

# SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

## ST. LUCIE COUNTY

REGULAR BOARD MEETING & PUBLIC HEARING'S AUGUST 27, 2024 11:00 A.M.

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#### AGENDA SUNDANCE

#### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

10807 SW Tradition Square Port St. Lucie, Florida 34987

## REGULAR BOARD MEETING & PUBLIC HEARING'S

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FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024
MEETING SCHEDULE
The Board of Supervisors of the
Sundance Community Development
District (the "District") will hold
their regular meetings ("Meetings")
for Fiscal Year 2023/2024 at the
offices of Special District Services,
Inc. located at 10807 Tradition
Square, Port St. Lucie, Florida
34987, of 11:00 a.m., unless otherwise indicated on the following
dates:

dates:

July 23, 2024
August 27, 2024
September 24, 2024
The Meetings are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provision of Florida law for community, development, districts.

and will be conducted in accordance with the provision of Florida law for community development districts. The Meetings may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the Meeting. A copy of the agendo for these Meetings may be obtained from Special District Services, Inc., 2501A Burns Rd., Palm Beach Gordens, Florida or by calling (772) 345-5119.

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District Manager

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**NEWS** 

#### SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING JULY 23, 2024

#### A. CALL TO ORDER

District Manager Frank Sakuma called the July 23, 2024, Regular Board Meeting of the Sundance Community Development District (the "District") to order at 11:13 a.m. offices of Special District Services located at 10807 SW Tradition Square, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34987.

#### B. PROOF OF PUBLICATION

Proof of publication was presented which showed that notice of the Regular Board Meeting had been published in the *St. Lucie News-Tribune* on July 7, 2024, and July 9, 2024, as legally required.

#### C. SEAT ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Sakuma seated the elected Board Members: Alexander Akel, Ramzi Akel, Horacio Moncada, Ersilia Moreno, and Luai Akel.

# D. ADMINISTER OATHS OF OFFICE & REVIEW BOARD MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES

Mr. Sakuma confirmed that he had received the Oaths of Office from each Board Supervisor.

#### E. ESTABLISH A QUORUM

A quorum was established with the following Supervisors in attendance:

Alexander Akel, Ramzi Akel, Horacio Moncada, Ersilia Moreno, and Luai Akel.

Also in attendance were Frank Sakuma and Stephanie Brown of Special District Services, Inc.; Attorney Jere Earlywine of Kutak Rock LLP (via phone); and Ryan Wheeler of Caufield & Wheeler.

#### F. CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 2024-29 ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mr. Sakuma presented Resolution 2024-29, entitled:

#### **RESOLUTION 2024-29**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ELECTING THE OFFICERS OF THE DISTRICT, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Alexander Akel, seconded by Mr. Ramzi Akel adopting Resolution 2024-29 electing the officers of the District, as presented. The **motion** passed unanimously.

The following slate of officers were elected as follows:

- Chairperson Alexander Akel (Seat 1)
- Vice Chairperson Ramzi Akel (Seat 2)
- Secretary/Treasurer Frank Sakuma
- Assistant Secretaries Horacio Moncada (Seat 3) Ersilia Moreno (Seat 4), and Luai Akel (Seat 5).

## G. CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 2024-30 CERTIFYING RESULTS OF LANDOWNERS ELECTION

Mr. Sakuma presented Resolution 2024-30, entitled:

#### **RESOLUTION 2024-30**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT CANVASSING AND CERTIFYING THE RESULTS OF THE LANDOWNERS ELECTION OF SUPERVISORS HELD PURSUANT TO SECTION 190.006(2), *FLORIDA STATUTES*, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Alexander Akel made a **motion**, seconded by Mr. Ramzi Akel adopting Resolution 2024-30 canvassing and certifying the results of the Landowners' Election of Supervisors. The **motion** passed unanimously.

#### H. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

#### I. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

There were no comments from the public for items not on the agenda.

#### J. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

#### 1. June 4, 2024, Organizational Meeting

A **motion** was made by Mr. Alexander Akel, seconded by Mr. Ramzi Akel approving the June 4, 2024, Organizational Meeting Minutes, as presented. The **motion** passed unanimously.

#### K. OLD BUSINESS

#### 1. Authorization to Issue RFQ for Engineering Services

A **motion** was made by Mr. Alexander Akel, seconded by Mr. Ramzi Akel authorizing the District Manager to issue a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for engineering services. The **motion** passed unanimously.

#### L. NEW BUSINESS

#### 1. Consider Approval of Conveyance of Becker Road to the City of Port St. Lucie

District Attorney Jere Earlywine provided the Board with an explanation of the conveyance process.

After Board discussion, Mr. Alexander Akel made a **motion**, seconded by Mr. Ramzi Akel approving and ratifying conveyance and turning it over to the Sundance Community Development District. The **motion** passed unanimously.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Alexander Akel, seconded by Mr. Ramzi Akel authorizing the conveyance of Becker Road to the City of Port St. Lucie. The **motion** passed unanimously.

#### M. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Mr. Sakuma reminded the Board to file their Form 1 and of the 4-hour annual ethics training requirement, to be completed by 2025.

District Attorney Jere Earlywine notified the Board that there would be a Bond Validation Hearing scheduled for August/September and bonds could be issued in October at the earliest.

#### L. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

There were no further Board Member comments.

#### M. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, a **motion** was made by Mr. Alexander Akel, seconded by Mr. Ramzi Akel to adjourn the meeting at 11:25 a.m. There were no objections.

ATTESTED BY:	
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Secretary/Assistant Secretary	Chairperson/Vice-Chair

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Miscellaneous Notices

NOTICE OF RULE DEVELOPMENT BY THE SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

In accord with Chapters 120 and 190, Florida Statutes, the Sundance Community Development District (District) hereby gives notice of its intention to develop Rules of Procedure to govern the operations of the District.

The Rules of Procedure will address such areas as the Board of Supervisors, officers and voting, district offices, public information and inspection of records, policies, public meetings, hearings and workshops, rulemaking proceedings and competitive purchase including procedure under the Consultants Competitive Negotiation Act, procedure regarding auditor selection, purchase of insurance, pre-qualification, construction contracts, goods, supplies and materials, maintenance services, contractual services and protests with respect to proceedings, as well as any other area of the general operation of the District.

The purpose and effect of the Rules of Procedure is to provide for efficient and effective District operations and to ensure compliance with recent changes to Florida law. The legal authority for the adoption of the proposed Rules of Procedure includes Sections 190.011(5), 190.011(15) and 190.035, Florida Statutes (2023). The specific laws implemented in the Rules of Procedure include, but are not limited to, Sections 112.08, 112.3143, 112.31446, 112.3145, 119.07, 119.0701, 189.053, 189.069(2)(a)16, 190.006, 190.007, 190.008, 190.011(3), 190.011(5), 190.011(15), 190.033, 190.035, 218.33, 218.391, 255.05, 255.0518, 255.0525, 255.20, 286.0105, 286.011, 286.0113, 286.0114, 287.017, 287.055 and 287.084, Florida Statutes (2023).

A copy of the proposed Rules of Procedure may be obtained by contacting the District Manager, c/o Special District Services, Inc., 2501A Burns Rd., Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410.

District Manager

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#### **RESOLUTION 2024-31**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ADOPTING RULES OF PROCEDURE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Sundance Community Development District ("District") is a local unit of special purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, authorizes the District to adopt rules to govern the administration of the District and to adopt resolutions as may be necessary for the conduct of District business; and

WHEREAS, to provide for efficient and effective District operations and to maintain compliance with recent changes to Florida law, the Board of Supervisors finds that it is in the best interests of the District to adopt by resolution the Rules of Procedure attached hereto as Exhibit A for immediate use and application; and

**WHEREAS,** the Board of Supervisors has complied with applicable Florida law concerning rule development and adoption.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

**SECTION 1.** The attached Rules of Procedure are hereby adopted pursuant to this resolution as necessary for the conduct of District business. These Rules of Procedure replace all prior versions of the Rules of Procedure, and shall stay in full force and effect until such time as the Board of Supervisors may amend these rules in accordance with Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*.

**SECTION 2.** If any provision of this resolution is held to be illegal or invalid, the other provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 3.** This resolution shall become effective upon its passage and shall remain in effect unless rescinded or repealed.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 27<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2024.

ATTEST:	SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT		
Secretary/Assistant Secretary	Chair/Vice Chair, Board of Supervisors		

**Exhibit A:** Rules of Procedure

### **EXHIBIT A:**

RULES OF PROCEDURE

# RULES OF PROCEDURE SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

## **EFFECTIVE AS OF AUGUST 27, 2024**

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#### Rule 1.0 General.

- (1) The Sundance Community Development District ("District") was created pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 190 of the Florida Statutes, and was established to provide for the ownership, operation, maintenance, and provision of various capital facilities and services within its jurisdiction. The purpose of these rules ("Rules") is to describe the general operations of the District.
- (2) Definitions located within any section of these Rules shall be applicable within all other sections, unless specifically stated to the contrary.
- (3) Unless specifically permitted by a written agreement with the District, the District does not accept documents filed by electronic mail or facsimile transmission. Filings are only accepted during normal business hours.
- (4) A Rule of the District shall be effective upon adoption by affirmative vote of the District Board. After a Rule becomes effective, it may be repealed or amended only through the rulemaking procedures specified in these Rules. Notwithstanding, the District may immediately suspend the application of a Rule if the District determines that the Rule conflicts with Florida law. In the event that a Rule conflicts with Florida law and its application has not been suspended by the District, such Rule should be interpreted in the manner that best effectuates the intent of the Rule while also complying with Florida law. If the intent of the Rule absolutely cannot be effectuated while complying with Florida law, the Rule shall be automatically suspended.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat. Law Implemented: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

#### Rule 1.1 Board of Supervisors; Officers and Voting.

- (1) <u>Board of Supervisors.</u> The Board of Supervisors of the District ("Board") shall consist of five (5) members. Members of the Board ("Supervisors") appointed by ordinance or rule or elected by landowners must be citizens of the United States of America and residents of the State of Florida. Supervisors elected or appointed by the Board to elector seats must be citizens of the United States of America, residents of the State of Florida and of the District and registered to vote with the Supervisor of Elections of the county in which the District is located and for those elected, shall also be qualified to run by the Supervisor of Elections. The Board shall exercise the powers granted to the District under Florida law.
  - (a) Supervisors shall hold office for the term specified by Section 190.006 of the Florida Statutes. If, during the term of office, any Board member(s) vacates their office, the remaining member(s) of the Board shall fill the vacancies by appointment for the remainder of the term(s). If three or more vacancies exist at the same time, a quorum, as defined herein, shall not be required to appoint replacement Board members.
  - (b) Three (3) members of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the purposes of conducting business, exercising powers and all other purposes. A Board member shall be counted toward the quorum if physically present at the meeting, regardless of whether such Board member is prohibited from, or abstains from, participating in discussion or voting on a particular item.
  - (c) Action taken by the Board shall be upon a majority vote of the members present, unless otherwise provided in the Rules or required by law. Subject to Rule 1.3(10), a Board member participating in the Board meeting by teleconference or videoconference shall be entitled to vote and take all other action as though physically present.
  - (d) Unless otherwise provided for by an act of the Board, any one Board member may attend a mediation session on behalf of the Board. Any agreement resulting from such mediation session must be approved pursuant to subsection (1)(c) of this Rule.
- (2) Officers. At the first Board meeting held after each election where the newly elected members take office, the Board shall select a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, and Treasurer.
  - (a) The Chairperson must be a member of the Board. If the Chairperson resigns from that office or ceases to be a member of the Board, the Board shall select a Chairperson. The Chairperson serves at the pleasure of the Board. The Chairperson shall be authorized to execute resolutions and

contracts on the District's behalf. The Chairperson shall convene and conduct all meetings of the Board. In the event the Chairperson is unable to attend a meeting, the Vice-Chairperson shall convene and conduct the meeting. The Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson may delegate the responsibility of conducting the meeting to the District's manager ("District Manager") or District Counsel, in whole or in part.

- (b) The Vice-Chairperson shall be a member of the Board and shall have such duties and responsibilities as specifically designated by the Board from time to time. The Vice-Chairperson has the authority to execute resolutions and contracts on the District's behalf in the absence of the Chairperson. If the Vice-Chairperson resigns from office or ceases to be a member of the Board, the Board shall select a Vice-Chairperson. The Vice-Chairperson serves at the pleasure of the Board.
- (c) The Secretary of the Board serves at the pleasure of the Board and need not be a member of the Board. The Secretary shall be responsible for maintaining the minutes of Board meetings and may have other duties assigned by the Board from time to time. An employee of the District Manager may serve as Secretary. The Secretary shall be bonded by a reputable and qualified bonding company in at least the amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000), or have in place a fidelity bond, employee theft insurance policy, or a comparable product in at least the amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) that names the District as an additional insured.
- (d) The Treasurer need not be a member of the Board but must be a resident of the State of Florida. The Treasurer shall perform duties described in Section 190.007(2) and (3) of the Florida Statutes, as well as those assigned by the Board from time to time. The Treasurer shall serve at the pleasure of the Board. The Treasurer shall either be bonded by a reputable and qualified bonding company in at least the amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000), or have in place a fidelity bond, employee theft insurance policy, or a comparable product in at least the amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) that names the District as an additional insured.
- (e) In the event that both the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson are absent from a Board meeting and a quorum is present, the Board may designate one of its members or a member of District staff to convene and conduct the meeting. In such circumstances, any of the Board members present are authorized to execute agreements, resolutions, and other documents approved by the Board at such meeting. In the event that the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson are both unavailable to execute a document

- previously approved by the Board, the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary may execute such document.
- (f) The Board may assign additional duties to District officers from time to time, which include, but are not limited to, executing documents on behalf of the District.
- (g) The Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and any other person authorized by District Resolution may sign checks and warrants for the District, countersigned by the Treasurer or other persons authorized by the Board.
- (3) <u>Committees.</u> The Board may establish committees of the Board, either on a permanent or temporary basis, to perform specifically designated functions. Committees may include individuals who are not members of the Board. Such functions may include, but are not limited to, review of bids, proposals, and qualifications, contract negotiations, personnel matters, and budget preparation.
- (4) Record Book. The Board shall keep a permanent record book entitled "Record of Proceedings," in which shall be recorded minutes of all meetings, resolutions, proceedings, certificates, and corporate acts. The Records of Proceedings shall be located at a District office and shall be available for inspection by the public.
- (5) <u>Meetings.</u> For each fiscal year, the Board shall establish a schedule of regular meetings, which shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the District is located and filed with the local general-purpose governments within whose boundaries the District is located. All meetings of the Board and Committees serving an advisory function shall be open to the public in accord with the provisions of Chapter 286 of the Florida Statutes.
- (6) Voting Conflict of Interest. The Board shall comply with Section 112.3143 of the Florida Statutes, so as to ensure the proper disclosure of conflicts of interest on matters coming before the Board for a vote. For the purposes of this section, "voting conflict of interest" shall be governed by the Florida Constitution and Chapters 112 and 190 of the Florida Statutes, as amended from time to time. Generally, a voting conflict exists when a Board member is called upon to vote on an item which would inure to the Board member's special private gain or loss or the Board member knows would inure to the special private gain or loss of a principal by whom the Board member is retained, the parent organization or subsidiary of a corporate principal, a business associate, or a relative including only a father, mother, son, daughter, husband, wife, brother, sister, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, and daughter-in-law.
  - (a) When a Board member knows the member has a conflict of interest on a matter coming before the Board, the member should notify the Board's

Secretary prior to participating in any discussion with the Board on the matter. The member shall publicly announce the conflict of interest at the meeting. This announcement shall appear in the minutes.

If the Board member was elected at a landowner's election or appointed to fill a vacancy of a seat last filled at a landowner's election, the Board member may vote or abstain from voting on the matter at issue. If the Board member was elected by electors residing within the District, the Board member is prohibited from voting on the matter at issue. In the event that the Board member intends to abstain or is prohibited from voting, such Board member shall not participate in the discussion on the item subject to the vote.

The Board's Secretary shall prepare a Memorandum of Voting Conflict (Form 8B) which shall then be signed by the Board member, filed with the Board's Secretary, and provided for attachment to the minutes of the meeting within fifteen (15) days of the meeting.

- (b) If a Board member inadvertently votes on a matter and later learns he or she has a conflict on the matter, the member shall immediately notify the Board's Secretary. Within fifteen (15) days of the notification, the member shall file the appropriate Memorandum of Voting Conflict, which will be attached to the minutes of the Board meeting during which the vote on the matter occurred. The Memorandum of Voting Conflict shall immediately be provided to other Board members and shall be read publicly at the next meeting held subsequent to the filing of the Memorandum of Voting Conflict. The Board member's vote is unaffected by this filing.
- (c) It is not a conflict of interest for a Board member, the District Manager, or an employee of the District to be a stockholder, officer or employee of a landowner or of an entity affiliated with a landowner.
- (d) In the event that a Board member elected at a landowner's election or appointed to fill a vacancy of a seat last filled at a landowner's election, has a continuing conflict of interest, such Board member is permitted to file a Memorandum of Voting Conflict at any time in which it shall state the nature of the continuing conflict. Only one such continuing Memorandum of Voting Conflict shall be required to be filed for each term the Board member is in office.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat. Law Implemented: §§ 112.3143, 190.006, 190.007, Fla. Stat.

# Rule 1.2 District Offices; Public Information and Inspection of Records; Policies; Service Contract Requirements; Financial Disclosure Coordination.

- (1) <u>District Offices.</u> Unless otherwise designated by the Board, the official District office shall be the District Manager's office identified by the District Manager. If the District Manager's office is not located within the county in which the District is located, the Board shall designate a local records office within such county which shall at a minimum contain, but not be limited to, the following documents:
  - (a) Agenda packages for prior 24 months and next meeting;
  - (b) Official minutes of meetings, including adopted resolutions of the Board;
  - (c) Names and addresses of current Board members and District Manager, unless such addresses are protected from disclosure by law;
  - (d) Adopted engineer's reports;
  - (e) Adopted assessment methodologies/reports;
  - (f) Adopted disclosure of public financing;
  - (g) Limited Offering Memorandum for each financing undertaken by the District;
  - (h) Proceedings, certificates, bonds given by all employees, and any and all corporate acts;
  - (i) District policies and rules;
  - (j) Fiscal year end audits; and
  - (k) Adopted budget for the current fiscal year.

The District Manager shall ensure that each District records office contains the documents required by Florida law.

(2) <u>Public Records.</u> District public records include all documents, papers, letters, maps, books, tapes, photographs, films, sound recordings, data processing software, or other material, regardless of the physical form, characteristics, or means of transmission, made or received in connection with the transaction of official business of the District. All District public records not otherwise restricted by law may be copied or inspected at the District Manager's office during regular business hours. Certain District records can also be inspected and copied at the

District's local records office during regular business hours. All written public records requests shall be directed to the Secretary who by these rules is appointed as the District's records custodian. Regardless of the form of the request, any Board member or staff member who receives a public records request shall immediately forward or communicate such request to the Secretary for coordination of a prompt response. The Secretary, after consulting with District Counsel as to the applicability of any exceptions under the public records laws, shall be responsible for responding to the public records request. At no time can the District be required to create records or summaries of records, or prepare opinions regarding District policies, in response to a public records request.

- (3) <u>Service Contracts.</u> Any contract for services, regardless of cost, shall include provisions required by law that require the contractor to comply with public records laws. The District Manager shall be responsible for initially enforcing all contract provisions related to a contractor's duty to comply with public records laws.
- (4) Fees; Copies. Copies of public records shall be made available to the requesting person at a charge of \$0.15 per page for one-sided copies and \$0.20 per page for two-sided copies if not more than 8 ½ by 14 inches. For copies of public records in excess of the sizes listed in this section and for outside duplication services, the charge shall be equal to the actual cost of reproduction. Certified copies of public records shall be made available at a charge of one dollar (\$1.00) per page. If the nature or volume of records requested requires extensive use of information technology resources or extensive clerical or supervisory assistance, the District may charge, in addition to the duplication charge, a special service charge that is based on the cost the District incurs to produce the records requested. This charge may include, but is not limited to, the cost of information technology resource, employee labor, and fees charged to the District by consultants employed in fulfilling the request. In cases where the special service charge is based in whole or in part on the costs incurred by the District due to employee labor, consultant fees, or other forms of labor, those portions of the charge shall be calculated based on the lowest labor cost of the individual(s) who is/are qualified to perform the labor, taking into account the nature or volume of the public records to be inspected or copied. The charge may include the labor costs of supervisory and/or clerical staff whose assistance is required to complete the records request, in accordance with Florida law. For purposes of this Rule, the word "extensive" shall mean that it will take more than 15 minutes to locate, review for confidential information, copy and re-file the requested material. In cases where extensive personnel time is determined by the District to be necessary to safeguard original records being inspected, the special service charge provided for in this section shall apply. If the total fees, including but not limited to special service charges, are anticipated to exceed twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), then, prior to commencing work on the request, the District will inform the person

making the public records request of the estimated cost, with the understanding that the final cost may vary from that estimate. If the person making the public records request decides to proceed with the request, payment of the estimated cost is required in advance. Should the person fail to pay the estimate, the District is under no duty to produce the requested records. After the request has been fulfilled, additional payments or credits may be due. The District is under no duty to produce records in response to future records requests if the person making the request owes the District for past unpaid duplication charges, special service charges, or other required payments or credits.

- (5) <u>Records Retention.</u> The Secretary of the District shall be responsible for retaining the District's records in accordance with applicable Florida law.
- (6) <u>Policies.</u> The Board may adopt policies related to the conduct of its business and the provision of services either by resolution or motion.
- Financial Disclosure Coordination. Unless specifically designated by Board resolution otherwise, the Secretary shall serve as the Financial Disclosure Coordinator ("Coordinator") for the District as required by the Florida Commission on Ethics ("Commission"). The Coordinator shall create, maintain and update a list of the names, e-mail addresses, physical addresses, and names of the agency of, and the office or position held by, all Supervisors and other persons required by Florida law to file a statement of financial interest due to his or her affiliation with the District ("Reporting Individual"). The Coordinator shall provide this list to the Commission by February 1 of each year, which list shall be current as of December 31 of the prior year. Each Supervisor and Reporting Individual shall promptly notify the Coordinator in writing if there are any changes to such person's name, e-mail address, or physical address. Each Supervisor and Reporting Individual shall promptly notify the Commission in the manner prescribed by the Commission if there are any changes to such person's e-mail address.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: §§ 112.31446(3), 112.3145(8)(a)1., 119.07, 119.0701, 190.006, Fla. Stat.

#### Rule 1.3 Public Meetings, Hearings, and Workshops.

- (1) Notice. Except in emergencies, or as otherwise authorized or required by statute or these Rules, at least seven (7) days' public notice shall be given of any public meeting, hearing or workshop of the Board. Public notice shall be given by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the District and in the county in which the District is located. A newspaper is deemed to be a newspaper of "general circulation" within the District and county in which the District is located if such newspaper has been in existence for two (2) years at the time of publication of the applicable notice (unless no newspaper within the county has been published for such length) and satisfies the criteria of section 50.011(1), Florida Statutes, or if such newspaper is a direct successor of a newspaper which has been so published, as such provisions may be amended from time to time by law. The annual meeting notice required to be published by Section 189.015 of the Florida Statutes, shall be published as provided in Chapter 50, Florida Statutes, and such notice published consistent with Chapter 50 shall satisfy the requirement to give at least seven (7) days' public notice stated herein. Each Notice shall state, as applicable:
  - (a) The date, time and place of the meeting, hearing or workshop;
  - (b) A brief description of the nature, subjects, and purposes of the meeting, hearing, or workshop;
  - (c) The District office address for the submission of requests for copies of the agenda, as well as a contact name and telephone number for verbal requests for copies of the agenda; and
  - (d) The following or substantially similar language: "Pursuant to provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this meeting/hearing/workshop is asked to advise the District Office at least forty-eight (48) hours before the meeting/hearing/workshop by contacting the District Manager at (561) 630-4922. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at 1 (800) 955-8770 or 1 (800) 955-8771, who can aid you in contacting the District Office."
  - (e) The following or substantially similar language: "A person who decides to appeal any decision made at the meeting/hearing/workshop with respect to any matter considered at the meeting/hearing/workshop is advised that person will need a record of the proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based."

(f) The following or substantially similar language: "The meeting [or hearing or workshop] may be continued in progress without additional notice to a time, date, and location stated on the record."

The date, time, and place of each meeting, hearing, or workshop of the Board shall additionally be posted on the District's website at least seven (7) days before each meeting, hearing, or workshop.

- (2) <u>Mistake.</u> In the event that a meeting is held under the incorrect assumption that notice required by law and these Rules has been given, the Board at its next properly noticed meeting shall cure such defect by considering the agenda items from the prior meeting individually and anew.
- (3) Agenda. The District Manager, under the guidance of District Counsel and the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson, shall prepare an agenda of the meeting/hearing/workshop. The agenda and any meeting materials available in an electronic format, excluding any confidential and any confidential and exempt information, shall be available to the public at least seven days before the meeting/hearing/workshop, except in an emergency. Meeting materials shall be defined as, and limited to, the agenda, meeting minutes, resolutions, and agreements of the District that District staff deems necessary for Board approval. Inclusion of additional materials for Board consideration other than those defined herein as "meeting materials" shall not convert such materials into "meeting materials." For good cause, the agenda may be changed after it is first made available for distribution, and additional materials may be added or provided under separate cover at the meeting. The requirement of good cause shall be liberally construed to allow the District to efficiently conduct business and to avoid the expenses associated with special meetings.

The District may, but is not required to, use the following format in preparing its agenda for its regular meetings:

Call to order
Roll call
Public comment
Organizational matters
Review of minutes
Specific items of old business
Specific items of new business
Staff reports

- (a) District Counsel
- (b) District Engineer
- (c) District Manager

- 1. Financial Report
- 2. Approval of Expenditures

Supervisor's requests and comments
Public comment
Adjournment

- (4) <u>Minutes.</u> The Secretary shall be responsible for preparing and keeping the minutes of each meeting of the Board. Minutes shall be corrected and approved by the Board at a subsequent meeting. The Secretary may work with other staff members in preparing draft minutes for the Board's consideration.
- (5) <u>Special Requests.</u> Persons wishing to receive, by mail, notices or agendas of meetings, may so advise the District Manager or Secretary at the District Office. Such persons shall furnish a mailing address in writing and shall be required to prepay the cost of the copying and postage.
- (6) Emergency Meetings. The Chairperson, or Vice-Chairperson if the Chairperson is unavailable, upon consultation with the District Manager and District Counsel, if available, may convene an emergency meeting of the Board without first having complied with sections (1) and (3) of this Rule, to act on emergency matters that may affect the public health, safety, or welfare. Whenever possible, the District Manager shall make reasonable efforts to provide public notice and notify all Board members of an emergency meeting twenty-four (24) hours in advance. Reasonable efforts may include telephone notification. Notice of the emergency meeting must be provided both before and after the meeting on the District's website, if it has one. Whenever an emergency meeting is called, the District Manager shall be responsible for notifying at least one newspaper of general circulation in the District. After an emergency meeting, the Board shall publish in a newspaper of general circulation in the District, the time, date and place of the emergency meeting, the reasons why an emergency meeting was necessary, and a description of the action taken. Actions taken at an emergency meeting may be ratified by the Board at a regularly noticed meeting subsequently held.
- (7) Public Comment. The Board shall set aside a reasonable amount of time at each meeting for public comment and members of the public shall be permitted to provide comment on any proposition before the Board. The portion of the meeting generally reserved for public comment shall be identified in the agenda. Policies governing public comment may be adopted by the Board in accordance with Florida law.
- (8) <u>Budget Hearing.</u> Notice of hearing on the annual budget(s) shall be in accord with Section 190.008 of the Florida Statutes. Once adopted in accord with Section 190.008 of the Florida Statutes, the annual budget(s) may be amended from time to time by action of the Board. Approval of invoices by the Board in excess of the

- funds allocated to a particular budgeted line item shall serve to amend the budgeted line item.
- (9) <u>Public Hearings.</u> Notice of required public hearings shall contain the information required by applicable Florida law and by these Rules applicable to meeting notices and shall be mailed and published as required by Florida law. The District Manager shall ensure that all such notices, whether mailed or published, contain the information required by Florida law and these Rules and are mailed and published as required by Florida law. Public hearings may be held during Board meetings when the agenda includes such public hearing.
- (10) Participation by Teleconference/Videoconference. District staff may participate in Board meetings by teleconference or videoconference. Board members may also participate in Board meetings by teleconference or videoconference if in the good judgment of the Board extraordinary circumstances exist; provided however, at least three Board members must be physically present at the meeting location to establish a quorum. Such extraordinary circumstances shall be presumed when a Board member participates by teleconference or videoconference, unless a majority of the Board members physically present determines that extraordinary circumstances do not exist.
- (11) <u>Board Authorization.</u> The District has not adopted Robert's Rules of Order. For each agenda item, there shall be discussion permitted among the Board members during the meeting. Unless such procedure is waived by the Board, approval or disapproval of resolutions and other proposed Board actions shall be in the form of a motion by one Board member, a second by another Board member, and an affirmative vote by the majority of the Board members present. Any Board member, including the Chairperson, can make or second a motion.
- (12) <u>Continuances.</u> Any meeting or public hearing of the Board may be continued without re-notice or re-advertising provided that:
  - (a) The Board identifies on the record at the original meeting a reasonable need for a continuance;
  - (b) The continuance is to a specified date, time, and location publicly announced at the original meeting; and
  - (c) The public notice for the original meeting states that the meeting may be continued to a date and time and states that the date, time, and location of any continuance shall be publicly announced at the original meeting and posted at the District Office immediately following the original meeting.
- (13) Attorney-Client Sessions. An Attorney-Client Session is permitted when the

District's attorneys deem it necessary to meet in private with the Board to discuss pending litigation to which the District is a party before a court or administrative agency or as may be authorized by law. The District's attorney must request such session at a public meeting. Prior to holding the Attorney-Client Session, the District must give reasonable public notice of the time and date of the session and the names of the persons anticipated to attend the session. The session must commence at an open meeting in which the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson announces the commencement of the session, the estimated length of the session, and the names of the persons who will be attending the session. The discussion during the session is confined to settlement negotiations or strategy related to litigation expenses or as may be authorized by law. Only the Board, the District's attorneys (including outside counsel), the District Manager, and the court reporter may attend an Attorney-Client Session. During the session, no votes may be taken and no final decisions concerning settlement can be made. Upon the conclusion of the session, the public meeting is reopened, and the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson must announce that the session has concluded. The session must be transcribed by a court-reporter and the transcript of the session filed with the District Secretary within a reasonable time after the session. The transcript shall not be available for public inspection until after the conclusion of the litigation.

(14) Security and Firesafety Board Discussions. Portions of a meeting which relate to or would reveal a security or firesafety system plan or portion thereof made confidential and exempt by section 119.071(3)(a), Florida Statutes, are exempt from the public meeting requirements and other requirements of section 286.011, Florida Statutes, and section 24(b), Article 1 of the State Constitution. Should the Board wish to discuss such matters, members of the public shall be required to leave the meeting room during such discussion. Any records of the Board's discussion of such matters, including recordings or minutes, shall be maintained as confidential and exempt records in accordance with Florida law.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: §§ 50.011, 50.031, 189.015, 189.069(2)(a)15, 190.006, 190.007, 190.008, 286.0105, 286.011, 286.0113,

286.0114, Fla. Stat.

#### Rule 1.4 Internal Controls to Prevent Fraud, Waste and Abuse

- (1) <u>Internal Controls.</u> The District shall establish and maintain internal controls designed to:
  - (a) Prevent and detect "fraud," "waste" and "abuse" as those terms are defined in section 11.45(1), Florida Statutes; and
  - (b) Promote and encourage compliance with applicable laws, rules contracts, grant agreements, and best practices; and
  - (c) Support economical and efficient operations; and
  - (d) Ensure reliability of financial records and reports; and
  - (e) Safeguard assets.
- (2) Adoption. The internal controls to prevent fraud, waste and abuse shall be adopted and amended by the District in the same manner as District policies.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: § 218.33(3), Fla. Stat.

#### Rule 2.0 Rulemaking Proceedings.

(1) Commencement of Proceedings. Proceedings held for adoption, amendment, or repeal of a District rule shall be conducted according to these Rules. Rulemaking proceedings shall be deemed to have been initiated upon publication of notice by the District. A "rule" is a District statement of general applicability that implements, interprets, or prescribes law or policy, or describes the procedure or practice requirements of the District ("Rule"). Nothing herein shall be construed as requiring the District to consider or adopt rules unless required by Chapter 190 of the Florida Statutes. Policies adopted by the District which do not consist of rates, fees, rentals or other monetary charges may be, but are not required to be, implemented through rulemaking proceedings.

#### (2) Notice of Rule Development.

- (a) Except when the intended action is the repeal of a Rule, the District shall provide notice of the development of a proposed rule by publication of a Notice of Rule Development in a newspaper of general circulation in the District before providing notice of a proposed rule as required by section (3) of this Rule. Consequently, the Notice of Rule Development shall be published at least twenty-nine (29) days prior to the public hearing on the proposed Rule. The Notice of Rule Development shall indicate the subject area to be addressed by rule development, provide a short, plain explanation of the purpose and effect of the proposed rule, cite the specific legal authority for the proposed rule, and include a statement of how a person may promptly obtain, without cost, a copy of any preliminary draft, if available.
- (b) All rules as drafted shall be consistent with Sections 120.54(1)(g) and 120.54(2)(b) of the Florida Statutes.

#### (3) <u>Notice of Proceedings and Proposed Rules.</u>

(a) Prior to the adoption, amendment, or repeal of any rule other than an emergency rule, the District shall give notice of its intended action, setting forth a short, plain explanation of the purpose and effect of the proposed action, a reference to the specific rulemaking authority pursuant to which the rule is adopted, and a reference to the section or subsection of the Florida Statutes being implemented, interpreted, or made specific. The notice shall include a summary of the District's statement of the estimated regulatory costs, if one has been prepared, based on the factors set forth in Section 120.541(2) of the Florida Statutes, and a statement that any person who wishes to provide the District with a lower cost regulatory alternative as provided by Section 120.541(1), must do so in writing within

twenty-one (21) days after publication of the notice. The notice shall additionally include a statement that any affected person may request a public hearing by submitting a written request within twenty-one (21) days after the date of publication of the notice. Except when intended action is the repeal of a rule, the notice shall include a reference to both the date on which and the place where the Notice of Rule Development required by section (2) of this Rule appeared.

- (b) The notice shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the District and each county in which the District is located not less than twenty-eight (28) days prior to the intended action. The proposed rule shall be available for inspection and copying by the public at the time of the publication of notice.
- (c) The notice shall be mailed to all persons named in the proposed rule and to all persons who, at least fourteen (14) days prior to such mailing, have made requests of the District for advance notice of its rulemaking proceedings. Any person may file a written request with the District Manager to receive notice by mail of District proceedings to adopt, amend, or repeal a rule. Such persons must furnish a mailing address and may be required to pay the cost of copying and mailing.
- (4) <u>Rule Development Workshops.</u> Whenever requested in writing by any affected person, the District must either conduct a rule development workshop prior to proposing rules for adoption or the Chairperson must explain in writing why a workshop is unnecessary. The District may initiate a rule development workshop but is not required to do so.
- (5) Petitions to Initiate Rulemaking. All Petitions to Initiate Rulemaking proceedings must contain the name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner, the specific action requested, the specific reason for adoption, amendment, or repeal, the date submitted, the text of the proposed rule, and the facts showing that the petitioner is regulated by the District or has a substantial interest in the rulemaking. Not later than sixty (60) calendar days following the date of filing a petition, the Board shall initiate rulemaking proceedings or deny the petition with a written statement of its reasons for the denial. If the petition is directed to an existing policy that the District has not formally adopted as a rule, the District may, in its discretion, notice and hold a public hearing on the petition to consider the comments of the public directed to the policy, its scope and application, and to consider whether the public interest is served adequately by the application of the policy on a case-by-case basis, as contrasted with its formal adoption as a rule. However, this section shall not be construed as requiring the District to adopt a rule to replace a policy.

- (6) <u>Rulemaking Materials.</u> After the publication of the notice referenced in section
   (3) of this Rule, the Board shall make available for public inspection and shall provide, upon request and payment of the cost of copies, the following materials:
  - (a) The text of the proposed rule, or any amendment or repeal of any existing rules;
  - (b) A detailed written statement of the facts and circumstances justifying the proposed rule;
  - (c) A copy of the statement of estimated regulatory costs if required by Section 120.541 of the Florida Statutes; and
  - (d) The published notice.
- Hearing. The District may, or, upon the written request of any affected person (7) received within twenty-one (21) days after the date of publication of the notice described in section (3) of this Rule, shall, provide a public hearing for the presentation of evidence, argument, and oral statements, within the reasonable conditions and limitations imposed by the District to avoid duplication, irrelevant comments, unnecessary delay, or disruption of the proceedings. The District shall publish notice of the public hearing in a newspaper of general circulation within the District either in the text of the notice described in section (3) of this Rule or in a separate publication at least seven (7) days before the scheduled public hearing. The notice shall specify the date, time, and location of the public hearing, and the name, address, and telephone number of the District contact person who can provide information about the public hearing. Written statements may be submitted by any person prior to or at the public hearing. All timely submitted written statements shall be considered by the District and made part of the rulemaking record.
- (8) Emergency Rule Adoption. The Board may adopt an emergency rule if it finds that immediate danger to the public health, safety, or welfare exists which requires immediate action. Prior to the adoption of an emergency rule, the District Manager shall make reasonable efforts to notify a newspaper of general circulation in the District. Notice of emergency rules shall be published as soon as possible in a newspaper of general circulation in the District. The District may use any procedure which is fair under the circumstances in the adoption of an emergency rule as long as it protects the public interest as determined by the District and otherwise complies with these provisions.
- (9) <u>Negotiated Rulemaking.</u> The District may use negotiated rulemaking in developing and adopting rules pursuant to Section 120.54(2)(d) of the Florida Statutes, except that any notices required under Section 120.54(2)(d) of the

Florida Statutes, may be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the District is located.

- (10) <u>Rulemaking Record.</u> In all rulemaking proceedings, the District shall compile and maintain a rulemaking record. The record shall include, if applicable:
  - (a) The texts of the proposed rule and the adopted rule;
  - (b) All notices given for a proposed rule;
  - (c) Any statement of estimated regulatory costs for the rule;
  - (d) A written summary of hearings, if any, on the proposed rule;
  - (e) All written comments received by the District and responses to those written comments; and
  - (f) All notices and findings pertaining to an emergency rule.
- (11) Petitions to Challenge Existing Rules.
  - (a) Any person substantially affected by a rule may seek an administrative determination of the invalidity of the rule on the ground that the rule is an invalid exercise of the District's authority.
  - (b) The petition seeking an administrative determination must state with particularity the provisions alleged to be invalid with sufficient explanation of the facts or grounds for the alleged invalidity and facts sufficient to show that the person challenging a rule is substantially affected by it.
  - (c) The petition shall be filed with the District. Within 10 days after receiving the petition, the Chairperson shall, if the petition complies with the requirements of subsection (b) of this section, designate any member of the Board (including the Chairperson), District Manager, District Counsel, or other person as a hearing officer who shall conduct a hearing within 30 days thereafter, unless the petition is withdrawn or a continuance is granted by agreement of the parties. The failure of the District to follow the applicable rulemaking procedures or requirements in this Rule shall be presumed to be material; however, the District may rebut this presumption by showing that the substantial interests of the petitioner and the fairness of the proceedings have not been impaired.
  - (d) Within 30 days after the hearing, the hearing officer shall render a decision and state the reasons therefor in writing.

- (e) Hearings held under this section shall be de novo in nature. The petitioner has a burden of proving by a preponderance of the evidence that the existing rule is an invalid exercise of District authority as to the objections raised. The hearing officer may:
  - (i) Administer oaths and affirmations;
  - (ii) Rule upon offers of proof and receive relevant evidence;
  - (iii) Regulate the course of the hearing, including any pre-hearing matters;
  - (iv) Enter orders; and
  - (v) Make or receive offers of settlement, stipulation, and adjustment.
- (f) The petitioner and the District shall be adverse parties. Other substantially affected persons may join the proceedings as intervenors on appropriate terms which shall not unduly delay the proceedings.
- (12) <u>Variances and Waivers.</u> A "variance" means a decision by the District to grant a modification to all or part of the literal requirements of a rule to a person who is subject to the rule. A "waiver" means a decision by the District not to apply all or part of a rule to a person who is subject to the rule. Variances and waivers from District rules may be granted subject to the following:
  - (a) Variances and waivers shall be granted when the person subject to the rule demonstrates that the purpose of the underlying statute will be or has been achieved by other means by the person, and when application of the rule would create a substantial hardship or would violate principles of fairness. For purposes of this section, "substantial hardship" means a demonstrated economic, technological, legal, or other type of hardship to the person requesting the variance or waiver. For purposes of this section, "principles of fairness" are violated when the literal application of a rule affects a particular person in a manner significantly different from the way it affects other similarly situated persons who are subject to the rule.
  - (b) A person who is subject to regulation by a District Rule may file a petition with the District, requesting a variance or waiver from the District's Rule. Each petition shall specify:
    - (i) The rule from which a variance or waiver is requested;
    - (ii) The type of action requested;

- (iii) The specific facts that would justify a waiver or variance for the petitioner; and
- (iv) The reason why the variance or the waiver requested would serve the purposes of the underlying statute.
- (c) The District shall review the petition and may request only that information needed to clarify the petition or to answer new questions raised by or directly related to the petition. If the petitioner asserts that any request for additional information is not authorized by law or by Rule of the District, the District shall proceed, at the petitioner's written request, to process the petition.
- (d) The Board shall grant or deny a petition for variance or waiver and shall announce such disposition at a publicly held meeting of the Board, within ninety (90) days after receipt of the original petition, the last item of timely requested additional material, or the petitioner's written request to finish processing the petition. The District's statement granting or denying the petition shall contain a statement of the relevant facts and reasons supporting the District's action.
- (13) Rates, Fees, Rentals and Other Charges. All rates, fees, rentals, or other charges shall be subject to rulemaking proceedings. Policies adopted by the District which do not consist of rates, fees, rentals or other charges may be, but are not required to be, implemented through rulemaking proceedings.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), 190.035, Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: §§ 190.011(5), 190.035(2), Fla. Stat.

#### Rule 3.0 Competitive Purchase.

- (1) <u>Purpose and Scope.</u> In order to comply with Sections 190.033(1) through (3), 287.055 and 287.017 of the Florida Statutes, the following provisions shall apply to the purchase of Professional Services, insurance, construction contracts, design-build services, goods, supplies, and materials, Contractual Services, and maintenance services.
- (2) <u>Board Authorization.</u> Except in cases of an Emergency Purchase, a competitive purchase governed by these Rules shall only be undertaken after authorization by the Board.

#### (3) <u>Definitions.</u>

- (a) "Competitive Solicitation" means a formal, advertised procurement process, other than an Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, or Invitation to Negotiate, approved by the Board to purchase commodities and/or services which affords vendors fair treatment in the competition for award of a District purchase contract.
- (b) "Continuing Contract" means a contract for Professional Services entered into in accordance with Section 287.055 of the Florida Statutes, between the District and a firm, whereby the firm provides Professional Services to the District for projects in which the costs do not exceed two million dollars (\$2,000,000), for a study activity when the fee for such Professional Services to the District does not exceed two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000), or for work of a specified nature as outlined in the contract with the District, with no time limitation except that the contract must provide a termination clause (for example, a contract for general District engineering services). Firms providing Professional Services under Continuing Contracts shall not be required to bid against one another.
- (c) "Contractual Service" means the rendering by a contractor of its time and effort rather than the furnishing of specific commodities. The term applies only to those services rendered by individuals and firms who are independent contractors. Contractual Services do not include auditing services, Maintenance Services, or Professional Services as defined in Section 287.055(2)(a) of the Florida Statutes, and these Rules. Contractual Services also do not include any contract for the furnishing of labor or materials for the construction, renovation, repair, modification, or demolition of any facility, building, portion of building, utility, park, parking lot, or structure or other improvement to real property entered into pursuant to Chapter 255 of the Florida Statutes, and Rules 3.5 or 3.6.

- (d) "Design-Build Contract" means a single contract with a Design-Build Firm for the design and construction of a public construction project.
- (e) "Design-Build Firm" means a partnership, corporation or other legal entity that:
  - (i) Is certified under Section 489.119 of the Florida Statutes, to engage in contracting through a certified or registered general contractor or a certified or registered building contractor as the qualifying agent; or
  - (ii) Is certified under Section 471.023 of the Florida Statutes, to practice or to offer to practice engineering; certified under Section 481.219 of the Florida Statutes, to practice or to offer to practice architecture; or certified under Section 481.319 of the Florida Statutes, to practice or to offer to practice landscape architecture.
- (f) "Design Criteria Package" means concise, performance-oriented drawings or specifications for a public construction project. The purpose of the Design Criteria Package is to furnish sufficient information to permit Design-Build Firms to prepare a bid or a response to the District's Request for Proposals, or to permit the District to enter into a negotiated Design-Build Contract. The Design Criteria Package must specify performancebased criteria for the public construction project, including the legal description of the site, survey information concerning the site, interior space requirements, material quality standards, schematic layouts and conceptual design criteria of the project, cost or budget estimates, design and construction schedules, site development requirements, provisions for utilities, stormwater retention and disposal, and parking requirements applicable to the project. Design Criteria Packages shall require firms to submit information regarding the qualifications, availability, and past work of the firms, including the partners and members thereof.
- (g) "Design Criteria Professional" means a firm who holds a current certificate of registration under Chapter 481 of the Florida Statutes, to practice architecture or landscape architecture, or a firm who holds a current certificate as a registered engineer under Chapter 471 of the Florida Statutes, to practice engineering, and who is employed by or under contract to the District to provide professional architect services, landscape architect services, or engineering services in connection with the preparation of the Design Criteria Package.
- (h) "Emergency Purchase" means a purchase necessitated by a sudden unexpected turn of events (for example, acts of God, riot, fires, floods,

hurricanes, accidents, or any circumstances or cause beyond the control of the Board in the normal conduct of its business), where the Board finds that the delay incident to competitive purchase would be detrimental to the interests of the District. This includes, but is not limited to, instances where the time to competitively award the project will jeopardize the funding for the project, will materially increase the cost of the project, or will create an undue hardship on the public health, safety, or welfare.

- (i) "Invitation to Bid" is a written solicitation for sealed bids with the title, date, and hour of the public bid opening designated specifically and defining the commodity or service involved. It includes printed instructions prescribing conditions for bidding, qualification, evaluation criteria, and provides for a manual signature of an authorized representative. It may include one or more bid alternates.
- (j) "Invitation to Negotiate" means a written solicitation for competitive sealed replies to select one or more vendors with which to commence negotiations for the procurement of commodities or services.
- (k) "Negotiate" means to conduct legitimate, arm's length discussions and conferences to reach an agreement on a term or price.
- (I) "Professional Services" means those services within the scope of the practice of architecture, professional engineering, landscape architecture, or registered surveying and mapping, as defined by the laws of Florida, or those services performed by any architect, professional engineer, landscape architect, or registered surveyor and mapper, in connection with the firm's or individual's professional employment or practice.
- (m) "Proposal (or Reply or Response) Most Advantageous to the District" means, as determined in the sole discretion of the Board, the proposal, reply, or response that is:
  - (i) Submitted by a person or firm capable and qualified in all respects to perform fully the contract requirements, who has the integrity and reliability to assure good faith performance;
  - (ii) The most responsive to the Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation as determined by the Board; and
  - (iii) For a cost to the District deemed by the Board to be reasonable.

- (n) "Purchase" means acquisition by sale, rent, lease, lease/purchase, or installment sale. It does not include transfer, sale, or exchange of goods, supplies, or materials between the District and any federal, state, regional or local governmental entity or political subdivision of the State of Florida.
- (o) "Request for Proposals" or "RFP" is a written solicitation for sealed proposals with the title, date, and hour of the public opening designated and requiring the manual signature of an authorized representative. It may provide general information, applicable laws and rules, statement of work, functional or general specifications, qualifications, proposal instructions, work detail analysis, and evaluation criteria as necessary.
- (p) "Responsive and Responsible Bidder" means an entity or individual that has submitted a bid that conforms in all material respects to the Invitation to Bid and has the capability in all respects to fully perform the contract requirements and the integrity and reliability that will assure good faith performance. "Responsive and Responsible Vendor" means an entity or individual that has submitted a proposal, reply, or response that conforms in all material respects to the Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation and has the capability in all respects to fully perform the contract requirements and the integrity and reliability that will assure good faith performance. In determining whether an entity or individual is a Responsive and Responsible Bidder (or Vendor), the District may consider, in addition to factors described in the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation, the following:
  - (i) The ability and adequacy of the professional personnel employed by the entity/individual;
  - (ii) The past performance of the entity/individual for the District and in other professional employment;
  - (iii) The willingness of the entity/individual to meet time and budget requirements;
  - (iv) The geographic location of the entity's/individual's headquarters or office in relation to the project;
  - (v) The recent, current, and projected workloads of the entity/individual;
  - (vi) The volume of work previously awarded to the entity/individual;

- (vii) Whether the cost components of the bid or proposal are appropriately balanced; and
- (viii) Whether the entity/individual is a certified minority business enterprise.
- (q) "Responsive Bid," "Responsive Proposal," "Responsive Reply," and "Responsive Response" all mean a bid, proposal, reply, or response which conforms in all material respects to the specifications and conditions in the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitations to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation document and these Rules, and the cost components of which, if any, are appropriately balanced. A bid, proposal, reply or response is not responsive if the person or firm submitting it fails to meet any material requirement relating to the qualifications, financial stability, or licensing of the bidder.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat. Law Implemented: §§ 190.033, 255.20, 287.055, Fla. Stat.

#### Rule 3.1 Procedure Under the Consultants' Competitive Negotiations Act.

- (1) Scope. The following procedures are adopted for the selection of firms or individuals to provide Professional Services exceeding the thresholds herein described, for the negotiation of such contracts, and to provide for protest of actions of the Board under this Rule. As used in this Rule, "Project" means that fixed capital outlay study or planning activity when basic construction cost is estimated by the District to exceed the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017 of the Florida Statutes, for CATEGORY FIVE, or for a planning study activity when the fee for Professional Services is estimated by the District to exceed the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017 for CATEGORY TWO, as such categories may be amended or adjusted from time to time.
- (2) <u>Qualifying Procedures.</u> In order to be eligible to provide Professional Services to the District, a consultant must, at the time of receipt of the firm's qualification submittal:
  - (a) Hold all required applicable state professional licenses in good standing;
  - (b) Hold all required applicable federal licenses in good standing, if any;
  - (c) Hold a current and active Florida corporate charter or be authorized to do business in the State of Florida in accordance with Chapter 607 of the Florida Statutes, if the consultant is a corporation; and

(d) Meet any qualification requirements set forth in the District's Request for Qualifications.

Evidence of compliance with this Rule may be submitted with the qualifications, if requested by the District. In addition, evidence of compliance must be submitted any time requested by the District.

(3) Public Announcement. Except in cases of valid public emergencies as certified by the Board, the District shall announce each occasion when Professional Services are required for a Project or a Continuing Contract by publishing a notice providing a general description of the Project, or the nature of the Continuing Contract, and the method for interested consultants to apply for consideration. The notice shall appear in at least one (1) newspaper of general circulation in the District and in such other places as the District deems appropriate. The notice must allow at least fourteen (14) days for submittal of qualifications from the date of publication. The District may maintain lists of consultants interested in receiving such notices. These consultants are encouraged to submit annually statements of qualifications and performance data. The District shall make reasonable efforts to provide copies of any notices to such consultants, but the failure to do so shall not give such consultants any bid protest or other rights or otherwise disqualify any otherwise valid procurement process. The Board has the right to reject any and all qualifications, and such reservation shall be included in the published notice. Consultants not receiving a contract award shall not be entitled to recover from the District any costs of qualification package preparation or submittal.

#### (4) Competitive Selection.

- (a) The Board shall review and evaluate the data submitted in response to the notice described in section (3) of this Rule regarding qualifications and performance ability, as well as any statements of qualifications on file. The Board shall conduct discussions with, and may require public presentation by consultants regarding their qualifications, approach to the Project, and ability to furnish the required services. The Board shall then select and list the consultants, in order of preference, deemed to be the most highly capable and qualified to perform the required Professional Services, after considering these and other appropriate criteria:
  - (i) The ability and adequacy of the professional personnel employed by each consultant;
  - (ii) Whether a consultant is a certified minority business enterprise;
  - (iii) Each consultant's past performance;

- (iv) The willingness of each consultant to meet time and budget requirements;
- (v) The geographic location of each consultant's headquarters, office and personnel in relation to the project;
- (vi) The recent, current, and projected workloads of each consultant; and
- (vii) The volume of work previously awarded to each consultant by the District.
- (b) Nothing in these Rules shall prevent the District from evaluating and eventually selecting a consultant if less than three (3) Responsive qualification packages, including packages indicating a desire not to provide Professional Services on a given Project, are received.
- (c) If the selection process is administered by any person or committee other than the full Board, the selection made will be presented to the full Board with a recommendation that competitive negotiations be instituted with the selected firms in order of preference listed.
- (d) Notice of the rankings adopted by the Board, including the rejection of some or all qualification packages, shall be provided in writing to all consultants by United States Mail, hand delivery, facsimile, or overnight delivery service. The notice shall include the following statement: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Rule 3.11 of the Rules of the District shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under those Rules," or wording to that effect. Protests of the District's ranking decisions under this Rule shall be in accordance with the procedures set forth in Rule 3.11.

#### (5) Competitive Negotiation.

- (a) After the Board has authorized the beginning of competitive negotiations, the District may begin such negotiations with the firm listed as most qualified to perform the required Professional Services at a rate or amount of compensation which the Board determines is fair, competitive, and reasonable.
- (b) In negotiating a lump-sum or cost-plus-a-fixed-fee professional contract for more than the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017 of the Florida Statutes, for CATEGORY FOUR, the firm receiving the award shall be required to execute a truth-in-negotiation certificate stating that "wage rates and other factual unit costs supporting the compensation are

accurate, complete and current at the time of contracting." In addition, any professional service contract under which such a certificate is required, shall contain a provision that "the original contract price and any additions thereto, shall be adjusted to exclude any significant sums by which the Board determines the contract price was increased due to inaccurate, incomplete, or noncurrent wage rates and other factual unit costs."

- (c) Should the District be unable to negotiate a satisfactory agreement with the firm determined to be the most qualified at a price deemed by the District to be fair, competitive, and reasonable, then negotiations with that firm shall be terminated and the District shall immediately begin negotiations with the second most qualified firm. If a satisfactory agreement with the second firm cannot be reached, those negotiations shall be terminated and negotiations with the third most qualified firm shall be undertaken.
- (d) Should the District be unable to negotiate a satisfactory agreement with one of the top three (3) ranked consultants, additional firms shall be selected by the District, in order of their competence and qualifications. Negotiations shall continue, beginning with the first-named firm on the list, until an agreement is reached or the list of firms is exhausted.
- (6) <u>Contracts; Public Records.</u> In accordance with Florida law, each contract entered into pursuant to this Rule shall include provisions required by law that require the contractor to comply with public records laws.
- (7) <u>Continuing Contract.</u> Nothing in this Rule shall prohibit a Continuing Contract between a consultant and the District.
- (8) <u>Emergency Purchase.</u> The District may make an Emergency Purchase without complying with these Rules. The fact that an Emergency Purchase has occurred or is necessary shall be noted in the minutes of the next Board meeting.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: §§ 119.0701, 190.011(3), 190.033, 287.055, Fla. Stat.

#### Rule 3.2 Procedure Regarding Auditor Selection.

In order to comply with the requirements of Section 218.391 of the Florida Statutes, the following procedures are outlined for selection of firms or individuals to provide Auditing Services and for the negotiation of such contracts. For audits required under Chapter 190 of the Florida Statutes but not meeting the thresholds of Chapter 218 of the Florida Statutes, the District need not follow these procedures but may proceed with the selection of a firm or individual to provide Auditing Services and for the negotiation of such contracts in the manner the Board determines is in the best interests of the District.

## (1) <u>Definitions.</u>

- (a) "Auditing Services" means those services within the scope of the practice of a certified public accounting firm licensed under Chapter 473 of the Florida Statutes, and qualified to conduct audits in accordance with government auditing standards as adopted by the Florida Board of Accountancy.
- (b) "Committee" means the auditor selection committee appointed by the Board as described in section (2) of this Rule.
- (2) Establishment of Auditor Selection Committee. Prior to a public announcement under section (4) of this Rule that Auditing Services are required, the Board shall establish an auditor selection committee ("Committee"), the primary purpose of which is to assist the Board in selecting an auditor to conduct the annual financial audit required by Section 218.39 of the Florida Statutes. The Committee shall include at least three individuals, at least one of which must also be a member of the Board. The establishment and selection of the Committee must be conducted at a publicly noticed and held meeting of the Board. The Chairperson of the Committee must be a member of the Board. An employee, a chief executive officer, or a chief financial officer of the District may not serve as a member of the Committee; provided however such individual may serve the Committee in an advisory capacity.
- (3) Establishment of Minimum Qualifications and Evaluation Criteria. Prior to a public announcement under section (4) of this Rule that Auditing Services are required, the Committee shall meet at a publicly noticed meeting to establish minimum qualifications and factors to use for the evaluation of Auditing Services to be provided by a certified public accounting firm licensed under Chapter 473 of the Florida Statutes, and qualified to conduct audits in accordance with government auditing standards as adopted by the Florida Board of Accountancy.

- (a) <u>Minimum Qualifications.</u> In order to be eligible to submit a proposal, a firm must, at all relevant times including the time of receipt of the proposal by the District:
  - (i) Hold all required applicable state professional licenses in good standing;
  - (ii) Hold all required applicable federal licenses in good standing, if any;
  - (iii) Hold a current and active Florida corporate charter or be authorized to do business in the State of Florida in accordance with Chapter 607 of the Florida Statutes, if the proposer is a corporation; and
  - (iv) Meet any pre-qualification requirements established by the Committee and set forth in the RFP or other specifications.

If requested in the RFP or other specifications, evidence of compliance with the minimum qualifications as established by the Committee must be submitted with the proposal.

- (b) Evaluation Criteria. The factors established for the evaluation of Auditing Services by the Committee shall include, but are not limited to:
  - (i) Ability of personnel;
  - (ii) Experience;
  - (iii) Ability to furnish the required services; and
  - (iv) Such other factors as may be determined by the Committee to be applicable to its particular requirements.

The Committee may also choose to consider compensation as a factor. If the Committee establishes compensation as one of the factors, compensation shall not be the sole or predominant factor used to evaluate proposals.

(4) <u>Public Announcement.</u> After identifying the factors to be used in evaluating the proposals for Auditing Services as set forth in section (3) of this Rule, the Committee shall publicly announce the opportunity to provide Auditing Services. Such public announcement shall include a brief description of the audit and how interested firms can apply for consideration and obtain the RFP. The notice shall appear in at least one (1) newspaper of general circulation in the District and the

- county in which the District is located. The public announcement shall allow for at least seven (7) days for the submission of proposals.
- (5) Request for Proposals. The Committee shall provide interested firms with a Request for Proposals ("RFP"). The RFP shall provide information on how proposals are to be evaluated and such other information the Committee determines is necessary for the firm to prepare a proposal. The RFP shall state the time and place for submitting proposals.
- (6) Committee's Evaluation of Proposals and Recommendation. The Committee shall meet at a publicly held meeting that is publicly noticed for a reasonable time in advance of the meeting to evaluate all qualified proposals and may, as part of the evaluation, require that each interested firm provide a public presentation where the Committee may conduct discussions with the firm, and where the firm may present information, regarding the firm's qualifications. At the public meeting, the Committee shall rank and recommend in order of preference no fewer than three firms deemed to be the most highly qualified to perform the required services after considering the factors established pursuant to subsection (3)(b) of this Rule. If fewer than three firms respond to the RFP or if no firms respond to the RFP, the Committee shall recommend such firm as it deems to be the most highly qualified. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Committee may recommend that any and all proposals be rejected.

## (7) <u>Board Selection of Auditor.</u>

(a) Where compensation was not selected as a factor used in evaluating the proposals, the Board shall negotiate with the firm ranked first and inquire of that firm as to the basis of compensation. If the Board is unable to negotiate a satisfactory agreement with the first ranked firm at a price deemed by the Board to be fair, competitive, and reasonable, then negotiations with that firm shall be terminated and the Board shall immediately begin negotiations with the second ranked firm. satisfactory agreement with the second ranked firm cannot be reached, those negotiations shall be terminated and negotiations with the third ranked firm shall be undertaken. The Board may reopen formal negotiations with any one of the three top-ranked firms, but it may not negotiate with more than one firm at a time. If the Board is unable to negotiate a satisfactory agreement with any of the selected firms, the Committee shall recommend additional firms in order of the firms' respective competence and qualifications. Negotiations shall continue, beginning with the first-named firm on the list, until an agreement is reached or the list of firms is exhausted.

- (b) Where compensation was selected as a factor used in evaluating the proposals, the Board shall select the highest-ranked qualified firm or document in its public records the reason for not selecting the highest-ranked qualified firm.
- (c) In negotiations with firms under this Rule, the Board may allow the District Manager, District Counsel, or other designee to conduct negotiations on its behalf.
- (d) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board may reject any or all proposals. The Board shall not consider any proposal, or enter into any contract for Auditing Services, unless the proposed agreed-upon compensation is reasonable to satisfy the requirements of Section 218.39 of the Florida Statutes, and the needs of the District.
- (8) <u>Contract.</u> Any agreement reached under this Rule shall be evidenced by a written contract, which may take the form of an engagement letter signed and executed by both parties. The written contract shall include all provisions and conditions of the procurement of such services and shall include, at a minimum, the following:
  - (a) A provision specifying the services to be provided and fees or other compensation for such services;
  - (b) A provision requiring that invoices for fees or other compensation be submitted in sufficient detail to demonstrate compliance with the terms of the contract;
  - (c) A provision setting forth deadlines for the auditor to submit a preliminary draft audit report to the District for review and to submit a final audit report no later than June 30 of the fiscal year that follows the fiscal year for which the audit is being conducted;
  - (d) A provision specifying the contract period, including renewals, and conditions under which the contract may be terminated or renewed. The maximum contract period including renewals shall be five (5) years. A renewal may be done without the use of the auditor selection procedures provided in this Rule but must be in writing.
  - (e) Provisions required by law that require the auditor to comply with public records laws.
- (9) <u>Notice of Award.</u> Once a negotiated agreement with a firm or individual is reached, or the Board authorizes the execution of an agreement with a firm where compensation was a factor in the evaluation of proposals, notice of the intent to

award, including the rejection of some or all proposals, shall be provided in writing to all proposers by United States Mail, hand delivery, facsimile, or overnight delivery service. The notice shall include the following statement: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Rule 3.11 of the Rules of the District shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under those Rules," or wording to that effect. Protests regarding the award of contracts under this Rule shall be as provided for in Rule 3.11. No proposer shall be entitled to recover any costs of proposal preparation or submittal from the District.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat. Law Implemented: §§ 119.0701, 218.33, 218.391, Fla. Stat.

#### Rule 3.3 Purchase of Insurance.

- (1) Scope. The purchases of life, health, accident, hospitalization, legal expense, or annuity insurance, or all of any kinds of such insurance for the officers and employees of the District, and for health, accident, hospitalization, and legal expenses upon a group insurance plan by the District, shall be governed by this Rule. This Rule does not apply to the purchase of any other type of insurance by the District, including but not limited to liability insurance, property insurance, and directors and officers insurance. Nothing in this Rule shall require the District to purchase insurance.
- (2) <u>Procedure.</u> For a purchase of insurance within the scope of these Rules, the following procedure shall be followed:
  - (a) The Board shall cause to be prepared a Notice of Invitation to Bid.
  - (b) Notice of the Invitation to Bid shall be advertised at least once in a newspaper of general circulation within the District. The notice shall allow at least fourteen (14) days for submittal of bids.
  - (c) The District may maintain a list of persons interested in receiving notices of Invitations to Bid. The District shall make reasonable efforts to provide copies of any notices to such persons, but the failure to do so shall not give such consultants any bid protest or other rights or otherwise disqualify any otherwise valid procurement process.
  - (d) Bids shall be opened at the time and place noted in the Invitation to Bid.
  - (e) If only one (1) response to an Invitation is received, the District may proceed with the purchase. If no response to an Invitation to Bid is received, the District may take whatever steps are reasonably necessary in order to proceed with the purchase.
  - (f) The Board has the right to reject any and all bids and such reservations shall be included in all solicitations and advertisements.
  - (g) Simultaneously with the review of the submitted bids, the District may undertake negotiations with those companies that have submitted reasonable and timely bids and, in the opinion of the District, are fully qualified and capable of meeting all services and requirements. Bid responses shall be evaluated in accordance with the specifications and criteria contained in the Invitation to Bid; in addition, the total cost to the District, the cost, if any, to the District officers, employees, or their dependents, the geographic location of the company's headquarters and

offices in relation to the District, and the ability of the company to guarantee premium stability may be considered. A contract to purchase insurance shall be awarded to that company whose response to the Invitation to Bid best meets the overall needs of the District, its officers, employees, and/or dependents.

(h) Notice of the intent to award, including rejection of some or all bids, shall be provided in writing to all bidders by United States Mail, by hand delivery, or by overnight delivery service. The notice shall include the following statement: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Rule 3.11 of the Rules of the District shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under those Rules," or wording to that effect. Protests of the District's procurement of insurance under this Rule shall be in accordance with the procedures set forth in Rule 3.11.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: § 112.08, Fla. Stat.

#### Rule 3.4 Pre-qualification

- (1) <u>Scope.</u> In its discretion, the District may undertake a pre-qualification process in accordance with this Rule for vendors to provide construction services, goods, supplies, and materials, Contractual Services, and maintenance services.
- (2) <u>Procedure.</u> When the District seeks to pre-qualify vendors, the following procedures shall apply:
  - (a) The Board shall cause to be prepared a Request for Qualifications.
  - (b) For construction services exceeding the thresholds described in Section 255.20 of the Florida Statutes, the Board must advertise the proposed prequalification criteria and procedures and allow at least seven (7) days notice of the public hearing for comments on such pre-qualification criteria and procedures. At such public hearing, potential vendors may object to such pre-qualification criteria and procedures. Following such public hearing, the Board shall formally adopt pre-qualification criteria and procedures prior to the advertisement of the Request for Qualifications for construction services.
  - (c) The Request for Qualifications shall be advertised at least once in a newspaper of general circulation within the District and within the county in which the District is located. The notice shall allow at least seven (7) days for submittal of qualifications for goods, supplies and materials, Contractual Services, maintenance services, and construction services under two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000). The notice shall allow at least twenty-one (21) days for submittal of qualifications for construction services estimated to cost over two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) and thirty (30) days for construction services estimated to cost over five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000).
  - (d) The District may maintain lists of persons interested in receiving notices of Requests for Qualifications. The District shall make a good faith effort to provide written notice, by electronic mail, United States Mail, hand delivery, or facsimile, to persons who provide their name and address to the District Manager for inclusion on the list. However, failure of a person to receive the notice shall not invalidate any pre-qualification determination or contract awarded in accordance with these Rules and shall not be a basis for a protest of any pre-qualification determination or contract award.
  - (e) If the District has pre-qualified vendors for a particular category of purchase, at the option of the District, only those persons who have been

pre-qualified will be eligible to submit bids, proposals, replies or responses in response to the applicable Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation.

- (f) In order to be eligible to submit qualifications, a firm or individual must, at the time of receipt of the qualifications:
  - (i) Hold all required applicable state professional licenses in good standing;
  - (ii) Hold all required applicable federal licenses in good standing, if any;
  - (iii) Hold a current and active Florida corporate charter or be authorized to do business in the State of Florida in accordance with Chapter 607 of the Florida Statutes, if the vendor is a corporation; and
  - (iv) Meet any special pre-qualification requirements set forth in the Request for Qualifications.

Evidence of compliance with these Rules must be submitted with the qualifications if required by the District. Failure to submit evidence of compliance when required may be grounds for rejection of the qualifications.

- (g) Qualifications shall be presented to the Board, or a committee appointed by the Board, for evaluation in accordance with the Request for Qualifications and this Rule. Minor variations in the qualifications may be waived by the Board. A variation is minor if waiver of the variation does not create a competitive advantage or disadvantage of a material nature.
- (h) All vendors determined by the District to meet the pre-qualification requirements shall be pre-qualified. To assure full understanding of the responsiveness to the requirements contained in a Request for Qualifications, discussions may be conducted with qualified vendors. Vendors shall be accorded fair treatment prior to the submittal date with respect to any opportunity for discussion and revision of qualifications. For construction services, any contractor pre-qualified and considered eligible by the Department of Transportation to bid to perform the type of work the project entails shall be presumed to be qualified to perform the project.

- (i) The Board shall have the right to reject all qualifications if there are not enough to be competitive or if rejection is determined to be in the best interest of the District. No vendor shall be entitled to recover any costs of qualification preparation or submittal from the District.
- (j) Notice of intent to pre-qualify, including rejection of some or all qualifications, shall be provided in writing to all vendors by United States Mail, electronic mail, hand delivery, facsimile, or overnight delivery service. The notice shall include the following statement: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Rule 3.11 of the Rules of the District shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under those Rules," or wording to that effect. Protests of the District's pre-qualification decisions under this Rule shall be in accordance with the procedures set forth in Rule 3.11; provided however, protests related to the pre-qualification criteria and procedures for construction services shall be resolved in accordance with section (2)(b) of this Rule and Section 255.20(1)(b) of the Florida Statutes.

## (3) Suspension, Revocation, or Denial of Qualification

- (a) The District, for good cause, may deny, suspend, or revoke a prequalified vendor's pre-qualified status. A suspension, revocation, or denial for good cause shall prohibit the vendor from bidding on any District construction contract for which qualification is required, shall constitute a determination of non-responsibility to bid on any other District construction or maintenance contract, and shall prohibit the vendor from acting as a material supplier or subcontractor on any District contract or project during the period of suspension, revocation, or denial. Good cause shall include the following:
  - i. One of the circumstances specified under Section 337.16(2), Fla. Stat., has occurred.
  - ii. Affiliated contractors submitted more than one proposal for the same work. In this event the pre-qualified status of all of the affiliated bidders will be revoked, suspended, or denied. All bids of affiliated bidders will be rejected.
  - iii. The vendor made or submitted false, deceptive, or fraudulent statements, certifications, or materials in any claim for payment or any information required by any District contract.
  - iv. The vendor or its affiliate defaulted on any contract or a contract surety assumed control of financial responsibility for any contract of the vendor.

- v. The vendor's qualification to bid is suspended, revoked, or denied by any other public or semi-public entity, or the vendor has been the subject of a civil enforcement proceeding or settlement involving a public or semi-public entity.
- vi. The vendor failed to comply with contract or warranty requirements or failed to follow District direction in the performance of a contract.
- vii. The vendor failed to timely furnish all contract documents required by the contract specifications, special provisions, or by any state or federal statutes or regulations. If the vendor fails to furnish any of the subject contract documents by the expiration of the period of suspension, revocation, or denial set forth above, the vendor's pre-qualified status shall remain suspended, revoked, or denied until the documents are furnished.
- viii. The vendor failed to notify the District within 10 days of the vendor, or any of its affiliates, being declared in default or otherwise not completing work on a contract or being suspended from qualification to bid or denied qualification to bid by any other public or semi-public agency.
- ix. The vendor did not pay its subcontractors or suppliers in a timely manner or in compliance with contract documents.
- x. The vendor has demonstrated instances of poor or unsatisfactory performance, deficient management resulting in project delay, poor quality workmanship, a history of payment of liquidated damages, untimely completion of projects, uncooperative attitude, contract litigation, inflated claims or defaults.
- xi. An affiliate of the vendor has previously been determined by the District to be non-responsible, and the specified period of suspension, revocation, denial, or non-responsibility remains in effect.
- xii. The vendor or affiliate(s) has been convicted of a contract crime.
  - The term "contract crime" means any violation of state or federal antitrust laws with respect to a public contract or any violation of any state or federal law involving fraud, bribery, collusion, conspiracy, or material misrepresentation with respect to a public contract.
  - 2. The term "convicted" or "conviction" means a finding of guilt or a conviction of a contract crime, with or without an

adjudication of guilt, in any federal or state trial court of record as a result of a jury verdict, nonjury trial, or entry of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere.

- (b) A denial, suspension, or revocation shall prohibit the vendor from being a subcontractor on District work during the period of denial, suspension, or revocation, except when a prime contractor's bid has used prices of a subcontractor who becomes disqualified after the bid, but before the request for authorization to sublet is presented.
- (c) The District shall inform the vendor in writing of its intent to deny, suspend, or revoke its pre-qualified status and inform the vendor of its right to a hearing, the procedure which must be followed, and the applicable time limits. If a hearing is requested within 10 days after the receipt of the notice of intent, the hearing shall be held within 30 days after receipt by the District of the request for the hearing. The decision shall be issued within 15 days after the hearing.
- (d) Such suspension or revocation shall not affect the vendor's obligations under any preexisting contract.
- (e) In the case of contract crimes, the vendor's pre-qualified status under this Rule shall be revoked indefinitely. For all violations of Rule 3.4(3)(a) other than for the vendor's conviction for contract crimes, the revocation, denial, or suspension of a vendor's pre-qualified status under this Rule shall be for a specific period of time based on the seriousness of the deficiency.

Examples of factors affecting the seriousness of a deficiency are:

- i. Impacts on project schedule, cost, or quality of work;
- ii. Unsafe conditions allowed to exist;
- iii. Complaints from the public;
- iv. Delay or interference with the bidding process;
- v. The potential for repetition;
- vi. Integrity of the public contracting process;
- vii. Effect on the health, safety, and welfare of the public.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat. Law Implemented: §§ 190.033, 255.0525, 255.20, Fla. Stat.

#### Rule 3.5 Construction Contracts, Not Design-Build.

- (1) Scope. All contracts for the construction or improvement of any building, structure, or other public construction works authorized by Chapter 190 of the Florida Statutes, the costs of which are estimated by the District in accordance with generally accepted cost accounting principles to be in excess of the threshold amount for applicability of Section 255.20 of the Florida Statutes, as that amount may be indexed or amended from time to time, shall be let under the terms of these Rules and the procedures of Section 255.20 of the Florida Statutes, as the same may be amended from time to time. A project shall not be divided solely to avoid the threshold bidding requirements.
- (2) <u>Procedure.</u> When a purchase of construction services is within the scope of this Rule, the following procedures shall apply:
  - (a) The Board shall cause to be prepared an Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation.
  - (b) Notice of the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation shall be advertised at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the District and in the county in which the District is located. The notice shall also include the amount of the bid bond, if one is required. The notice shall allow at least twenty-one (21) days for submittal of sealed bids, proposals, replies, or responses, unless the Board, for good cause, determines a shorter period of time is appropriate. Any project projected to cost more than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) must be noticed at least thirty (30) days prior to the date for submittal of bids, proposals, replies, or responses. If the Board has previously pre-qualified contractors pursuant to Rule 3.4 and determined that only the contractors that have been pre-qualified will be permitted to submit bids, proposals, replies, and responses, the Notice of Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation need not be published. Instead, the Notice of Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation shall be sent to the pre-qualified contractors by United States Mail, hand delivery, facsimile, or overnight delivery service.
  - (c) The District may maintain lists of persons interested in receiving notices of Invitations to Bid, Requests for Proposals, Invitations to Negotiate, and Competitive Solicitations. The District shall make a good faith effort to provide written notice, by electronic mail, United States Mail, hand delivery, or facsimile, to persons who provide their name and address to the District Manager for inclusion on the list. However, failure of a person to receive the notice shall not invalidate any contract awarded in

accordance with this Rule and shall not be a basis for a protest of any contract award.

- (d) If the District has pre-qualified providers of construction services, then, at the option of the District, only those persons who have been pre-qualified will be eligible to submit bids, proposals, replies, or responses to Invitations to Bid, Requests for Proposals, Invitations to Negotiate, and Competitive Solicitations.
- (e) In order to be eligible to submit a bid, proposal, reply, or response, a firm or individual must, at the time of receipt of the bids, proposals, replies, or responses:
  - (i) Hold all required applicable state professional licenses in good standing;
  - (ii) Hold all required applicable federal licenses in good standing, if any;
  - (iii) Hold a current and active Florida corporate charter or be authorized to do business in the State of Florida in accordance with Chapter 607 of the Florida Statutes, if the bidder is a corporation; and
  - (iv) Meet any special pre-qualification requirements set forth in the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation.

Any contractor that has been found guilty by a court of any violation of federal labor or employment tax laws regarding subjects including but not limited to, reemployment assistance, safety, tax withholding, worker's compensation, unemployment tax, social security and Medicare tax, wage or hour, or prevailing rate laws within the past 5 years may be considered ineligible by the District to submit a bid, response, or proposal for a District project.

Evidence of compliance with these Rules must be submitted with the bid, proposal, reply, or response, if required by the District. Failure to submit evidence of compliance when required may be grounds for rejection of the bid, proposal, reply, or response.

(f) Bids, proposals, replies, and responses, or the portions of which that include the price, shall be publicly opened at a meeting noticed in accordance with Rule 1.3, and at which at least one district representative

is present. The name of each bidder and the price submitted in the bid shall be announced at such meeting and shall be made available upon request. Minutes should be taken at the meeting and maintained by the District. Bids, proposals, replies, and responses shall be evaluated in accordance with the respective Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation and these Rules. Minor variations in the bids, proposals, replies, or responses may be waived by the Board. A variation is minor if waiver of the variation does not create a competitive advantage or disadvantage of a material nature. Mistakes in arithmetic extension of pricing may be corrected by the Board. Bids and proposals may not be modified or supplemented after opening; provided however, additional information may be requested and/or provided to evidence compliance, make non-material modifications, clarifications, or supplementations, and as otherwise permitted by Florida law.

- (g) The lowest Responsive Bid submitted by a Responsive and Responsible Bidder in response to an Invitation to Bid shall be accepted. In relation to a Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation, the Board shall select the Responsive Proposal, Reply, or Response submitted by a Responsive and Responsible Vendor which is most advantageous to the District. To assure full understanding of the responsiveness to the solicitation requirements contained in a Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation, discussions may be conducted with qualified vendors. Vendors shall be accorded fair treatment prior to the submittal date with respect to any opportunity for discussion, preparation, and revision of bids, proposals, replies, and responses.
- (h) The Board shall have the right to reject all bids, proposals, replies, or responses because they exceed the amount of funds budgeted for the purchase, if there are not enough to be competitive, or if rejection is determined to be in the best interest of the District. No contractor shall be entitled to recover any costs of bid, proposal, response, or reply preparation or submittal from the District.
- (i) The Board may require potential contractors to furnish bid bonds, performance bonds, and/or other bonds with a responsible surety to be approved by the Board.
- (j) Notice of intent to award, including rejection of some or all bids, proposals, replies, or responses, shall be provided in writing to all contractors by United States Mail, hand delivery, facsimile, or overnight delivery service. The notice shall include the following statement: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Rule 3.11 of the Rules of the District shall

- constitute a waiver of proceedings under those Rules," or wording to that effect. Protests of the District's purchase of construction services under this Rule shall be in accordance with the procedures set forth in Rule 3.11.
- (k) If less than three (3) Responsive Bids, Proposals, Replies, or Responses are received, the District may purchase construction services or may reject the bids, proposals, replies, or responses for a lack of competitiveness. If no Responsive Bid, Proposal, Reply, or Response is received, the District may proceed with the procurement of construction services, in the manner the Board determines is in the best interests of the District, which may include but is not limited to a direct purchase of the construction services without further competitive selection processes.
- (3) <u>Sole Source; Government.</u> Construction services that are only available from a single source are exempt from this Rule. Construction services provided by governmental agencies are exempt from this Rule. This Rule shall not apply to the purchase of construction services, which may include goods, supplies, or materials, that are purchased under a federal, state, or local government contract that has been competitively procured by such federal, state, or local government in a manner consistent with the material procurement requirements of these Rules. A contract for construction services is exempt from this Rule if state or federal law prescribes with whom the District must contract or if the rate of payment is established during the appropriation process.
- (4) <u>Contracts; Public Records.</u> In accordance with Florida law, each contract entered into pursuant to this Rule shall include provisions required by law that require the contractor to comply with public records laws.
- (5) <u>Emergency Purchases.</u> The District may make an Emergency Purchase without complying with these rules. The fact that an Emergency Purchase has occurred or is necessary shall be noted in the minutes of the next Board Meeting.
- (6) <u>Exceptions.</u> This Rule is inapplicable when:
  - (a) The project is undertaken as repair or maintenance of an existing public facility;
  - (b) The funding source of the project will be diminished or lost because the time required to competitively award the project after the funds become available exceeds the time within which the funding source must be spent;
  - (c) The District has competitively awarded a project and the contractor has abandoned the project or the District has terminated the contract; or

(d) The District, after public notice, conducts a public meeting under Section 286.011 of the Florida Statutes, and finds by a majority vote of the Board that it is in the public's best interest to perform the project using its own services, employees, and equipment.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: §§ 119.0701, 189.053, 190.033, 255.0518, 255.0525, 255.20, 287.055, Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.6 Construction Contracts, Design-Build.

(1) <u>Scope.</u> The District may utilize Design-Build Contracts for any public construction project for which the Board determines that use of such contract is in the best interest of the District. When letting a Design-Build Contract, the District shall use the following procedure:

#### (2) <u>Procedure.</u>

- (a) The District shall utilize a Design Criteria Professional meeting the requirements of Section 287.055(2)(k) of the Florida Statutes, when developing a Design Criteria Package, evaluating the proposals and qualifications submitted by Design-Build Firms, and determining compliance of the project construction with the Design Criteria Package. The Design Criteria Professional may be an employee of the District, may be the District Engineer selected by the District pursuant to Section 287.055 of the Florida Statutes, or may be retained pursuant to Rule 3.1. The Design Criteria Professional is not eligible to render services under a Design-Build Contract executed pursuant to the Design Criteria Package.
- (b) A Design Criteria Package for the construction project shall be prepared and sealed by the Design Criteria Professional. If the project utilizes existing plans, the Design Criteria Professional shall create a Design Criteria Package by supplementing the plans with project specific requirements, if any.
- (c) The Board may either choose to award the Design-Build Contract pursuant to the competitive proposal selection process set forth in Section 287.055(9) of the Florida Statutes, or pursuant to the qualifications-based selection process pursuant to Rule 3.1.
  - (i) <u>Qualifications-Based Selection.</u> If the process set forth in Rule 3.1 is utilized, subsequent to competitive negotiations, a guaranteed maximum price and guaranteed completion date shall be established.

- (ii) Competitive Proposal-Based Selection. If the competitive proposal selection process is utilized, the Board, in consultation with the Design Criteria Professional, shall establish the criteria, standards and procedures for the evaluation of Design-Build Proposals based on price, technical, and design aspects of the project, weighted for the project. After a Design Criteria Package and the standards and procedures for evaluation of proposals have been developed, competitive proposals from qualified firms shall be solicited pursuant to the design criteria by the following procedure:
  - 1. A Request for Proposals shall be advertised at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the District is located. The notice shall allow at least twenty-one (21) days for submittal of sealed proposals, unless the Board, for good cause, determines a shorter period of time is appropriate. Any project projected to cost more than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) must be noticed at least thirty (30) days prior to the date for submittal of proposals.
  - The District may maintain lists of persons interested in receiving notices of Requests for Proposals. The District shall make a good faith effort to provide written notice, by electronic mail, United States Mail, hand delivery, or facsimile, to persons who provide their name and address to the District Manager for inclusion on the list. However, failure of a person to receive the notice shall not invalidate any contract awarded in accordance with this Rule and shall not be a basis for a protest of any contract award.
  - 3. In order to be eligible to submit a proposal, a firm must, at the time of receipt of the proposals:
    - a. Hold the required applicable state professional licenses in good standing, as defined by Section 287.055(2)(h) of the Florida Statutes;
    - b. Hold all required applicable federal licenses in good standing, if any;
    - c. Hold a current and active Florida corporate charter or be authorized to do business in the State of Florida in accordance with Chapter 607 of the Florida Statutes, if the proposer is a corporation;

d. Meet any special pre-qualification requirements set forth in the Request for Proposals and Design Criteria Package.

Any contractor that has been found guilty by a court of any violation of federal labor or employment tax laws regarding subjects including but not limited to reemployment assistance, safety, tax withholding, worker's compensation, unemployment tax, social security and Medicare tax, wage or hour, or prevailing rate laws within the past 5 years may be considered ineligible by the District to submit a bid, response, or proposal for a District project.

Evidence of compliance with these Rules must be submitted with the proposal if required by the District. Failure to submit evidence of compliance when required may be grounds for rejection of the proposal.

- 4. The proposals, or the portions of which that include the price, shall be publicly opened at a meeting noticed in accordance with Rule 1.3, and at which at least one district representative is present. The name of each bidder and the price submitted in the bid shall be announced at such meeting and shall be made available upon request. Minutes should be taken at the meeting and maintained by the District. In consultation with the Design Criteria Professional, the Board shall evaluate the proposals received based on evaluation criteria and procedures established prior to the solicitation of proposals, including but not limited to qualifications, availability, and past work of the firms and the partners and members thereof. The Board shall then select no fewer than three (3) Design-Build Firms as the most qualified.
- 5. The Board shall have the right to reject all proposals if the proposals are too high, or rejection is determined to be in the best interest of the District. No vendor shall be entitled to recover any costs of proposal preparation or submittal from the District.
- If less than three (3) Responsive Proposals are received, the
   District may purchase design-build services or may reject
   the proposals for lack of competitiveness. If no Responsive

Proposals are received, the District may proceed with the procurement of design-build services in the manner the Board determines is in the best interests of the District, which may include but is not limited to a direct purchase of the design-build services without further competitive selection processes.

- 7. Notice of the rankings adopted by the Board, including the rejection of some or all proposals, shall be provided in writing to all consultants by United States Mail, hand delivery, facsimile, or overnight delivery service. The notice shall include the following statement: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Rule 3.11 of the Rules of the District shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under those Rules," or wording to that effect. Protests of the District's rankings under this Rule shall be in accordance with the procedures set forth in Rule 3.11.
- 8. The Board shall negotiate a contract with the firm ranking the highest based on the evaluation standards and shall establish a price which the Board determines is fair, competitive and reasonable. Should the Board be unable to negotiate a satisfactory contract with the firm considered to be the most qualified at a price considered by the Board to be fair, competitive, and reasonable, negotiations with that firm must be terminated. The Board shall then undertake negotiations with the second most qualified firm, based on the ranking by the evaluation standards. Should the Board be unable to negotiate a satisfactory contract with the firm considered to be the second most qualified at a price considered by the Board to be fair, competitive, and reasonable, negotiations with that firm must be terminated. The Board shall then undertake negotiations with the third most qualified firm. Should the Board be unable to negotiate a satisfactory contract with the firm considered to be the third most qualified at a price considered by the Board to be fair, competitive, and reasonable, negotiations with that firm must be terminated. Should the Board be unable to negotiate a satisfactory contract with any of the selected firms, the Board shall select additional firms in order of their rankings based on the evaluation standards and continue negotiations until an agreement is reached or the list of firms is exhausted.

- 9. After the Board contracts with a firm, the firm shall bring to the Board for approval, detailed working drawings of the project.
- 10. The Design Criteria Professional shall evaluate the compliance of the detailed working drawings and project construction with the Design Criteria Package and shall provide the Board with a report of the same.
- (3) <u>Contracts; Public Records.</u> In accordance with Florida law, each contract entered into pursuant to this Rule shall include provisions required by law that require the contractor to comply with public records laws.
- (4) <u>Emergency Purchase.</u> The Board may, in case of public emergency, declare an emergency and immediately proceed with negotiations with the best qualified Design-Build Firm available at the time. The fact that an Emergency Purchase has occurred shall be noted in the minutes of the next Board meeting.
- (5) Exceptions. This Rule is inapplicable when:
  - (a) The project is undertaken as repair or maintenance of an existing public facility;
  - (b) The funding source of the project will be diminished or lost because the time required to competitively award the project after the funds become available exceeds the time within which the funding source must be spent;
  - (c) The District has competitively awarded a project and the contractor has abandoned the project or the District has terminated the contractor; or
  - (d) The District, after public notice, conducts a public meeting under Section 286.011 of the Florida Statutes, and finds by a majority vote of the Board that it is in the public's best interest to perform the project using its own services, employees, and equipment.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: §§ 119.0701, 189.053, 190.033, 255.0518, 255.0525, 255.20, 287.055, Fla. Stat.

## Rule 3.7 Payment and Performance Bonds.

- (1) <u>Scope.</u> This Rule shall apply to contracts for the construction of a public building, for the prosecution and completion of a public work, or for repairs upon a public building or public work and shall be construed in addition to terms prescribed by any other Rule that may also apply to such contracts.
- (2) Required Bond. Upon entering into a contract for any of the services described in section (1) of this Rule in excess of \$200,000, the Board should require that the contractor, before commencing the work, execute and record a payment and performance bond in an amount equal to the contract price. Notwithstanding the terms of the contract or any other law, the District may not make payment to the contractor until the contractor has provided to the District a certified copy of the recorded bond.
- (3) <u>Discretionary Bond.</u> At the discretion of the Board, upon entering into a contract for any of the services described in section (1) of this Rule for an amount not exceeding \$200,000, the contractor may be exempted from executing a payment and performance bond.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: § 255.05, Fla. Stat.

#### Rule 3.8 Goods, Supplies, and Materials.

- (1) Purpose and Scope. All purchases of goods, supplies, or materials exceeding the amount provided in Section 287.017 of the Florida Statutes, for CATEGORY FOUR, shall be purchased under the terms of this Rule. Contracts for purchases of "goods, supplies, and materials" do not include printing, insurance, advertising, or legal notices. A contract involving goods, supplies, or materials plus maintenance services may, in the discretion of the Board, be treated as a contract for maintenance services. However, a purchase shall not be divided solely in order to avoid the threshold bidding requirements.
- (2) <u>Procedure.</u> When a purchase of goods, supplies, or materials is within the scope of this Rule, the following procedures shall apply:
  - (a) The Board shall cause to be prepared an Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation.
  - (b) Notice of the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation shall be advertised at least once in a newspaper of general circulation within the District and within the county in which the District is located. The notice shall also include the amount of the bid bond, if one is required. The notice shall allow at least seven (7) days for submittal of bids, proposals, replies, or responses.
  - (c) The District may maintain lists of persons interested in receiving notices of Invitations to Bid, Requests for Proposals, Invitations to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitations. The District shall make a good faith effort to provide written notice, by electronic mail, United States Mail, hand delivery, or facsimile, to persons who provide their name and address to the District Manager for inclusion on the list. However, failure of a person to receive the notice shall not invalidate any contract awarded in accordance with this Rule and shall not be a basis for a protest of any contract award.
  - (d) If the District has pre-qualified suppliers of goods, supplies, and materials, then, at the option of the District, only those persons who have been prequalified will be eligible to submit bids, proposals, replies, or responses.
  - (e) In order to be eligible to submit a bid, proposal, reply, or response, a firm or individual must, at the time of receipt of the bids, proposals, replies, or responses:
    - (i) Hold all required applicable state professional licenses in good standing;

- (ii) Hold all required applicable federal licenses in good standing, if any;
- (iii) Hold a current and active Florida corporate charter or be authorized to do business in the State of Florida in accordance with Chapter 607 of the Florida Statutes, if the vendor is a corporation; and
- (iv) Meet any special pre-qualification requirements set forth in the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation.

Evidence of compliance with these Rules must be submitted with the bid, proposal, reply or response if required by the District. Failure to submit evidence of compliance when required may be grounds for rejection of the bid, proposal, reply, or response.

Any firm or individual whose principal place of business is outside the State of Florida must also submit a written opinion of an attorney at law licensed to practice law in that foreign state, as to the preferences, if any or none, granted by the law of that foreign state to business entities whose principal places of business are in that foreign state, in the letting of any or all public contracts. Failure to submit such a written opinion or submission of a false or misleading written opinion may be grounds for rejection of the bid, proposal, reply, or response.

- (f) Bids, proposals, replies, and responses shall be publicly opened at the time and place noted on the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation. Bids, proposals, replies, and responses shall be evaluated in accordance with the respective Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation, and this Rule. Minor variations in the bids, proposals, replies, or responses may be waived by the Board. A variation is minor if waiver of the variation does not create a competitive advantage or disadvantage of a material nature. Mistakes in arithmetic extension of pricing may be corrected by the Board. Bids and proposals may not be modified or supplemented after opening; provided however, additional information may be requested and/or provided to evidence compliance, make non-material modifications, clarifications, or supplementations, and as otherwise permitted by Florida law.
- (g) The lowest Responsive Bid, after taking into account the preferences provided for in this subsection, submitted by a Responsive and Responsible Bidder in response to an Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation shall be accepted. If the lowest

Responsive Bid is submitted by a Responsive and Responsible Bidder whose principal place of business is located in a foreign state which does not grant a preference in competitive purchase to businesses whose principal place of business are in that foreign state, the lowest Responsible and Responsive Bidder whose principal place of business is in the State of Florida shall be awarded a preference of five (5) percent. If the lowest Responsive Bid is submitted by a Responsive and Responsible Bidder whose principal place of business is located in a foreign state which grants a preference in competitive purchase to businesses whose principal place of business are in that foreign state, the lowest Responsible and Responsive Bidder whose principal place of business is in the State of Florida shall be awarded a preference equal to the preference granted by such foreign state.

To assure full understanding of the responsiveness to the solicitation requirements contained in an Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation, discussions may be conducted with qualified vendors. Vendors shall be accorded fair treatment prior to the submittal date with respect to any opportunity for discussion, preparation, and revision of bids, proposals, replies, and responses.

- (h) The Board shall have the right to reject all bids, proposals, replies, or responses because they exceed the amount of funds budgeted for the purchase, if there are not enough to be competitive, or if rejection is determined to be in the best interest of the District. No vendor shall be entitled to recover any costs of bid, proposal, reply, or response preparation or submittal from the District.
- (i) The Board may require bidders and proposers to furnish bid bonds, performance bonds, and/or other bonds with a responsible surety to be approved by the Board.
- (j) Notice of intent to award, including rejection of some or all bids, proposals, replies, or responses shall be provided in writing to all vendors by United States Mail, hand delivery, facsimile, or overnight delivery service. The notice shall include the following statement: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Rule 3.11 of the Rules of the District shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under those Rules," or wording to that effect. Protests of the District's purchase of goods, supplies, and materials under this Rule shall be in accordance with the procedures set forth in Rule 3.11.

- (k) If less than three (3) Responsive Bids, Proposals, Replies, or Responses are received, the District may purchase goods, supplies, or materials, or may reject the bids, proposals, replies, or responses for a lack of competitiveness. If no Responsive Bid, Proposal, Reply, or Response is received, the District may proceed with the procurement of goods, supplies, and materials, in the manner the Board determines is in the best interests of the District, which may include but is not limited to a direct purchase of the goods, supplies, and materials without further competitive selection processes.
- (3) Goods, Supplies, and Materials included in a Construction Contract Awarded Pursuant to Rule 3.5 or 3.6. There may be occasions where the District has undergone the competitive purchase of construction services which contract may include the provision of goods, supplies, or materials. In that instance, the District may approve a change order to the contract and directly purchase the goods, supplies, and materials. Such purchase of goods, supplies, and materials deducted from a competitively purchased construction contract shall be exempt from this Rule.
- (4) Exemption. Goods, supplies, and materials that are only available from a single source are exempt from this Rule. Goods, supplies, and materials provided by governmental agencies are exempt from this Rule. A contract for goods, supplies, or materials is exempt from this Rule if state or federal law prescribes with whom the District must contract or if the rate of payment is established during the appropriation process. This Rule shall not apply to the purchase of goods, supplies or materials that are purchased under a federal, state, or local government contract that has been competitively procured by such federal, state, or local government in a manner consistent with the material procurement requirements of these Rules.
- (5) Renewal. Contracts for the purchase of goods, supplies, and/or materials subject to this Rule may be renewed for a maximum period of five (5) years.
- (6) <u>Emergency Purchases.</u> The District may make an Emergency Purchase without complying with these rules. The fact that an Emergency Purchase has occurred or is necessary shall be noted in the minutes of the next Board meeting.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: §§ 189.053, 190.033, 287.017, 287.084, Fla. Stat.

#### Rule 3.9 Maintenance Services.

- (1) Scope. All contracts for maintenance of any District facility or project shall be set under the terms of this Rule if the cost exceeds the amount provided in Section 287.017 of the Florida Statutes, for CATEGORY FOUR. A contract involving goods, supplies, and materials plus maintenance services may, in the discretion of the Board, be treated as a contract for maintenance services. However, a purchase shall not be divided solely in order to avoid the threshold bidding requirements.
- (2) <u>Procedure.</u> When a purchase of maintenance services is within the scope of this Rule, the following procedures shall apply:
  - (a) The Board shall cause to be prepared an Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation.
  - (b) Notice of the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation shall be advertised at least once in a newspaper of general circulation within the District and within the county in which the District is located. The notice shall also include the amount of the bid bond, if one is required. The notice shall allow at least seven (7) days for submittal of bids, proposals, replies, or responses.
  - (c) The District may maintain lists of persons interested in receiving notices of Invitations to Bid, Requests for Proposals, Invitations to Negotiate, and Competitive Solicitations. The District shall make a good faith effort to provide written notice, by electronic mail, United States Mail, hand delivery, or facsimile, to persons who provide their name and address to the District Manager for inclusion on the list. However, failure of a person to receive the notice shall not invalidate any contract awarded in accordance with this Rule and shall not be a basis for a protest of any contract award.
  - (d) If the District has pre-qualified suppliers of maintenance services, then, at the option of the District, only those persons who have been pre-qualified will be eligible to submit bids, proposals, replies, and responses.
  - (e) In order to be eligible to submit a bid, proposal, reply, or response, a firm or individual must, at the time of receipt of the bids, proposals, replies, or responses:
    - (i) Hold all required applicable state professional licenses in good standing;
    - (ii) Hold all required applicable federal licenses in good standing, if any;

- (iii) Hold a current and active Florida corporate charter or be authorized to do business in the State of Florida in accordance with Chapter 607 of the Florida Statutes, if the vendor is a corporation; and
- (iv) Meet any special pre-qualification requirements set forth in the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation.

Evidence of compliance with these Rules must be submitted with the bid, proposal, reply, or response if required by the District. Failure to submit evidence of compliance when required may be grounds for rejection of the bid, proposal, reply, or response.

- (f) Bids, proposals, replies, and responses shall be publicly opened at the time and place noted on the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation. Bids, proposals, replies, and responses shall be evaluated in accordance with the respective Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation, and these Rules. Minor variations in the bids, proposals, replies, and responses may be waived by the Board. A variation is minor if waiver of the variation does not create a competitive advantage or disadvantage of a material nature. Mistakes in arithmetic extension of pricing may be corrected by the Board. Bids and proposals may not be modified or supplemented after opening; provided however, additional information may be requested and/or provided to evidence compliance, make non-material modifications, clarifications, or supplementations, and as otherwise permitted by Florida law.
- (g) The lowest Responsive Bid submitted in response to an Invitation to Bid by a Responsive and Responsible Bidder shall be accepted. In relation to a Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate or Competitive Solicitation the Board shall select the Responsive Proposal, Reply, or Response submitted by a Responsive and Responsible Vendor which is most advantageous to the District. To assure full understanding of the responsiveness to the solicitation requirements contained in a Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation, discussions may be conducted with qualified vendors. Vendors shall be accorded fair treatment prior to the submittal date with respect to any opportunity for discussion, preparation, and revision of bids, proposals, replies, or responses.
- (h) The Board shall have the right to reject all bids, proposals, replies, or responses because they exceed the amount of funds budgeted for the

purchase, if there are not enough to be competitive, or if rejection is determined to be in the best interest of the District. No Vendor shall be entitled to recover any costs of bid, proposal, reply, or response preparation or submittal from the District.

- (i) The Board may require bidders and proposers to furnish bid bonds, performance bonds, and/or other bonds with a responsible surety to be approved by the Board.
- (j) Notice of intent to award, including rejection of some or all bids, proposals, replies, or responses shall be provided in writing to all vendors by United States Mail, hand delivery, facsimile, or overnight delivery service. The notice shall include the following statement: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Rule 3.11 of the Rules of the District shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under those Rules," or wording to that effect. Protests of the District's procurement of maintenance services under this Rule shall be in accordance with the procedures set forth in Rule 3.11.
- (k) If less than three (3) Responsive Bids, Proposals, Replies, or Responses are received, the District may purchase the maintenance services or may reject the bids, proposals, replies, or responses for a lack of competitiveness. If no Responsive Bid, Proposal, Reply, or Response is received, the District may proceed with the procurement of maintenance services, in the manner the Board determines is in the best interests of the District, which may include but is not limited to a direct purchase of the maintenance services without further competitive selection processes.
- (3) <u>Exemptions.</u> Maintenance services that are only available from a single source are exempt from this Rule. Maintenance services provided by governmental agencies are exempt from this Rule. A contract for maintenance services is exempt from this Rule if state or federal law prescribes with whom the District must contract or if the rate of payment is established during the appropriation process.
- (4) Renewal. Contracts for the purchase of maintenance services subject to this Rule may be renewed for a maximum period of five (5) years.
- (5) <u>Contracts; Public Records.</u> In accordance with Florida law, each contract entered into pursuant to this Rule shall include provisions required by law that require the contractor to comply with public records laws.
- (6) <u>Emergency Purchases.</u> The District may make an Emergency Purchase without complying with these rules. The fact that an Emergency Purchase has occurred or is necessary shall be noted in the minutes of the next Board meeting.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), 190.033, Fla. Stat. Law Implemented: §§ 119.0701, 190.033, 287.017, Fla. Stat.

#### Rule 3.10 Contractual Services.

- (1) Exemption from Competitive Purchase. Pursuant to Section 190.033(3) of the Florida Statutes, Contractual Services shall not be subject to competitive purchasing requirements. If an agreement is predominantly for Contractual Services, but also includes maintenance services or the purchase of goods and services, the contract shall not be subject to competitive purchasing requirements. Regardless of whether an advertisement or solicitation for Contractual Services is identified as an Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation, no rights or remedies under these Rules, including but not limited to protest rights, are conferred on persons, firms, or vendors proposing to provide Contractual Services to the District.
- (2) <u>Contracts; Public Records.</u> In accordance with Florida law, each contract for Contractual Services shall include provisions required by law that require the contractor to comply with public records laws.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat. Law Implemented: §§ 119.0701, 190.011(3), 190.033, Fla. Stat.

# Rule 3.11 Protests with Respect to Proceedings under Rules 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6, 3.8, and 3.9.

The resolution of any protests with respect to proceedings under Rules 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6, 3.8, and 3.9 shall be in accordance with this Rule.

## (1) Filing.

- (a) With respect to a protest regarding qualifications, specifications, documentation, or other requirements contained in a Request for Qualifications, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Bid, or Competitive Solicitation issued by the District, the notice of protest shall be filed in writing within seventy-two (72) calendar hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays) after the first advertisement of the Request for Qualifications, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Bid, or Competitive Solicitation. A formal protest setting forth with particularity the facts and law upon which the protest is based shall be filed within seven (7) calendar days (including Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays) after the initial notice of protest was filed. For purposes of this Rule, wherever applicable, filing will be perfected and deemed to have occurred upon receipt by the District. Failure to file a notice of protest shall constitute a waiver of all rights to protest the District's intended decision. Failure to file a formal written protest shall constitute an abandonment of the protest proceedings and shall automatically terminate the protest proceedings.
- (b) Except for those situations covered by subsection (1)(a) of this Rule, any firm or person who is affected adversely by a District's ranking or intended award under Rules 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6, 3.8, or 3.9 and desires to contest the District's ranking or intended award, shall file with the District a written notice of protest within seventy-two (72) calendar hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays) after receipt of the notice of the District's ranking or intended award. A formal protest setting forth with particularity the facts and law upon which the protest is based shall be filed within seven (7) calendar days (including Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays) after the initial notice of protest was filed. For purposes of this Rule, wherever applicable, filing will be perfected and deemed to have occurred upon receipt by the District. Failure to file a notice of protest shall constitute a waiver of all rights to protest the District's ranking or intended award. Failure to file a formal written protest shall constitute an abandonment of the protest proceedings and shall automatically terminate the protest proceedings.
- (c) If the requirement for the posting of a protest bond and the amount of the protest bond, which may be expressed by a percentage of the contract to

be awarded or a set amount, is disclosed in the District's competitive solicitation documents for a particular purchase under Rules 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6, 3.8, or 3.9, any person who files a notice of protest must post the protest bond. The amount of the protest bond shall be determined by District staff after consultation with the Board and within the limits, if any, imposed by Florida law. In the event the protest is successful, the protest bond shall be refunded to the protestor. In the event the protest is unsuccessful, the protest bond shall be applied towards the District's costs, expenses, and attorney's fees associated with hearing and defending the protest. In the event the protest is settled by mutual agreement of the parties, the protest bond shall be distributed as agreed to by the District and protestor.

- (d) The District does not accept documents filed by electronic mail or facsimile transmission. Filings are only accepted during normal business hours.
- (2) <u>Contract Execution.</u> Upon receipt of a notice of protest which has been timely filed, the District shall not execute the contract under protest until the subject of the protest is resolved. However, if the District sets forth in writing particular facts and circumstances showing that delay incident to protest proceedings will jeopardize the funding for the project, will materially increase the cost of the project, or will create an immediate and serious danger to the public health, safety, or welfare, the contract may be executed.
- (3) <u>Informal Proceeding.</u> If the Board determines a protest does not involve a disputed issue of material fact, the Board may, but is not obligated to, schedule an informal proceeding to consider the protest. Such informal proceeding shall be at a time and place determined by the Board. Notice of such proceeding shall be sent via facsimile, United States Mail, or hand delivery to the protestor and any substantially affected persons or parties not less than three (3) calendar days prior to such informal proceeding. Within thirty (30) calendar days following the informal proceeding, the Board shall issue a written decision setting forth the factual, legal, and policy grounds for its decision.
- (4) <u>Formal Proceeding.</u> If the Board determines a protest involves disputed issues of material fact or if the Board elects not to use the informal proceeding process provided for in section (3) of this Rule, the District shall schedule a formal hearing to resolve the protest. The Chairperson shall designate any member of the Board (including the Chairperson), District Manager, District Counsel, or other person as a hearing officer to conduct the hearing. The hearing officer may:
  - (a) Administer oaths and affirmations;
  - (b) Rule upon offers of proof and receive relevant evidence;

- (c) Regulate the course of the hearing, including any pre-hearing matters;
- (d) Enter orders; and
- (e) Make or receive offers of settlement, stipulation, and adjustment.

The hearing officer shall, within thirty (30) days after the hearing or receipt of the hearing transcript, whichever is later, file a recommended order which shall include a caption, time and place of hearing, appearances entered at the hearing, statement of the issues, findings of fact and conclusions of law, separately stated, and a recommendation for final District action. The District shall allow each party fifteen (15) days in which to submit written exceptions to the recommended order. The District shall issue a final order within sixty (60) days after the filing of the recommended order.

- (5) <u>Intervenors.</u> Other substantially affected persons may join the proceedings as intervenors on appropriate terms which shall not unduly delay the proceedings.
- (6) Rejection of all Qualifications, Bids, Proposals, Replies and Responses after Receipt of Notice of Protest. If the Board determines there was a violation of law, defect, or an irregularity in the competitive solicitation process, the Bids, Proposals, Replies, and Responses are too high, or if the Board determines it is otherwise in the District's best interest, the Board may reject all qualifications, bids, proposals, replies, and responses and start the competitive solicitation process anew. If the Board decides to reject all qualifications, bids, proposals, replies, and responses and start the competitive solicitation process anew, any pending protests shall automatically terminate.
- (7) <u>Settlement.</u> Nothing herein shall preclude the settlement of any protest under this Rule at any time.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: § 190.033, Fla. Stat.

# Rule 4.0 Effective Date.

These Rules shall be effective August 27, 2024 except that no election of officers required by these Rules shall be required until after the next regular election for the Board.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat. Law Implemented: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat. **ASSESSMENTS** 

Subcategory Miscellaneous Notices

SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NOTICE OF THE DISTRICTS INTENT TO USE THE UNIFORM METHOD
OF COLLECTION OF NON-AD VALOREM SPECIAL

Notice is hereby given that the Sundance Community Development District (the District) intends to use the uniform method of collecting non-ad valorem special assessments to be levied by the District pursuant to Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes. The Board of Supervisors of the District will conduct a public hearing on August 27, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. at 10807 SW Tradition Square, Port St Lucie, Florida 34987.

The purpose of the public hearing is to consider the adoption of a resolution authorizing the District to use the uniform method of collecting non-ad valorem special assessments (the Uniform Method) to be levied by the District on properties located on land included in, or to be added to, the District.

The District may levy non-ad valorem special assessments for the purpose of financing, acquiring, maintaining and/or operating community development facilities, services and improvements within and without the boundaries of the District, to consist of, among other things, roadway, stormwater management, water and wastewater systems, and any other lawful improvements or services of the District.

Owners of the properties to be assessed and other interested parties may appear at the public hearing and be heard regarding the use of the Uniform Method. This hearing is open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law. The public hearing may be continued to a date, time and location to be specified on the record at the hearing. There may be occasions when Supervisors or District Staff may participate by speaker telephone.

Pursuant to provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in the hearing and/or meeting is asked to contact the District Office at Special District Services, Inc., 2501A Burns Rd., Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410, (561) 630-4922 at least forty-eight (48) hours before the hearing and/or meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8771 who can aid you in contacting the District Office.

Each person who decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the hearing is advised that person will need a record of the proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

District Manager SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT www.sundancecdd.org

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#### **RESOLUTION 2024-32**

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT EXPRESSING ITS INTENT TO UTILIZE THE UNIFORM METHOD OF LEVYING, COLLECTING, AND ENFORCING NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS WHICH MAY BE LEVIED BY THE SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 197.3632, FLORIDA STATUTES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Sundance Community Development District ("District") was established pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes* ("Act"), which authorizes the District to levy certain special assessments pursuant to Chapter 170, 190, and 197 *Florida Statutes*, in order to finance, fund, plan, establish, acquire, construct or reconstruct, enlarge or extend, equip, operate, and maintain District services, facilities, and infrastructure, paying principal and interest on any and all of its indebtedness or for any other purpose permitted by the Act; and

**WHEREAS,** the above referenced assessments are non-ad valorem in nature and, therefore, may be collected under the provisions of Section 197.3632, *Florida Statutes*, in which the State of Florida has provided a uniform method for the levying, collecting, and enforcing such non-ad valorem assessments; and

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to Section 197.3632, *Florida Statutes*, the District has caused notice of a public hearing to be advertised weekly in a newspaper of general circulation within St. Lucie County for four (4) consecutive weeks prior to such hearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

**SECTION 1.** The District upon conducting its public hearing as required by Section 197.3632, *Florida Statutes*, hereby expresses its intent to use the uniform method of collecting special assessments imposed by the District as provided in Chapters 170, 190, and 197, *Florida Statutes*, each of which are non-ad valorem assessments which may be collected annually pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, in order to finance, fund, plan, establish, acquire, construct or reconstruct, enlarge or extend, equip, operate, and maintain District services, facilities, and infrastructure, paying principal and interest on any and all of its indebtedness or for any other purpose permitted by the Act. The legal description of the boundaries of the real property subject to a levy of assessments is attached and made a part of this Resolution as **Exhibit A**. The non-ad valorem assessments and the District's use of the uniform method of collecting its non-ad valorem assessment(s) may continue in any given year when the Board of Supervisors determines that use of the uniform method for that year is in the best interests of the District.

**SECTION 2.** The District's Secretary is authorized to provide the Property Appraiser and Tax Collector of St. Lucie County and the Department of Revenue of the State of Florida with a copy of this Resolution and enter into any agreements with the Property Appraiser and/or Tax Collector necessary to carry out the provisions of this Resolution.

**SECTION 3.** If any provision of this Resolution is held to be illegal or invalid, the other provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 4.** This Resolution shall become effective upon its passage and shall remain in effect unless rescinded or repealed.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 27<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2024.

ATTEST:	SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
Secretary/Assistant Secretary	y Chairman, Board of Supervisors
Exhibit A: Legal Descript	ion

#### **EXHIBIT A**

### DESCRIPTION:

BEING ALL OF TRACT RW, BECKER ROAD AT WILSON GROVES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 121, PAGES 7 THROUGH 13 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF ST. LUCIE COUNTY, FLORIDA, TOGETHER WITH PORTIONS OF BLOCK 3, BLOCK 4, BLOCK 6, TRACT 1, BLOCK 6, TRACT 2, BLOCK 6, TRACT 3, BLOCK 8 AND BLOCK 9, THE ALAN WILSON GROVE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 12, PAGES 50 AND 50A OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS, TOGETHER WITH A PORTION OF EAST HALF OF SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 37 SOUTH, RANGE 39 EAST, ST. LUCIE COUNTY, FLORIDA, LYING IN SECTIONS 29, 31 AND 32, TOWNSHIP 37 SOUTH, RANGE 39 EAST, ST. LUCIE COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT THE WEST QUARTER CORNER OF SAID SECTION 31; THENCE ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 31, NO0'03'37"W, A DISTANCE OF 1101.96 FEET; THENCE N89'56'23"E, A DISTANCE OF 80.00 FEET TO A POINT OF INTERSECTION WITH THE EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF STATE ROAD 609, AS SHOWN ON FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SECTION 94002-2501 OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS AND TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE ALONG THE NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SAID TRACT RW, THE FOLLOWING SIX (6) COURSES AND DISTANCES: THENCE S44\*57'57"E, A DISTANCE OF 49.42 FEET; THENCE S89\*52'17"E, A DISTANCE OF 4,759.39 FEET; THENCE N44'57'25"E, A DISTANCE OF 49.65 FEET; THENCE S89'42'41"E, A DISTANCE OF 150.01 FEET; THENCE S45'02'35"E, A DISTANCE OF 49.35 FEET; THENCE S89'52'17"E, A DISTANCE OF 1,166.63 FEET; THENCE NO0'07'43"E, A DISTANCE OF 889.71 FEET; THENCE N89'52'17"W, A DISTANCE OF 986.89 FEET TO A POINT OF INTERSECTION WITH THE WEST LINE OF SAID BLOCK 6, TRACT 2; THENCE ALONG SAID WEST LINE AND THE NORTHERLY PROLONGATION THEREOF, NOO"12'47"W, A DISTANCE OF 590.34 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID BLOCK 6, TRACT 1; THENCE ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID BLOCK 3, NO017'58"W, A DISTANCE OF 389.69 FEET; THENCE EAST, A DISTANCE OF 49.49 FEET; THENCE NOO"5'25"W, A DISTANCE OF 694.96 FEET TO A POINT OF CURVATURE OF A CURVE TO THE RIGHT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 51.96 FEET AND A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 95'53'04"; THENCE NORTHEASTERLY ALONG THE ARC A DISTANCE OF 86.96 FEET TO A POINT OF REVERSE CURVATURE TO THE LEFT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 80.00 FEET AND A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 50°22'04"; THENCE EASTERLY ALONG THE ARC, A DISTANCE OF 70.33 FEET TO A POINT OF REVERSE CURVATURE TO THE RIGHT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 280.00 FEET AND A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 44'44'37"; THENCE EASTERLY ALONG THE ARC, A DISTANCE OF 218.66 FEET; THENCE S89°59'48"E, A DISTANCE OF 137.26 FEET; THENCE N00°07'43"E, A DISTANCE OF 603.33 FEET TO A POINT OF INTERSECTION WITH THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF PAAR DRIVE, AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 4704, PAGE 566 OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS; THENCE ALONG SAID SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, THE FOLLOWING FOUR (4) COURSES AND DISTANCES: THENCE S89'52'17"E, A DISTANCE OF 2,722.38 FEET TO A POINT OF CURVATURE OF A CURVE TO THE RIGHT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 2,056.00 FEET AND A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 27"10'32"; THENCE EASTERLY ALONG THE ARC, A DISTANCE OF 975.17 FEET TO A POINT OF REVERSE CURVATURE TO THE LEFT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 2,206.00 FEET AND A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 27'20'32"; THENCE EASTERLY ALONG THE ARC, A DISTANCE OF 1,052.73 FEET; THENCE S45"15'27"E, A DISTANCE OF 63.50 FEET TO A LINE 75.00 FEET WEST OF, AS MEASURED AT RIGHT ANGLES, AND PARALLEL WITH THE EAST LINE OF SAID PLAT; THENCE ALONG SAID PARALLEL LINE, THE FOLLOWING TWO (2) COURSES AND DISTANCES: THENCE SO0°28'37"E, A DISTANCE OF 1,126.98 FEET; THENCE SO0°28'07"E, A DISTANCE OF 2,611.01 FEET TO A POINT OF INTERSECTION WITH THE EAST BOUNDARY LINE OF SAID TRACT RW; THENCE ALONG SAID EAST BOUNDARY LINE, THE FOLLOWING TWO (2) COURSES AND DISTANCES: THENCE S44'48'41"W, A DISTANCE OF 14.07 FEET; THENCE S00'28'07"E, A DISTANCE OF 219.56 FEET TO A POINT OF INTERSECTION WITH THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SAID TRACT RW; THENCE ALONG SAID SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, THE FOLLOWING NINE (9) COURSES AND DISTANCES: THENCE N4512'38"W, A DISTANCE OF 49.27 FEET TO THE POINT OF CURVE OF A NON-TANGENT CURVE TO THE RIGHT, OF WHICH THE RADIUS POINT LIES NO0°02'52"E, A RADIAL DISTANCE OF 2,206.00 FEET:

### DESCRIPTION IS CONTINUED ON SHEET 2

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WILSON GROVES CDD#1 RESIDENTIAL AREA SKETCH AND DESCRIPTION



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F.B./ PG.	N/A
SCALE	NONE
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# EXHIBIT "A"

### DESCRIPTION: (CONTINUED)

THENCE WESTERLY ALONG THE ARC, THROUGH A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 39'34'12", A DISTANCE OF 1,523.52 FEET TO A POINT OF REVERSE CURVATURE TO THE LEFT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 2,056.00 FEET AND A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 39'29'21"; THENCE WESTERLY ALONG THE ARC, A DISTANCE OF 1,417.03 FEET; THENCE N89°52'17"W, A DISTANCE OF 2,675.59 FEET; THENCE S44°57'25"W, A DISTANCE OF 49.65 FEET; THENCE N89°42'41"W, A DISTANCE OF 150.01 FEET; THENCE N45°02'35"W, A DISTANCE OF 49.35 FEET; THENCE N89°52'17"W, A DISTANCE OF 4,759.98 FEET; THENCE S45°02'03"W, A DISTANCE OF 49.58 FEET TO A POINT OF INTERSECTION WITH SAID EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF STATE ROAD 609; THENCE ALONG SAID EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, NO0"03"37"W, A DISTANCE OF 220.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

CONTAINING 18,619,919 SQUARE FEET OR 427.4545 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

#### Surveyor's notes:

- 1. SURVEY MAPS OR THE COPIES THEREOF ARE NOT VALID WITHOUT THE ORIGINAL SIGNATURE AND ORIGINAL SEAL, OR THE AUTHENTICATED ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE AND SEAL, OF A FLORIDA LICENSED PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR AND MAPPER.
- ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO SURVEY MAPS BY OTHER THAN THE SIGNING PARTY OR PARTIES IS PROHIBITED WITHOUT WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE SIGNING PARTY OR PARTIES.
- 3. LANDS SHOWN HEREON WERE NOT ABSTRACTED, BY THE SURVEYOR, FOR RIGHTS-OF-WAY, EASEMENTS, OWNERSHIP, OR OTHER INSTRUMENTS OF RECORD.
- 4. BEARINGS SHOWN HEREON ARE RELATIVE TO A GRID BEARING OF NO0\*03'37"W, ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 37 SOUTH, RANGE 39 EAST, ST. LUCIE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RELATIVE TO THE FLORIDA STATE PLANE COORDINATE SYSTEM, EAST ZONE, TRANSVERSE MERCATOR PROJECTION, NORTH AMERICAN DATUM OF 1983 (1990 ADJUSTMENT).
- 5. THE LAND DESCRIPTION SHOWN HEREON WAS PREPARED BY THE SURVEYOR.
- 6. DATA SHOWN HEREON WAS COMPILED FROM THE INSTRUMENTS OF RECORD RECORDED IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF ST. LUCIE COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A FIELD SURVEY AS SUCH.
- 7. INSTRUMENTS OF RECORD SHOWN HEREON ARE RECORDED IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF ST. LUCIE COUNTY, FLORIDA, UNLESS OTHERWISE SHOWN.

#### LEGEND AND ABBREVIATIONS:

P.O.B. - POINT OF BEGINNING

P.O.C. - POINT OF COMMENCEMENT

O.R.B. - OFFICIAL RECORD BOOK

F.P.L. - FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT

FDOT - FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

P.B. - PLAT BOOK

PG(S). – PAGE(S)

R/W - RIGHT-OF-WAY

31-37-39 - SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 45 SOUTH, RANGE 42 EAST

E/W - EAST/WEST N/S - NORTH/SOUTH

 $\Delta$  - DELTA (CENTRAL ANGLE)

L - LENGTH

R - RADIUS

LB - LICENSED BUSINESS

### CERTIFICATE:

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ATTACHED SKETCH AND DESCRIPTION OF THE HEREON DESCRIBED PROPERTY IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF AS PREPARED UNDER MY DIRECTION ON FEBRUARY 12, 2024. I FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THIS SKETCH AND DESCRIPTION MEETS THE STANDARDS OF PRACTICE SET FORTH IN RULE 5J-17, FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, ADOPTED BY THE FLORIDA BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS AND MAPPERS PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTES CHAPTER 472.027.

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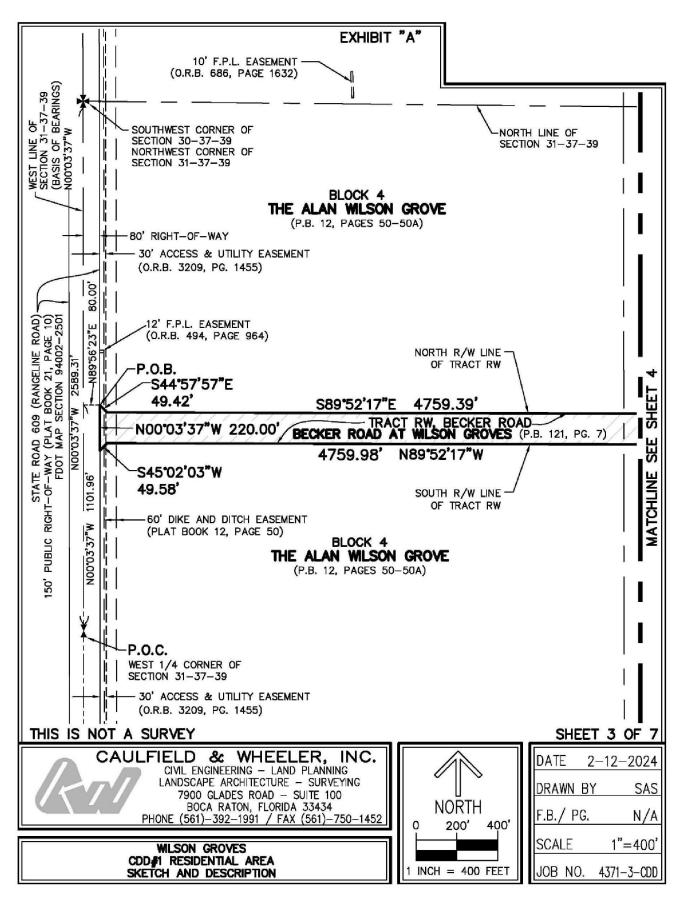
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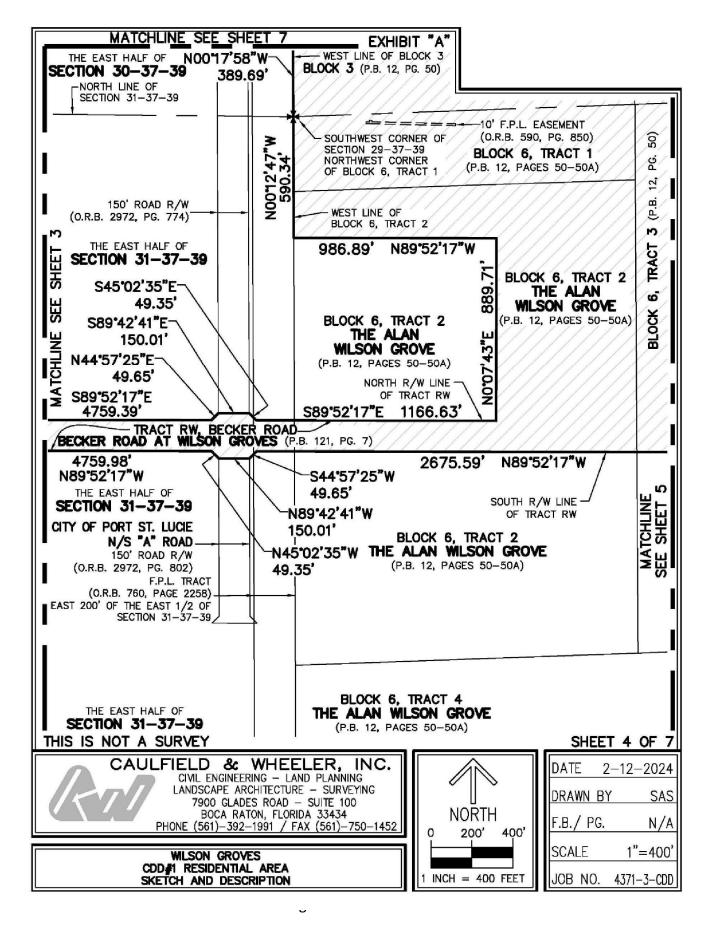
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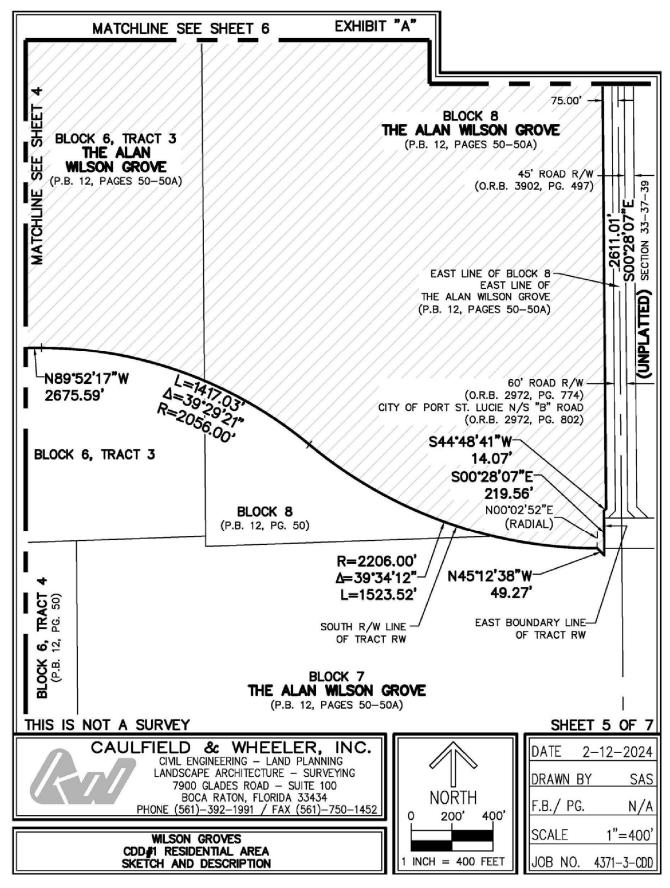
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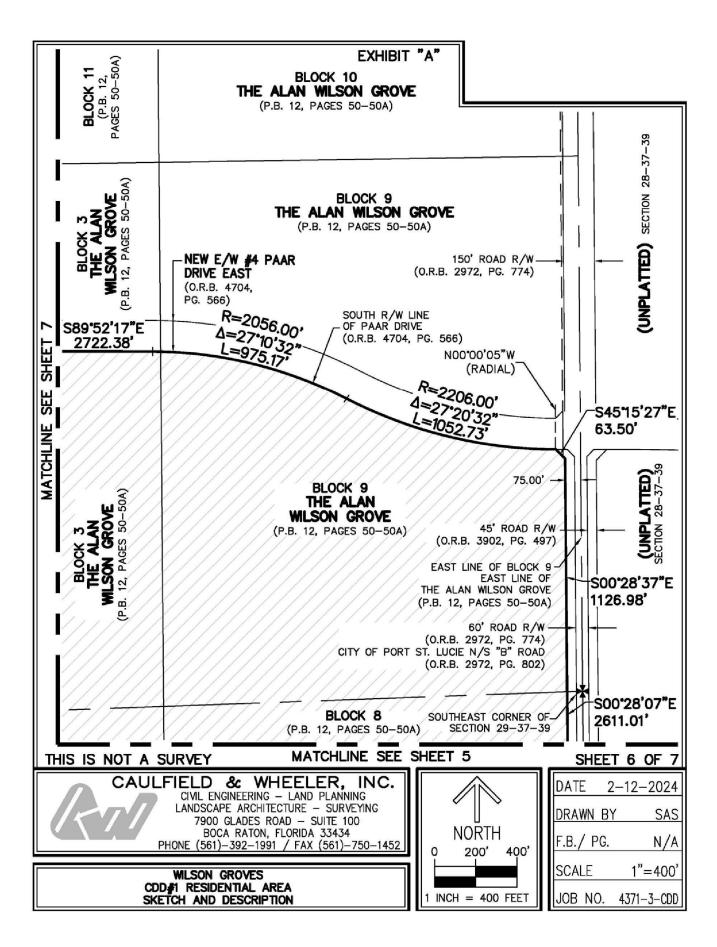
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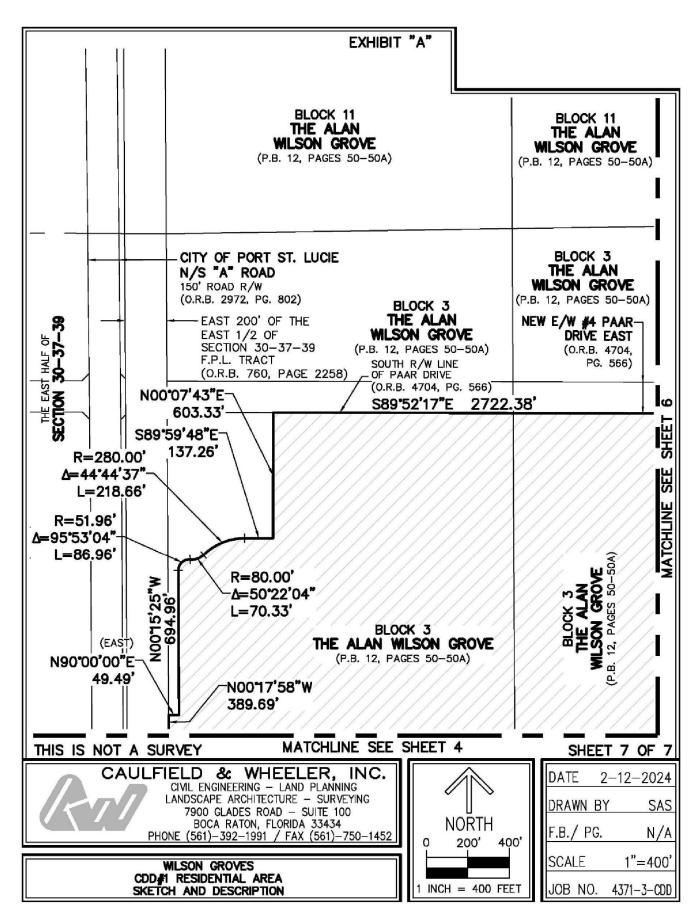
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Subcategory Miscellaneous Notices

# SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024 BUDGET AND FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 BUDGET; AND NOTICE OF REGULAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING.

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District Manager
SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
www.sundancecdd.org
Pub: Aug 7 & 14, 2024

TCN10439925

# RESOLUTION 2024-33 [FY 2024 APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION]

THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION OF THE SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ("DISTRICT") RELATING TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS AND ADOPTING THE BUDGET(S) FOR THE FISCAL ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2024; AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2024 ("FY 2024"), the District Manager prepared and submitted to the Board of Supervisors ("Board") of the Sundance Community Development District ("District") a proposed budget ("Proposed Budget") along with an explanatory and complete financial plan for each fund of the District, pursuant to the provisions of Section 190.008(2)(a), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, at least sixty (60) days prior to the adoption of the Proposed Budget, the District filed a copy of the Proposed Budget with the local general-purpose government(s) having jurisdiction over the area included in the District pursuant to the provisions of Section 190.008(2)(b), Florida Statutes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board set a public hearing on the Proposed Budget and caused notice of such public hearing to be given by publication pursuant to Section 190.008(2)(a), *Florida Statutes*; and

**WHEREAS**, the District Manager posted the Proposed Budget on the District's website in accordance with Section 189.016, *Florida Statutes*; and

WHEREAS, Section 190.008(2)(a), Florida Statutes, requires that, prior to October 1<sup>st</sup> of each year, the Board, by passage of the Annual Appropriation Resolution, shall adopt a budget for the ensuing fiscal year and appropriate such sums of money as the Board deems necessary to defray all expenditures of the District during the ensuing fiscal year.

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

#### SECTION 1. BUDGET

- a. The Proposed Budget, attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, as amended by the Board, is hereby adopted in accordance with the provisions of Section 190.008(2)(a), *Florida Statutes* ("**Adopted Budget**"), and incorporated herein by reference; provided, however, that the comparative figures contained in the Adopted Budget may be subsequently revised as deemed necessary by the District Manager to reflect actual revenues and expenditures.
- b. The Adopted Budget, as amended, shall be maintained in the office of the District Manager and at the District's Local Records Office and identified as "The Budget for the Sundance Community Development District for the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2024."
- c. The Adopted Budget shall be posted by the District Manager on the District's official website in accordance with Section 189.016, *Florida Statutes* and shall remain on the website for at least two (2) years.

#### SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS

There is hereby appropriated out of the revenues of the District, for FY 2024, the sum(s) set forth in **Exhibit A** to be raised by the levy of assessments and/or otherwise, which sum is deemed by the Board to be necessary to defray all expenditures of the District during said budget year, to be divided and appropriated as set forth in **Exhibit A**.

#### SECTION 3. BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Pursuant to Section 189.016, *Florida Statutes*, the District at any time within FY 2024 or within 60 days following the end of the FY 2024 may amend its Adopted Budget for that fiscal year as follows:

- a. A line-item appropriation for expenditures within a fund may be decreased or increased by motion of the Board recorded in the minutes, and approving the expenditure, if the total appropriations of the fund do not increase.
- b. The District Manager or Treasurer may approve an expenditure that would increase or decrease a line-item appropriation for expenditures within a fund if the total appropriations of the fund do not increase and if either (i) the aggregate change in the original appropriation item does not exceed the greater of \$15,000 or 15% of the original appropriation, or (ii) such expenditure is authorized by separate disbursement or spending resolution.
- c. Any other budget amendments shall be adopted by resolution and consistent with Florida law. The District Manager or Treasurer must ensure that any amendments to the budget under this paragraph c. are posted on the District's website in accordance with Section 189.016, Florida Statutes, and remain on the website for at least two (2) years.

**SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 27th DAY OF AUGUST, 2024.

ATTEST:	SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT	
Corretary / Assistant Corretary	Chair Mica Chair Board of Supervieurs	
Secretary / Assistant Secretary <b>Exhibit A:</b> FY 2024 Budget	Chair/Vice Chair, Board of Supervisors	

# Sundance Community Development District

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# **FINAL BUDGET**

# SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024 JUNE 4, 2024 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

REVENUES	2	CAL YEAR 023/2024 BUDGET
O&M Assessments		0
Developer Contribution		27,975
Debt Assessments		0
Interest Income		0
Interest income		0
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	27,975
TOTAL NEVENOLO		21,310
EXPENDITURES		
Administrative Expenditures		
Supervisor Fees		0
Management		6,000
Legal		7,500
Assessment Roll		0
Audit Fees		0
Arbitrage Rebate Fee		0
Insurance		5,000
Legal Advertisements		4,000
Miscellaneous		1,500
Postage		300
Office Supplies		1,500
Dues & Subscriptions		175
Trustee Fees		0
Continuing Disclosure Fee		0
Total Administrative Expenditures	\$	25,975
Maintenance Expenditures		
Engineering/Inspections		2,000
Miscellaneous Maintenance		0
Total Maintenance Expenditures	\$	2,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		07.075
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	27,975
REVENUES LESS EXPENDITURES	\$	_
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Bond Payments		0
BALANCE	\$	
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County Appraiser & Tax Collector Fee		0
Discounts For Early Payments		0
EXCESS/ (SHORTFALL)	\$	
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# **DETAILED FINAL BUDGET**

# SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024 JUNE 4, 2024 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	FISCAL YEAR	FISCAL YEAR	FISCAL YEAR	
	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024	
REVENUES	ACTUAL	BUDGET	BUDGET	COMMENTS
D&M Assessments	0	0	0	
Developer Contribution	0	0	27,975	Developer Contribution
Debt Assessments	0	0	0	
Interest Income	0	0	0	
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 27,975	
TOTAL REVENUES	<b>.</b>	Ψ -	\$ 21,915	
EXPENDITURES				
Administrative Expenditures				
Supervisor Fees	0	0	0	
Management	0	0	6,000	\$2,000 X 3 Months
Legal	0	0	7,500	
Assessment Roll	0	0	0	Will Commence In Fiscal Year Following Issuing Of Bond
Audit Fees	0	0	0	Will Commence In Fiscal Year 2024/2025 (For 2023/2024 Audit)
Arbitrage Rebate Fee	0	0	0	Will Commence In Fiscal Year Following Issuing Of Bond
nsurance	0	0	5,000	
Legal Advertisements	0	0	4,000	
Miscellaneous	0	0	1,500	
Postage	0	0	300	
Office Supplies	0	0	1,500	
Dues & Subscriptions	0	0	175	Annual Fee Due Department Of Economic Opportunity
Trustee Fees	0	0		Will Commence In Fiscal Year Following Issuing Of Bond
Continuing Disclosure Fee	0	0	0	Will Commence In Fiscal Year Following Issuing Of Bond
Total Administrative Expenditures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 25,975	
Maintenance Expenditures				
Engineering/Inspections	0	0	2 000	Engineers Report To Be Included In Bond Cost Of Issuance
Miscellaneous Maintenance	0	0	2,000	
Total Maintenance Expenditures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 27,975	
REVENUES LESS EXPENDITURES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Bond Payments	0	0	0	
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BALANCE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
County Appraiser & Tax Collector Fee	0	0	0	
Discounts For Early Payments	0	0	0	
		\$ -	\$ -	

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# SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

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District Manager
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# RESOLUTION 2024-34 [FY 2025 APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION]

THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION OF THE SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ("DISTRICT") RELATING TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS AND ADOPTING THE BUDGET(S) FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2024, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2025; AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2024, and ending September 30, 2025 ("FY 2025"), the District Manager prepared and submitted to the Board of Supervisors ("Board") of the Sundance Community Development District ("District") prior to June 15, 2024, proposed budget(s) ("Proposed Budget") along with an explanatory and complete financial plan for each fund of the District, pursuant to the provisions of Section 190.008(2)(a), Florida Statutes; and

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ATTEST:		SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT		
Secretary / A	Assistant Secretary	Chair/Vice Chair, Board of Supervisors		
Exhibit A:	FY 2025 Budget			

# Sundance Community Development District

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# **FINAL BUDGET**

# SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025

# OCTOBER 1, 2024 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

	FISC	CAL YEAR	
	2024/2025		
REVENUES	E	BUDGET	
O&M Assessments		0	
Developer Contribution		72,625	
Debt Assessments		0	
Interest Income		0	
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	72,625	
EXPENDITURES			
Administrative Expenditures			
Supervisor Fees		0	
Management		24,000	
Legal		7,500	
Assessment Roll		5,000	
Audit Fees		4,000	
Arbitrage Rebate Fee		650	
Insurance		6,000	
Legal Advertisements		15,000	
Miscellaneous		1,500	
Postage		300	
Office Supplies		1,500	
Dues & Subscriptions		175	
Trustee Fees		4,000	
Continuing Disclosure Fee		1,000	
Total Administrative Expenditures	\$	70,625	
Maintenance Expenditures			
Engineering/Inspections		2,000	
Miscellaneous Maintenance		0	
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Total Maintenance Expenditures	\$	2,000	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	72.625	
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REVENUES LESS EXPENDITURES	\$	-	
Bond Payments		0	
BALANCE	\$		
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County Appraiser & Tax Collector Fee		0	
Discounts For Early Payments		0	
EVOESS ( (SHOPTEALL)	<b>*</b>		
EXCESS/ (SHORTFALL)	\$	-	

# **DETAILED FINAL BUDGET**

# SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 OCTOBER 1, 2024 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

	FISCAL YEAR	FISCAL YEAR	FISCAL YEAR	
	2022/2023	2023/2024	2024/2025	
REVENUES	ACTUAL	BUDGET	BUDGET	COMMENTS
O&M Assessments	0	0	0	
Developer Contribution	0	29,475	72,625	Developer Contribution
Debt Assessments	0	0		·
Interest Income	0	0	0	
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ -	\$ 29,475	\$ 72,625	
EXPENDITURES				
Administrative Expenditures				
Supervisor Fees	0	0	0	
Management	0	7,500	24,000	\$2,000 X 12 Months
Legal	0	7,500		
Assessment Roll	0	0		Will Commence In Fiscal Year Following Issuing Of Bond
Audit Fees	0	0		Will Commence In Fiscal Year 2024/2025 (For 2023/2024 Audit)
Arbitrage Rebate Fee	0	0		Will Commence In Fiscal Year Following Issuing Of Bond
Insurance	0	5,000		<u> </u>
Legal Advertisements	0	4,000	- i	
Miscellaneous	0	1,500		
Postage	0	300		
Office Supplies	0	1,500		
Dues & Subscriptions	0	175	- i	Annual Fee Due Department Of Economic Opportunity
Trustee Fees	0	0		Will Commence In Fiscal Year Following Issuing Of Bond
Continuing Disclosure Fee	0	0	,	Will Commence In Fiscal Year Following Issuing Of Bond
Total Administrative Expenditures	\$ -	\$ 27,475	\$ 70,625	
Maintenance Expenditures				
Engineering/Inspections	0	2,000	2,000	Engineers Report To Be Included In Bond Cost Of Issuance
Miscellaneous Maintenance	0	0		
Total Maintenance Expenditures	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ -	\$ 29,475	\$ 72,625	
REVENUES LESS EXPENDITURES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Bond Payments	0	0	0	
BALANCE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
County Appraiser & Tax Collector Fee	0	0	0	
Discounts For Early Payments	0	0	0	
EXCESS/ (SHORTFALL)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	

June 27, 2024

Sundance Community Development District c/o Todd Wodraska, District Manager Special District Services, Inc. 2501A Burns Road Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410

Re: Letter Agreement for Acquisition of Becker Road at Wilson Groves Improvements

Dear Todd,

Pursuant to the Acquisition Agreement, dated June 27, 2024 ("Acquisition Agreement"), by and between the Sundance Community Development District ("District") and ACR Acquisition, LLC ("Developer"), you are hereby notified that the Developer has completed and wishes to sell ("Sale") to the District certain "Improvements" as described in Exhibit A attached hereto. Subject to the terms of the Acquisition Agreement, the following terms govern the proposed Sale:

- As consideration for the Sale, and subject to the terms of the Acquisition Agreement, the
  District agrees to pay from bond proceeds the amount identified in Exhibit A attached hereto,
  which represents the actual cost of constructing and/or creating the Improvements and Work
  Product. Subject to the terms of the Acquisition Agreement, this amount will be processed by
  requisition and paid to Developer upon availability of bond proceeds.
- Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, certain amounts, as identified in Exhibit A, may still be owed to contractors (balance to finish & retainage) and Developer agrees to timely make payment for all remaining amounts owed under the contract, and to ensure that no liens are placed on the Improvements. Subject to the terms of the Acquisition Agreement, the District may process the remaining amounts owed by requisition and pay the Developer upon availability of bond proceeds and upon proof of payment by the Developer to the Contractor of the remaining amounts.
- The Developer agrees, at the request of the District, to assist with the transfer of any permits
  or similar approvals, as well as other work product, necessary for the operation of the
  Improvements, and to post any maintenance bonds or other forms of security required for
  the turnover of the Improvements to the City.

If the District is in agreement with the terms stated herein, please execute this letter agreement in the space below and proceed with the necessary steps to effect the Sale.

ACR ACQUISITION, LLC
1
Name: Alex Akel
Title:Manager

### **EXHIBIT A**

# **Description of Becker Road at Wilson Groves Improvements**

*Utilities* - All wastewater lines, potable water lines and reclaimed water lines, including but not limited to all pipes, structures, fittings, valves, services, tees, laterals to the point of connection, manholes, lift stations, facilities, equipment and appurtenances thereto, located within or upon the right-of-way designated as Tract RW (Road Right-of-Way), as identified in the plat known as *Becker Road at Wilson Groves*, as recorded at Plat Book 121, Pages 7 - 13, of the Official Records of St. Lucie County, Florida.

**Roadways** - All public roads, pavement, curbing and other physical improvements – including but not limited to landscaping elements - within or upon right-of-way designated as Tract RW (Road Right-of-Way), as identified in the plat known as *Becker Road at Wilson Groves*, as recorded at Plat Book 121, Pages 7 - 13, of the Official Records of St. Lucie County, Florida.

**Surface Water Management** – All drainage and surface water management systems, including but not limited to sod, surface water control structures, and pipes, located within Tract RW (Road Right-of-Way), as identified in the plat known as *Becker Road at Wilson Groves*, as recorded at Plat Book 121, Pages 7 - 13, of the Official Records of St. Lucie County, Florida.

Landscape and Irrigation Improvements — All landscape, including but not limited to plants, trees, timber, shrubbery, and other landscaping and plantings, and irrigation systems, including but not limited to wells, pumps, pipes, structures, fittings, valves, spray heads and related system components, located within Tract RW (Road Right-of-Way), as identified in the plat known as Becker Road at Wilson Groves, as recorded at Plat Book 121, Pages 7 - 13, of the Official Records of St. Lucie County, Florida.

**Conduit Improvements** - All conduit improvements located within or upon the right-of-way designated as Tract RW (Road Right-of-Way), as identified in the plat known as *Becker Road at Wilson Groves*, as recorded at Plat Book 121, Pages 7 - 13, of the Official Records of St. Lucie County, Florida.

**Work Product** – Any and all site plans, construction and development drawings, plans and specifications, documents, surveys, engineering and soil reports and studies, licenses, permits, zoning approvals, entitlements, building permits, demolition and excavation permits, curb cut and right-of-way permits, utility permits, drainage rights, bonds, and similar or equivalent private and governmental documents of every kind and character whatsoever pertaining or applicable to or in any way connected with the development, construction, and ownership of the public improvements for Becker Road at Wilson Groves of the project as described in the *Engineer's Report*, dated \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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EXHIBIT A

Description of Becker Road at Wilson Groves Improvements

Description	CDD Eligible Amount
FIBER OPTICS	\$271,706.00
GENERAL CONDITIONS	\$255,800.00
DEMOLITION	\$146,585.00
EARTHWORKS	\$632,020.00
DRAINAGE	\$2,890,928.00
PAVEMENT including curbs, signage & markings	\$5,015,431.60
CONCRETE WORKS	\$1,448,027.00
EARTHWORKS CHANGE ORDER	\$45,000.00
TURNLANES AT INTERSECTION with RANGELINE	\$638,793.75
ELECTRICAL	\$258,490.00
LANDSCAPE	\$2,238,304.36
PROFESSIONAL DESIGN & CONSULTING SERVICES	\$653,424.00
PERMITS	\$101,251.72
INTERSECTION BOND COST COUNTY	\$14,337.00
PERFORMANCE BOND CITY	\$450,002.00
20% OH (7% Work Product 13% of improvement)	\$2,881,335.29
Roadway Only Subtotal	\$17,941,435.72
FORCEMAIN	\$219,335.00
WATER DISTRIBUTION	\$1,697,850.00
Total Cost Becker Road With W&S Utilities	\$19,858,620.72

# CORPORATE DECLARATION REGARDING COSTS PAID [BECKER ROAD AT WILSON GROVES IMPROVEMENTS]

ACR ACQUISITION, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Developer"), does hereby certify to the Sundance Community Development District ("District"), a special purpose unit of local government established pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes:

- 1. Developer is the developer of certain lands within District.
- 2. The Engineer's Report, dated June 21, 2024 ("Engineer's Report") describes certain public infrastructure improvements that the District intends to finance, fund, plan, establish, acquire, construct or reconstruct, enlarge or extend, equip, operate, or maintain pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes.
- 3. Developer has expended funds to develop and/or acquire certain of the public infrastructure improvements and work product described in the Engineer's Report and more specifically described in Exhibit A. The attached Exhibit A accurately identifies certain of those improvements and work product that have been completed to date and states the amounts that Developer has spent on those improvements and work product.
- 4. Except for the balance to finish and/or retainage set forth in **Exhibit A**, no money is owed to any contractors or subcontractors for any work performed on the completed improvements.
- 5. The Developer acknowledges that the District intends to rely on this Declaration for purposes of acquiring the infrastructure improvements and work product identified in **Exhibit A**.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersign Developer as of the 27 day of June	gned has executed this certificate for and on behalf of the , 2024.
Developer as of the day of	
	ACR ACQUISITION, LLC
	WE-
	Name: Alex Akel
	Title: Manager
STATE OF TUNCLA COUNTY OF Pain Benay	
COUNTY OF Palm Bency	
The foregoing instrument was sworn or online notarization this 100 day of 0	and subscribed before me by means of physical presence
	of ACR Acquisition, LLC, a Delaware limited liability
company, and who appeared before me this	day in person, and who is either personally known to me, or ification.
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	NOTABY PUBLIC, STATE OF HUNCLA
	Name: HSSICO SULS
(NOTARY SEAL)	Name of Notary Public, Printed, Stamped or
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### **EXHIBIT A**

# **Description of Becker Road at Wilson Groves Improvements**

*Utilities* - All wastewater lines, potable water lines and reclaimed water lines, including but not limited to all pipes, structures, fittings, valves, services, tees, laterals to the point of connection, manholes, lift stations, facilities, equipment and appurtenances thereto, located within or upon the right-of-way designated as Tract RW (Road Right-of-Way), as identified in the plat known as *Becker Road at Wilson Groves*, as recorded at Plat Book 121, Pages 7 - 13, of the Official Records of St. Lucie County, Florida.

**Roadways** - All public roads, pavement, curbing and other physical improvements – including but not limited to landscaping elements - within or upon right-of-way designated as Tract RW (Road Right-of-Way), as identified in the plat known as *Becker Road at Wilson Groves*, as recorded at Plat Book 121, Pages 7 - 13, of the Official Records of St. Lucie County, Florida.

**Surface Water Management** – All drainage and surface water management systems, including but not limited to sod, surface water control structures, and pipes, located within Tract RW (Road Right-of-Way), as identified in the plat known as *Becker Road at Wilson Groves*, as recorded at Plat Book 121, Pages 7 - 13, of the Official Records of St. Lucie County, Florida.

Landscape and Irrigation Improvements — All landscape, including but not limited to plants, trees, timber, shrubbery, and other landscaping and plantings, and irrigation systems, including but not limited to wells, pumps, pipes, structures, fittings, valves, spray heads and related system components, located within Tract RW (Road Right-of-Way), as identified in the plat known as Becker Road at Wilson Groves, as recorded at Plat Book 121, Pages 7 - 13, of the Official Records of St. Lucie County, Florida.

**Conduit Improvements** - All conduit improvements located within or upon the right-of-way designated as Tract RW (Road Right-of-Way), as identified in the plat known as *Becker Road at Wilson Groves*, as recorded at Plat Book 121, Pages 7 - 13, of the Official Records of St. Lucie County, Florida.

**Work Product** – Any and all site plans, construction and development drawings, plans and specifications, documents, surveys, engineering and soil reports and studies, licenses, permits, zoning approvals, entitlements, building permits, demolition and excavation permits, curb cut and right-of-way permits, utility permits, drainage rights, bonds, and similar or equivalent private and governmental documents of every kind and character whatsoever pertaining or applicable to or in any way connected with the development, construction, and ownership of the public improvements for Becker Road at Wilson Groves of the project as described in the *Engineer's Report*, dated \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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EXHIBIT A

Description of Becker Road at Wilson Groves Improvements

Description	CDD Eligible Amount
FIBER OPTICS	\$271,706.00
GENERAL CONDITIONS	\$255,800.00
DEMOLITION	\$146,585.00
EARTHWORKS	\$632,020.00
DRAINAGE	\$2,890,928.00
PAVEMENT including curbs, signage & markings	\$5,015,431.60
CONCRETE WORKS	\$1,448,027.00
EARTHWORKS CHANGE ORDER	\$45,000.00
TURNLANES AT INTERSECTION with RANGELINE	\$638,793.75
ELECTRICAL	\$258,490.00
LANDSCAPE	\$2,238,304.36
PROFESSIONAL DESIGN & CONSULTING SERVICES	\$653,424.00
PERMITS	\$101,251.72
INTERSECTION BOND COST COUNTY	\$14,337.00
PERFORMANCE BOND CITY	\$450,002.00
20% OH (7% Work Product 13% of improvement)	\$2,881,335.29
Roadway Only Subtotal	\$17,941,435.72
FORCEMAIN	\$219,335.00
WATER DISTRIBUTION	\$1,697,850.00
Total Cost Becker Road With W&S Utilities	\$19,858,620.72

# CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND RELEASE [BECKER ROAD AT WILSON GROVES IMPROVEMENTS]

THIS ACKNOWLEDGMENT & RELEASE ("Release") is made to be effective the <u>27</u> day of <u>June</u>, 2024, by MJC Land Development, LLC ("Contractor"), with an address of 1127 Royal Palm Beach Boulevard, Suite 340, Royal Palm Beach, Florida 33411, in favor of the **Sundance Community Development District** ("District"), which is a local unit of special-purpose government situated in the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida, and having offices at c/o Special District Services, Inc., 2501 Burns Road, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410.

### **RECITALS**

WHEREAS, pursuant to those certain <u>Becker Road Land Development</u> ("Contract"), dated <u>January 6, 2023</u>, and between Contractor and ACR Acquisition, LLC, ("Developer"), Contractor has constructed for Developer certain infrastructure improvements, as described in **Exhibit A** ("Improvements"); and

**WHEREAS,** Developer may in the future convey the Improvements to the District and for that purpose has requested Contractor to confirm the release of all restrictions on the District's right to use and rely upon the Improvements; and

WHEREAS, Contractor has agreed to the release of any such restrictions.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** for and in consideration of mutual promises and obligations, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Contractor provides the following acknowledgment and release:

- 1. **GENERAL.** The recitals so stated above are true and correct and by this reference are incorporated as a material part of this Release.
- 2. **ACQUISITION OF IMPROVEMENTS.** Contractor acknowledges that the District is acquiring or has acquired the Improvements constructed by Contractor in connection with the Contract, from Developer, and accordingly, the District has the unrestricted right to rely upon the terms of the Contract for same.
- 3. **WARRANTY.** Contractor hereby expressly acknowledges the District's right to enforce the terms of the Contract, including but not limited to any warranties and other forms of indemnification provided therein and to rely upon and enforce any other warranties provided under Florida law.
- 4. **CERTIFICATION.** Except as set forth herein, Contractor hereby acknowledges that it has been fully compensated for its services and work related to completion of the Improvements. Contractor further certifies that, except as set forth herein, no outstanding requests for payment exist related to the Improvements, including any payments to

subcontractors, materialmen, suppliers or otherwise, and that there is no disagreement as to the appropriateness of payment made for the Improvements. Except as set forth herein, this document shall constitute a final waiver and release of lien for any payments due to Contractor by Developer or District for the Improvements.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, Contractor is owed \$1,795,188.44 (including balance to finish and retainage) related to the Improvements and understands that such amounts shall be paid by Developer. The effectiveness of this Acknowledgment and Release is contingent upon such payment being timely made. This shall not constitute a waiver and release of Contractor's lien for any change order work requested after the date of this acknowledgment and release.

MJC LAND DEVELOPMENT, LLC

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### **EXHIBIT A**

# **Description of Becker Road at Wilson Groves Improvements**

*Utilities* - All wastewater lines, potable water lines and reclaimed water lines, including but not limited to all pipes, structures, fittings, valves, services, tees, laterals to the point of connection, manholes, lift stations, facilities, equipment and appurtenances thereto, located within or upon the right-of-way designated as Tract RW (Road Right-of-Way), as identified in the plat known as *Becker Road at Wilson Groves*, as recorded at Plat Book 121, Pages 7 - 13, of the Official Records of St. Lucie County, Florida.

**Roadways** - All public roads, pavement, curbing and other physical improvements – including but not limited to landscaping elements - within or upon right-of-way designated as Tract RW (Road Right-of-Way), as identified in the plat known as *Becker Road at Wilson Groves*, as recorded at Plat Book 121, Pages 7 - 13, of the Official Records of St. Lucie County, Florida.

**Surface Water Management** – All drainage and surface water management systems, including but not limited to sod, surface water control structures, and pipes, located within Tract RW (Road Right-of-Way), as identified in the plat known as *Becker Road at Wilson Groves*, as recorded at Plat Book 121, Pages 7 - 13, of the Official Records of St. Lucie County, Florida.

# CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND RELEASE [BECKER ROAD AT WILSON GROVES IRRIGATION IMPROVEMENTS]

THIS ACKNOWLEDGMENT & RELEASE ("Release") is made to be effective the <u>27</u> day of <u>June</u>, 2024, by <u>Aquamatic Sprinklers, Inc</u> ("Contractor"), with an address of 14523 Autumn Ave Wellington, FL 33414, in favor of the **Sundance Community Development District** ("District"), which is a local unit of special-purpose government situated in the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida, and having offices at c/o Special District Services, Inc., 2501 Burns Road, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410.

### **RECITALS**

WHEREAS, pursuant to those certain <u>Becker Road Irrigation Contract</u> ("Contract"), dated <u>December 04, 2023</u>, and between Contractor and ACR Acquisition, LLC, ("Developer"), Contractor has constructed for Developer certain infrastructure improvements, as described in **Exhibit A** ("Improvements"); and

**WHEREAS,** Developer may in the future convey the Improvements to the District and for that purpose has requested Contractor to confirm the release of all restrictions on the District's right to use and rely upon the Improvements; and

WHEREAS, Contractor has agreed to the release of any such restrictions.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** for and in consideration of mutual promises and obligations, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Contractor provides the following acknowledgment and release:

- 1. **GENERAL.** The recitals so stated above are true and correct and by this reference are incorporated as a material part of this Release.
- 2. **ACQUISITION OF IMPROVEMENTS.** Contractor acknowledges that the District is acquiring or has acquired the Improvements constructed by Contractor in connection with the Contract, from Developer, and accordingly, the District has the unrestricted right to rely upon the terms of the Contract for same.
- 3. **WARRANTY.** Contractor hereby expressly acknowledges the District's right to enforce the terms of the Contract, including but not limited to any warranties and other forms of indemnification provided therein and to rely upon and enforce any other warranties provided under Florida law. Warranty is per Aquamatic Sprinklers, Inc.'s contract/proposal.
- 4. **CERTIFICATION.** Except as set forth herein, Contractor hereby acknowledges that it has been fully compensated for its services and work related to completion of the Improvements. Contractor further certifies that, except as set forth herein, no outstanding requests for payment exist related to the Improvements, including any payments to subcontractors, materialmen, suppliers or otherwise, and that there is no disagreement as to the appropriateness of payment made for the Improvements. Except as set forth herein, this

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, Contractor \$287,068.28 (including balance to finish and retainage) related to the Improvements and understands that such amounts shall be paid by Developer. The effectiveness of this Acknowledgment and Release is contingent upon such payment being timely made. By: Joseph Penney Its: President **STATE OF** Florida **COUNTY OF** Palm Beach The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of ☑ physical presence □ online notarization day of July or this 10th 2024. by President Joseph Penney as of Aquamatic Sprinklers, Inc. , and with authority to execute the foregoing on behalf of the entit(ies) identified above, and who appeared before me this day in person, and who is either personally known to me, or produced as identification. Allison Denman NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF Florida (NOTARY SEAL) (Name of Notary Public, Printed, **ALLISON DENMAN** Stamped or Typed as Commissioned) MY COMMISSION # HH 105173 **EXPIRES: May 1, 2025** Bonded Thru Notary Public Underwriters

document shall constitute a final waiver and release of lien for any payments due to Contractor

by Developer or District for the Improvements.

### **Description of Becker Road at Wilson Groves Improvements**

*Irrigation Improvements* – All irrigation systems, including but not limited to wells, pumps, pipes, structures, fittings, valves, spray heads and related system components, located within Tract RW (Road Right-of-Way), as identified in the plat known as *Becker Road at Wilson Groves*, as recorded at Plat Book 121, Pages 7 - 13, of the Official Records of St. Lucie County, Florida.

# CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND RELEASE [BECKER ROAD AT WILSON GROVES LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS]

THIS ACKNOWLEDGMENT & RELEASE ("Release") is made to be effective the <u>27</u> day of June, 2024, by <u>Matthews Landscaping, Inc.</u> ("Contractor"), with an address of 4800 SW 64<sup>th</sup> Ave #102b Davie, FL 33314, in favor of the **Sundance Community Development District** ("District"), which is a local unit of special-purpose government situated in the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida, and having offices at c/o Special District Services, Inc., 2501 Burns Road, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410.

#### **RECITALS**

WHEREAS, pursuant to those certain <u>Becker Road Landscaping Contract</u> ("Contract"), dated <u>November 02 2023</u>, and between Contractor and ACR Acquisition, LLC, ("Developer"), Contractor has constructed for Developer certain infrastructure improvements, as described in **Exhibit A** ("Improvements"); and

WHEREAS, Developer may in the future convey the Improvements to the District and for that purpose has requested Contractor to confirm the release of all restrictions on the District's right to use and rely upon the Improvements; and

WHEREAS, Contractor has agreed to the release of any such restrictions.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** for and in consideration of mutual promises and obligations, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Contractor provides the following acknowledgment and release:

- 1. **GENERAL.** The recitals so stated above are true and correct and by this reference are incorporated as a material part of this Release.
- 2. **ACQUISITION OF IMPROVEMENTS.** Contractor acknowledges that the District is acquiring or has acquired the Improvements constructed by Contractor in connection with the Contract, from Developer, and accordingly, the District has the unrestricted right to rely upon the terms of the Contract for same.
- 3. **WARRANTY.** Contractor hereby expressly acknowledges the District's right to enforce the terms of the Contract, including but not limited to any warranties and other forms of indemnification provided therein and to rely upon and enforce any other warranties provided under Florida law.
- 4. **CERTIFICATION.** Except as set forth herein, Contractor hereby acknowledges that it has been fully compensated for its services and work related to completion of the Improvements. Contractor further certifies that, except as set forth herein, no outstanding requests for payment exist related to the Improvements, including any payments to subcontractors, materialmen, suppliers or otherwise, and that there is no disagreement as to the appropriateness of payment made for the Improvements. Except as set forth herein, this

document shall constitute a final waiver and release of lien for any payments due to Contractor by Developer or District for the Improvements.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, Contractor is owed  $\frac{558,739.77}{100}$  (including balance to finish and retainage) related to the Improvements and understands that such amounts shall be paid by Developer. The effectiveness of this Acknowledgment and Release is contingent upon such payment being timely made.

Matthews landscaping Inc.

By: Eric Marshall, P

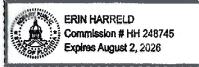
Its: President

STATE OF Florida
COUNTY OF Broward

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization this day of July, 2024, by Eric Marshall P as President of Matthews Landscaping Inc. and with authority to execute the foregoing on behalf of the entit(ies) identified above, and who appeared before me this day in person, and who is either personally known to me, or produced as identification.

Name: Erin Harreld

(NOTARY SEAL)



(Name of Notary Public, Printed, Stamped or Typed as Commissioned)

### **Description of Becker Road at Wilson Groves Improvements**

**Landscape Improvements** – All landscape, including but not limited to plants, trees, timber, shrubbery, and other landscaping and plantings located within Tract RW (Road Right-of-Way), as identified in the plat known as *Becker Road at Wilson Groves*, as recorded at Plat Book 121, Pages 7 - 13, of the Official Records of St. Lucie County, Florida.

# CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND RELEASE [BECKER ROAD AT WILSON GROVES IMPROVEMENTS]

THIS ACKNOWLEDGMENT & RELEASE ("Release") is made to be effective the 49 day of day of 2024, by Costain Cable Construction, Inc. ("Contractor"), with an address of 14602 Black Bear Road, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33418, in favor of the Sundance Community Development District ("District"), which is a local unit of special-purpose government situated in the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida, and having offices at c/o Special District Services, Inc., 2501 Burns Road, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410.

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, Developer may in the future convey the Improvements to the District and for that purpose has requested Contractor to confirm the release of all restrictions on the District's right to use and rely upon the Improvements; and

WHEREAS, Contractor has agreed to the release of any such restrictions.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** for and in consideration of mutual promises and obligations, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Contractor provides the following acknowledgment and release:

- 1. **GENERAL.** The recitals so stated above are true and correct and by this reference are incorporated as a material part of this Release.
- 2. **ACQUISITION OF IMPROVEMENTS.** Contractor acknowledges that the District is acquiring or has acquired the Improvements constructed by Contractor in connection with the Contract, from Developer, and accordingly, the District has the unrestricted right to rely upon the terms of the Contract for same.
- 3. **WARRANTY.** Contractor hereby expressly acknowledges the District's right to enforce the terms of the Contract, including but not limited to any warranties and other forms of indemnification provided therein and to rely upon and enforce any other warranties provided under Florida law.
- 4. **CERTIFICATION.** Except as set forth herein, Contractor hereby acknowledges that it has been fully compensated for its services and work related to completion of the Improvements. Contractor further certifies that, except as set forth herein, no outstanding requests for payment exist related to the Improvements, including any payments to subcontractors, materialmen, suppliers or otherwise, and that there is no disagreement as to the appropriateness of payment made for the Improvements. Except as set forth herein, this

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SARA MILLER  Notary Public - State of Florida  (NC TARK SEAL Commission # HH 123447  Comm. Expires Apr 28, 2025	NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF Florida  Name: Sara Willer (Name of Notary Public, Printed, Stamped or Typed as Commissioned)

### **Description of Becker Road at Wilson Groves Improvements**

Conduit Improvements - All conduit improvements located within or upon the right-of-way designated as Tract RW (Road Right-of-Way), as identified in the plat known as *Becker Road at Wilson Groves*, as recorded at Plat Book 121, Pages 7 - 13, of the Official Records of St. Lucie County, Florida.

## PROFESSIONAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND RELEASE BECKER ROAD AT WILSON GROVES WORK PRODUCT

THIS ACKNOWLEDGMENT & RELEASE ("Release") is made the 2312 day of 50/1, 2024, by Caulfield & Wheeler, Inc., having offices located at 7900 Glades Road, Suite 100, Boca Raton, Florida 33434 ("Professional"), in favor of the Sundance Community Development District ("District"), which is a local unit of special-purpose government situated in the St. Lucie County, Florida, and having offices at c/o Special District Services, Inc., 2501 Burns Road, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410.

#### **RECITALS**

whereas, pursuant to that certain <u>Backer Road Evaluation</u> (Contract") dated <u>(() 202</u>/202/202/), as amended, and between Professional and Akel Homes, LLC ("Developer") has created certain work product, as described in Exhibit A ("Work Product"); and

WHEREAS, Developer may in the future convey the Work Product to the District and for that purpose has requested Professional to confirm the release of all restrictions on the District's right to use and rely upon the Work Product.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** for and in consideration of mutual promises and obligations, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Professional provides the following acknowledgment and release:

- 1. **GENERAL.** The recitals so stated above are true and correct and by this reference are incorporated as a material part of this Release.
- 2. **ACQUISITION OF WORK PRODUCT.** Professional acknowledges that the District is acquiring or has acquired the Work Product created by the Professional in connection with the Contract, from Developer, and accordingly, the District has the unrestricted right to use and rely upon the Work Product for any and all purposes. Professional hereby affirmatively agrees that the Work Product identified in Exhibit A is free of all claims, security agreement, encumbrances or liens.
- 3. WARRANTY. Professional hereby expressly acknowledges the District's right to enforce the terms of the Contract, including but not limited to any forms of indemnification provided therein and to rely upon and enforce any other warranties provided under Florida law.
- 4. **CERTIFICATION.** Professional hereby acknowledges that it has been fully compensated for its services and work related to completion of the Work Product. This document shall constitute a final waiver and release of lien for any payments due to Professional by Developer or District for the Work Product.
  - 5. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Release shall take effect upon execution.

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#### [SIGNATURE PAGE FOR PROFESSIONAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND RELEASE - SUNDANCE]

CAULFIELD & WHEELER, INC.

By: ROW WHEGER

Its: VICE PREYENTENT

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF Saint Lucie

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization this as day of the least of th

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(NOTARY SEAL)

STEPHANIE BROWN
Notary Public
State of Florida
Comm# HH385092
Expires 4/10/2027

Name: Ste drawic Brown
(Name of Notary Public, Printed,
Stamped or Typed as Commissioned)

### **Description of Becker Road at Wilson Groves Improvements**

**Work Product** – Any and all site plans, construction and development drawings, plans and specifications, documents, surveys, engineering and soil reports and studies, licenses, permits, zoning approvals, entitlements, building permits, demolition and excavation permits, curb cut and right-of-way permits, utility permits, drainage rights, bonds, and similar or equivalent private and governmental documents of every kind and character whatsoever pertaining or applicable to or in any way connected with the development, construction, and ownership of the public improvements for Becker Road at Wilson Groves of the project as described in the *Engineer's Report*, dated June 21, 2024.

# PROFESSIONAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND RELEASE [BECKER ROAD AT WILSON GROVES ENGINEERING SERVICES]

THIS ACKNOWLEDGMENT & RELEASE ("Release") is made the day of universal Engineering Services, having offices at 607 NW Commodity Cove, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34986 ("Professional"), in favor of the Sundance Community Development District ("District"), which is a local unit of special-purpose government situated in the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida, and having offices at c/o Special District Services, Inc., 2501 Burns Road, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410.

#### **RECITALS**

WHEREAS, pursuant to those certain <u>Becker Road Contract</u> ("Contract"), dated 10-28-2022, as amended, and between Professional and ACR Acquisition, LLC, ("Developer"), has created certain work product, as described in Exhibit A ("Work Product"); and

WHEREAS, Developer may in the future convey the Work product to the District and for that purpose has requested Professional to confirm the release of all restrictions on the District's right to use and rely upon the Work Product.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** for and in consideration of mutual promises and obligations, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Professional provides the following acknowledgment and release:

- 1. **GENERAL.** The recitals so stated above are true and correct and by this reference are incorporated as a material part of this Release.
- 2. **ACQUISITION OF WORK PRODUCT.** Professional acknowledges that the District is acquiring or has acquired the Work Product created by the Professional in connection with the Contract, from Developer, and accordingly, the District has the unrestricted right to use and rely upon the Work product for any and all purposes. Professional hereby affirmatively agrees that the Work Product identified in Exhibit A is free of all claims, security agreement, encumbrances or liens.
- 3. **WARRANTY.** Professional hereby expressly acknowledges the District's right to enforce the terms of the Contract, including but not limited to any forms of indemnification provided therein and to rely upon and enforce any other warranties provided under Florida law.
- 4. **CERTIFICATION.** Professional hereby acknowledges that it has been fully compensated for its services and work related to completion of the Work Product. This document shall constitute a final waiver and release of lien for any payments due to Professional by Developer or District for the Work Product. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, Professional is owed \$ 123,860.95 (including balance to finish and retainage) related to the Work Product and understands that such amounts shall be paid by Developer. The effectiveness of this Acknowledgment and Release is contingent upon such payment being timely made.
  - 5. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This release shall take effect upon Execution.

[SIGNATURE PAGE TO FOLLOW]

### [SIGNATURE PAGE FOR PROFESSIONAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND RELEASE – SUNDANCE]

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STATE OF Florida COUNTY OF St. Lucie	
	as acknowledged before me by means of physical presence this day of 2024, by as Branch Manager of of of and with authority to execute the foregoing on behalf of
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ROXANN TAYLOR Notary Public - State of Florida Commission # HH 169275 My Comm. Expires Aug 28, 2025 Bonded through National Notary Assn.  (NOTARY SEAL)	Notary Public, State of Florida  Name: Jaylon (Name of Notary Public, Printed, Stamped or Typed as Commissioned)

# **EXHIBIT A**Description of Becker Road at Wilson Groves Improvements

**Work Product** – Any and all site plans, construction and development drawings, landscape plans, irrigation plans, and specifications, documents, surveys, engineering and soil reports and studies, testing, reports, licenses, permits, zoning approvals, entitlements, building permits, demolition and excavation permits, curb cut and right-of-way permits, utility permits, drainage rights, bonds, and similar or equivalent private and governmental documents of every kind and character whatsoever pertaining or applicable to or in any way connected with the development, construction, and ownership of the public improvements for Becker Road at Wilson Groves of the project as described in the Engineer's Report, dated June 21, 2024.

# PROFESSIONAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND RELEASE [BECKER ROAD AT WILSON GROVES ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN]

THIS ACKNOWLEDGMENT & RELEASE ("Release") is made the 24 day of July, 2024, by Cotleur & Hearing Landscape Architecture, LLC., having offices at 1934 Commerce lane, Suite-1, Jupiter, FL 33458 ("Professional"), in favor of the Sundance Community Development District ("District"), which is a local unit of special-purpose government situated in the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida, and having offices at c/o Special District Services, Inc., 2501 Burns Road, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410.

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, pursuant to those certain <u>Becker Road Contract</u> ("Contract"), dated <u>July 22</u>, 2024, as amended, and between Professional and ACR Acquisition, LLC, ("Developer"), has created certain work product, as described in Exhibit A ("Work Product"); and

**WHEREAS**, Developer may in the future convey the Work product to the District and for that purpose has requested Professional to confirm the release of all restrictions on the District's right to use and rely upon the Work Product.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** for and in consideration of mutual promises and obligations, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Professional provides the following acknowledgment and release:

- 1. **GENERAL.** The recitals so stated above are true and correct and by this reference are incorporated as a material part of this Release.
- 2. ACQUISITION OF WORK PRODUCT. Professional acknowledges that the District is acquiring or has acquired the Work Product created by the Professional in connection with the Contract, from Developer, and accordingly, the District has the unrestricted right to use and rely upon the Work product for any and all purposes. Professional hereby affirmatively agrees that the Work Product identified in Exhibit A is free of all claims, security agreement, encumbrances or liens.
- 3. **WARRANTY.** Professional hereby expressly acknowledges the District's right to enforce the terms of the Contract, including but not limited to any forms of indemnification provided therein and to rely upon and enforce any other warranties provided under Florida law.
- 4. **CERTIFICATION.** Professional hereby acknowledges that it has been fully compensated for its services and work related to completion of the Work Product. This document shall constitute a final waiver and release of lien for any payments due to Professional by Developer or District for the Work Product. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, Professional is owed \$9,423.23 (including balance to finish and retainage) related to the Work Product and understands that such amounts shall be paid by Developer. The effectiveness of this Acknowledgment and Release is contingent upon such payment being timely made.
  - EFFECTIVE DATE. This release shall take effect upon Execution.

[SIGNATURE PAGE TO FOLLOW]

### [SIGNATURE PAGE FOR PROFESSIONAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND RELEASE – SUNDANCE]

Cotleur & Hearing Landscape Architecture, LLC.

By: DANIEL TO SOMOW

Its: PAMOUN

### STATE OF <u>FLORIDA</u> COUNTY OF <u>PALM BEACH</u>

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	Partner of authority to execute the foregoing on behalf of
the entit(ies) identified above, and who appeared	before me this day in person, and who is either
personally known to me, or produced	as identification.
ERICKA KIES  Notary Public - State of Florida	Euch Kes
Commission # HH 314351  My Comm. Expires Sep 23, 2026  Bonded through National Notary Assn.  (NOTARY SEAL)	NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF Florida  Name: Evicka Kies
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# DISTRICT ENGINEER'S CERTIFICATE [BECKER ROAD AT WILSON GROVES IMPROVEMENTS]

June 21, 2024

Board of Supervisors
Sundance Community Development District

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The undersigned is a representative of Caulfield & Wheeler, Inc. ("District Engineer"), as District Engineer for the Sundance Community Development District ("District") and does hereby make the following certifications in connection with the District's acquisition from ACR Acquisition, LLC ("Developer") as to certain public infrastructure "Improvements" and "Work Product" as further detailed in Exhibit A. The undersigned, an authorized representative of the District Engineer, hereby certifies that:

- 1. I have reviewed the Improvements and Work Product. I have further reviewed certain documentation relating to the same, including but not limited to certain invoices, plans, and other documents.
- 2. The Improvements and Work Product are within the scope of the District's capital improvement plan as set forth in the District's Engineer's Report, dated June 21, 2024 ("Engineer's Report"), and specially benefit property within the District as further described in the Engineer's Report.
- 3. The Improvements were installed in accordance with their specifications, and, subject to the design specifications, are capable of performing the functions for which they were intended. I am not aware of any defects in the Improvements.
- 4. The total costs associated with the Improvements and Work Product are as set forth in **Exhibit A.** Such costs are equal to or less than each of the following: (i) what was actually paid by the Developer to create and/or acquire the Improvements and Work Product, and (ii) the reasonable fair market value of the Improvements and Work Product.
- 5. All known plans, permits and specifications necessary for the operation and maintenance of the Improvements are complete and on file with the District, and have been transferred, or are capable of being transferred, to the District for operations and maintenance responsibilities.

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6. With this document, I hereby certify that it is appropriate at this time for the District to acquire the Improvements and Work Product.

**CAULFIELD & WHEELER, INC.** 

\_\_\_\_, P.E.

Florida Registration No. 71477

District Engineer

STATE OF Fam Beach

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence online notarization this day of 2024, by

& Wheeler, Inc., and with authority to execute the foregoing on behalf of the entit(ies) identified

above, and who appeared before me this day in person, and who is either personally known to

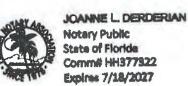
me, or produced \_\_\_\_\_\_ as identification.

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF

(Name of Notary Public, Printed,

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(NOTARY SEAL)



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# BILL OF SALE AND LIMITED ASSIGNMENT [BECKER ROAD AT WILSON GROVES IMPROVEMENTS]

	THIS BILL OF SAL	E AND LIN	MITED ASSIG	<b>NMENT</b> is n	nade to be e	ffective as of	f the $\frac{2}{}$	8 day
of	June	, 2024, by	and between	n <b>ACR Acqu</b> i	i <mark>sition, LLC,</mark> a	Delaware lir	nited li	ability
compa	ny, with an addre	ess of 112	7 Royal Palm	n Beach Bou	ılevard, Suite	e 340, Royal	Palm E	3each,
Florida	33411 ("Granto	·"), and §	Sundance Co	mmunity I	Developmen	t District, a	local u	ınit of
special	-purpose governn	าent estab	olished pursu	ant to Chap	ter 190, Flor	ida Statutes	("Distr	<b>ict</b> " or
"Grant	ee") whose addre	ess is c/o	Special Disti	rict Services	s, Inc., 2501	Burns Road,	Palm	Beach
Garder	ns, Florida 33410.							

**NOW THEREFORE**, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Grantor and Grantee, intending to be legally bound, do hereby agree as follows:

- 1. Grantor hereby transfers, grants, conveys, and assigns to Grantee all right, title and interest of Grantor, if any, in and to the following property (together, "Property") as described below to have and to hold for Grantee's own use and benefit forever:
  - a. *Improvements* All of the right, title, interest, and benefit the Grantor, if any, in, to, and under the improvements identified in **Exhibit A**.
  - b. **Work Product** All of the right, title, interest, and benefit the Grantor, if any, in, to, and under the work product identified in **Exhibit A**.
  - c. Additional Rights All of the right, title, interest, and benefit of Grantor, if any, in, to and under any and all contracts, guaranties, affidavits, warranties, bonds, claims, lien waivers, and other forms of indemnification, given heretofore and with respect to the construction, installation, or composition of the foregoing work product and improvements.
- 2. Grantor hereby covenants that: (i) Grantor is the lawful owner of the Property; (ii) the Property is free from any liens or encumbrances and the Grantor covenants to timely address any such liens or encumbrances if and when filed; (iii) Grantor has good right to sell the Property; and (iv) the Grantor will warrant and defend the sale of the Property hereby made unto the Grantee against the lawful claims and demands of all persons claiming by, through or under the Grantor.
- 3. Without waiving any of the rights against third parties granted herein, the Property is being conveyed to the District in its as-is condition, without representation or warranty of any kind from Grantor. The District agrees that Grantor shall not be responsible or liable to the District for any defect, errors, or omissions in or relating to the development and/or entitlement of, or construction of improvements on or related to, the Property, latent or otherwise, or on account of any other conditions affecting the Property, as the District is purchasing the Property, "AS IS, WHERE IS", AND "WITH ALL FAULTS". The District, on its own behalf and on behalf of anyone claiming by, through or under the District and on behalf of it

successors and assigns, to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law, irrevocably and unconditionally waives, releases, discharges and forever acquits the Grantor from any and all claims, loss, costs, expense or judgments of any nature whatsoever known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, fixed or contingent, which the District may now or hereafter have, own, hold or claim to have, own or hold, or at any time heretofore may have had, owned, held or claimed to have, own or hold, against Grantor, its affiliates, successors and assigns, relating to this letter agreement, the transaction contemplated hereby, and/or the Property, including, without limitation, the physical condition of the Property, the environmental condition of the Property, the entitlements for the Property, any hazardous materials that may be on or within the Property and any other conditions existing, circumstances or events occurring on, in, about or near the Property whether occurring before, after or at the time of transfer of the Property. Grantor shall not be liable for any damages whatsoever, including but not limited to special, direct, indirect, consequential, or other damages resulting or arising from or relating to the ownership, use, condition, location, development, maintenance, repair, or operation of the Property.

- 4. The Grantor represents that it has no knowledge of any latent or patent defects in the Property, and hereby assigns, transfers and conveys to the Grantee any and all rights against any and all firms or entities which may have caused any latent or patent defects, including, but not limited to, any and all warranties and other forms of indemnification.
- 5. By execution of this document, the Grantor affirmatively represents that it has the contractual right, consent and lawful authority of any and all forms to take this action in this document and in this form. Nothing herein shall be construed as a waiver of Grantee's limitations on liability as provided in Section 768.28, *Florida Statutes*, and other statutes and law.

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WHEREFORE, the foregoing Bill of Sale and Limited Assignment is hereby executed and delivered on the date first set forth above.

Signed, sealed and delivered by:

WITNESSES	ACR ACQUISITION, LLC
By: Kevin Lilly	Name: Alex Akel Title: Manager
or online notarization this 18	rledged before me by means of O physical presence day of OMC 2024, by
	with authority to execute the foregoing on behalf of ared before me this day in person, and who is either as identification.
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And the Grantor hereby covenants with the Grantee that the Grantor is the lawful owner of the said goods, that they are free from all encumbrances, that the Grantor has good right to sell the same as aforesaid, and that the Grantor will warrant and defend the same against the lawful claims and demands of all persons.

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# SIGNATURE PAGE TO BILL OF SALE [BECKER ROAD AT WILSON GROVES MPROVEMENTS]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the SELLER has hereunto set its hand and seal, by and through its duly authorized representatives, this <u>27</u> day of <u>June</u>, 2024.

WITNESSES	SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
By: Why Name:Kevin Lilly	Name: Ramzi Akel Title: Member
Name: Rostom Akel	
STATE OF NONCLA COUNTY OF PALM GRAN	
The foregoing instrument was acknowledge or online notarization, this who is personally known to me or has produced_	ed before me by means of Pphysical presence day of 2024, by of ACQUSTIONS JULY as identification.
Notary Public State of Florida Jessica Spies My Commission HH 127136 Expires 05/06/2025	Name: Jessica Sples (Name of Notary Public, Printed, Stamped or Typed as Commissioned)

#### **RESOLUTION 2024-35**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ADOPTING THE ANNUAL MEETING SCHEDULE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Sundance Community Development District ("District") is a local unit of special-purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, and situated entirely within St. Lucie County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, the District is required by Section 189.015, Florida Statutes, to file quarterly, semi-annually, or annually a schedule (including date, time, and location) of its regular meetings with local governing authorities; and

WHEREAS, further, in accordance with the above-referenced statute, the District shall also publish quarterly, semi-annually, or annually the District's regular meeting schedule in a newspaper of general paid circulation in the county in which the District is located.

WHEREAS, the Board desires to adopt the Fiscal Year 2024/2025 annual meeting schedule attached as **Exhibit A**.

### NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT **DISTRICT:**

- 1. The Fiscal Year 2024/2025 annual meeting schedule attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein as **Exhibit A** is hereby approved and shall be published in accordance with the requirements of Florida law and also provided to applicable governing authorities.
  - 2. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 27<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2024.

ATTEST:	SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
Secretary	Chairman, Board of Supervisors

Exhibit A: Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Annual Meeting Schedule

# SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 MEETING SCHEDULE

The Board of Supervisors of the Sundance Community Development District (the "District") will hold their regular meetings ("Meetings") for Fiscal Year 2024/2025 at the offices of Special District Services, Inc. located at 10807 Tradition Square, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34987, at 11:00 a.m., unless otherwise indicated on the following dates:

October 22, 2024
November 26, 2024
December 17, 2024
February 25, 2025
March 25, 2025
April 22, 2025
May 27, 2025
June 24, 2025
July 22, 2025
August 26, 2025
September 23, 2025

The Meetings are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provision of Florida law for community development districts. The Meetings may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the Meeting. A copy of the agenda for these Meetings may be obtained from Special District Services, Inc., 2501A Burns Rd., Palm Beach Gardens, Florida or by calling (772) 345-5119.

There may be occasions when one or more Supervisors or staff will participate by telephone. Pursuant to provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations at these Meetings because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Office at (813) 933-5571 at least 48 hours prior to the Meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service by dialing 7-1-1, or 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) / 1-800-955-8770 (Voice), for aid in contacting the District Office.

A person who decides to appeal any decision made at the Meetings with respect to any matter considered at the Meeting is advised that person will need a record of the proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

Meetings may be cancelled from time to time without advertised notice.

District Manager

**Sundance Community Development District** 

www.sundancecdd.org

PUBLISH: ST. LUCIE NEWS TRIBUNE XX/XX/2024

#### **RESOLUTION 2024-36**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ADOPTING GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND PERFORMANCE MEASURES AND STANDARDS; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Sundance Community Development District (the "District") is a local unit of special-purpose government organized and existing under and pursuant to Chapters 189 and 190, Florida Statutes, as amended; and

**WHEREAS**, effective July 1, 2024, the Florida Legislature adopted House Bill 7013, codified as Chapter 2024-136, Laws of Florida ("HB 7013") and creating Section 189.0694, Florida Statutes; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to HB 7013 and Section 189.0694, Florida Statutes, beginning October 1, 2024, the District shall establish goals and objectives for the District and create performance measures and standards to evaluate the District's achievement of those goals and objectives; and

WHEREAS, the District Manager has prepared the attached goals, objectives, and performance measures and standards and presented them to the Board of the District; and

WHEREAS, the District's Board of Supervisors ("Board") finds that it is in the best interests of the District to adopt by resolution the attached goals, objectives and performance measures and standards.

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

- **SECTION 1.** The recitals so stated are true and correct and by this reference are incorporated into and form a material part of this Resolution.
- **SECTION 2**. The District Board of Supervisors hereby adopts the goals, objectives and performance measures and standards as provided in **Exhibit A**. The District Manager shall take all actions to comply with Section 189.0694, Florida Statutes, and shall prepare an annual report regarding the District's success or failure in achieving the adopted goals and objectives for consideration by the Board of the District.
- **SECTION 3.** If any provision of this resolution is held to be illegal or invalid, the other provisions shall remain in full force and effect.
- **SECTION 4.** This resolution shall become effective upon its passage and shall remain in effect unless rescinded or repealed.

### **PASSED AND ADOPTED** this <u>27<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>August</u>, 2024.

ATTEST:	SUNDANCE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
Secretary/Assistant Secretary	Chairman, Board of Supervisors

#### Exhibit A

**Program/Activity:** District Administration

Goal: Remain compliant with Florida Law for all district meetings

**Objectives:** 

• Notice all District regular, special, and public hearing meetings

• Conduct all post-meeting activities

• District records retained in compliance with Florida Sunshine Laws

#### **Performance Measures:**

• All Meetings publicly noticed as required (yes/no)

- Meeting minutes and post-meeting action completed (yes/no)
- District records retained as required by law (yes/no)

**Program/Activity:** District Finance

Goal: Remain Compliant with Florida Law for all district financing activities

**Objectives:** 

• District adopted fiscal year budget

• District amended budget at end of fiscal year

- Process all District finance accounts receivable and payable
- Support District annual financial audit activities

#### **Performance Measures:**

- District adopted fiscal year budget (yes/no)
- District amended budget at end of fiscal year (yes/no)
- District accounts receivable/payable processed for the year (yes/no)
- "No findings" for annual financial audit (yes/no)
  - o If "yes" explain

**Program/Activity: District Operations** 

Goal: Insure, Operate and Maintain District owned Infrastructure & assets Objectives:

- Annual renewal of District insurance policy(s)
- Contracted Services for District operations in effect
- Compliance with all required permits

### **Performance Measures:**

- District insurance renewed and in force (yes/no)
- Contracted Services in force for all District operations (yes/no)
- Permits in compliance (yes/no)