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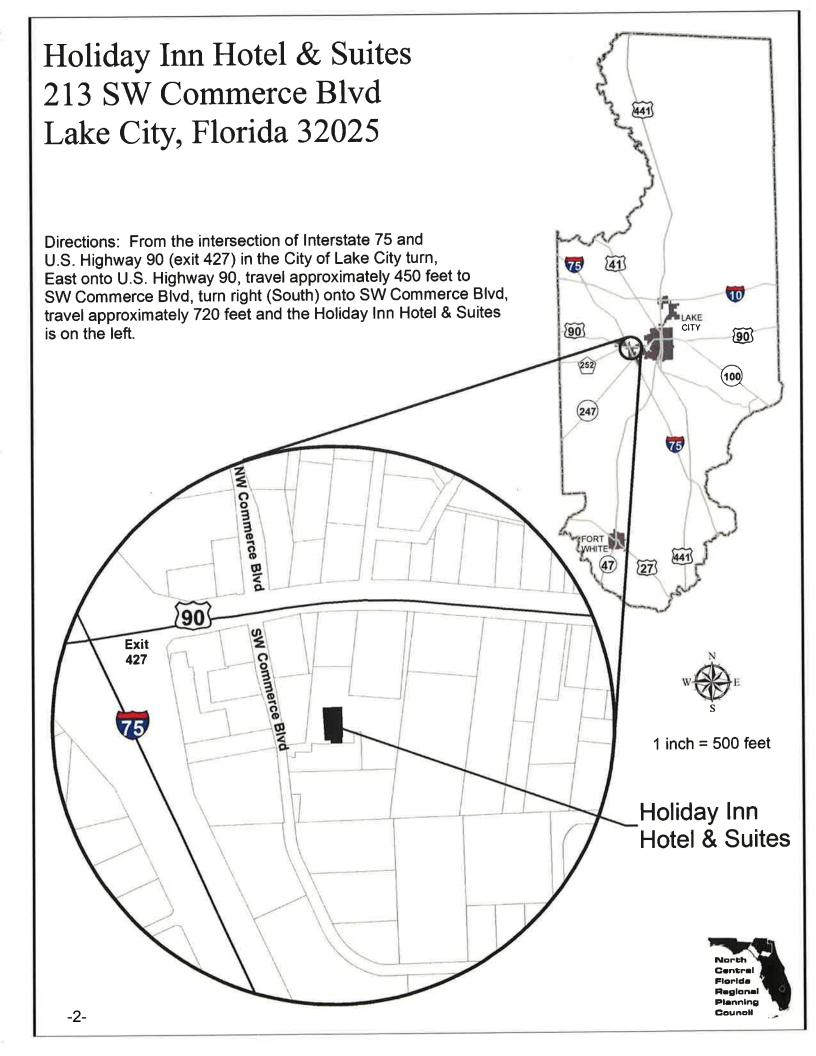
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# MEETING NOTICE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

There will be a meeting of the Executive Committee of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council on **August 27, 2015**. The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites, 213 Southwest Commerce Boulevard, Lake City, Florida at 6:00 p.m.

(Location Map on Back)





Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites

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### AGENDA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites Lake City, Florida July 23, 2015 6:00 p.m.

#### MEMBERS PRESENT

STAFF PRESENT

Louie Davis, Member Rick Davis, Vice-Chair Daniel Riddick, Chair Carolyn Spooner, Immediate Past Chair Lorene Thomas, Secretary-Treasurer

Scott R. Koons

Chair Daniel Riddick called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - June 25, 2015

Chair Riddick asked that the minutes for the June 25, 2015 Executive Committee meeting be approved as written.

ACTION: Commissioner Spooner made the motion, with a second by Commissioner

Davis to approve the minutes for June 25, 2015 as written. The motion

carried unanimously.

II. CONTRACTS AND APPLICATIONS - Local Government Geographic Information Systems

Mapping Services Agreement Fiscal Year 2014-15

City of Newberry

ACTION: Mayor Davis made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Spooner to

recommend that the Council authorize the Chair to sign a Local Government Geographic Information Systems Mapping Service Agreement Fiscal Year

2014-15 with the City of Newberry. The motion carried unanimously.

III. PROGRAM REPORT - None

IV. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION -

A. Employee Health Insurance Proposal

ACTION: Commissioner Spooner made the motion, with a second by Ms. Thomas to

recommend that the Council accept the proposal received from

UnitedHealthcare for Plan JQ-H/RXPV for health insurance,

Plan F 3450 for dental insurance and life insurance the year beginning

September 1, 2015. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Check Fraud Status

Mr. Koons updated the Committee concerning the status of the \$49,523.00 check fraud issue with Wells Fargo.

<b>Executive Commit</b>	tee
July 23, 2015	

V. OTHER BUSINESS - None	
The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.	
	8/27/15
Daniel Riddick, Chair	Date



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August 20, 2015

TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Agreement with Florida Division of Emergency Management for

Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness - Fiscal Year 2015-16

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Authorize the Chair to execute an agreement with the Florida Division of Emergency Management for an amount of \$76,827 in training and planning funds, on behalf of the North Central Florida Local Emergency Planning Committee, for Fiscal Year 2015-16.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The Florida Division of Emergency Management passes through funds from the United States Department of Transportation for hazardous materials planning and training. The Council, on behalf of the North Central Florida Local Emergency Planning Committee, offers free hazardous materials response training to local government employees.

This training includes basic awareness level through more advanced technician level training. The Council will receive an anticipated \$25,000 to conduct a planning project and an anticipated \$51,827 to offer free training classes.

The Local Emergency Planning Committee selects the planning project for the year. The project last year consisted of a commodity flow study to identify the most common hazardous materials transported through the north central Florida region.

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August 20, 2015

TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Local Government Comprehensive Planning Assistance Services Agreements -

Fiscal Year 2015-16

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Authorize the Chair to execute technical assistance services agreements on a fixed fee basis to assist counties and cities with implementing their comprehensive plans and land development regulations for Fiscal Year 2015-16.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Each year the Council enters into technical assistance services agreements to assist local governments with implementing their comprehensive plans and land development regulations. The scope of services are, as follows.

- I. General Technical Assistance conducting research, answering questions and assisting with comprehensive plan and land development regulations interpretations.
- II. Amendment Assistance all Level I services, plus preparing public notices, draft ordinance, data and analysis and concurrency review for comprehensive plan text and map and land development regulations text and zoning map amendments.
- III. Development Review Assistance all Level I and II services, plus reviewing site and development plans, subdivision plats and other development proposals for comprehensive plan and land development regulations compliance.

The names of the counties and cities and the fixed fee amount of each associated agreement are as listed on the attached list.

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

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#### FISCAL YEAR 2016

#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING ASSISTANCE SERVICES

#### **AGREEMENTS**

The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council proposes to enter into technical assistance services agreements on a fixed fee basis to assist counties and cities with implementing comprehensive plans and land development regulations. The scope of services and amount of each agreement are as listed below.

I. <u>General Technical Assistance</u> - conducting research, answering questions and assisting with comprehensive plan and land development regulations interpretations.

Local Government	Amount
N/A	N/A

II. <u>Amendment Assistance</u> - all Level I services, plus preparing public notices, draft ordinances, data and analysis and concurrency review for comprehensive plan text and map and land development regulations text and zoning map amendments.

Local (	<u>Amount</u>	
1. 2. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12.	Bradford County Dixie County Lafayette County Suwannee County Taylor County Union County Archer Chiefland Fanning Springs Lake Butler Madison, City Perry	\$ 23,500 \$ 13,000 \$ 13,000 \$ 23,500 \$ 12,500 \$ 3,500 \$ 7,000 \$ 7,000 \$ 5,250 \$ 7,000 \$ 17,000 \$ 9,000 \$ 10,000
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III. <u>Development Review Assistance</u> - all Level I and II services, plus reviewing site and development plans, subdivision plats and other development proposals for comprehensive plan and land development regulations compliance.

Loca	Amount	
1.	Columbia County	\$ 85,000
2.	High Springs	\$ 10,000



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TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Hazardous Waste Monitoring Verification and Notification Services Agreements -

Fiscal Year 2015-16

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Authorize the Chair to execute agreements with Bradford, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Lafayette, Levy, Madison, Suwannee and Union Counties for hazardous waste monitoring for Fiscal Year 2015-16.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Florida Statutes require each county to annually monitor the waste management practices of 20 percent of the government organizations and businesses that may potentially generate small quantities of hazardous waste. The majority of these operations involve motor vehicle maintenance. On-site visits are required to collect information that is entered into an on-line database.

During these site visits, Council staff will provide recommendations on correcting problems with management techniques. A one-page summary of how to avoid the most common mistakes will also be provided to the facility operators.

These services will be provided on a fixed fee basis to the counties in the amounts as listed below.

Bradford	\$7,882	Lafayette	\$ 1,409
Columbia	\$9,731	Levy	\$16,500
Gilchrist	\$2,697	Suwannee	\$ 7,421
Hamilton	\$2,899	Union	\$ 2,778

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TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Local Mitigation Strategy Facilitation Services Agreement

Fiscal Year 2015-16 - Levy County

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Authorize the Chair to execute an agreement with Levy County to provide Local Mitigation Strategy Facilitation Services for an amount of \$ 10,500.

#### BACKGROUND:

This item concerns an annual contract which the Council proposes to enter into with Levy County. The Council will provide staff facilitation support to the Levy County Local Mitigation Strategy Working Group. These services will include identifying mitigation issues, preparing an annual update of Local Mitigation Strategy, and preparing and transmitting the Local Mitigation Strategy annual report.

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TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board Appointments

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- Appoint Deweece Ogden as the voting Florida Agency for Health Care Administration Representative on the Columbia, Hamilton and Suwannee, Dixie and Lafayette County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Boards.
- Appoint Paul Champion, Sr. as the voting Florida Department of Elder Affairs Representative on the Gilchrist County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board.
- Appoint Commissioner Bucky Nash as the Local Elected Official representing Columbia County on the Columbia, Hamilton and Suwannee Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board.

#### 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. The above recommended individuals have received nominations from their respective agencies for appointment to the Boards.

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



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TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board Chair Appointment

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Appoint Commissioner Jason Bashaw Chair of the Columbia, Hamilton and Suwannee Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board.

#### **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 the Chair of the Columbia, Hamilton and Suwannee Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board.

Chapter I. F. (1) of the Columbia, Hamilton and Suwannee Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board Bylaws provides for the Board to annually recommend a local elected official to serve as Chair of the Board to the Council. At its August 12, 2015 meeting, the Board recommended the Council appoint Commissioner Jason Bashaw as Chair of the Board. Commissioner Bashaw is currently serving as the Local Elected Official representing Suwannee County on the Board. Commissioner Bucky Nash, representing Columbia County has served as Chair of the Board since June 2013.

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



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TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Hazardous Materials Awareness Week Proclamation

#### RECOMMENDATION:

Proclaim the week of September 13-20, 2015 as Hazardous Materials Awareness Week by adopting the attached proclamation.

#### BACKGROUND:

The Local Emergency Planning Committee has the job of increasing the safety of our communities from chemical releases. Public outreach and education are important to increasing chemical safety in our communities. The Florida Division of Emergency Management has designated the week of September 13-20, 2015 as *Hazardous Materials Awareness Week*. It is recommended that the Council join in this public outreach effort by designating the week of September 13-20, 2015 as *Hazardous Materials Awareness Week* (see attached Proclamation).

One goal of *Hazardous Materials Awareness Week* is to let the public know that facilities, first responders and emergency management are working together to ensure that our communities are as prepared as possible for both accidental and deliberate releases of hazardous materials. A second goal is to encourage local governments to take advantage of free hazardous materials training classes offered by the Local Emergency Planning Committee.

#### Attachment

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### PROCLAMATION

### DECLARING SEPTEMBER 13-20, 2015 AS HAZARDOUS MATERIALS AWARENESS WEEK

WHEREAS, the safe use of hazardous materials is essential to citizens, business, industry and local governments to maintain economic stability and the public health; and

WHEREAS, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council recognizes the importance of protecting our communities from both accidental and deliberate releases of hazardous materials and joins the North Central Florida Local Emergency Planning Committee, and numerous municipalities, counties and school boards, in publicly promoting community hazardous materials safety; and

WHEREAS, it is essential for local governments, regional planning councils and local emergency planning committees to work together to increase community safety by encouraging emergency responders to attend free training on how to safely respond to releases of hazardous materials; and

WHEREAS, citizens need to know that local governments, businesses, emergency responders and emergency planners are working together to ensure that our communities are as prepared as possible for both accidental and deliberate releases of hazardous materials.

NOW, THEREFORE, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council hereby proclaims the week of September 13-20, 2015 as Hazardous Materials Awareness Week throughout the north central Florida region.

DULY ADOPTED AND PROCLAIMED this 27th day of August 2015.

ATTEST:	
SEAL	
Lorene Thomas, Secretary-Treasurer	Daniel Riddick, Chair



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TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Resolution Recognizing Service of

Terry Joseph, Executive Director

West Florida Regional Planning Council

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve the attached resolution recognizing the service of Terry Joseph, Executive Director of the West Florida Regional Planning Council.

#### **BACKGROUND**:

In recognition of the service of Terry Joseph, Executive Director of the West Florida Regional Planning Council, the attached resolution is recommended for approval by the Council.

Ms. Joseph has served as the Executive Director of the West Florida Regional Planning Council since 2005 and has had a career at the Council spanning 31 years. She has been involved in most major programs of the Council during her tenure. She has served and contributed to the West Florida Regional Planning Council and Florida Regional Councils Association with distinction and honor, serving as Chair of the Florida Regional Councils Association Executive Directors Advisory Committee.

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

Attachment

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2015-05

## RECOGNIZING SERVICE OF MS. TERRY JOSEPH EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the West Florida Regional Planning Council was the third regional planning council established in the State of Florida in 1964; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the West Florida Regional Planning Council is to provide professional planning, coordinating and advisory services to local governments, state and federal agencies and the public in order to preserve and enhance the quality of life in Northwest Florida; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Joseph has served as Executive Director since 2005, capping off a 31-year career at the Council; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Joseph has been involved in most major programs of the Council during her tenure; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Joseph has served and contributed to the West Florida Regional Planning Council and Florida Regional Councils Association with distinction and honor, having served as Chair of the Florida Regional Councils Association Executive Directors Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Joseph is a two-time graduate of the University of West Florida; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Joseph has announced her retirement from the West Florida Regional Planning Council effective September 30, 2015.

NOW, THEREFORE, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council hereby congratulates Ms. Joseph upon the occasion of her retirement, thanks her for her many contributions on behalf of the West Florida Regional Planning Council and Florida Regional Councils Association and wishes her well in her retirement and future endeavors.

DULY ADOPTED this 27th day of August 2015.

Attest:

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

**SEAL** 

Scott R. Koons Executive Director Daniel Riddick Chair



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TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Resolution Recognizing Service of

Manny Pumariega, Executive Director Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve the attached resolution recognizing the service of Manny Pumariega, Executive Director of the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

In recognition of the service of Manny Pumariega, Executive Director of the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council, the attached resolution is recommended for approval by the Council.

Mr. Pumariega has served as the Executive Director of the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council since 1998 and has had a career at the Council spanning 35 years. He has been involved in most major programs of the Council during his tenure. He has served and contributed to the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council and Florida Regional Councils Association with distinction and honor, serving as Chair of the Florida Regional Councils Association Executive Directors Advisory Committee.

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

Attachment

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2015-06

# RECOGNIZING SERVICE OF MR. MANNY PUMARIEGA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TAMPA BAY REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council was the first regional planning council established in the State of Florida in 1962; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council is to serve citizens and member local governments by providing a forum of communication, coordination, and collaboration in identifying and addressing issues and needs regionally; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pumariega has served as Executive Director since 1998, capping off a 35-year career at the Council; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pumariega has been involved in most major programs of the Council during his tenure; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pumariega has served and contributed to the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council and Florida Regional Councils Association with distinction and honor, having served as Chair of the Florida Regional Councils Association Executive Directors Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pumariega is a graduate of the University of South Florida and the University of Tampa and is a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pumariega has announced his retirement from the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council effective September 30, 2015.

NOW, THEREFORE, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council hereby congratulates Mr. Pumariega upon the occasion of his retirement, thanks him for his many contributions on behalf of the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council and Florida Regional Councils Association and wishes him well in his retirement and future endeavors.

DULY ADOPTED this 27th day of August 2015.

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August 20, 2015

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.

A hearing was scheduled for October 30, 2013 in the Circuit Court of the Eighth Judicial Circuit in and for Alachua County, Florida on the Motion to Compel Arbitration filed by Wells Fargo to resolve the dispute between the Council and Wells Fargo. However, the hearing was rescheduled for January 24, 2014. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Circuit Court granted the Motion to Compel Arbitration.

A letter was sent to Wells Fargo on May 13, 2014 requesting additional information concerning the disputed check. On September 24, 2014 a Notice of Arbitration and Statement of Claim was filed with the American Arbitration Association by Co-Counsel Stanley Cushman on behalf of the Council. On October 14, 2014 attorneys from Wells Fargo filed a Respondent's Answering Statement to the Statement of Claim.

Council Attorney Wershow and Co-Council Stanley Cushman have coordinated with the attorney of Wells Fargo on the selection of an arbitrator and on January 8, 2015 mutually agreed to American Arbitration Association Arbitrator Robert Cowles of Jacksonville, FL. On February 2, 2015 a preliminary arbitration conference was held via teleconference. The arbitrator and parties agreed to schedule the arbitration hearing for May 11, 2015 in Gainesville, FL. However the arbitrator and parties agreed to reschedule the arbitration hearing for June 22, 2015 in Gainesville, FL.

On March 3, 2015 a press release concerning the check fraud incident was issued to regional and state news media. An arbitration hearing was scheduled for May 11, 2015 and was rescheduled for June 22, 2015 due to a conflict interest by the expert witness from Wells Fargo.

An arbitration hearing was held on June 22, 2015 in Gainesville. The arbitrator issued his order on August 4, 2015 and ruled in favor of Wells Fargo.

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

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

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#### NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL Wells Fargo Lawsuit Legal Fees

#### August 20, 2015

<u>Month</u>	Amount
August 2013	\$1,383
September 2013	\$2,253
October 2013	\$3,445
November 2013	\$180
December 2013	\$0
January 2014	\$2,760
February 2014	\$1,410
March 2014	\$2,502
April 2014	\$2,669
May 2014	\$2,970
June 2014	\$6,515
July 2014	\$330
August 2014	\$420
September 2014	\$810
October 2014	\$3,429
November 2014	\$0
December 2014	\$2,295
January 2015	\$454
February 2015	\$2,978
March 2015	\$765
April 2015	\$7,000
May 2015	\$10,010
June 2015	<u>\$7,064</u>

TOTAL \$61,642



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TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Proposed Interlocal Agreement Amendments

As you know, Senate Bill 1216 (Chapter 2015-30, Laws of Florida) recently enacted by the Legislature eliminated the Withlacoochee Regional Planning Council and transferred Levy County and Marion County to the north central Florida region. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council was created by an interlocal agreement pursuant to Section 163.01, Florida Statures, entered into by counties and municipalities located in the north central Florida region. In order to add Levy County and Marion County to the membership of the Council, the existing member local governments will need to amend the interlocal agreement. The current population-based representation formula would increase the total number of representatives on the Council from 48 to 66.

At its June 25, 2015 meeting, the Council, on a 7 ayes and 5 nays vote, recommended amendments to the interlocal agreement to the member local governments. The amendments addressed the following provisions.

- 1. Geographic area;
- 2. Governance structure;
- 3. Additional representatives; and
- 4. Dues credit.

Subsequent to the June 25, 2015 meeting, representatives of a member local government have suggested some alternative options to address the governance structure of the Council as it relates to local government representatives. The Executive Committee is currently reviewing these alternative options.

**Option 1** would eliminate the population-based system resulting in 39 representatives on the Council, but would change the per capita population-based dues assessment from the current 30 cents per capita to each member local government paying an equal share of \$8,425 of the total dues assessment amount of \$219,050. (See attached dues table from adopted Fiscal Year 2015-16 budget.)

**Option 2** would retain a modified population-based representation formula with any member local government with a population of 100,000 or more having three representatives, resulting in a total of 48 representatives on the Council as well as retaining the proportional dues assessment on a per capita population basis.

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**Option 3** would also retain a modified proportional population-based representation formula with any member local government with a population of 100,000 or more having three representatives, a population of 250,000 having four representatives and a population of 500,000 or more having five representatives resulting in a total of 51 representatives on the Council.

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

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#### NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE August 20, 2015

**OPTION 1:** 

New Governance Structure

(Eliminate population-based representation)

10 Local Government- County 12 Local Government - Municipal

11 Gubernatorial

Local Government - Alachua County
 Local Government - Columbia County
 Local Government - Marion County
 Local Government - Gainesville
 Gubernatorial

39 Total

**OPTION 2:** 

New Government Structure

(3 representatives for local governments 100,000 or more)

10 Local Government- County 12 Local Government - Municipal

11 Gubernatorial

3 Local Government - Alachua County

1 Local Government - Columbia County

3 Local Government - Marion County

3 Local Government - Gainesville

5 Gubernatorial

48 Total

Note: Option 1 would reduce Gainesville representatives from five to one, Alachua County representatives from four to one and Columbia County representatives from two to one. Option 1 would also reduce Gubernatorial appointees from 16 to 13.

Option 2 would also reduce Gainesville representatives from five to one, Alachua County representatives from four to one and Columbia County representatives from two to one.

#### **OPTION 3:** Existing Government Structure

(Proportional representation for local governments over 100,000, 250,000 and 500,000)

- 10 Local Government- County
- 12 Local Government Municipal
- 11 Gubernatorial
- 3 Local Government Alachua County
- 1 Local Government Columbia County
- 4 Local Government Marion County
- 3 Local Government Gainesville
- 1 Local Government Additional Representative
- 6 Gubernatorial
- 51 Total

Note: Option 3 would reduce Gainesville representatives from five to three, Alachua County representatives from four to three and Columbia County representatives from two to one.

Option 3 would increase Gubernatorial appointees from 16 to 17.

## North Central Florida Regional Planning Council Governance Structure August 20, 2015

Option 1 Option 2

Option 3

Alachua Co.	Columbia Co.	Marion Co.	Gainesville	Total Local Government	Total Gubernatorial	TOTAL
1	1	1	1	26	13	39
3	1	3	3	32	16	48
3	1	4	3	34	17	51

#### Notes:

Option 1 would reduce Gainesville representatives from five to one, Alachua County representatives from four to one and Columbia County representatives from two to one.

Option 1 would also reduce Gubernatorial appointees from 16 to 13.

Option 2 would reduce Gainesville representatives from five to three, Alachua County representatives from four to three and reduce Columbia County representatives from two to one.

Option 3 would reduce Gainesville representatives from five to three and Alachua County representatives from four to three. and reduce Columbia County representatives from two to one.

Option 3 would also increase Gubernatorial appointees from 16 to 17.

TABLE IV
NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
MEMBER LOCAL GOVERNMENT DUES - Adopted May 28, 2015
FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2015 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

#### POPULATION\*

	PO	DI IEQ @ 20**	
	JURISDICTION	TOTAL COUNTY	DUES @ .30** PER CAPITA
Alachua County		249,414	
County Government	100,896	(\$27,309)	\$20,000
Alachua	9,479	(,,	\$2,844
Archer	1,137		\$750
Gainesville	124,796	(\$15,735)	\$21,704
Hawthorne	1,356	(4.5).55)	\$750
High Springs	5,533		\$1,660
Newberry	5,264		\$1,579
Waldo	953		\$750
Bradford County		24,487	
County Government	18,964		\$5,689
Starke	5,523		\$1,657
Columbia County		63,720	
County Government	52,124		\$15,637
Lake City	11,596		\$3,479
Dixie County		15,066	
County Government	15,066		\$4,520
Gilchrist County		16,007	
County Government	16,007		\$4,802
Hamilton County		12,064	
County Government	10,398		\$3,119
Jasper	1,666		\$750
Lafayette County		6,972	
County Government	6,972		\$2,092
Levy County		40,473	
County Government	40,473		\$12,142
Madison County		17,663	
County Government	14,558		\$4,367
Madison	3,105		\$932
Marion County		337,455	
County Government	337,455	(\$12,953)	\$88,284
Suwannee County		41,219	
County Government	34,369		\$10,311
Live Oak	6,850		\$2,055
Taylor County		19,760	
County Government	12,691		\$3,807
Perry	7,069		\$2,121
Union County		10,831	
County Government	10,831		\$3,249
TOTAL	855,131	855,131	\$219,050

<sup>\*</sup>Official State estimates used for Revenue Sharing purposes: April 1, 2014.

<sup>\*\*</sup>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.