task Force											\$38,000							\$38,000	
\$19,100	Contingency	\$1,400	\$55	\$0	\$1,923	\$2,976	\$2,703	\$2,337	\$2,239	\$1,447	\$457	\$270	\$204	\$106	\$441	\$411	\$1,095	\$1,036	\$19,100	
\$873,700	Indirect Costs*		\$26,945		\$21,577	\$20,524	\$27,997	\$3,263	\$17,261	\$1,053	\$52,943	\$10,630	\$90,096	\$264,394	\$89,359	\$1,789	\$152,405	\$93,464	\$873,700	
\$1,890,900	TOTAL	\$23,900	\$55,000		\$49,800	\$45,300	\$89,500	\$9,200	\$35,900	\$3,500	\$108,000	\$21,000	\$38,000	\$183,400	\$559,200	\$174,700	\$5,000	\$301,800	\$187,700	\$1,890,900

* See Table I for line item expenses of Indirect Costs. Total indirect expenses are distributed among programs at the rate of 105.25% of Direct Personnel costs.

TABLE IV
 NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
 MEMBER LOCAL GOVERNMENT DUES - Proposed Amendment September 26, 2013
 FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2012 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2013

	POPULATION*		DUES @ .30** PER CAPITA
	JURISDICTION	TOTAL COUNTY	
Alachua County		245,550	
County Government	99,483	(20,577)	\$20,000
Alachua	9,108		\$2,732
Archer	1,139		\$750
Gainesville	123,105	(14,307)	\$22,625
Hawthorne	1,409		\$750
High Springs	5,358		\$1,607
Newberry	4,945		\$1,484
Waldo	1,003		\$750
Bradford County		24,365	
County Government	18,937		\$5,681
Starke	5,428		\$1,628
Columbia County		63,735	
County Government	52,022		\$15,607
Lake City	11,713		\$3,514
Dixie County		15,093	
County Government	15,093		\$4,528
Gilchrist County		16,072	
County Government	16,072		\$4,822
Hamilton County		11,960	
County Government	10,311		\$3,093
Jasper	1,649		\$750
Lafayette County		6,880	
County Government	6,880		\$2,064
Madison County		17,569	
County Government	14,697		\$4,409
Madison	2,872		\$862
Suwannee County		40,844	
County Government	33,986		\$10,196
Live Oak	6,858		\$2,057
Taylor County		19,474	
County Government	12,497		\$3,749
Perry	6,977		\$2,093
Union County		10,704	
County Government	10,704		\$3,211
TOTAL	472,246		\$118,962

*Official State estimates used for Revenue Sharing purposes: April 1, 2011.

**Minimum dues paid by any member local government is \$750.

Membership dues are reduced by one percent of the funds expended by a member local government for in-house planning activities provided such reduction shall not reduce the total dues to an amount less than \$20,000.

TABLE 1

Summary of the results of the regression analysis of the relationship between the variables

Variable	Mean	Standard Deviation	Regression Coefficient	Standard Error	t-value	Significance Level
Age	35.2	12.5	0.15	0.05	3.0	< 0.05
Gender	Male	Female	0.20	0.10	2.0	< 0.05
Education	High School	College	0.30	0.10	3.0	< 0.05
Income	Low	High	0.40	0.10	4.0	< 0.01
Occupation	Service	Professional	0.50	0.10	5.0	< 0.001
Marital Status	Single	Married	0.60	0.10	6.0	< 0.001
Religion	Protestant	Catholic	0.70	0.10	7.0	< 0.001
Political Party	Democrat	Republican	0.80	0.10	8.0	< 0.001
Health Status	Good	Poor	0.90	0.10	9.0	< 0.001
Life Satisfaction	Low	High	1.00	0.10	10.0	< 0.001

The results of the regression analysis show that the variables of age, gender, education, income, occupation, marital status, religion, political party, health status, and life satisfaction are all significantly related to the dependent variable. The regression coefficients indicate the direction and magnitude of the relationship between each variable and the dependent variable. The t-values and significance levels provide statistical evidence for the relationship between each variable and the dependent variable.



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TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director 

SUBJECT: Florida Regional Councils Association Monthly Report

The Florida Regional Councils Association is the statewide organization of the 11 regional planning councils. The Association strengthens Florida's regional planning councils, partners with government and the business community to enhance regional economic prosperity and improves the consistency and quality of regional planning councils programs to ensure they add value to state, regional and local initiatives.

The Association strives to accomplish these goals by carrying-out the following objectives.

- Ensure regional planning councils are effective service organizations to the State of Florida, its local governments, and the citizens they serve;
- Ensure regional planning councils are consensus builders and problem solvers, and serve as conveners of the region by helping to articulate those multijurisdictional issues that need resolution;
- Encourage and promote opportunities for regional planning councils to become partners in state programs and initiatives, while promoting the unique themes of each region within the state and legislative environments;
- Monitor substantive state and federal legislative issues for the benefit of its members, and promote mutually supportive policy positions among the regional planning councils;
- Represent regional planning councils in national organizations, such as the National Association of Regional Councils, National Association of Development Organizations, and SouthEast Regional Directors Institute; and
- Foster relationships and partnerships and coordinate with state, regional, and national associations and organizations; non-profit entities; public-private partnerships; the Governor's Office; state agencies; and others, on issues of mutual interest and concern, and with whom the Association shares mutual goals and programs.

Please find attached the August 2013 Monthly Accomplishments Report highlighting the accomplishments of the Association's Director of Intergovernmental Affairs, Sheri Coven. The report addresses outreach, resource development/capacity building, legislative and administrative activities.

If you have questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT: August 2013

OUTREACH

- Met with Tony Carvajal, Executive Vice President of the Florida Chamber Foundation, to strategize next steps for RPCs as Six Pillars Communities and the development of regional scorecards.
- Met with Bill Killingsworth, Director of the Division of Community Development at the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, along with his staff: Mike McDaniel, Chief of Comprehensive Planning; Ray Eubanks, Plan Processing Administrator; and, the three Regional Planning Administrators – Ana Richmond, James Stansbury, and Brenda Winningham, to brief them on the role of RPCs in economic development and explore ways for RPCs to help the Department further its new Competitive Florida Partnership initiative.
- Met with Cissy Proctor, the new Director of the Division of Strategic Business Development at the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, for purposes of introduction and to provide an overview of RPCs.
- Met with Patrick Sheehan, Director of the Florida Energy Office at the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, to discuss the 2014 Florida Energy Summit and whether there may be a role for RPCs on the agenda and as a sponsor.
- Staffed a booth in the Florida League of Cities Grants and Technical Resource Assistance Center at its annual conference to promote the local government services offered by the RPCs, as well as a better understanding of the role of RPCs in economic development.

RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT/CAPACITY BUILDING

- Attended and Participated in Enterprise Florida, Inc.'s meetings of its Board, Stakeholders, Community Competitiveness Task Force, and Legislative Committee and shared information from those meetings with the RPC Executive Directors.
- Participated in a meeting of the Economic Development Liaisons, which focused on implementation of the State Strategic Plan for Economic Development through multi-agency efforts and also discussed steps toward development of a State of Florida Long-Term Economic Recovery Framework that aligns with the National Disaster Recovery Framework.
- Attended the National Association of Development Organizations Annual Training Conference and brought back notes, documents, and information to share with RPC

staff on successful programs and projects from other regions across the country that could be duplicated in Florida.

- Attended a Florida Transportation Commission Workshop, which addressed the Florida Department of Transportation's Vision 21 Plan and the Commission's priorities (in no particular order), as follows: alternative revenue sources; future corridors; regional governance; trade and logistics; executive compensation; small business development; legislative strategy; and, wetland mitigation. A prioritization of these subject areas was expected at the meeting, but did not occur.
- Coordinated RPC responses for the Rural Economic Development Initiative portion of the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity's annual report, due to the Governor and Legislature on November 1 of each year.
- Collected data from each RPC that support and demonstrate implementation of the *Florida Strategic Plan for Economic Development*, for the fourth quarter of the 2012-13 Fiscal Year and submitted the data to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, as requested.
- Distributed grant opportunity announcements to each RPC Executive Director pertaining to the U.S. Department of Transportation/Federal Transit Administration; U.S. Department of Agriculture/Rural Community Investment Initiative and Utilities Program; and, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration/Climate Program Office.
- Reviewed and provided comments to RPC staff on the draft Energy Resiliency Strategy.

LEGISLATIVE SUPPORT

- Reviewed newly filed bills for the 2014 Legislative Session and shared information with the RPC Executive Directors pertaining to House Bill 3, relating to Freight Logistics Zones, which is of particular interest to them. Bill tracking summaries and legislative updates will begin in late September.

ADMINISTRATIVE

- Scheduled FRCA's strategic planning retreat for January 9-10, 2014, in Tallahassee, and began working with the SouthEast Regional Directors Institute to set the schedule and develop a list of individuals to be interviewed and surveyed.
- Prepared the meeting summaries for the August FRCA meetings, coordinated and helped prepare the guest speakers, participated in the meetings, and managed all on-site hotel logistics.
- Began hotel and catering contract negotiations for the October, December, and January FRCA meetings and strategic planning retreat.



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September 19, 2013

TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director



SUBJECT: Florida Chamber Foundation Scorecard™

The Florida Chamber Foundation has developed the Florida Scorecard™ to provide Florida leaders the metrics needed to secure Florida's future. The Florida Chamber Foundation's objective to developing a 20-year, statewide strategic plan requires a commitment to measuring our current status and progress toward the stated goals of the Six Pillars 20-year Strategic Plan.

The Scorecard reports metrics for each of the Six Pillars benchmarked to the other 49 states. The Six Pillars are Talent Supply and Education, Innovation and Economic Development, Infrastructure and Growth Leadership, Business Climate and Competitiveness, Civic and Governance Systems and Quality of Life and Quality Places. Please find attached the September 2013 Scorecard.

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THE FLORIDA SCORECARD

The Metrics that Help Florida Leaders Secure Florida's Future

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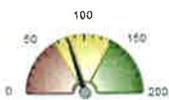
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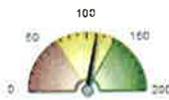
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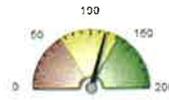
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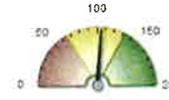
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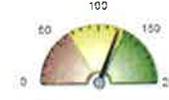
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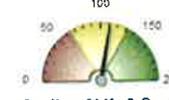
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Tourism Indicators

12,000 Bridges...Supporting Commerce, Tourism, Trade, and the Economy

Florida will soon pass New York to become the third largest state in the nation, and an additional six million new residents will call Florida home by 2030. To secure Florida's future, we must plan smarter for the next six million than we did for the last six million.

Consider this fact:

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Bridge Condition

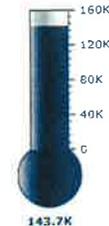
Florida's growing population requires smart planning to help ensure adequate roads are available for positive economic growth and competitiveness. Additional drivers will have an impact on Florida's highways, transportation routes, and bridges – effecting the movement of goods to market, intermodal logistics and the cost drivers of entire sectors of Florida's economy.

According to the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE,) approximately 11 percent of the more than 600,000 bridges in the U.S. are rated as structurally deficient and in need of some level of maintenance or repair. The average age of these bridges is over 40 years, and they were built in a period of time that saw as much as 40-50 percent less vehicle traffic. Today, over 200 million trips are taken daily across deficient bridges in the nation's 102 largest metropolitan regions.

What do the conditions look like in Florida?

According to the Florida Department of Transportation, Florida has nearly 12,000 bridges of varying size and structure. Approximately 200 of Florida bridges (or 1.7 percent of the total) are considered structurally deficient – significantly less than the 11 percent national average. Transportation for America ranks Florida with the lowest percentage of structurally deficient bridges in the U.S.

Florida Net 12-Month Job Creation



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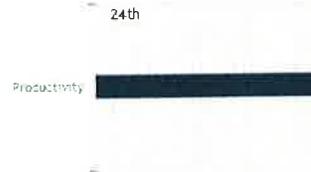


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Key Indicators



Home Foreclosures

As Florida continues to recover from the housing market collapse, trends in home foreclosures provide insight into Florida's progress through the extended recovery...



Consumer Confidence

The Florida Consumer Confidence Index measures residents' perceptions of personal finances now compared to a year ago and expectations of U.S....



Population

Florida has the 4th largest population in the U.S., estimated at just over 19 million in April 2012...



Unemployment Rate

Florida has a labor force of over 8 million, ready to meet the workforce needs of businesses...

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September 19, 2013

TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT: North Florida Water Working Group

On November 29, 2011, the Columbia County Board of County Commissioners hosted a tri-county public meeting and forum in Lake City with the Suwannee County Board of County Commissioners and the Hamilton County Board of County Commissioners to discuss north Florida water issues. The Columbia County Board of County Commissioners took action to establish a multi-county work group, known as the Florida Leaders Organized for Water, to engage a hydrologist and discuss what steps need to be taken and what studies need to be conducted to potentially challenge the consumptive water use permit issued to Jacksonville Electric Authority by St. Johns River Water Management District in May 2011. The Columbia County Board of County Commissioners also asked other counties and local governments in the region to join in the effort.

On March 11, 2013, the Florida Leaders Organized for Water held their last meeting. A new group has been formed with the primary goal of protecting North Florida's water supply, now called North Florida Water Working Group.

The goal of the North Florida Water Working Group is to restore, promote and maintain water flow and quality with a focus on legislation. The first meeting of the Working Group was held in Lake City on July 14, 2013. In attendance were representatives of Alachua County, Columbia County, Town of White Springs, Alachua County/Santa Fe Springs Working Group, Ichetucknee Partnership and Save Our Suwannee.

The Working Group met with representatives of several law firms to discuss general strategies for addressing various water supply, conservation and allocation concerns on September 11, 2013 in Lake City. The law firm team will propose a legislative strategy which addresses the concerns of the Working Group for the 2014 Legislative Session.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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September 19, 2013

TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT: North Florida Regional Water Supply Partnership

In September 2011, the St. Johns River Water Management District, the Suwannee River Water Management District and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection entered into an agreement that formalizes the coordination of water resource management in north Florida. Ensuring sustainable water supplies and protecting north Florida's waterways and natural systems is a collaborative effort among the water management districts, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, local elected officials and area stakeholders.

The Stakeholder Advisory Committee, which was formed in May 2012, serves as an advisory body to offer viewpoints from stakeholder groups to the St. Johns River and Suwannee River water management districts and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection to help address the region's water supply issues. The Stakeholder Committee is structured such that a wide range of public interests are included, while keeping the Committee small enough to be effective and productive. Stakeholder Committee representatives closely coordinate with the constituencies they represent, as well as being responsive to the interested public. Committee meetings are open to the public so stakeholders beyond the Committee membership can attend and participate.

The Committee met on August 19, 2013 in Lake City and was updated by Suwannee River Water Management District staff on the Prevention and Recovery Plan for the Lower Santa Fe River, Ichetucknee River and Priority Springs. The Committee was also heard presentations on aquifer recharge projects, the role of evapotranspiration in the water cycle and water use data methodologies.

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September 19, 2013

TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director 

SUBJECT: Florida Local Government Coalition Local Works Day

Local Works Day, sponsored by the Florida Local Government Coalition, is a day to bring attention to the hard work that local government employees do for millions of Floridians each day. It is about the public works that are easy to take for granted, but which knit our communities together. Law enforcement, first responders, public parks, running water, electricity, roads and bridges are part of ordinary life and that is extraordinary. Please watch a short video that can be found on the Council website at www.ncfrpc.org in the "Public Notices" section, and help the Florida Local Government Coalition celebrate Local Works Day on September 6, 2013, and to remind our fellow Floridians of what is special about local communities all across Florida.

The Florida Local Government Coalition is an organization comprised of local government associations that works to advocate for local government by educating citizens and by sharing resources amongst Coalition members. Members of the Coalition include the Florida Association of Counties, Florida League of Cities, Florida City and County Management Association, the Florida Regional Councils Association and other affiliated organizations.

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September 19, 2013

TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director 

SUBJECT: Check Fraud Status Report

On March 20, 2013, a fraudulent check in the amount of \$49,523.00 that was written on the Council's bank account was processed and paid by Wells Fargo. Also on March 20, 2013, Council staff filed an affidavit of check fraud concerning this matter with Wells Fargo. On March 25, 2013, Council staff filed a crime report concerning this matter with the Gainesville Police Department.

On March 28, 2013, Council Attorney Jonathan Wershow and Council staff briefed the Executive Committee concerning this matter. On April 18, 2013, the Council Attorney sent a letter to Wells Fargo requesting that Wells Fargo remit to the Council within 30 days the unauthorized \$49,523.00 released by Wells Fargo from the Council's account. On April 25, 2013, Council staff briefed the Council concerning this matter. On June 3, 2013, attorneys for Wells Fargo responded via letter to Mr. Wershow's letter stating that Wells Fargo will not reimburse the Council for the \$49,523.00 released from the Council's account by Wells Fargo.

On July 25, 2013, the Council authorized the Council Attorney to file a lawsuit against Wells Fargo to recover the unauthorized \$49,523.00 and designate Scott Koons, Executive Director, as the Council's representative concerning all matters related to such lawsuit. In addition, the Council authorized the Council Attorney and the Executive Director to contact federal and state law enforcement agencies to discuss the fraudulent check processed and paid out of the Council's bank account by Wells Fargo.

On August 5, 2013, Council Attorney Wershow and I met with Mr. William Cervone, State's Attorney for the Eighth Judicial Circuit of Florida to discuss the check fraud incident. Mr. Cervone offered the assistance of his staff to work with the Gainesville Police Department to secure the bank records relating to the check fraud incident.

On August 6, 2013, Council Attorney Wershow and Co-Council Stanley Cushman filed a five-count lawsuit in the Circuit Court of the Eighth Judicial Circuit in and for Alachua County, Florida, against Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. to recover the unauthorized \$49,523.00 released by Wells Fargo from the Council's bank account.

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On September 9, 2013, Wells Fargo responded to the complaint by filing a Motion to Compel Arbitration. Wells Fargo alleges that disputes related to the Council's checking account are to be resolved by an arbitrator. Council Attorney Wershow and Co-Counsel Stanley Cushman responded to the motion stating arbitration does not apply to the dispute.

Please find attached a summary of legal fees incurred to date concerning the lawsuit.

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NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
Wells Fargo Lawsuit
Legal Fees

September 19, 2013

<u>Month</u>	<u>Amount</u>
August 2013	<u>\$1,833</u>
Total	\$1,833

