



Board of County Commissioners

2401 SE Monterey Road
Stuart, Florida 34996

Agenda Item Summary

File ID: 21-0291

DEPT-3

Meeting Date: 1/12/2021

PLACEMENT: Departmental

TITLE:

2021 LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM, UPDATE, AND STRATEGY

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Each year, the Martin County Board of County Commissioners adopts a state legislative program that sets the appropriations and policy priorities for the county. This is an overview of the proposed priorities compiled through coordination with staff, commissioners, and community stakeholders. An update on the success of the legislative program will be provided and an overview of the strategy the county will take during this upcoming session will be discussed.

DEPARTMENT: Administration

PREPARED BY: **Name:** Kloe Ciuperger
Title: Legislative Coordinator

REQUESTED BY:

PRESET:

PROCEDURES: None

BACKGROUND/RELATED STRATEGIC GOAL:

The Board, along with staff, advocates throughout the legislative session in Tallahassee as well as Washington, DC to accomplish the legislative priorities of the county. The county maintains a strong network with state and federal agencies, the legislative delegation, neighboring counties, and the community stakeholders in order to accomplish the goals set out by the legislative program. The final program and presentation will be attached via Supplemental Memorandum.

ISSUES:

None

LEGAL SUFFICIENCY REVIEW:

This item has been reviewed for legal sufficiency to determine whether it is consistent with applicable law, has identified and addressed legal risks, and has developed strategies for legal defensibility.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECOMMENDATION

- Move that the Board adopt the 2021 Legislative Program.
- Move that the Board send a Chair letter advocating for FY22 federal funding for the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan (CERP).
- Move that the Board send a Chair thank you letter to the Florida Department of Emergency Management and the delegation for assisting with the expedited review of the Hazard Mitigation Grants the county has received for the Hobe Heights flooding.

ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

Provide changes to the 2021 Legislative Program, then adopt the program once the agreed upon changes are made.

FISCAL IMPACT:

RECOMMENDATION

None

ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

None

DOCUMENT(S) REQUIRING ACTION:

- ☐ Budget Transfer / Amendment ☒ Chair Letter ☐ Contract / Agreement
☐ Grant / Application ☐ Notice ☐ Ordinance ☐ Resolution
☒ Other: 2021 Legislative Program

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