



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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PRESETS

CALL TO ORDER

Present: 5 - Commissioner Stacey Hetherington
Commissioner Eileen Vargas
Commissioner J. Blake Capps
Chair Sarah Heard
Vice Chair Edward V. Ciampi

Invocation - Moment of Silence

Pledge of Allegiance ~ Sherilyn Scraders, Veteran

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Capps, seconded by Commissioner Hetherington, to approve the agenda, except for the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Vargas, Commissioner Capps, Chair Heard, and Vice Chair Ciampi

PROCLAMATIONS AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

PROC-1 PRESENT A PROCLAMATION CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF REVEREND DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

The Board is asked to present a proclamation celebrating the life and legacy of Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Agenda Item: 26-0312

Senior Communications Coordinator Mary Ann Kneiss presented the proclamation to the Board.

Aaces, Inc. President Nina Dooley accepted the proclamation Celebrating the Life and Legacy of Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

COMMENTS

Public (9:05 AM) - Please limit comments to three minutes.

Jeff Order spoke regarding a 30 year lease with Daher; he expressed his disdain with the Voluntary Corrective Action Plan (VCAP).

Tom Pine expressed concerns with approvals within the consent agenda and availability of information to the public.

Commissioners

AM

Commissioner Vargas wished everyone a Happy New Year and welcomed her fellow Commissioners back.

Commissioner Capps wished everyone a Happy New Year and extended his condolences to his aide, Colleen Pachowicz, following the passing of her father. He also thanked his colleagues and wished them a great year ahead.

Vice Chair Ciampi thanked his colleagues and wanted to remind parents of the importance of car safety and awareness for youth drivers. He also wish everyone a Happy New Year.

Commissioner Hetherington offered her condolences to the families who lost loved ones recently due to car accidents. She also wished everyone a Happy New Year.

PM

Vice Chair Ciampi shared upcoming Palm City events: Dish with a Comish and the Sheriff on Thursday, January 15th at 8 a.m. and Music in the Park on Saturday, January 17th at 6 p.m.

County Administrator

AM

County Administrator Don Donaldson wished everyone a Happy New Year.

PM

There were none.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Hetherington, seconded by Commissioner Capps, to approve the consent agenda, except for CNST-7. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Vargas, Commissioner Capps, Chair Heard, and Vice Chair Ciampi

ADMINISTRATION

**CNST-1 BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL OF WARRANT
LIST FOR DISBURSEMENT VIA CHECKS AND ELECTRONIC
PAYMENTS TO COMPLY WITH STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS**

Pursuant to Chapter 136.06, Florida Statutes, checks, and electronic payments issued by the Board of County Commissioners are to be recorded in the Board meeting minutes. In compliance with statutory requirements, the Warrant List is added to the Consent Agenda for approval by the Board of County Commissioners. This Warrant List is for disbursements made between November 24 and December 21, 2025.

Additional details related to these disbursements may be viewed in the office of the Martin County Clerk of Court and Comptroller or on the Clerk's website.

Agenda Item: 26-0321

This item was approved.

**CNST-2 ADOPT A PROCLAMATION DECLARING NATIONAL CERTIFIED
REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETISTS WEEK IN MARTIN COUNTY,
FLORIDA**

The Board is asked to adopt a proclamation declaring National Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists Week in Martin County, Florida.

Agenda Item: 26-0381

This item was approved.

**CNST-3 ADOPT A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING JANUARY AS HUMAN
TRAFFICKING AWARENESS MONTH IN MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA**

The Board is asked to adopt a proclamation recognizing January as Human Trafficking Awareness Month in Martin County, Florida.

Agenda Item: 26-0421

This item was approved.

**CNST-4 ADOPT A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE LYRIC THEATRE'S
CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION IN MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA**

The Board is asked to adopt a proclamation recognizing The Lyric Theatre's Centennial Celebration in Martin County, Florida.

Agenda Item: 26-0428

This item was approved.

CNST-5 AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN A LETTER ALLOWING CRIME STOPPERS TO ACT AS THE COUNTY'S AGENT TO APPLY FOR TRUST FUND MONIES FROM THE STATE

The Treasure Coast Crime Stoppers, Inc. is requesting a three-year agreement letter to be sent to the Attorney General authorizing the Treasure Coast Crime Stoppers to act as the County's agent to apply for Crime Stopper Trust Fund monies from the State of Florida.

Agenda Item: 26-0418

This item was approved.

CNST-6 BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT APPOINTMENT FOR COMMISSION DISTRICT 5

The Board is asked to confirm the appointment of Jason Canik to be Commissioner Ciampi's representative on the Board of Zoning Adjustment.

Agenda Item: 26-0373

RESOLUTION NO. 26-1.1

This item was approved.

PARKS AND RECREATION

CNST-7 REQUEST FOR ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD (PRAB) MEETING SCHEDULE AND ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

At the direction of the Board, the Parks and Recreation Department amends the Resolution governing the PRAB related to meeting schedule and attendance requirements to enhance quorum reliability and support more consistent board participation.

Agenda Item: 26-0415

At the request of Commissioner Capps and Commissioner Vargas, Senior Assistant County Attorney Melissa Pietryzk provided the item to the Board. Parks and Recreation Director Kevin Abbate assisted with Board questions.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Capps, seconded by Commissioner Vargas, to postpone this item until the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board can vote on it. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Vargas, Commissioner Capps, Chair Heard, and Vice Chair Ciampi

PUBLIC WORKS

CNST-8 ADOPT A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING NW AND NE JENSEN BEACH BOULEVARD, NE PINEAPPLE AVENUE, AND NE CAUSEWAY BOULEVARD AS COUNTY ROAD 732 AND ACKNOWLEDGE STATE ROAD 718 DESIGNATION BY THE STATE

The Board of County Commissioners is asked to adopt a resolution designating NW/NE Jensen Beach Boulevard between SR-5 (US-1/NW Federal Highway) and NE Pineapple Avenue, NE Pineapple Avenue between NE Jensen Beach Boulevard and CR-707 (NE Indian River Drive), and NE Causeway Boulevard between CR-707 (NE Indian River Drive) and SR-A1A (NE Ocean Boulevard) as CR-732 and acknowledge that the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) has designated SW Martin Highway between Florida's Turnpike and SR-76 (S Kanner Highway) and SE Indian Street between SR-76 (S Kanner Highway) and SR-5 (US-1/NE Federal Highway) as SR-718.

Agenda Item: 26-0362

RESOLUTION NO. 26-1.2

This item was approved.

PUBLIC HEARING QUASI-JUDICIAL

**PHQJ-1 REQUEST ABANDONMENT OF A PORTION OF DEEDED
RIGHT-OF-WAY, RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 1731,
PAGE 5, PUBLIC RECORDS OF MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA**

This is a request for the Board to consider the abandonment of a portion of deeded right-of-way for SE Lares Avenue and a waiver of the required privileged fee in conjunction with the abandonment.

Agenda Item: 26-0427

RESOLUTION NO. 26-1.3

Ex parte communication disclosures were provided by the Commissioners. There were no interveners. Proof of Publication was filed for the record. The participants were sworn in by the deputy clerk.

COUNTY: County Engineer Michael Grzelka provided staff's presentation to the Board. Growth Management Director Paul Schilling assisted with Board questions.

Chair Heard solicited public comment; none were heard.

MOTION: A motion was made by Vice Chair Ciampi, seconded by Commissioner Hetherington, to approve staff's recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Vargas, Commissioner Capps, Chair Heard, and Vice Chair Ciampi

**PHQJ-2 PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION
DESIGNATING A BROWNFIELD AT 9450 SE GOMEZ AVENUE, AS
REQUESTED BY THE PALMS OF HOBE SOUND, LLC**

This is the second public hearing on a request by The Palms of Hobe Sound, LLC to designate the property located at 9450 SE Gomez Avenue, Hobe Sound, FL ("Property") as the Oasis Site Rehabilitation Area, also known as a brownfield. Section 376.80, Florida Statutes, outlines the brownfield program administration process and affirms that the jurisdictional local government shall adopt a resolution designating the property as a brownfield if the requesting party establishes the necessary criteria set forth in Section 376.80, Florida Statutes. The first public hearing for this designation request was held on December 9, 2025.

Agenda Item: 26-0393

RESOLUTION NO. 26-1.19

Ex parte communication disclosures were provided by the Commissioners. There were no interveners. The participants were sworn in by the deputy clerk.

COUNTY: Growth Management Senior Planner Jenna Knobbe presented staff's presentation to the Board. Growth Management Comprehensive Planning Administrator Clyde Dulin, Director Paul Schilling, and County Attorney Elysse Elder assisted with Board questions.

The following County exhibits were filed for the record: (1) agenda item/staff report, (2) Jenna Knobbe's resume.

APPLICANT: Cobb Cole Attorney Michael Sznapsstajler provided the applicant's presentation to the Board. Fishkind Consulting Senior Associate Anthony DiNardo and Applicant Richard Wasserstein assisted with Board questions.

The following applicant's exhibits were filed for the record: (1) Anthony Dinardo's resume.

The following member of the public addressed the Board regarding this item: Mary Gavin, Kelly Layman, Jan Forrest, Ted Jonczak, and Chris Metzger.

MOTION: A motion was made by Vice Chair Ciampi, seconded by Commissioner Capps, to approve staff's recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Capps, Chair Heard, and Vice Chair Ciampi

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Vargas

DEPARTMENTAL QUASI-JUDICIAL

GROWTH MANAGEMENT

**DPQJ-1 REQUEST FOR REVISED FINAL SITE PLAN APPROVAL FOR THE
BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF MARTIN COUNTY SITE LOCATED AT 11500
SE LARES AVENUE WITHIN THE HOBE SOUND COMMUNITY
REDEVELOPMENT AREA (B078-004)**

This is a request by Architects Design Collaborative, LLC, on behalf of Boys and Girls Club of Martin County, Inc., for revised final site plan approval for the Boys & Girls Club site at 11500 SE Lares Avenue within the Hobe Sound Community Redevelopment Area. The existing facility is proposed to be demolished. The redevelopment of the 5.04-acre site includes a new 28,142 square-foot facility consisting of a programming space, teen center, and gymnasium as well as associated infrastructure and accessory structures. Included is a request for a Certificate of Public Facilities Reservation.

Agenda Item: 26-0401

RESOLUTION NOs. 26-1.4 through 26-1.6

Ex parte communication disclosures were provided by the Commissioners. There were no interveners. The participants were sworn in by the deputy clerk.

COUNTY: Growth Management Principal Planner John Sinnott presented staff's presentation to the Board. Growth Management Director Paul Schilling and Senior Assistant County Attorney Sebastian Fox assisted with Board questions.

The following County exhibits were filed for the record: (1) agenda item/staff report and (2) John Sinnott's resume.

APPLICANT: Raul Ocampo, Jr. with Architects Design Collaborative, LLC, provided the applicant's presentation to the Board.

Jimmy Smith addressed the Board, he thanked Commissioners, staff, and the Boys and Girls Club for their leadership and service to Martin County.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Capps, seconded by Vice Chair Ciampi, to approve staff's recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Vargas, Commissioner Capps, Chair Heard, and Vice Chair Ciampi

DPQJ-2 AMERICAN HUMANE ASSOCIATION, INC., SEPTIC SYSTEM WAIVER

The American Humane Association, Inc., is requesting approval of a waiver pursuant to Policy 10.2A.8.1. of the Comprehensive Growth Management Plan, that limits on-site sewage treatment and disposal systems to a total site buildout flow of 2,000 gallons per day. The approximate 13.16-acre property is located at 4903 SE Quail Hollow Street, at the northwest intersection of SW Quail Hollow Street and SW Citrus Boulevard, in Palm City.

Agenda Item: 26-0410

RESOLUTION NO. 26-1.7

Ex parte communication disclosures were provided by the Commissioners. There were no interveners. The participants were sworn in by the deputy clerk.

COUNTY: Growth Management Principal Planner Brian Elam presented the item to the Board. Growth Management Director Paul Schilling, Senior Assistant County Attorney Sebastian Fox, and County Administrator Don Donaldson assisted with Board

questions.

The following County exhibits were filed for the record: (1) agenda item/staff report and (2) Brian Elam's resume.

Chair Heard solicited public comment; none were heard.

MOTION: A motion was made by Vice Chair Ciampi, seconded by Commissioner Capps, to accept the waiver to go to 5000. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Vargas, Commissioner Capps, Chair Heard, and Vice Chair Ciampi

DPQJ-3 REQUEST APPROVAL OF THE FINAL SITE PLAN FOR DISCOVERY PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (PUD), PHASE 1D, TRACT R3, PASTURE RECREATION AREA (H123-033)

This is a request by Lucido & Associates on behalf of Atlantic Fields Club, LLC for final site plan approval for Phase 1D, Tract R3 within the Discovery PUD. This final site plan includes development of the Pasture Recreation Tract, temporary and permanent structures and related infrastructure. Phase 1D is approximately 15.78-acres located in the northwest quadrant of the SE Bridge Road and SE Discovery Drive intersection in Hobe Sound. Included with this application is a request for a Certificate of Public Facilities Reservation.

Agenda Item: 26-0363

RESOLUTION NO. 26-1.8

Ex parte communication disclosures were provided by the Commissioners. There were no interveners. The participants were sworn in by the deputy clerk.

COUNTY: Growth Management Principal Planner Brian Elam presented staff's presentation to the Board. Growth Management Director Paul Schilling and Senior Assistant County Attorney Sebastian Fox assisted with Board questions.

The following County exhibits were filed for the record: (1) agenda item/staff report and (2) Brian Elam's resume.

APPLICANT: Lucido & Associates Senior Partner Morris Crady addressed the Board in support of staff's recommendation; no presentation was given. Atlantic Fields Club General Manager Rick Melchiori assisted with Board questions.

Chair Heard solicited public comment; none were heard.

MOTION: A motion was made by Vice Chair Ciampi, seconded by Commissioner Hetherington, to approve staff's recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Vargas, Commissioner Capps, Chair Heard, and Vice Chair Ciampi

**DPQJ-4 REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF THE FINAL SITE PLAN FOR
DISCOVERY PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (PUD), PHASE 2C,
TRACT R4, ORGANIC FARM (H123-034)**

This is a request by Lucido & Associates on behalf of Atlantic Fields Club, LLC for final site plan approval for Phase 2C, Tract R4 within the Discovery PUD. This final site plan includes the construction of the Organic Farm Tract amenities and related infrastructure. Phase 2C is approximately 8.15-acres and located west of SE Discovery Drive approximately 0.5 miles north of SE Bridge Road in Hobe Sound. Included is a request for a Certificate of Public Facilities Reservation.

Agenda Item: 26-0364

RESOLUTION NO. 26-1.9

Ex parte communication disclosures were provided by the Commissioners. There were no interveners. The participants were sworn in by the deputy clerk.

COUNTY: Growth Management Principal Planner Brian Elam presented the item to the Board. Growth Management Director Paul Schilling and Senior Assistant County Attorney Sebastian Fox assisted with Board questions.

The following County exhibits were filed for the record: (1) agenda item/staff report and (2) Brian Elam's resume.

APPLICANT: Lucido & Associates Senior Partner Morris Crady addressed the Board in support of staff's recommendation; no presentation was given. Atlantic Fields Club General Manager Rick Melchori assisted with Board questions.

Chair Heard solicited public comment; none were heard.

MOTION: A motion was made by Vice Chair Ciampi, seconded by Commissioner Hetherington, to approve staff's recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Vargas, Commissioner Capps, Chair Heard, and Vice Chair Ciampi

**DPQJ-5 REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF THE FINAL SITE PLAN FOR
DISCOVERY PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (PUD), PHASE 4,
TRACT R10 ADVENTURE PARK (H123-035)**

This is a request by Lucido & Associates on behalf of Atlantic Fields Club, LLC for final site plan approval for Phase 4, Tract R10 within the Discovery PUD. The final site plan includes the construction of the Adventure Park amenities and related infrastructure. Phase 4 is approximately 18.88-acres located east of SE Thoroughbred Drive approximately 1.7 miles north of SE Bridge Road in Hobe Sound. Included is a request for a Certificate of Public Facilities Reservation.

Agenda Item: 26-0365

RESOLUTION NO. 26-1.10

Ex parte communication disclosures were provided by the Commissioners. There were no interveners. The participants were sworn in by the deputy clerk.

COUNTY: Growth Management Principal Planner Brian Elam presented the item to the Board. Growth Management Director Paul Schilling, Senior Assistant County Attorney Sebastian Fox, and County Administrator Don Donaldson assisted with Board questions.

The following items were filed for the record: (1) agenda item/staff report and (2) Brian Elam's resume.

APPLICANT: Lucido & Associates Senior Partner Morris Crady addressed the Board in support of staff's recommendation; no presentation was given. Atlantic Fields Club General Manager Rick Melchiori assisted with Board questions.

Chair Heard solicited public comment; none were heard.

MOTION: A motion was made by Vice Chair Ciampi, seconded by Commissioner Capps, to accept staff's recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Vargas, Commissioner Capps, Chair Heard, and Vice Chair Ciampi

DEPARTMENTAL

ADMINISTRATION

DEPT-1 OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE BOARD APPROVAL

This is a placeholder on all Board meeting agendas to streamline the process for grant applications, awards, budget resolutions, budget transfers from reserves, and CIP amendments. Specific items requiring approval, if any, will be provided by Supplemental Memorandum.

Agenda Item: 26-0331

RESOLUTION NOs. 26-1.11 through 26-1.17

OMB Director Stephanie Merle presented the items to the Board. Utilities & Solid Waste Director Sam Amerson, Public Works Director Jim Gorton, Growth Management Director Paul Schilling, and Ocean Rescue Chief Ian Montgelas assisted with Board questions.

The following items were approved: (1) Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Spencer Educational Foundation Summer Internship Grant for Risk Management Student Intern, (2) FY26 Surfing's Evolution and Preservation Foundation Grant, (3) FY26 Mosquito Control Agreement from the State of Florida, Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, (4) Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) Grant MA- 25-98 Fiddler Crab Access Project, (5) Amendment No. 2 to the Florida Department of Environmental

Protection (FDEP) Agreement No. NF102, and (6) Adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget: (A) Allocate Unanticipated Contribution from the US Sailing Center for Phase II Overflow Parking Lot Project at Indian RiverSide Park, (B) Allocate Unanticipated Contribution from Hog Striping Storage Final Site Plan, and (C) Allocate Anticipated Reimbursement from the State of Florida for Health Department Renovations.

MOTION: A motion was made by Vice Chair Ciampi, seconded by Commissioner Hetherington, to approve staff's recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Vargas, Commissioner Capps, Chair Heard, and Vice Chair Ciampi

DEPT-2 CONTRACTS THAT MEET THE THRESHOLD FOR BOARD APPROVAL

\$1 MILLION OR GREATER

This item is a placeholder on all Board meeting agendas to streamline the process for items that meet the Board approval threshold. Specific items requiring approval, if any, will be provided by Supplemental Memorandum. If there are no items, a Supplemental Memorandum will not be attached.

Agenda Item: 26-0337

Chief Procurement Officer Krysti Brotherton presented the items to the Board. Public Works Director Jim Gorton, Fire Rescue Administrative Chief Joe Lobosco, County Administrator Don Donaldson, and Utilities Technical Services Administrator Leo Repetti assisted with Board questions.

The following items were approved: A. (1) Underground Services, (2) Rocky Point Neighborhood Restoration, (3) Martin County Fire Rescue Training Tower (Re-bid), and B. (1) Coral Gardens Vacuum Sewer System - Engineering Services.

MOTION: A motion was made by Vice Chair Ciampi, seconded by Commissioner Hetherington, to approve staff's recommendation . The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Vargas, Commissioner Capps, Chair Heard, and Vice Chair Ciampi

FIRE RESCUE

DEPT-3 ADOPTION OF THE UPDATED MARTIN COUNTY LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY

Request the Board adopt by resolution the updated Martin County Local Mitigation Strategy, prepared in accordance with State and Federal policies.

Agenda Item: 26-0392

RESOLUTION NO. 26-1.18

Emergency Management Director Sally Waite introduced the item to the Board. Deputy Emergency Management Director Amy Heimberger Lopez presented the item to the Board.

MOTION: A motion was made by Vice Chair Ciampi, seconded by Commissioner Hetherington, to approve staff's recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Vargas, Commissioner Capps, Chair Heard, and Vice Chair Ciampi

PUBLIC WORKS

DEPT-4 REQUEST APPROVAL OF A FIRST AMENDMENT TO LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF INDIAN RIVER STATE COLLEGE, ALONG WITH AN ACCESS AND MAINTENANCE EASEMENT ALONG SW CITRUS BOULEVARD IN WESTERN MARTIN COUNTY

This is a request for the approval of a First Amendment to Lease Agreement between Martin County and The District Board of Trustees of Indian River State College (IRSC) to amend the lease boundary to include an additional 30.72 acres for Sports Facilities, along with approval of a Non-Exclusive Access and Maintenance Easement along the main entrance located on SW Citrus Blvd. in western Martin County. The lease term remains unchanged with this amendment.

Agenda Item: 26-0344

Public Works Real Property Professional Mandee Johns introduced the item to the Board. Assistant County Administrator George Stokus, County Attorney Elysse Elder, and Senior Assistant County Attorney Sebastian Fox assisted with Board questions.

Dr. Timothy E. Moore with The District Board of Trustees and IRSC Executive Leadership President expressed his support for this item.

MOTION: A motion was made by Vice Chair Ciampi, seconded by Commissioner Hetherington, to approve staff's recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Vargas, Commissioner Capps, Chair Heard, and Vice Chair Ciampi

UTILITIES AND SOLID WASTE

DEPT-5 REQUEST TO APPROVE A CONTRACT FROM SYNAGRO SOUTH, LLC

On May 14, 2025, Martin County received one responsive proposal to RFP 2025-3671 for Advanced Waste Residuals Processing and Beneficial Use Recovery. Synagro South, LLC, partnered with Sedron Technologies to propose the innovative Varcor® system - a proven, energy-efficient drying technology that converts dewatered biosolids into reclaimed water, liquid nitrogen fertilizer, and dry solids suitable for beneficial reuse or renewable fuel, while achieving PFAS destruction through high-temperature processing. Per Board direction, contracts valued at \$1,000,000 or more require approval by the Board of County Commissioners.

Agenda Item: 26-0386

Assistant County Administrator Matthew Graham and Utilities & Solid Waste Director

Sam Amerson introduced the item to the Board. Assistant County Attorney Frank Moehrle and County Administrator Don Donaldson assisted with Board questions.

Synagro Vice President Andrew Bosinger presented the item to the Board. Sedron Technology Chief Commercial Officer Stanley Janicki provided a presentation to the Board. Village of Indiantown Manager Taryn Kryzda and Village of Indiantown Manager Carmine DiPaolo assisted with Board questions.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Hetherington, seconded by Vice Chair Ciampi, to approve staff's recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Vargas, Commissioner Capps, Chair Heard, and Vice Chair Ciampi

PUBLIC - PLEASE LIMIT COMMENTS TO THREE MINUTES.

There were none.

ADJOURN

The Board of County Commissioners January 6, 2026 meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Carolyn Timmann, Clerk of the
Circuit Court and Comptroller
/mr

Sarah Heard, Chair
Board of County Commissioners

Minutes approved:

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