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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 **May 23, 2024**. The meeting will be held as a hybrid meeting in-person at the **Drury Inn and Suites, Mockingbird Room, 4000 Southwest 40th Boulevard, Gainesville, Florida**, and via Communications Media Technology at **6:00 p.m.**

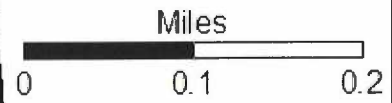
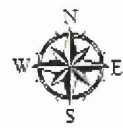
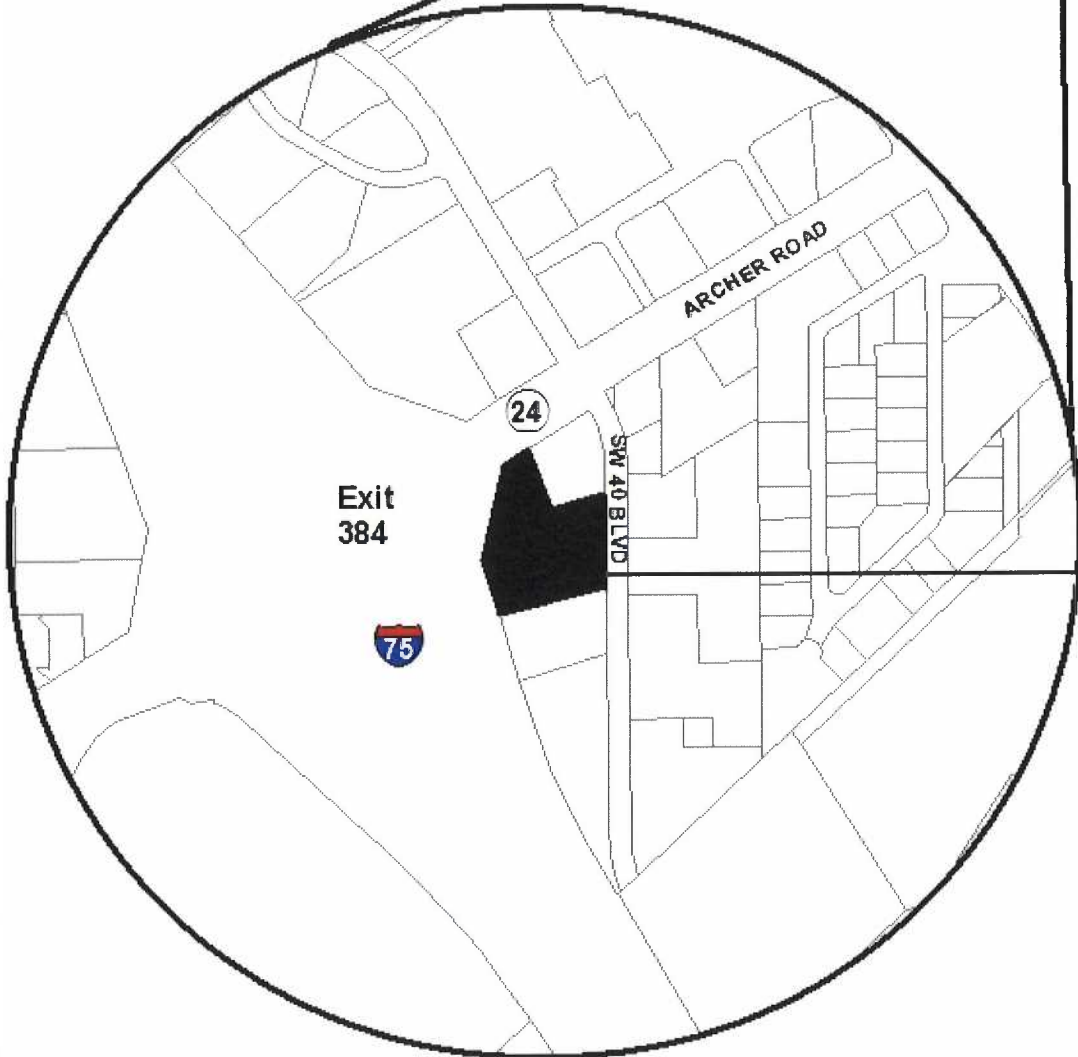
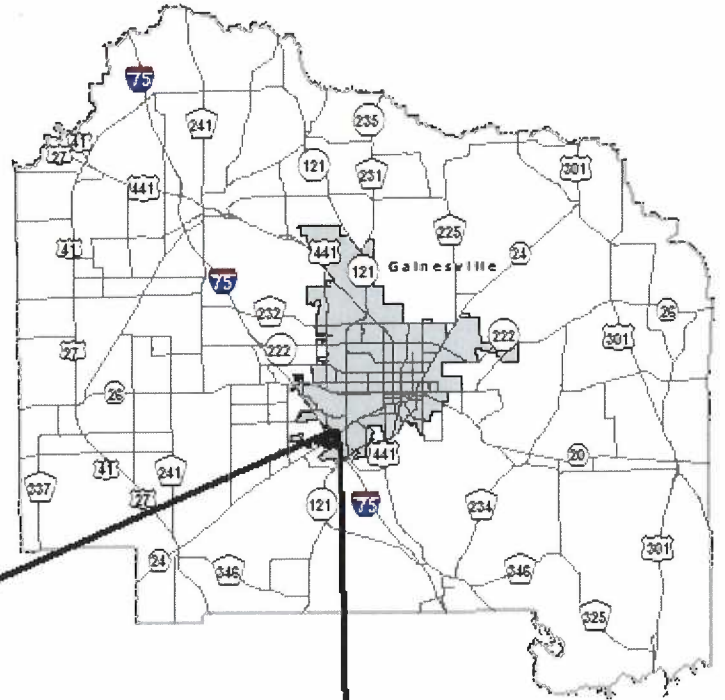
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AGENDA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Hybrid Public Meeting
Drury Inn & Suites
4000 Southwest 40th Boulevard
Gainesville, Florida and
Via Communications Media Technology

May 23, 2024
6:00 p.m.

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The Committee welcomes you to this meeting. This time is set aside for our citizens and general public to address the Committee on any matter not included on the agenda. This is not a question or answer time, it is not a political forum, nor is it a time for personal accusations or derogatory remarks to or about Council personnel. If you would like to address the Committee, please complete a form, come forward when you are called, and state your name and address for the record. Please also limit your comments to not more than three minutes. Your participation is welcomed.

See Attachments

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NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MINUTES

Hybrid Meeting
Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites
Lake City, Florida and
Via Communications Media Technology

April 25, 2024
6:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT
IN PERSON

Anthony Adams, Immediate Past Chair
Robert Brown, Treasurer
Fletcher Hope, Vice-Chair
Janice Mortimer, Chair

MEMBERS ABSENT
John Meeks, Secretary

STAFF PRESENT
Scott Koons - In Person

OTHERS PRESENT
Stew Lilker, Columbia County Observer - In Person

VIA COMMUNICATIONS
MEDIA TECHNOLOGY
(FOR QUORUM)
None

MEMBERS PRESENT
VIA COMMUNICATIONS
MEDIA TECHNOLOGY
(NOT FOR QUORUM)
None

Noting a quorum being present, Chair Mortimer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - MARCH 28, 2024

ACTION: Commissioner Brown made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Adams, to approve the minutes for the March 28, 2024 Executive Committee meeting as written and circulated. The motion carried unanimously.

II. CONTRACTS AND APPLICATIONS -

A. Local Government Comprehensive Planning Services Agreement
Fiscal Year 2023-24 - Suwannee County

ACTION: Commissioner Hope made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Adams, to recommend that the Council authorize the Chair to execute the Fiscal Year 2023-24 agreement with Suwannee County to provide comprehensive planning services for a fixed fee amount of \$11,750. The motion carried unanimously.

III. PROGRAM REPORT - None

IV. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION -

A. Proclamation Proclaiming May 6-10, 2024 Economic Development Week

ACTION: Commissioner Adams made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Brown to recommend that the Council adopt a proclamation proclaiming May 6-10, 2024 Economic Development Week. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Proclamation Proclaiming May 19-25, 2024 Travel and Tourism Week

ACTION: Commissioner Brown made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Adams to recommend that the Council adopt a proclamation proclaiming May 19-25, 2024 Travel and Tourism Week. The motion carried unanimously.

V. OTHER BUSINESS - None

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

The meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

Janice D. Mortimer, Chair

5/23/24
Date

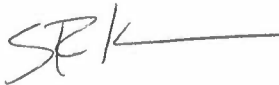


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May 16, 2024

TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director 

SUBJECT: Agreement with the Florida Division of Emergency Management for
Local Emergency Planning Committee - Fiscal Year 2024-25

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the Chair to execute an agreement with the Florida Division of Emergency Management for Fiscal Year 2024-25 to provide the services to the North Central Florida Local Emergency Planning Committee for an anticipated amount not to exceed \$70,000.

BACKGROUND:

This item concerns an annual contract which the Council enters into with the Division of Emergency Management to cover the costs of the Council's emergency planning activities.

These funds are used to provide Council staff support to the North Central Florida Local Emergency Planning Committee, including providing assistance with meetings, plan updates and training exercises.

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: Agency Regulatory Plan
Fiscal Year 2024-25

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Agency Regulatory Plan and authorize the Chair, Executive Director and Council Attorney to sign the letter transmitting the Plan to the Joint Administrative Procedures Committee.

BACKGROUND:

Effective July 1, 2015 Chapter 2015-162, Laws of Florida amended Section 120.74, Florida Statutes, as amended, regarding the procedures for submission and the content of agency regulatory plans.

The new requirements specify that the agency regulatory plan must include statements concerning laws enacted or amended during the previous 12 months related to rulemaking responsibilities, laws expected to be implemented by rulemaking prior to July 1st of the succeeding year, whether the agency desires to update the regulatory plan for the previous year, and that the agency officials with rulemaking authority have reviewed the plan and existing agency rules and whether existing rules are consistent with the rulemaking authority agency.

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May 23, 2024

Mr. Kenneth J. Plante, Coordinator
Joint Administrative Procedures Committee
Room 680, Pepper Building
111 West Madison Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1400

RE: Agency Regulatory Plan
Fiscal Year 2024-25

Dear Mr. Plante:

The following is the Agency Regulatory Plan for Fiscal Year 2024-25 for the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council.

- a. No laws were enacted or amended during the previous 12 months;
- b. No new laws are expected to be implemented by rulemaking before the following July 1, 2025;
- c. There is no desired update to the regulatory plan for the prior year; and
- d. The Council Chair, Executive Director, and Council Attorney certify that they have reviewed this plan and the agency regularly reviews all its rules. The existing rules were most recently reviewed in association with preparation of this plan. The existing rules were determined to remain consistent with the agency's rulemaking authority and the laws implemented. However, the Council intends to amend Rule 27E-5 by adopting an amended North Central Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan prior to July 1, 2025.

Certification:

Janice D. Mortimer
Council Chair

Scott R. Koons, AICP
Executive Director

Jonathan F. Wershow, Esq.
Council Attorney

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TO: Council Members
FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director
SUBJECT: Meeting Schedule Program Year 2024-25

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the attached Council Meeting Schedule for 2024-25.

BACKGROUND:

Please find attached the Council meeting schedule for 2024-25. Generally, Council meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of each month. Please note that there is no meeting in November and the December meeting will be held on the second Thursday, December 12, 2024.

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

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NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

MEETING SCHEDULE

2024-25

June 27, 2024

July 25, 2024

August 22, 2024

September 26, 2024

October 24, 2024

December 12, 2024

January 23, 2025

February 27, 2025

March 27, 2025

April 24, 2025

May 22, 2025

All Council meetings start at 7:00 p.m.

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May 16, 2024

TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Removal of Surplus Property from List of Capital Assets

RECOMMENDATION:

Declare the property listed on the attached schedule to be surplus property, and authorize its removal from the Council’s list of capital assets, and disposal of it in accordance with Council policy.

BACKGROUND:

The property item listed on the attached table is printer hardware of outdated technology. It is requested that it be declared surplus property. It is further requested that approval be given to dispose of this equipment in accordance with Council policy, which will result in transporting it to the Leveda Brown Hazardous Waste Collection Center in Alachua County, donating the equipment to a governmental agency or nonprofit organization, or recycling the equipment.

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

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TO: Fixed Asset File
 FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director
 SUBJECT: Surplus Inventory

Number	Original Cost	Description	Serial Number	Purchased
3193	\$4,077.00	HP Designjet Z5200 44" Plotter	SG4BC5900J	01/08/15
	\$4,077.00	Sum * All fully depreciated		

The above item is either broken or of such outdated technology that it is no longer being used.
 We need to have it taken off the inventory list so it can be disposed of in accordance with Council policy.

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May 16, 2024

TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Middle and Lower Suwannee River and Withlacoochee River Reactivation

RECOMMENDATION:

Reactivate the Middle and Lower Suwannee River and Withlacoochee River Task Force to address raw sewage spills by the City of Valdosta, Georgia.

BACKGROUND:

The City of Valdosta, Georgia experienced numerous raw sewage spills in 2018. These spills resulted in the release of raw sewage into the Withlacoochee River, which flows into the Suwannee River, and raw sewage into Mud Creek which flows into the Alapahoochee River then into the Alapaha River and then into the Suwannee River and travels through the north central Florida region to the Gulf of Mexico. Since this problem affected several counties on a regional scale, the Madison County Board of County Commissioners requested the assistance of the Council to help develop a cohesive plan to remedy the situation and restore the reputation of the Middle and Lower Suwannee River and Withlacoochee River as a tourist destination.

In response to this request, along with support from counties throughout the north central Florida region, the Council established the Middle and Lower Suwannee River and Withlacoochee River Task Force comprised of a county commissioner from each of the 12 counties in the region to address the issues of raw sewage spills by the City of Valdosta, Georgia. The Council agreed to provide administrative support to the Task Force. In 2019, the Task Force held several joint workshops with the City of Valdosta, Georgia City Council. The Task Force last met on May 20, 2020. Since that time, the Task Force has been inactive.

On April 12, 2024, the City of Valdosta experienced another significant raw sewage spill. As a result of this most recent spill, the Madison County Board of County Commissioners has requested the Council reactivate the Task Force to address the issues of raw sewage spills by the City of Valdosta, Georgia (see attached letter).

It is recommended that the Council reactivate the Task Force to address raw sewage spills by the City of Valdosta, Georgia (see attached list of current Task Force members).

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

Attachments

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April 30, 2024

Mr. Scott Koons
North Central Florida Regional Planning Council
2009 NW 67th Place
Gainesville, FL 32653

RE: Middle and Lower Suwannee River and Withlacoochee River Task Force

Mr. Koons,

As you may have heard, the City of Valdosta has experienced numerous raw sewage spills over the last several years. The most recent occurred on April 12, 2024, resulting in 6.7 million gallons overflowing from their catch basin, 1.34 million gallons being raw sewage. Back in 2018 Madison County requested assistance from your organization, which resulted in the creation of a multi-county effort known as the Middle and Lower Suwannee River and Withlacoochee River Task Force. After this most recent spill, we feel it is important to reactivate this Task Force to continue with efforts to protect our rivers. Madison County is hereby requesting the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council reconvene the Middle and Lower Suwannee River and Withlacoochee River Task Force to develop a cohesive plan to remedy the situation and restore the reputation of the Withlacoochee and Suwannee River as a tourist destination.


All the counties in the Suwannee River Basin, with the assistance of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, have worked extremely hard to promote our rivers as eco-tourism destinations and have advertised our area as a great place to live and do business. The continued sewage spills are a real hazard to human health and safety and we believe they continue to tarnish our reputation.

Therefore, we request to continue with the Task Force's efforts to develop a plan to promote our areas and help restore the reputation of our rivers.

By copy of this letter, we are asking all the other counties in the Task Force to join in this request.

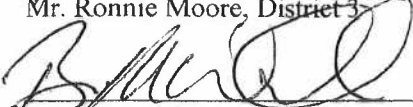
Sincerely,


Mr. Alston Kelley, District 1


Mr. Donnie Waldrep, District 2


Mr. Ronnie Moore, District 3


Mr. Alfred Martin, District 4


Mr. Brian Williams, District 5

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MIDDLE AND LOWER SUWANNEE RIVER AND WITHLACOOCHEE RIVER TASK FORCE

MEMBERS

May 16, 2024

Alachua County - Mary Alford

Bradford County - Daniel Riddick

Columbia County - Ronald Williams

Dixie County - Jody Stephenson

Gilchrist County - William Martin

Hamilton County - Vacant

Lafayette County - Anthony Adams

Levy County - John Meeks, Chair

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TO: Council Members
FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director
SUBJECT: Resolution No. 2024-11 Honoring Mayor Louie Davis for 40 Years as Elected Official

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt the attached resolution honoring Mayor Louie Davis for 40 years as elected official.

BACKGROUND:

The Florida League of Cities recently recognized Mayor Louie Davis as a recipient of the John Land 40 Years of Service Award as an Elected Official. The award was presented at a recent meeting of the City of Waldo City Council.

Founded in 1922, the Florida League of Cities is the united voice for Florida's municipal governments. Its goals are to promote local self-government and serve the needs of Florida's cities. Florida's cities are formed by their citizens and governed by their citizens. The League is founded on the belief that local self-government is the keystone of American democracy.

Mayor Louie Davis has served as a member of the Council since February 1996 and is a former two-time Chair of the Council.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2024-11

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA
REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL HONORING MAYOR
LOUIE DAVIS FOR 40 YEARS OF ELECTED SERVICE,
RECOGNIZING HIS UNSELFISH COMMITMENT TO
MUNICIPAL LEADERSHIP AND GOVERNANCE

WHEREAS, America's municipal governments have long relied upon the unselfish leadership of their citizens for local self-government, and Florida's municipal governments share the time-honored role as the level of government closest to the people; and

WHEREAS, this reliance places extraordinary responsibilities upon municipal elected officials as citizen legislators who make significant sacrifices of their time and energies on behalf of their citizenry, often for little to no compensation, making this commitment a true labor of love; and

WHEREAS, municipal leaders strive for excellence in the governance of their city, town or village, and commit themselves to providing quality services, governing effectively and working to improve the quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the Florida League of Cities presented the John Land Award to Mayor Louie Davis recognizing 40 years of elected service; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Louie Davis has served on the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council as the representative for City of Waldo for 28 years; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Louie Davis served as Chair of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council in 2003-04 and 2010-11.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council congratulates Mayor Louie Davis;

That Mayor Louie Davis is commended for his dedication to the City of Waldo and is hereby recognized as an outstanding public servant in north central Florida.

DULY ADOPTED BY THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL
PLANNING COUNCIL THIS 23rd DAY OF MAY 2024.

Attest:

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA
REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

SEAL

Scott R. Koons, Executive Director

Janice D. Mortimer, Chair

