

# CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

### **LEE COUNTY**

REGULAR BOARD MEETING & PUBLIC HEARINGS NOVEMBER 10, 2022 3:00 p.m.

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#### AGENDA CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

Valencia Bonita Clubhouse 16621 Valencia Bonita Blvd. Bonita Springs, FL 34135

#### REGULAR BOARD MEETING & PUBLIC HEARINGS

November 10, 2022 3:00 P.M.

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Attn:

#### CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY D 2501 BURNS RD PALM BEACH GARDENS, FL 33410

State of Wisconsin, County of Brown:

Before the undersigned authority personally appeared

Ryan Sylven, who on oath says that
he or she is a Legal Assistant of the News-Press, a daily
newspaper published at Fort Myers in Lee County, Florida; that
the attached copy of advertisement, being a Legal Ad in the
matter of

CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FISCAL YEARS 2021/2022 & 2022/2023 REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULES NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Boof Supervi

In the Twentieth Judicial Circuit Court was published in said newspaper editions dated in the issues of or by publication on the newspaper's website, if authorized, on:

#### 08/29/2022

Affiant further says that the said News-Press is a paper of general circulation daily in Lee County and published at Fort Myers, in said Lee County, Florida, and that the said newspaper has heretofore been continuously published in said Lee County, Florida each day and has been entered as periodicals matter at the post office in Fort Myers, in said Lee County, Florida, for a period of one year next preceding the first publication of the attached copy of advertisement, and affiant further says that he or she has never paid nor promised any person, firm or corporation any discount, rebate, commission or refund for the purpose of securing this advertisement for publication in said newspaper editions dated:

Sworn to and Subscribed before me this 29th of August 2022, by legal clerk who is personally known to me.

Notary State of Wisconsin County of Brown

My commission expires

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This is not an invoice

CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FISCAL YEARS 2021/2022 & 2022/2023 REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Supervisors of the Corkscrew Crossing Community Development District will hold Regular Meetings in the Valencia Bonita Clubhouse 16621 Valencia Bonita Blvd., Bonita Springs, FL 34135 at 3:00 p.m. on the following dates:

September 8, 2022 October 13, 2022 November 10, 2022 December 8, 2022 January 12, 2023 February 9, 2023 March 9, 2023 April 13, 2023 June 8, 2023 July 13, 2023 August 10, 2023 September 14, 2023

The purpose of the meetings is to conduct any business coming before the Board. Meetings are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law. Copies of the Agendas for any of the meetings may be obtained from the District's website or by contacting the District Manager at (561) 630-4922 and/or toll free at 1-877-737-4922 prior to the date of the particular meeting.

From time to time one or more Supervisors may participate by telephone; therefore a speaker telephone will be present at the meeting location so that Supervisors may be fully informed of the discussions taking place. Meetings may be continued as found necessary to a time and place specified on the record.

If any person decides to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at these meetings, such person will need a record of the proceedings and such person may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made at his or her own expense and which record includes the testimony and evidence on which the appeal is based.

In accordance with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations or an interpreter to participate at any of these meetings should contact the District Manager at (561) 630-4922 and/or toll-free at 1-877-737-4922 at least seven (7) days prior to the date of the particular meeting.

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

CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

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NICOLE JACOBS Notary Public State of Wisconsin

## CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 8, 2022

#### A. CALL TO ORDER

The Corkscrew Crossing Community Development District (the "District") Regular Board Meeting of September 8, 2022, was called to order at 3:01 p.m. the Valencia Bonita Clubhouse located at 16621 Valencia Bonita Boulevard, Bonita Springs, Florida 34135.

#### B. PROOF OF PUBLICATION

Proof of publication was presented which showed that notice of the Regular Board Meeting had been published in the *Fort Myers News Press* on August 29, 2022, as part of the District's Fiscal Years 2020/2021 and 2021/2022 Meeting Schedules, as legally required.

#### C. ESTABLISH A QUORUM

A quorum was established with the following Supervisors in attendance:

Chairman	John Asher	Present		
Vice Chairman	Craig Callis	Present		
Supervisor	Maria Menendez	Absent		
Supervisor	Richard Norwalk	Present		
Supervisor	Larry Portnoy	Present via phone		

Staff presented included the following:

District Manager	Kathleen Meneely	Special District Services, Inc.
District Manager	Michelle Krizen	Special District Services, Inc.
District Counsel	Jonathan Johnson via phone	Kutak Rock
District Engineer	Ted Tryka	Agnoli Barber & Brundage, Inc.

Also present was Clayton Ratliff.

#### D. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

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

There were comments from the public for items not on the agenda.

#### F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. August 4, 2022, Organizational Meeting

The minutes of the August 4, 2022, Organizational Meeting were presented for Board consideration.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Asher, seconded by Mr. Norwalk and passed unanimously approving the minutes of the August 4, 2022, Organizational Meeting, as presented.

The Regular Board Meeting was then recessed and the Public Hearing was opened.

#### G. PUBLIC HEARING

#### 1. Proof of Publication

Proof of publication was presented which showed that notice of the Public Hearing had been published in the *Fort Myers News Press* on August 19, 2022, and August 26, 2022, as legally required.

#### 2. Receive Public Comment on the Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Final Budget

There was no public comment on the Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Final Budget.

#### 3. Consider Resolution No. 2022-27 – Adopting a Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Final Budget

Resolution No. 2022-27 was presented, entitled:

#### **RESOLUTION 2022-27**

THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION OF THE CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT RELATING TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS AND ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JUNE 27, 2022 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2022; AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Asher, seconded by Mr. Norwalk and passed unanimously adopting Resolution No. 2022-27, as presented.

The Public Hearing was then closed and the Regular Board Meeting was reconvened.

#### H. OLD BUSINESS

There were no Old Business items to come before the Board.

#### I. NEW BUSINESS

There were no New Business items to come before the Board.

#### J. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Ms. Meneely advised that the next meeting was scheduled for October 13, 2022.

#### K. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

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There were no	further	Board N	/lember	comments.

#### L. ADJOURNMENT

Secretary/Assistant Secretary

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Regular Board Meeting was adjourned at 3:05 p.m. on a <b>motion</b> made by Mr. Asher, seconded by Mr. Norwalk and passed unanimously.				
ATTESTED BY:				

Chairperson/Vice-Chair

#### **RESOLUTION 2022-28**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT RATIFYING THE ACTIONS OF THE DISTRICT MANAGER AND CHAIRMAN IN RESETTING AND NOTICING THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023; AMENDING RESOLUTION 2022-16 TO SET THE PUBLIC HEARING THEREON; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS,** the Corkscrew Crossing Community Development District ("District") is a local unit of special-purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, as amended, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the District ("Board") previously adopted Resolution 2022-16 approving the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2022/2023 and setting the public hearing thereon for October 13, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. at the Valencia Bonita Clubhouse, 16621 Valencia Bonita Blvd., Bonita Springs, Florida 34135; and

WHEREAS, due the heavy damage caused by Hurricane Ian, the District Manager in consultation with the Chairman reset the public hearing to be held on November 10, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. at the Valencia Bonita Clubhouse, 16621 Valencia Bonita Blvd., Bonita Springs, Florida 34135, and has caused published notice to be provided in accordance with Section 190.008, Florida Statutes; and.

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to ratify the District Manager and Chairman's actions in resetting and noticing the public hearing.

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

**SECTION 1. RATIFICATION OF PUBLIC HEARING RESET.** The actions of the District Manager and Chairman in resetting the public hearing on the District's proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2022/2033, and the District Secretary in publishing notice of the public hearing pursuant to Section 190.008, *Florida Statutes*, are hereby ratified. Resolution 2022-16 is hereby amended to reflect that the public hearing is reset to November 10, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. at the Valencia Bonita Clubhouse, 16621 Valencia Bonita Blvd., Bonita Springs, Florida 34135.

**SECTION 2. RESOLUTION 2022-16 OTHERWISE REMAINS IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.** Except as otherwise provided herein, all of the provisions of Resolution 2022-16 continue in full force and effect.

**SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY.** The invalidity or unenforceability of any one or more provisions of this Resolution shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining portions of this Resolution, or any part thereof.

**SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Resolution shall take effect upon its passage and adoption by the Board.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2022.

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

#### **RESOLUTION 2022-29**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT RATIFYING THE ACTIONS OF THE DISTRICT MANAGER AND CHAIRMAN IN RESETTING AND NOTICING THE PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE DISTRICT'S INTENT TO UTILIZE THE UNIFORM METHOD; AMENDING RESOLUTION 2022-18 TO SET THE PUBLIC HEARING THEREON; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Corkscrew Crossing Community Development District ("District") is a local unit of special-purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, as amended, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the District ("Board") previously adopted Resolution 2022-18, regarding its intent to use the Uniform Method for the levy, collection and enforcement of non-ad valorem special assessments authorized by Section 197.3632, *Florida Statutes*, (the "Uniform Method") and setting the public hearing thereon for October 13, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. at the Valencia Bonita Clubhouse, 16621 Valencia Bonita Blvd., Bonita Springs, Florida 34135; and

WHEREAS, due the heavy damage caused by Hurricane Ian, the District Manager in consultation with the Chairman reset the public hearing to be held on November 10, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. at the Valencia Bonita Clubhouse, 16621 Valencia Bonita Blvd., Bonita Springs, Florida 34135, and has caused published notice to be provided in accordance with Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes; and.

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to ratify the District Manager and Chairman's actions in resetting and noticing the public hearing.

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

**SECTION 1. RATIFICATION OF PUBLIC HEARING RESET.** The actions of the District Manager and Chairman in resetting the public hearing on the District's intent to use the Uniform Method, and the District Secretary in publishing notice of the public hearing pursuant to Section 197.3632, *Florida Statutes*, are hereby ratified. Resolution 2022-18 is hereby amended to reflect that the public hearing is reset to November 10, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. at the Valencia Bonita Clubhouse, 16621 Valencia Bonita Blvd., Bonita Springs, Florida 34135.

**SECTION 2. RESOLUTION 2022-18 OTHERWISE REMAINS IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.** Except as otherwise provided herein, all of the provisions of Resolution 2022-18 continue in full force and effect.

**SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY.** The invalidity or unenforceability of any one or more provisions of this Resolution shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining portions of this Resolution, or any part thereof.

**SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Resolution shall take effect upon its passage and adoption by the Board.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2022.

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

#### **RESOLUTION 2022-30**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT RATIFYING THE ACTIONS OF THE DISTRICT MANAGER AND CHAIRMAN IN RESETTING AND NOTICING THE PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE LEVY AND IMPOSITION OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS; AMENDING RESOLUTION 2022-26 TO SET THE PUBLIC HEARING THEREON; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS**, the Corkscrew Crossing Community Development District ("District") is a local unit of special-purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, as amended, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the District ("Board") previously adopted Resolution 2022-26, setting the public hearings to consider the levy and imposition of special assessments, and set the hearing thereon for October 13, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. at the Valencia Bonita Clubhouse, 16621 Valencia Bonita Blvd., Bonita Springs, Florida 34135; and

WHEREAS, due to heavy damage caused by Hurricane Ian, the District Manager in consultation with the Chairman reset the public hearings to be held on November 10, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. at the Valencia Bonita Clubhouse, 16621 Valencia Bonita Blvd., Bonita Springs, Florida 34135, and has caused mailed and published notices to be provided with the new public hearings' information, consistent with the requirements of Chapters 170, 190 and 197, Florida Statutes; and.

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to ratify the District Manager and Chairman's actions in resetting the public hearings and noticing the amended public hearings.

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

**SECTION 1. RATIFICATION OF PUBLIC HEARINGS RESET.** The actions of the District Manager and Chairman in resetting the public hearings, the District Secretary in publishing and mailing the notice of public hearings pursuant to Chapters 170, 190 and 197, Florida Statutes, are hereby ratified. Resolution 2022-26 is hereby amended to reflect that the public hearings are reset to November 10, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. at the Valencia Bonita Clubhouse, 16621 Valencia Bonita Blvd., Bonita Springs, Florida 34135.

**SECTION 2. RESOLUTION 2022-26 OTHERWISE REMAINS IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.** Except as otherwise provided herein, all of the provisions of Resolution 2022-26 continue in full force and effect.

**SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY.** The invalidity or unenforceability of any one or more provisions of this Resolution shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining portions of this Resolution, or any part thereof.

**SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Resolution shall take effect upon its passage and adoption by the Board.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2022.

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

#### **RESOLUTION 2022-31**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT RATIFYING THE ACTIONS OF THE DISTRICT MANAGER AND CHAIRMAN IN RESETTING AND NOTICING THE PUBLIC HEARING TO ADOPT RULES OF PROCEDURE; AMENDING RESOLUTION 2022-17 TO SET THE PUBLIC HEARING THEREON; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS,** the Corkscrew Crossing Community Development District ("District") is a local unit of special-purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, as amended, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the District ("Board") previously adopted Resolution 2022-17 setting the public hearing to adopt Rules of Procedure for October 13, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. at the Valencia Bonita Clubhouse, 16621 Valencia Bonita Blvd., Bonita Springs, Florida 34135; and

**WHEREAS**, due the heavy damage caused by Hurricane Ian, the District Manager in consultation with the Chairman reset the public hearing to be held on November 10, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. at the Valencia Bonita Clubhouse, 16621 Valencia Bonita Blvd., Bonita Springs, Florida 34135, and has caused published notice to be provided in accordance with Section 120.54, *Florida Statutes*; and.

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to ratify the District Manager and Chairman's actions in resetting and noticing the public hearing.

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

**SECTION 1. RATIFICATION OF PUBLIC HEARING RESET.** The actions of the District Manager and Chairman in resetting the public hearing on the adoption of Rules of Procedure, and the District Secretary in publishing notice of the public hearing pursuant to Section 120.54, *Florida Statutes*, are hereby ratified. Resolution 2022-17 is hereby amended to reflect that the public hearing is reset to November 10, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. at the Valencia Bonita Clubhouse, 16621 Valencia Bonita Blvd., Bonita Springs, Florida 34135.

**SECTION 2. RESOLUTION 2022-17 OTHERWISE REMAINS IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.** Except as otherwise provided herein, all of the provisions of Resolution 2022-17 continue in full force and effect.

**SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY.** The invalidity or unenforceability of any one or more provisions of this Resolution shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining portions of this Resolution, or any part thereof.

**SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Resolution shall take effect upon its passage and adoption by the Board.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2022.

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2022-36**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AUTHORIZING AND ADOPTING AN AMENDED FINAL FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022 BUDGET ("AMENDED BUDGET"), PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 189, FLORIDA STATUTES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors of the Corkscrew Crossing Community Development District ("District") is empowered to provide a funding source and to impose special assessments upon the properties within the District; and,

**WHEREAS**, the District has prepared for consideration and approval an Amended Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, THAT:

**Section 1.** The Amended Budget for Fiscal Year 2021/2022 attached hereto as Exhibit "A" is hereby approved and adopted.

<u>Section 2</u>. The Secretary/Assistant Secretary of the District is authorized to execute any and all necessary transmittals, certifications or other acknowledgements or writings, as necessary, to comply with the intent of this Resolution.

**PASSED, ADOPTED and EFFECTIVE** this <u>10<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>November</u>, 2022.

ATTEST:	CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
By:	By:
Secretary/Assistant Secretary	Chairperson/Vice Chairperson

## Corkscrew Crossing Community Development District

Amended Final Budget For Fiscal Year 2021/2022 August 4, 2022 - September 30, 2022

#### **AMENDED FINAL BUDGET**

## CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022

AUGUST 4, 2022 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

REVENUES	2021 BUI	L YEAR //2022 DGET - 9/30/22	AMENDED FINAL BUDGET 8/4/22 - 9/30/22		YEAR TO DATE ACTUAL 8/4/22 - 9/29/22	
O&M Assessments	0/-1/22	0	0.4.22 0.00.22	0		0
Developer Contribution		35,775	3	5,775	35	5,775
Debt Assessments		0		0		0
Interest Income		0		0		0
Total Revenues	\$	35,775	\$ 35	,775	\$ 35,	5,775
EXPENDITURES						
Administrative Expenditures						
Supervisor Fees		0		0		0
Engineering/Inspections		1,000		8,500	5	5,723
Miscellaneous Maintenance		1,000		0		0
Management		3,000		3,000	3	3,000
Legal		20,000	1	5,000	10	0,762
Assessment Roll		0		0		0
Audit Fees		0		0		0
Arbitrage Rebate Fee		0		0		0
Insurance		3,000		795		795
Legal Advertisements		5,000		4,000		2,093
Miscellaneous		1,250		1,000		68
Postage		100		200		0
Office Supplies		1,000		1,250		221
Dues & Subscriptions		175		0		0
Trustee Fees		0		0		0
Continuing Disclosure Fee		0		0		0
Website Management & ADA Compliance		250		0		250
Total Expenditures	\$	35,775	\$ 33	,745	\$ 22,	,912
REVENUES LESS EXPENDITURES	\$	-	\$ 2	2,030	\$ 12,	2,863
Bond Payments		0		0		0
BALANCE	\$	-	\$ 2	2,030	\$ 12,	2,863
County Appraiser & Tax Collector Fee		0		0		0
Discounts For Early Payments		0		0		0
EXCESS/ (SHORTFALL)	\$	-	\$ 2	2,030	\$ 12,	2,863
Carryover From Prior Year		0		0		0
NET EXCESS/ (SHORTFALL)	\$	_	\$ 2	2,030	\$ 12,	2,863

Fund Balance As Of 9/30/2021
Projected FY 2021/2022 Activity
Fund Balance As Of 9/30/2022

\$0
\$2,030
\$2,030

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7400 Trail Blvd., Suite 200 Naples, FL 34108 PH: (239) 597-3111 www.ABBINC.com

September 16, 2022

Kathleen Meneely, District Manager Special District Services, Inc. 2501A Burns Road Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410 Via UPS Overnight

Re:

RFQ for Engineering Services for the Corkscrew Crossing Community Development District

Due: September 19, 2022 at 12:00 pm

Dear Ms. Meneely and Selection Committee:

Agnoli, Barber & Brundage, Inc. ("ABB") is pleased to submit this Letter of Interest and qualifications for engineering services for the Corkscrew Crossing Community Development District. I will serve as the District Engineer and will be responsible for all District meetings, construction services and other engineering tasks. My contact information is as follows:

Edward F. Tryka, III, P.E., Vice President, Transportation

Office: (239) 597-3111 Email: tryka@abbinc.com

ABB has over 39 years of experience as outlined in the attached documents. We are currently the District Engineer for both the Big Cypress Stewardship District and the Ave Maria Stewardship Community District. Through past projects, our Principals and staff have developed trusted professional relationships with various private and municipal clients. These relationships benefit both of us; the District receives the highest value and project scopes tailored ot each individual project manager and we, in turn, receive the gratification of being able to practice our profession in the local community.

While we have documented our technical capabilities, our prime corporate philosophy does not involve our technical capabilities. Client service and satisfaction are what we especially hold above all else. Provision of timely service and personal management attention by Principals are our primary business philosophy.

We have enjoyed working for the CDD as Interim District Engineer and look forward to continuing our relationship with the CDD. We hope we have adequately addressed the RFQ requirements. However, as always, we are available to answer any additional questions you may have.

Sincerely,

AGNOLI, BARBER & BRUNDAGE, INC.

Edward F. Tryka, III, P.E.

Vice President, Transportation

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#### Miscellaneous Notices

Published in The News-Press on October 21, 2022

#### Location

Lee County,

#### **Notice Text**

CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023 BUDGET; AND NOTICE OF REGULAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING. The Board of Supervisors ("Board") of the Corkscrew Crossing Community Development District ("District") will hold a public hearing on November 10, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. at the Valencia Bonita Clubhouse, 16621 Valencia Bonita Blvd., Bonita Springs, Florida 34135 for the purpose of hearing comments and objections on the adoption of the budget of the District for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023 ("Fiscal Year 2022/2023"). A regular board meeting of the District will also be held at that time where the Board may consider any other business that may properly come before it. A copy of the agenda and proposed budgets may be obtained at the offices of the District Manager, 2501A Burns Road, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410, 561-630-4922 ("District Manager's Office"), during normal business hours. The public hearings and meeting are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law. The public hearings and meeting may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the meeting. There may be occasions when Board Supervisors or District Staff may participate by speaker telephone. Any person requiring special accommodations at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Manager's Office at least forty-eight (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 Manager's Office. Each person who decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the public hearings or meeting is advised that person will need a record of 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. Kathleen Meneely District Manager CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT www.corkscrewcrossingcdd.org AD#5452164 10/21, 10/28/2022

https://www.floridapublicnotices.com

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#### **RESOLUTION 2022-32**

THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION OF THE CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ("DISTRICT") RELATING TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS AND ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2022 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2023; AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the District Manager has submitted to the Board of Supervisors ("Board") of the Corkscrew Crossing Community Development District ("District") proposed budget ("Proposed Budget") for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2022 and ending September 30, 2023 ("Fiscal Year 2022/2023") 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 governing authorities 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 thereon 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 at least two days before the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, Section 190.008(2)(a), Florida Statutes, requires that 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; and

**WHEREAS,** the District Manager has prepared a Proposed Budget, whereby the budget shall project the cash receipts and disbursements anticipated during a given time period, including reserves for contingencies for emergency or other unanticipated expenditures during the fiscal year.

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

#### SECTION 1. BUDGET

- a. The Board has reviewed the Proposed Budget, a copy of which is on file with the office of the District Manager and at the District's Local Records Office, and hereby approves certain amendments thereto, as shown in Section 2 below.
- b. 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.
- c. 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 Corkscrew Crossing Community Development District for the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2023."
- d. The Adopted Budget shall be posted by the District Manager on the District's official website within thirty (30) days after adoption and shall remain on the website for at least 2 years.

#### SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS

There is hereby appropriated out of the revenues of the District, for Fiscal Year 2022/2023, the sum of \$87,875 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 in the following fashion:

TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$ <u>87,875</u>	
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	\$87,875	

#### SECTION 3. BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Pursuant to Section 189.016, *Florida Statutes*, the District at any time within Fiscal Year 2022/2023, or within 60 days following the end of the Fiscal Year 2022/2023, 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 paragraph c. above are posted on the District's website within 5 days after adoption and remain on the website for at least 2 years.

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

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 10<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2022.

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

Exhibit A: Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Budget

## Corkscrew Crossing Community Development District

Final Budget For Fiscal Year 2022/2023 October 1, 2022 - September 30, 2023

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#### **FINAL BUDGET**

### CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023 OCTOBER 1, 2022 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	FISCAL YEAR	
	2022/2023	
REVENUES	BUDGET	
O&M Assessments	BOBGET	0
Developer Contribution		87,875
Debt Assessments		07,073
Interest Income		0
interest moone		
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 8	37,875
EXPENDITURES		
Administrative Expenditures		
Supervisor Fees		0
Engineering/Inspections		1,000
Miscellaneous Maintenance		1,000
Management	:	36,000
Legal	;	30,000
Assessment Roll		0
Audit Fees		0
Arbitrage Rebate Fee		0
Insurance		6,000
Legal Advertisements		7,500
Miscellaneous		1,500
Postage		200
Office Supplies		1,500
Dues & Subscriptions		175
Website Management & ADA Compliance		3,000
Trustee Fees		0
Continuing Disclosure Fee		0
Methodology Report		0
Total Expenditures	\$ 8	37,875
DEVENUES LESS EXPENSITURES		
REVENUES LESS EXPENDITURES	\$	-
Bond Payments		0
BALANCE	\$	-
County Appraiser & Tax Collector Fee		0
Discounts For Early Payments		0
EXCESS/ (SHORTFALL)	\$	-

#### **DETAILED FINAL BUDGET**

#### CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

#### FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023 OCTOBER 1, 2022 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021	FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022	FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023	
REVENUES	ACTUAL	BUDGET	BUDGET	COMMENTS
O&M Assessments	0	(		
Developer Contribution	0	35,775	87,875	Developer Contribution
Debt Assessments	0	(		
Interest Income	0	(	0	
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ -	\$ 35,775	\$ 87,875	
EXPENDITURES				
Administrative Expenditures				
Supervisor Fees	0	(	0	
Engineering/Inspections	0	1,000	1,000	Engineers Report To Be Included In Bond Cost Of Issuance
Miscellaneous Maintenance	0	1,000		,
Management	0	3,000	36,000	\$3,000 X 12 Months
Legal	0	20,000		
Assessment Roll	0	(		Will Commence In Fiscal Year Following Issuing Of Bond
Audit Fees	0	(	0	Will Commence In Fiscal Year Following Issuing Of Bond
Arbitrage Rebate Fee	0	(	0	Will Commence In Fiscal Year Following Issuing Of Bond
Insurance	0	3,000		
Legal Advertisements	0	5,000	7,500	
Miscellaneous	0	1,250	1,500	
Postage	0	100	200	
Office Supplies	0	1,000	1,500	
Dues & Subscriptions	0	175	175	Annual Fee Due Department Of Economic Opportunity
Website Management & ADA Compliance	0	250	3,000	\$250 X 12 Months
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
Methodology Report	0	(	0	Methodology Report To Be Included In Bond Cost Of Issuance
Total Expenditures	\$ -	\$ 35,775	\$ 87,875	
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)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	

#### Miscellaneous Notices

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#### Location

Lee County,

#### **Notice Text**

CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NOTICE OF THE DISTRICT'S INTENT TO USE THE UNIFORM METHOD OF COLLECTION OF NON-AD VALOREM SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS Notice is hereby given that the Corkscrew Crossing 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 November 10, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. at the Valencia Bonita Clubhouse, 16621 Valencia Bonita Blvd., Bonita Springs, Florida 34135. 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, water utilities, sewer utilities, stormwater management and preserve/conservation, 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 2501A Burns Road, 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. Kathleen Meneely District Manager CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT www.corkscrewcrossingcdd.org AD# 5442155 Oct. 13, 20, 27, Nov. 3,2022

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#### **RESOLUTION 2022-33**

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE CORKSCREW CROSSING 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 CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 197.3632, FLORIDA STATUTES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Corkscrew Crossing Community Development District ("District") was established pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, which authorizes the District to levy certain assessments which include benefit and maintenance assessments and further authorizes the District to levy special assessments pursuant to Chapter 170, Florida Statutes, for the acquisition, construction, or reconstruction of assessable improvements authorized by Chapter 190, Florida Statutes; 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 Lee County for four (4) consecutive weeks prior to such hearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE CORKSCREW CROSSING 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 assessments imposed by the District as provided in Chapters 170 and 190, Florida Statutes, each of which are non-ad valorem assessments which may be collected annually pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, for the purpose of paying principal and interest on any and all of its indebtedness and for the purpose of paying the cost of operating and maintaining its assessable improvements. 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 Lee 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2022.

ATTEST:		CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT		
Secretary/Assistant Secr	retary	Chair/Vice Chair, Board of Supervisors		
Exhibit A: Legal Des	scription			

#### Exhibit A

#### LEGAL DESCRIPTION

A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN SECTIONS 19, 30 AND 31, TOWNSHIP 46 SOUTH, RANGE 26 EAST, LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 46 SOUTH, RANGE 26 EAST, LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 31 SOUTH 89"6'01" WEST, A DISTANCE OF 2,632.34 FEET TO A POINT ON THE WEST LINE OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 31; THENCE ALONG SAID WEST LINE NORTH 00"33"14" WEST, A DISTANCE OF 2,654.44 FEET TO A POINT ON THE SOUTH LINE OF WILDCAT RUN, PLAT BOOK 36, PAGES 30 THROUGH 43, LEE COUNTY FLORIDA; THENCE ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE NORTH 89\*25'55" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 1,316.52 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF WILDCAT RUN, PLAT BOOK 36, PAGES 30 THROUGH 43, LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE ALONG THE EAST LINE OF WILDCAT RUN, PLAT BOOK 36, PAGES 30 THROUGH 43, LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA FOR THE FOLLOWING TWO (2) COURSES AND DISTANCES; NORTH 00°33'07" WEST, A DISTANCE OF 2,647.49 FEET; THENCE NORTH 01°12'26" WEST, A DISTANCE OF 4,789.01 FEET; THENCE NORTH 61'46'42" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 1,480.55 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF PRESERVE AT CORKSCREW, INSTRUMENT #2012000094503, LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE ALONG THE WEST LINE OF PRESERVE AT CORKSCREW, INSTRUMENT #2012000094503, LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA SOUTH 0110'12" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 190.04 FEET; THENCE CONTINUE ALONG SAID WEST LINE SOUTH 01"11'25" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 5284.15 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF PRESERVE AT CORKSCREW, INSTRUMENT #2012000094503, LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND ALSO BEING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF BELLA TERRA UNIT TWO, PLAT BOOK 81, PAGES 1 THROUGH 36, LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE ALONG SAID WEST LINE FOR THE REMAINING COURSES AND DISTANCES SOUTH 00'32'05" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 2,649.60 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00'32'13" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 2,646.76 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

PROPERTY CONTAINING 395.6 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER IMPOSITION OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 170.07, FLORIDA STATUTES, BY THE CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF ASSESSMENT ROLL PURSUANT TO SECTION 197.3632(4)(b), FLORIDA STATUTES, BY THE CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

The Board of Supervisors (the "Board") of the Corkscrew Crossing Community Development District (the "District") will hold public hearings on November 10, 2022, at 3:00 p.m., at the Valencia Bonita Clubhouse, 16621 Valencia Bonita Blvd., Bonita Springs, Florida 34135, to consider the adoption of an assessment roll, the imposition of special assessments to secure proposed bonds on benefited lands within the District, and to provide for the levy, collection and enforcement of the special assessments. The areas to be improved are depicted below and in the District's Engineer's Report, dated July 15, 2022 (the "CIP"). The public hearing is being conducted pursuant to Chapters 170, 190 and 197, Florida Statutes. A description of the property to be assessed and the amount to be assessed to each piece or parcel of property may be obtained by contacting the District Manager at 2501A Burns Road, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410, 561-630-4922 or by e-mail at kmeneely@sdsinc.org (the "District Office").

Also on **November 10, 2022, at 3:00 p.m.**, the Board will hold a regular public meeting to consider matters related to the special assessments and any other business that may lawfully be considered by the District. The meeting and hearings are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law. The meeting or hearings may be continued to a date, time, and place announced at the meeting and/or hearings.

If anyone chooses to appeal any decision of the Board with respect to any matter considered at the meeting or hearings, such person will need a record of the proceedings and should accordingly ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which includes the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based

Any person requiring special accommodations at the meeting or hearings because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Office at (561) 630-4922 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770 for aid in contacting the District office.

The District is a unit of special-purpose local government responsible for providing infrastructure improvements for lands within the District. The infrastructure improvements ("Improvements") are currently expected to include, but are not limited to, water utilities, sewer utilities, management and drainage systems, preserve/conservation areas, and other improvements, all as more specifically described in the CIP, on file and available during normal business hours at the address provided above.

The District intends to impose assessments on benefited lands within the District in the manner set forth in the District's Master Special Assessment Methodology Report, dated August 4, 2022 (the "Assessment Report"), which is on file and available during normal business hours at the address provided above. The purpose of any such assessment is to secure the bonds issued to fund the Improvements. The Assessment Report identifies each tax parcel identification number within the District and assessments per parcel for each land use category that is currently expected to be assessed. The method of allocating assessments for the Improvements to be funded by the District will initially be determined on an equal assessment per acre basis. At the time parcels are platted or otherwise subdivided into assessable units, the method of allocating assessments is based on the Equivalent Residential Unit ("ERU"). The methodology and ERU factor per land use type is explained in more detail in the Assessment Report. The Assessment Report allocates the District's total anticipated debt over certain developable property included in the development plan for lands within the District, as described in the Assessment Report. Please consult the Assessment Report for more details.

The annual principal assessment levied against each parcel will be based on repayment over thirty (30) years of the total debt allocated to each parcel. The District expects to collect sufficient revenues to retire no more than \$15,940,000 in debt to be assessed by the District, exclusive of fees and costs of collection or enforcement, discounts for early payment and interest. The proposed schedule of assessments is as follows:

	Product Type	ERU (per unit)	Maximum Principal (per unit)	Maximum Annual Installment (per unit)*		
	SF-50'	1.0	\$28,773	\$2,106		
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Exclusive of fees and costs of collection or enforcement, discounts for early payment and interest.

The assessments may be prepaid in whole at any time, or in some instances in part, or may be paid in not more than thirty (30) annual installments subsequent to the issuance of debt to finance the improvements. These annual assessments may be collected on the Lee County tax roll by the Tax Collector. Alternatively, the District may choose to directly collect and enforce these assessments. All affected property owners have the right to appear at the public hearings and the right to file written objections with the District within twenty (20) days of the publication of this notice.



#### **RESOLUTION 2022-25**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT DECLARING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS; INDICATING THE LOCATION, NATURE AND ESTIMATED COST OF THOSE INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS WHOSE COST IS TO BE DEFRAYED BY THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS; PROVIDING THE PORTION OF THE ESTIMATED COST OF THE IMPROVEMENTS TO BE DEFRAYED BY THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS; PROVIDING THE MANNER IN WHICH SUCH SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS SHALL BE MADE; PROVIDING WHEN SUCH SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS SHALL BE PAID; DESIGNATING LANDS UPON WHICH THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS SHALL BE LEVIED; PROVIDING FOR AN ASSESSMENT PLAT; ADOPTING A PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT ROLL; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF THIS RESOLUTION.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors (the "Board") of the Corkscrew Crossing Community Development District (the "District") hereby determines to undertake, install, plan, establish, construct or reconstruct, enlarge or extend, equip, acquire, operate, and/or maintain the infrastructure improvements (the "Improvements") described in the District's Engineer's Report, dated August 4, 2022, attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference; and

**WHEREAS,** it is in the best interest of the District to pay the cost of the Improvements by special assessments pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes (the "Assessments"); and

WHEREAS, the District is empowered by Chapter 190, the Uniform Community Development District Act, Chapter 170, Supplemental and Alternative Method of Making Local Municipal Improvements, and Chapter 197, the Uniform Method for the Levy, Collection and Enforcement of Non-Ad Valorem Assessments, Florida Statutes, to finance, fund, plan, establish, acquire, construct or reconstruct, enlarge or extend, equip, operate, and maintain the Improvements and to impose, levy and collect the Assessments; and

WHEREAS, the District hereby determines that benefits will accrue to the property improved, the amount of those benefits, and that special assessments will

be made in proportion to the benefits received as set forth in the Master Special Assessment Methodology Report, dated August 4, 2022, attached hereto as **Exhibit B** and incorporated herein by reference and on file at 2501A Burns Road, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410 (the "District Records Office"); and

**WHEREAS**, the District hereby determines that the Assessments to be levied will not exceed the benefit to the property improved.

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

- $\ensuremath{\text{\textbf{1.}}}$  Assessments shall be levied to defray a portion of the cost of the Improvements.
- 2. The nature and general location of, and plans and specifications for, the Improvements are described in **Exhibit A**, which is on file at the District Records Office. Exhibit B is also on file and available for public inspection at the same location.
- 3. The total estimated cost of the Improvements is 12,587,704 (the "Estimated Cost").
- The Assessments will defray approximately \$15,940,000, which amounts include the Estimated Costs, plus financing-related costs, capitalized interest and a debt service reserve.
- The manner in which the Assessments shall be apportioned and paid is set forth in Exhibit B, including provisions for supplemental assessment resolutions.
- 6. The Assessments shall be levied, within the District, on all lots and lands adjoining and contiguous or bounding and abutting upon the Improvements or specially benefitted thereby and further designated by the assessment plat hereinafter provided for.
- 7. There is on file, at the District Records Office, an assessment plat showing the area to be assessed, with certain plans and specifications describing the Improvements and the estimated cost of the Improvements, all of which shall be open to inspection by the public.
- 8. Commencing with the year in which the Assessments are levied and confirmed, the Assessments shall be paid in not more than (30) thirty annual installments. The Assessments may be payable at the same time and in the same manner as are ad-valorem taxes and collected pursuant to Chapter 197, Florida Statutes; provided, however, that in the event the uniform non ad-valorem assessment method of collecting the Assessments is not available to the District in any year, or if determined by the District to be in its best interest, the Assessments may be collected as is otherwise permitted by law.
- 9. The District Manager has caused to be made a preliminary assessment roll, in accordance with the method of assessment described in **Exhibit B** hereto, which shows the lots and lands assessed, the amount of benefit to and the assessment against each lot or parcel of land and the number of annual installments into which the assessment may be divided, which assessment roll is hereby adopted and approved as the District's preliminary assessment roll.
- 10. The Board shall adopt a subsequent resolution to fix a time and place at which the owners of property to be assessed or any other persons interested therein may appear before the Board and be heard as to the propriety and advisability of the assessments or the making of the Improvements, the cost thereof, the manner of payment therefore, or the amount thereof to be assessed against each property as improved.
- 11. The District Manager is hereby directed to cause this Resolution to be published twice (once a week for two (2) consecutive weeks) in a newspaper of general circulation within Lee County and to provide such other notice as may be required by law or desired in the best interests of the District.
  - 12. This Resolution shall become effective upon its passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 4th day of August, 2022.

ATTEST: CORKSCREW CROSSING DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

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Exhibit A: Engineer's Report, dated August 4, 2022
Exhibit B: Master Special Assessment Methodology Report, dated August 4, 2022

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#### **RESOLUTION 2022-34**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AUTHORIZING DISTRICT PROJECTS FOR CONSTRUCTION AND/OR ACQUISITION OF INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS; EQUALIZING, APPROVING, CONFIRMING, AND LEVYING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS ON PROPERTY SPECIALLY BENEFITED BY SUCH PROJECTS TO PAY THE COST THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT AND THE COLLECTION OF SUCH SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS BY THE METHODS PROVIDED FOR BY CHAPTERS 170, 190 AND 197, FLORIDA STATUTES; CONFIRMING THE DISTRICT'S INTENTION TO ISSUE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BONDS; MAKING PROVISIONS FOR TRANSFERS OF REAL PROPERTY TO HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS, PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION AND/OR GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES; PROVIDING FOR THE RECORDING OF AN ASSESSMENT NOTICE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

#### **RECITALS**

WHEREAS, Corkscrew Crossing Community Development District (the "District") previously indicated its intention to construct or acquire certain types of infrastructure improvements and to finance such infrastructure improvements through the issuance of bonds, which bonds would be repaid by the imposition of special assessments on benefited property within the District; and

**WHEREAS**, the District Board of Supervisors (the "Board") noticed and conducted a public hearing pursuant to Chapters 170, 190 and 197, *Florida Statutes*, relating to the imposition, levy, collection and enforcement of such assessments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1. AUTHORITY FOR THIS RESOLUTION.** This Resolution is adopted pursuant to Chapters 170, 190 and 197, *Florida Statutes*, including without limitation, Section 170.08, *Florida Statutes*.

**SECTION 2. FINDINGS.** The Board hereby finds and determines as follows:

(a) The District is a local unit of special-purpose government organized and existing under

and pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, as amended.

- (b) The District is authorized by Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, to finance, fund, plan, establish, acquire, install, equip, operate, extend, construct, or reconstruct certain stormwater management, water and sewer utilities, preserves/conservation areas, and other infrastructure projects and services necessitated by the development of, and serving lands within, the District.
- (c) The District is authorized by Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, to levy and impose special assessments to pay all, or any part of, the cost of such infrastructure projects and services and to issue bonds payable from such special assessments as provided in Chapters 170, 190 and 197, *Florida Statutes*.
- (d) It is necessary to the public health, safety and welfare and in the best interests of the District that: (i) the District provide the Project (the "Project"), the nature and location of which was initially described in Resolution 2022-25 and is shown in the *Engineer's Report* dated August 4, 2022 (the "Engineer's Report"), and which Project's plans and specifications are on file in the District's records office at 2501A Burns Road, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410; (ii) the cost of such Project be assessed against the lands specially benefited by such Project; and (iii) the District issue bonds to provide funds for such purposes pending the receipt of such special assessments.
- (e) The provision of said Project, the levying of such Special Assessments (hereinafter defined) and the sale and issuance of such bonds serves a proper, essential, and valid public purpose and is in the best interests of the District, its landowners, and residents.
- (f) In order to provide funds with which to pay all or a portion of the costs of the Project which are to be assessed against the benefitted properties, pending the collection of such Special Assessments, it is necessary for the District from time to time to sell and issue its Special Assessment Bonds, in one or more series (the "Bonds").
- (g) By Resolution 2022-25, the Board determined to provide the Project and to defray the costs thereof by levying Special Assessments on benefited property and expressed an intention to issue Bonds, notes, or other specific financing mechanisms to provide all or a portion of the funds needed for the Project prior to the collection of such Special Assessments. Resolution 2022-25 was adopted in compliance with the requirements of Section 170.03, *Florida Statutes*, and prior to the time it was adopted, the requirements of Section 170.04, *Florida Statutes*, had been met.
- (h) As directed by Resolution 2022-25 said Resolution 2022-25 was published as required by Section 170.05, *Florida Statutes*, and a copy of the publisher's affidavit of publication is on file with the Secretary of the Board.
  - (i) As directed by Resolution 2022-25, a preliminary assessment roll was adopted and

filed with the Board as required by Section 170.06, Florida Statutes.

- (j) As required by Section 170.07, *Florida Statutes*, upon completion of the preliminary assessment roll, the Board adopted Resolution 2022-26, as amended by Resolution 2022-30, fixing the time and place of a public hearing at which owners of the property to be assessed and other persons interested therein may appear before the Board and be heard as to: (i) the propriety and advisability of making the infrastructure improvements constituting the Project, (ii) the cost thereof, (iii) the manner of payment therefore, and (iv) the amount thereof to be assessed against each specially benefited property or parcel and provided for publication of notice of such public hearing and individual mailed notice in accordance with Chapters 170, 190 and 197, *Florida Statutes*.
- (k) Notice of such public hearing was given by publication and also by mail as required by Section 170.07, *Florida Statutes*. Affidavits as to such publications and mailings are on file in the office of the Secretary of the Board.
- (I) On November 10, 2022, at the time and place specified in the resolutions and notice referred to in paragraph (k) above, the Board met as an Equalization Board and heard and considered all complaints and testimony as to the matters described in paragraph (j) above. The Board has made such modifications in the preliminary assessment roll as it deems necessary, just, and right in the making of the final assessment roll.
- (m) Having considered the estimated costs of the Project, estimates of financing costs and all complaints and evidence presented at such public hearing, the Board of Supervisors of the District further finds and determines:
  - (i) that the estimated costs of the Project are as specified in the Engineer's Report (attached as **Exhibit A** hereto and incorporated herein by this reference), which Engineer's Report is hereby adopted and approved, and that the amount of such costs is reasonable and proper; and
  - (ii) it is reasonable, proper, just and right to assess the cost of such Project against the properties within the District specially benefited thereby using the method determined by the Board set forth in the *Master Special Assessment Methodology Report*, dated August 4, 2022 (the "Assessment Report") attached hereto as **Exhibit B** and incorporated herein by this reference, which results in allocation of assessments in the manner set forth in the final assessment roll included therein (the "Special Assessments"); and
  - (iii) it is hereby declared that the Project will constitute a special benefit to all parcels of real property listed on said final assessment roll and that the benefit, in the case of each such parcel, will be equal to or in excess of the Special

Assessments thereon when allocated as set forth in Exhibit B; and

(iv) it is in the best interests of the District that the Special Assessments be paid and collected as herein provided.

**SECTION 3. AUTHORIZATION OF DISTRICT PROJECT.** That certain Project for construction of infrastructure improvements initially described in Resolution 2022-25, and more specifically identified and described in **Exhibit A** attached hereto, is hereby authorized and approved and the proper officers, employees and/or agents of the District are hereby authorized and directed to take such further action as may be necessary or desirable to cause the same to be made.

**SECTION 4. ESTIMATED COST OF IMPROVEMENTS.** The total estimated costs of the Project and the costs to be paid by Special Assessments on all specially benefited property are set forth in **Exhibits A** and **B**, respectively, hereto.

SECTION 5. EQUALIZATION, APPROVAL, CONFIRMATION AND LEVY OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS. The Special Assessments on parcels specially benefited by the Project, all as specified in the final assessment roll set forth in Exhibit B, attached hereto, are hereby equalized, approved, confirmed, and levied. Immediately following the adoption of this Resolution these Special Assessments, as reflected in Exhibit B, attached hereto, shall be recorded by the Secretary of the Board of the District in a special book, to be known as the "Improvement Lien Book." The Special Assessment or assessments against each respective parcel shown on such final assessment roll and interest, costs and penalties thereon, as hereafter provided, shall be and shall remain a legal, valid, and binding first lien on such parcel until paid and such lien shall be coequal with the lien of all state, county, district, municipal or other governmental taxes and superior in dignity to all other liens, titles, and claims. Prior to the issuance of any bonds, including refunding bonds, the District may, by subsequent resolution, adjust the acreage assigned to particular parcel identification numbers listed on the final assessment roll to reflect accurate apportionment of acreage within the District amongst individual parcel identification numbers. The District may make any other such acreage and boundary adjustments to parcels listed on the final assessment roll as may be necessary in the best interests of the District as determined by the Board by subsequent resolution. Any such adjustment in the assessment roll shall be consistent with the requirements of law. In the event the issuance of bonds, including refunding bonds, by the District would result in a decrease of the Special Assessments, then the District shall by subsequent resolution, adopted within sixty (60) days of the sale of such bonds at a publicly noticed meeting and without the need for further public hearing, evidence such a decrease and amend the final assessment roll as shown in the Improvement Lien Book to reflect such a decrease.

**SECTION 6. FINALIZATION OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS.** When the entire Project has both been constructed or otherwise provided to the satisfaction of the Board, the Board shall adopt a

resolution accepting the same and determining the actual costs (including financing costs) thereof, as required by Sections 170.08 and 170.09, *Florida Statutes*. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 170.08, *Florida Statutes*, regarding completion of a project funded by a particular series of bonds, the District shall credit to each Special Assessment the difference, if any, between the Special Assessment as hereby made, approved, and confirmed and the actual costs incurred in completing the Project. In making such credits, no credit shall be given for bond financing costs, capitalized interest, funded reserves, or bond discounts. Such credits, if any, shall be entered in the Improvement Lien Book. Once the final amount of Special Assessments for the entire Project has been determined, the term "Special Assessment" shall, with respect to each parcel, mean the sum of the costs of the Project.

#### SECTION 7. PAYMENT OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS AND METHOD OF COLLECTION.

- (a) The Special Assessments may be paid in not more than thirty (30) substantially equal consecutive annual installments of principal and interest. The Special Assessments may be paid in full without interest at any time within thirty (30) days after the completion of the Project and the adoption by the Board of a resolution accepting the Project; provided, however, that the Board shall at any time make such adjustments by resolution, at a noticed meeting of the Board, to that payment schedule as may be necessary and in the best interests of the District to account for changes in long and short term debt as actually issued by the District. At any time subsequent to thirty (30) days after the Project has been completed and a resolution accepting the Project has been adopted by the Board, the Special Assessments may be prepaid in full including interest amounts to the next succeeding interest payment date or to the second succeeding interest payment date if such a prepayment is made within forty-five (45) calendar days before an interest payment date. The owner of property subject to Special Assessments may prepay the entire remaining balance of the Special Assessments or a portion of the remaining balance of the Special Assessment at any time if there is also paid, in addition to the prepaid principal balance of the Special Assessment, an amount equal to the interest that would otherwise be due on such prepaid amount on the next succeeding interest payment date, or, if prepaid during the fortyfive (45) day period preceding such interest payment date, to the interest payment date following such next succeeding interest payment date. Prepayment of Special Assessments does not entitle the property owner to any discounts for early payment.
- (b) The District may elect to use the method of collecting Special Assessments authorized by Sections 197.3632 and 197.3635, *Florida Statutes* (the "Uniform Method"). The District has heretofore taken or will use its best efforts to take as timely required, any necessary actions to comply with the provisions of said Sections 197.3632 and 197.3635, *Florida Statutes*. Such Special Assessments may be subject to all of the collection provisions of Chapter 197, *Florida Statutes*. Notwithstanding the above, in the event the Uniform Method of collecting its special or non-ad valorem assessments is not available to the District in any year, or if determined by the District to be in its best interest, the Special Assessments may be collected as is otherwise permitted by law. The District may, in its sole discretion, collect Special Assessments by directly

assessing landowner(s) and enforcing said collection in any manner authorized by law. Such special assessments shall at all times be collected in a manner consistent with applicable trust indenture.

(c) For each year the District uses the Uniform Method, the District shall enter into an agreement with the Tax Collector of Lee County who may notify each owner of a lot or parcel within the District of the amount of the special assessment, including interest thereon, in the manner provided in Section 197.3635, *Florida Statutes*.

### **SECTION 8. APPLICATION OF TRUE-UP PAYMENTS.**

- (a) There may be required from time to time certain true-up payments as specified in the Assessment Report and in supplemental assessment methodology reports. As parcels of land or lots are platted or subject to site plan approval, the Special Assessments securing the Bonds shall be allocated as set forth in such reports. In furtherance thereof, at such time as parcels or land or lots are platted or subject to site plan approval, it shall be an express condition of the lien established by this Resolution that any and all initial plats or site plans of any portion of the lands within the District, as the District's boundaries may be amended from time to time, shall be presented to the District Manager for review, approval and calculation of the percentage of acres, amounts of debt allocated to each acre, and numbers of units which will be, after the plat, considered to be developed. No further action by the Board of Supervisors shall be required. The District's review shall be limited solely to this function and the enforcement of the lien established by this Resolution, including the collection of a true-up payment contemplated by the Assessment Report. The District Manager shall cause the Special Assessments to be reallocated to the units being platted and the remaining property in accordance with such the Assessment Report and supplemental assessment methodology reports, cause such reallocation to be recorded in the District's Improvement Lien Book, and shall perform the true-up calculations described in Exhibit B which process is incorporated herein as if fully set forth. Any resulting true-up payment shall become due and payable as set forth in the Assessment Report, in addition to the regular assessment installment payable with respect to the remaining developable acres.
- (b) The District will take all necessary steps to ensure that true-up payments are made in a timely fashion to ensure its debt service obligations are met. The District shall record all true-up payments in its Improvement Lien Book.
- (c) The foregoing is based on the District's understanding that the landowner intends to develop the unit numbers and types shown in **Exhibit B**, on the net developable acres and is intended to provide a formula to ensure that the appropriate ratio of the Special Assessments to developable acres or ERUs is maintained if fewer units are developed. However, no action by the District prohibits more than the maximum units shown in **Exhibit B** from being developed. In no event shall the District collect Special Assessments pursuant to this Resolution in excess of the

total debt service related to the Project, including all costs of financing and interest. The District recognizes that such events as regulatory requirements and market conditions may affect the timing and scope of the development in the District. If the strict application of the True-Up Methodology to any assessment reallocation pursuant to this paragraph would result in Special Assessments collected in excess of the District's total debt service obligation for the Project, the Board shall by resolution take appropriate action to equitably reallocate the Special Assessments. Further, upon the District's review of the final plat for the developable acres, any unallocated Special Assessments shall become due and payable and must be paid prior to the District's approval of that plat.

(d) The application of the monies received from true-up payments or assessments to the actual debt service obligations of the District, whether long term or short term, shall be set forth in the supplemental assessment resolution adopted for each series of Bonds actually issued. Such subsequent resolution shall be adopted at a noticed meeting of the District, and shall set forth the actual amounts financed, costs of issuance, expected costs of collection, and the total amount of the assessments pledged to that issue, which amount shall be consistent with the lien imposed by this Resolution.

**SECTION 9. PROPERTY OWNED BY HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS, PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATIONS OR GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES.** Property owned by units of local, state, and federal government shall not be subject to the Special Assessments without specific consent thereto. In addition, property owned by a property owners association or homeowners association that is exempt from special assessments under Florida law shall not be subject to the Special Assessments. If at any time, any real property on which Special Assessments are imposed by this Resolution is sold or otherwise transferred to a unit of local, state, or federal government (without consent of such governmental unit to the imposition of Special Assessments thereon), all future unpaid Special Assessments for such tax parcel shall become due and payable immediately prior to such transfer without any further action of the District.

**SECTION 10. ASSESSMENT NOTICE.** The District's Secretary is hereby directed to record a general Notice of Assessments in the Official Records of Lee County, Florida, which shall be updated from time to time in a manner consistent with changes in the boundaries of the District.

**SECTION 11. SEVERABILITY.** If any section or part of a section of this Resolution be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the validity, force and effect of any other section or part of a section of this Resolution shall not thereby be affected or impaired unless it clearly appears that such other section or part of a section of this Resolution is wholly or necessarily dependent upon the section or part of a section so held to be invalid or unconstitutional.

**SECTION 12. CONFLICTS.** All resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such conflict, superseded and repealed.

**SECTION 13. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Resolution shall become effective upon its adoption.

### APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 10<sup>th</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2022.

## CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

Secretary/Assistant Secretary	Chair/Vice Chair, Board of Supervisors

**Exhibit A:** Engineer's Report, dated August 4, 2022

**Exhibit B:** Master Special Assessment Methodology Report, dated August 4, 2022

### Exhibit A

Engineer's Report

# CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

## **Engineer's Report**

### **Prepared for:**

Board of Supervisors
Corkscrew Crossing Community Development District

### Prepared by:



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August 4, 2022

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### I. Introduction

The Corkscrew Crossing Community Development District (the District) is proposing to acquire infrastructure for a residential community within its boundaries for the project known as RiverCreek (the Development). RiverCreek will be a residential community, in the Village of Estero, Florida, consisting of single family detached homes and a recreation site. The project is currently planned to be constructed in 4 Phases, with 141 units and the guardhouse being built in Phase 1. A preliminary phasing plan can be found on the Master Site Plan (Exhibit 1). The remaining single-family units and recreation site will be built in Phases 2 through 4. The project will be serviced by utilities and roadway infrastructure along Corkscrew Road, which are being constructed by Lee County.

The project lies within Sections 19, 30, and 31, Township 46 South, Range 26 East. The project is on the south side of Corkscrew Road, approximately 2.5 miles east of Interstate 75. The site is bounded to the north by Corkscrew Road, to the east by The Preserve at Corkscrew and Bella Terra (development), to the west by Wild Cat Run Golf and Country Club (development), and to the south by undeveloped lands owned by Lee County. Additionally, a list of the Lee County parcel identification numbers, as of 06/22/2022, has been provided for reference below.

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### II. General Development Information

### Access:

The project will have both a main entrance and secondary emergency entrance off Corkscrew Road approximately 2.0 miles east of the Ben Hill Griffin Road and Corkscrew Road intersection. The main entrance will consist of a full median opening, across from WildBlue Boulevard, with dedicated right and left-turn lanes. The secondary entrance will provide emergency access via a right-in and right-out connection. Corkscrew Road is a two-lane road that is being improved to a four-lane divided roadway with the potential for expansion to a six-lane roadway in the future. The current improvements are underway at the time of this report and are expected to be completed in the fall of 2023.

### Jurisdiction:

The development will be under the jurisdiction and review of the Village of Estero, South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD), United States Army Corps. Of Engineers (USACE), Lee County, Lee County Utilities (LCU), the Lee County Department of Health (LCDOH) and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP).

### III. Land Uses and Phasing

The development consists of approximately 395.6 acres and 554 dwelling units. The tables below illustrate the anticipated project land use and project phasing.

### Land Use:

Type of Use	Area (AC) +/-	Percent of Total
Residential	81.8	20.7%
Right-of-way	20.8	5.3%
Preserves	224.4	56.7%
Lakes	31.1	7.9%
Landscape Area / Open Space	33.2	8.4%
Recreation	4.3	1.1%
Total	395.6	100%

### Project Phasing:

Type of Use	Phase	Dwelling Units
50' Single Family	1	141
50' Single Family	II	213
Recreation Center	III	N/A
50' Single Family	IV	200
Total Single Family		554

<sup>\*</sup> Note: The development phasing is preliminary and subject to revisions.

### IV. Permits

The following is a detail of permit requirements for on-site and off-site improvements and the current status of the permit:

### Village of Estero:

- a. Zoning Amendment Approved Zoning Ordinance No. 2019-25
- b. Development Order (DO) Approved DOS2020-E008
- c. Vegetation Removal Permit Soil Borings Approved VEG2020-E013
- d. Vegetation Removal Permit Site Clearing Approved VEG2022-E004
- e. Preliminary/Final Plat Approved PLT2021-E001
- f. Recorded Plat Phase One Inst. #2022000118043

### <u>South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD):</u>

- a. Environmental Resource Permit Approved App No. 210604-6391 / Permit No. 36-08730-P
- b. Water Use Individual Permit Irrigation Approved App No. 210629-9 / Permit No. 36-08308-W
- c. Water Use Individual Permit Dewatering Approved App No. 210629-8 / Permit No. 36-08304-W

### U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE):

a. Department of the Army Permit – Approved – SAJ-2006-06379

### Lee County:

- a. Type D Limited Development Order Approved LDO2020-00434
- b. Type D Limited Development Order Approved LDO2021-00479
- c. Right of Way Permit Offsite Utilities Approved ROW2020-00925
- d. Right of Way Permit Driveway Connections Under Review ROW2021-01194
- e. Construction of Water Main Extensions for PWS Approved 0133068-1334-DSGP/02
- f. Construction of Domestic Wastewater Collection/Transmission System Approved CS41- 0182518-584-DWC/CM

### Lee County Utilities (LCU):

- a. Approval to Construct Offsite Utilities Approved LCU2020-00089
- b. Approval to Construct Phase One Approved LCU2021-00003

### Lee County Department of Health:

- a. Construction of Water Main Extensions for PWS Offsite Utilities Approved 0217283-241 DSGP
- b. Construction of Water Main Extensions for PWS Phase One Approved 0217283-250
   DSGP

### Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP):

- a. Notice of Intent to Use Generic Permit for Stormwater Discharge from Large and Small Construction Activities and Dewatering Operations (NOI) Approved FLR20EU94
- b. Construction of Domestic Wastewater Collection/Transmission System Offsite Utilities
   Approved –
- c. Construction of Domestic Wastewater Collection/Transmission System Approved Phase One 0038436-487-DWC

### V. District Financed Improvements

The improvements necessary to service the Development which will be financed by the District include both utility and stormwater management improvements as detailed below:

### A. Utility Facilities

Water and wastewater facilities will be financed by the District and dedicated to Lee County Utilities. The water and wastewater service, operation, and maintenance will be provided by the

County. The County has sufficient capacity to serve the Development's water and wastewater needs at build out. Facilities will be designed and constructed in accordance with County and Florida Department of Environmental Protection Standards.

The water facilities include potable distribution mains along with necessary valving, fire hydrants and water services to individual units and common areas. Approximately 3.9 miles of 6, 8, and 10-inch water mains will be constructed. The planned water distribution system is shown in Exhibit 2.

Wastewater facilities include gravity collection lines with individual services, manholes, lift stations, and force mains to connect to the facilities being constructed along Corkscrew Road. An estimated 3.3 miles of 8-inch collection line and 0.9 miles of on-site 4 and 6-inch force main, and 3 sewage lift stations are to be constructed. The planned sewer collection and transmission system are shown in Exhibit 3.

### B. Surface Water Management

The surface water management improvements in the Development, will be financed by the District, and consist of two separate categories: Earthwork and Drainage Facilities. The Drainage Facilities include the roadway drainage pipes, drainage structures, control and outfall structures. The Earthwork category of the Surface Water Management is the effort necessary to construct the stormwater detention facilities (ponds and lakes) and provide flood protection. There are approximately 31.1 acres of stormwater ponds. The ponds and lakes will be conveyed to the District, at no cost, by the Developer for stormwater purposes. The surface water management system is designed and constructed in accordance with County and South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) standards for flood protection, stormwater quality treatment and attenuation. There are approximately 224.4 acres of wetlands and conservation/preservation areas within the project boundary. The Master Surface Water Management is shown in Exhibit 4.

### C. Preserve Mitigation

Pursuant to the SFWMD ERP and the USACOE Permits the preserves within the development will be conveyed to the District, at no cost, by the Developer. The District will finance the mitigation, monitoring, and maintenance of the preserves. These costs will include exotic vegetation removal, supplemental wetland plantings, and grading.

### D. Summary of District Financed Improvements

The table below illustrates the ownership and responsibility of operation and maintenance for each of the categories of improvements.

District Infrastructure	Construction	Ownership	Capital	Operation and
			Financing *	Maintenance
Water Utilities	District	Lee County	District	Lee County
		Utilities	Bonds	
Sewer Utilities	District	Lee County	District	Lee County
		Utilities	Bonds	
Stormwater/Drainage	District	District	District	District
			Bonds	
Preserve/Conservation	District	District	District	District
Areas			Bonds	

<sup>\*</sup> Costs not funded by bonds will be funded by the Developer

### VI. Professional and Permit Fees

Professional and permit fees will be funded by the District as part of the Capital Improvement Program and consist of typical soft costs associated with development projects of this size. These generally consist of consultant fees for design, permitting, and management of the Capital Improvement Project, Permit Fees, Legal Fees, etc.

### VII. Summary & Conclusion

RiverCreek is designed in accordance with current governmental regulations and requirements. The project will serve its intended function so long as the construction is in substantial compliance with the design. The cost estimates provided are reasonable to complete the required improvements and it is our professional opinion that the infrastructure improvements will benefit and add value to the District. The estimate of infrastructure construction costs is an estimate and not a guarantee of maximum price. The cost estimates are based on current construction costs in Southwest Florida. Actual costs may vary depending on final engineering and approvals from regulatory agencies

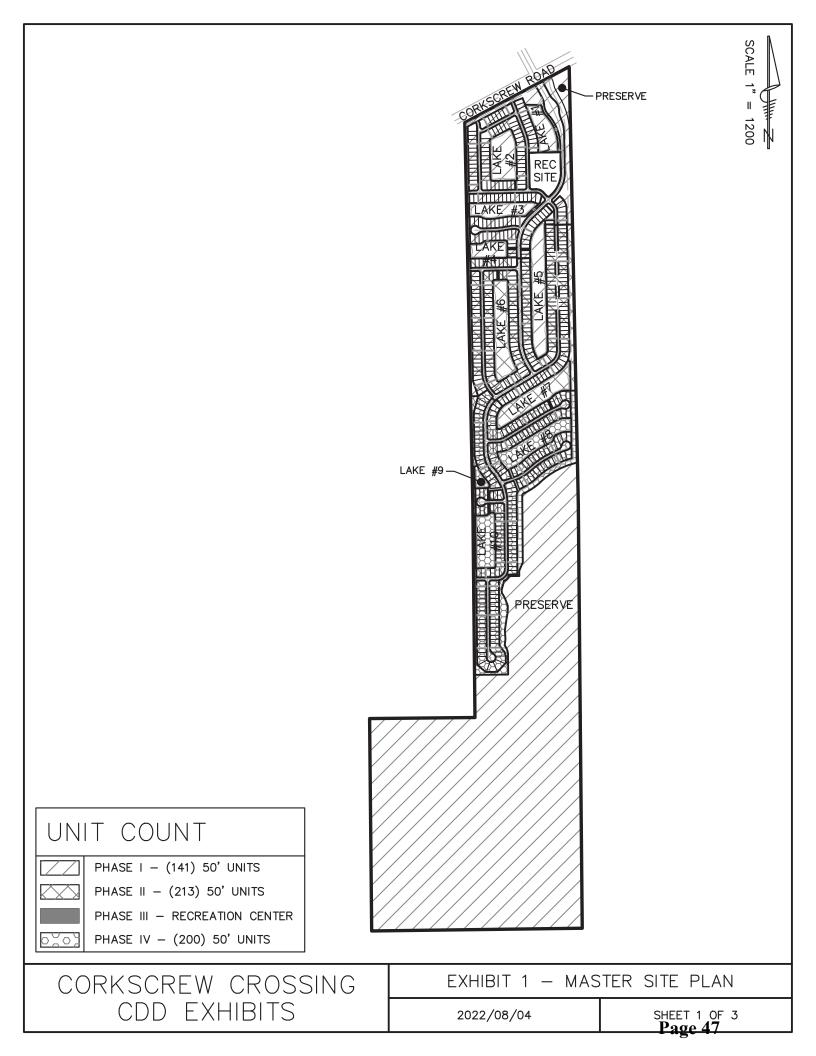
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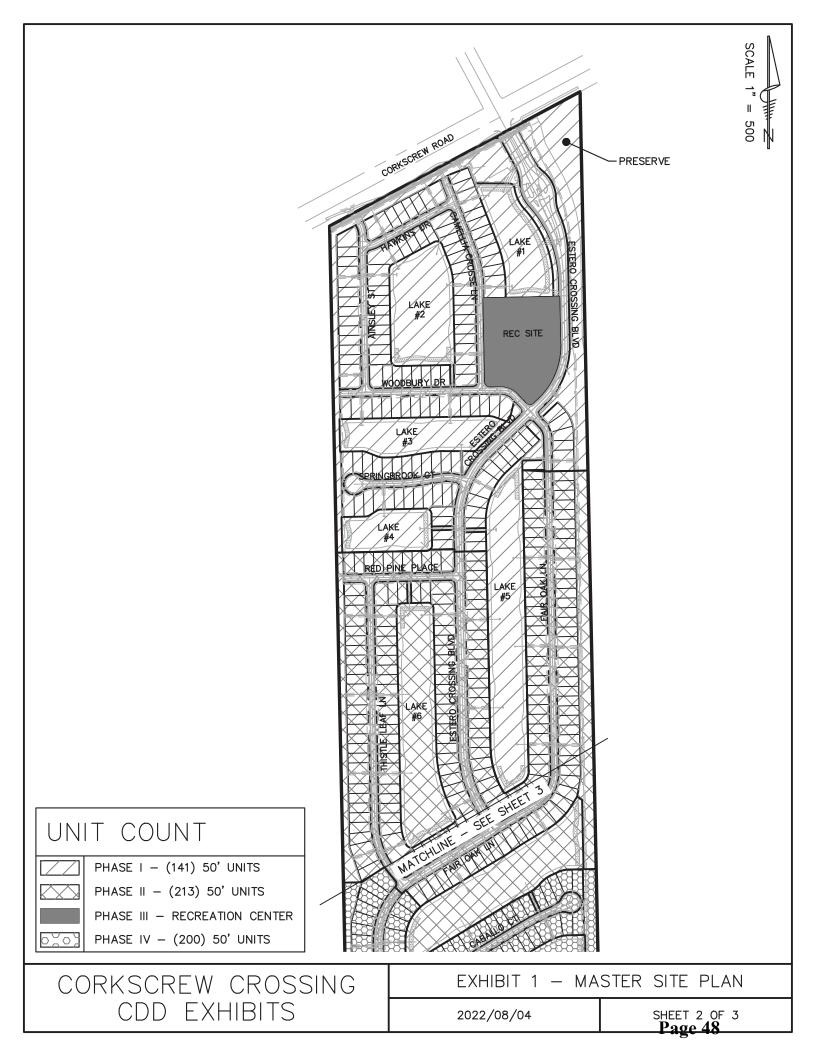
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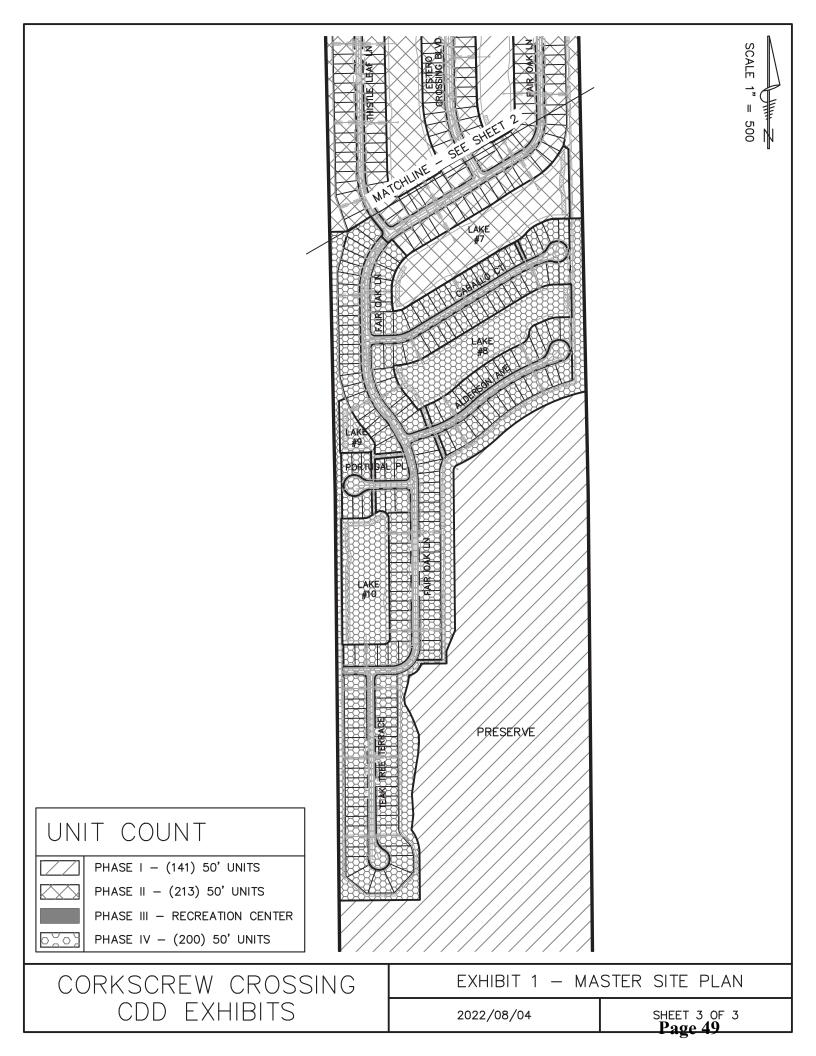
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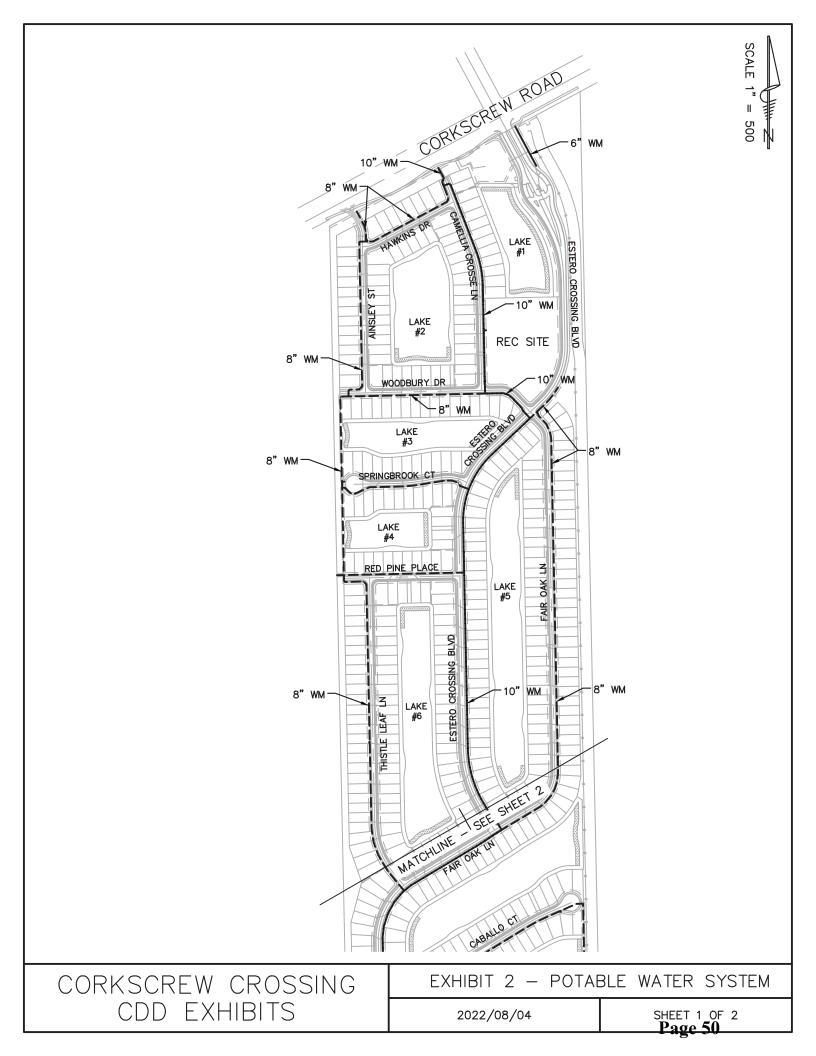
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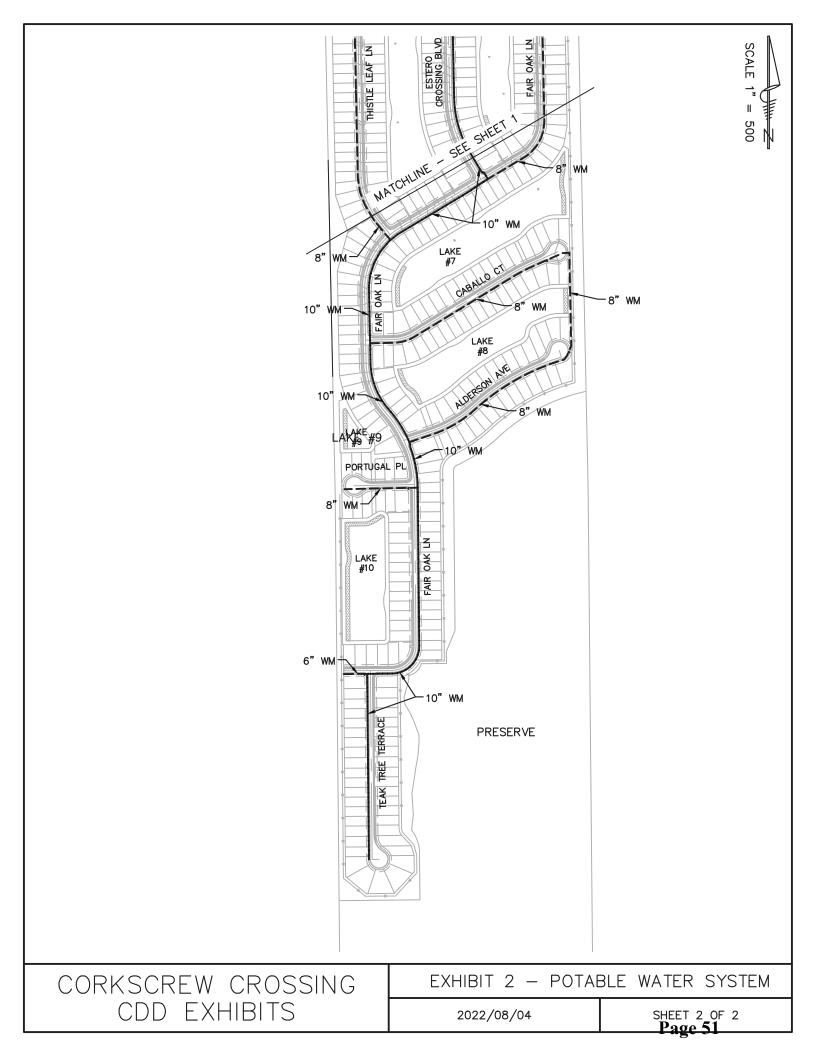
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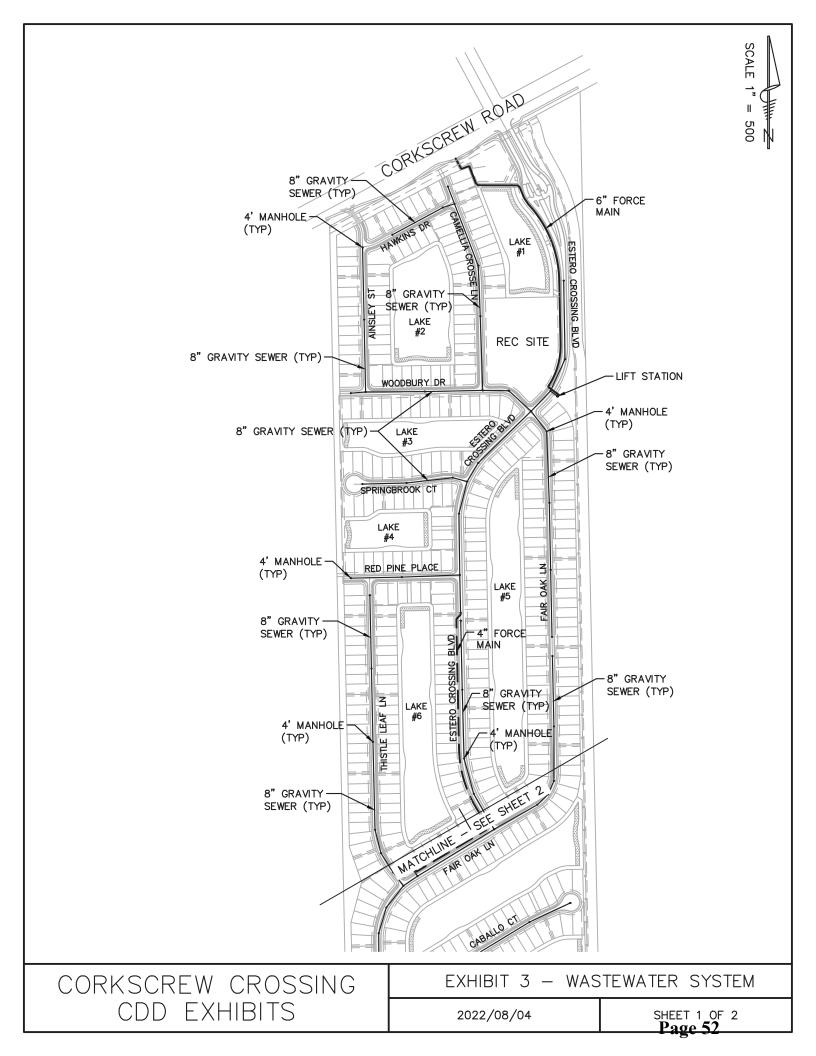


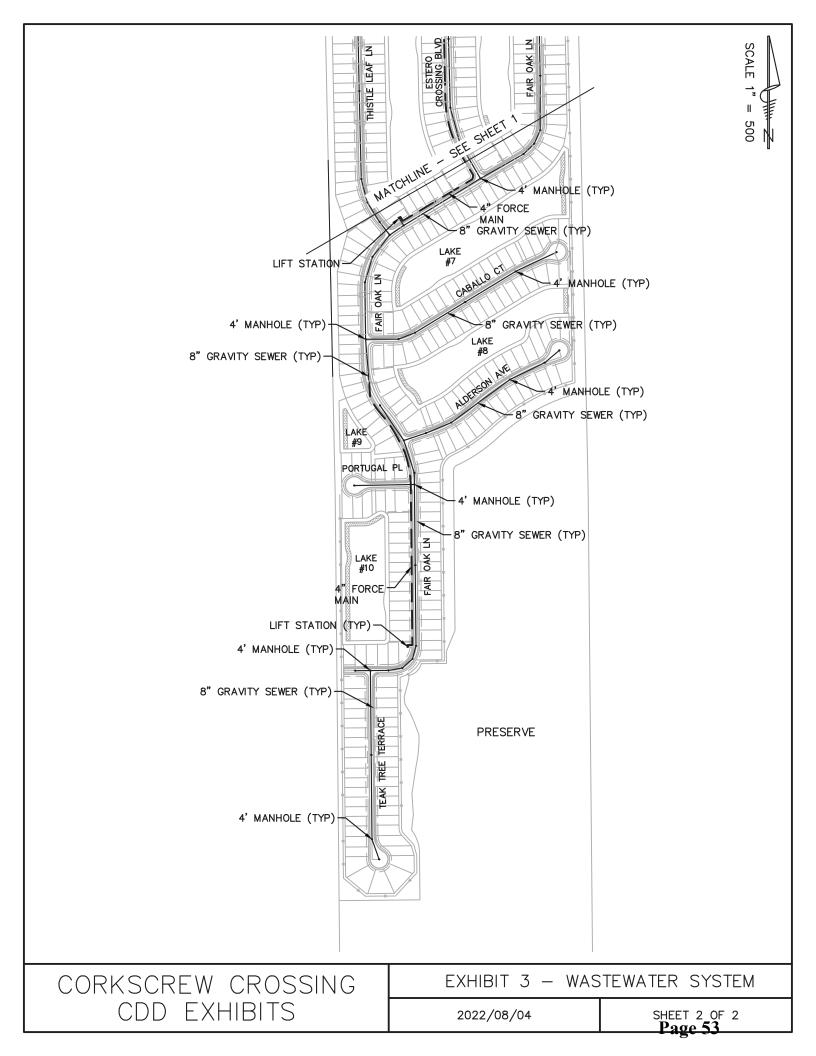


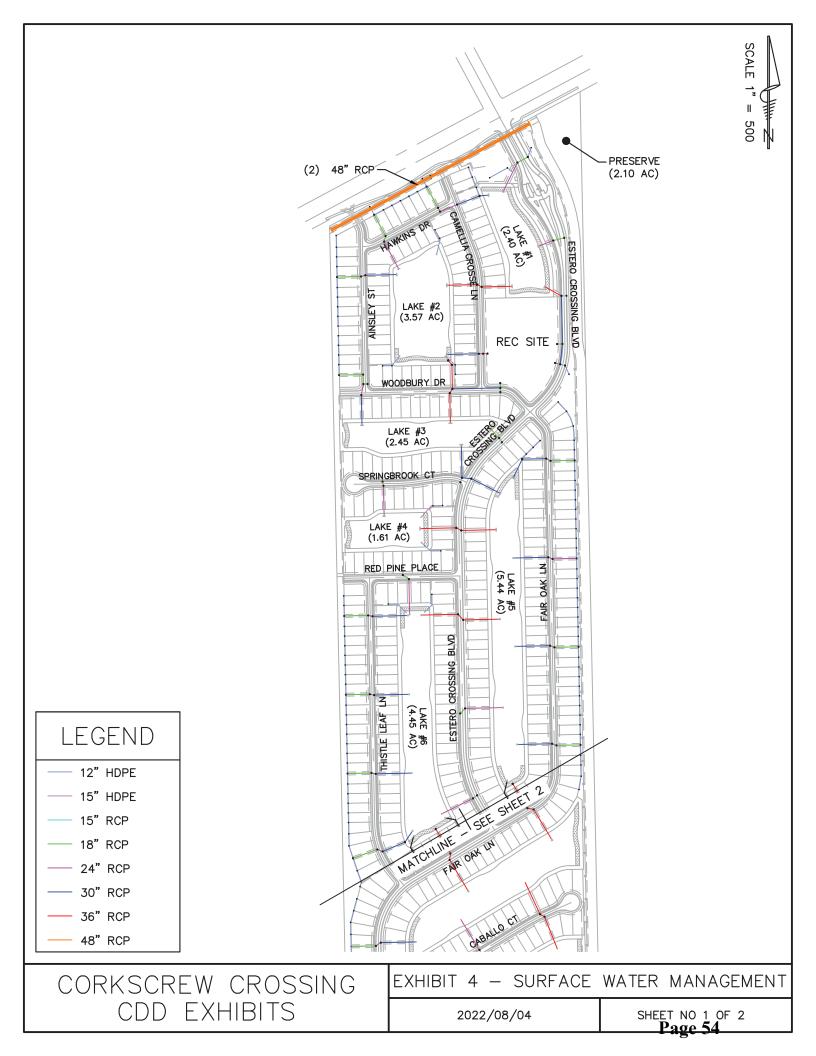


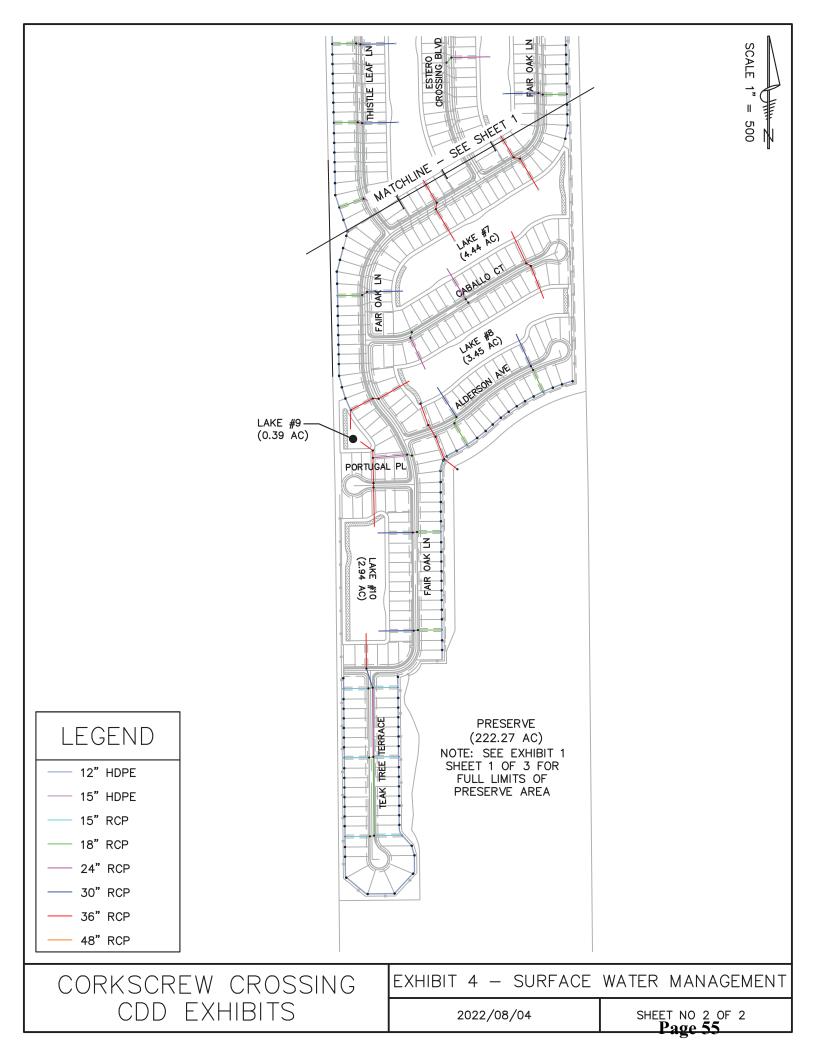












# CORKSCREW CROSSING EXHIBIT 5 - INFRASTRUCTURE COST

Date: 8/4/2022

Category	Total CDD Costs	
Water Utilities (1)	\$ 2,229,444.00	
Sewer Utilities (1)	\$ 3,770,958.00	
Stormwater/Drainage (1)(2)(3)	\$ 4,395,211.19	
Preserves/Conservation Areas (1)	\$ 986,168.79	
Engineering & Survey	\$ 619,520.06	
Sub-Total	\$ 12,001,302.04	
Contingency	\$ 586,402.12	
Total CDD Project Costs (4)	\$ 12,587,704.16	

- (1) Infrastructure will be located on land owned by or subject to a permanent easement in favor of the District or another governmental entity.
- (2) Includes stormwater pond excavation. Does not include cost of transportation of fill for use of private lots.
- (3) Stormwater does not include grading associated with building pads.
- (4) Estimates are based on 2022 cost.

### Exhibit B

**Master Assessment Methodology** 



# Master Special Assessment Methodology Report -

## CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

August 4, 2022

### SPECIAL DISTRICT SERVICES, INC

2501A Burns Road Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410 561-630-4922

### 1.0 <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

The Corkscrew Crossing Community Development District (the "District") is a local unit of special-purpose government located in the Village of Estero (the "Village") located in Lee County, Florida (the "County"). The District was established July 6, 2022, by Ordinance No. 2022-04 enacted by the Village Council of the Village to provide for the construction, and/or acquisition, financing, long-term administration and management of certain infrastructure of the RiverCreek residential community (the "Development").

The District contains approximately 395.6 gross acres and is planned for the following land uses:

<u>Table 1 – Proposed Land Uses for the District</u>

Land Use Category	Unit
SF 50'	554 Dwelling units

This Master Special Assessment Methodology Report (the "Master Report") will provide the allocation of special assessments as it relates to the sale and issuance of proposed Special Assessment Bonds in one or more series (the "Bonds") for the financing of public infrastructure improvements in the District, including but not limited to the following: stormwater management infrastructure, water distribution infrastructure, and sanitary sewer infrastructure. The District will also finance the mitigation, monitoring, and maintenance of the preserves. These costs will include exotic vegetation removal, supplemental wetland plantings, and grading. These infrastructure improvements (the "Project") will give special benefit to all lands in the District. Special benefit is a required determination in order to make use of the proceeds of any special assessment bonds issued by the District.

This Master Report equitably allocates the costs being incurred by the District to provide the benefits of the Project to the developable lands within the District as identified herein on **Exhibit A**. The improvements comprising the Project are described below and in the Master Engineer's Report dated August 4, 2022 (the "Engineer's Report"), as may be revised and prepared by Agnoli, Barber & Brundage, Inc. (the "District's Engineer").

The District intends to issue Bonds in one or more series. Supplemental assessment methodology reports will be prepared in accordance which each series of Bonds issued which will set forth the specific portions of the Project to be funded.

### 2.0 PROJECTS TO BE FUNDED BY THE DISTRICT

The Project as designed is an integrated system of facilities that provides specific benefits to all of the assessable lands within the District. The total cost of the Project is currently estimated to be \$12,587,704. A detail of the estimated Project costs for the Development is included herein on **Table A**. The Bonds will be repaid through the levy of non-ad valorem special assessments on all assessable property within the District. The Project has been designed to be functional and confer special benefits to the landowners within the District. Any portion of the Project not financed through the issuance of Bonds will be paid for by Lee County Home Associates IV, LLLP, or its successors or assigns (herein the "Landowner").

Construction and/or acquisition and maintenance obligations for the District's proposed infrastructure improvements constituting the Project are described in the Engineer's Report.

The construction costs for the Project identified in this Master Report were provided by the District Engineer. Special District Services, Inc., as District Manager, makes no representation regarding the accuracy or validity of those costs and did not undertake any analysis or verification regarding such costs.

### 3.0 FUNDING OF IMPROVEMENTS

To defray the costs of construction and acquisition of all or a portion of the Project, the District will impose non-ad valorem special assessments on benefited real property in the District. These assessments are based on the special and peculiar benefits accruing to such property from the improvements comprising the Project. The use of non-ad valorem special assessments has an advantage in that the properties that receive the special benefits from the Project are the only properties that are obligated to pay for those facilities and services. Without these improvements, development of the property would not be possible. The capital facilities which will be funded through these special assessments include only facilities which may be undertaken by a community development district under Chapter 190, F.S. This Master Report is designed to meet the requirements of Chapters 170, 190 and 197, F.S. and will describe the expected terms and conditions of the Bonds.

In summary, special assessments may be made only: (1) for facilities which provide special benefits to property as distinct from general benefits, (2) only against property which receives that special benefit, (3) in proportion to the benefits received by such properties, and (4) according to fair and reasonable methods that the governing body of the jurisdiction determines. The special assessments (both capital special assessments and operation and maintenance special assessments) placed upon various benefited properties in the District must be sufficient to cover the debt service of the Bonds that will be issued for financing all or a portion of the Project and to pay the costs to maintain those portions of the infrastructure that remain under the ownership of the District. The assessments must be fairly and reasonably allocated to the properties being assessed.

### 4.0 ALLOCATION OF BENEFIT AND ASSESSMENTS

In developing the methodology used for special assessments for the Development, two (2) interrelated factors were used:

A. Allocation of Benefit: Each parcel of assessable land within the District benefits from the proposed improvements.

B. Cost/Benefit: The special assessments imposed on each assessable parcel of land within the District cannot exceed the value of the benefits provided to such parcel.

The planned improvements comprising the Project are an integrated system of facilities designed to provide benefits to the assessable property within the District as a whole. The Project is intended to work as a total system which will provide special benefits for each unit type. The fair and reasonable method of allocating the benefit to each planned residential unit has been accomplished by assigning an *equivalent residential unit* ("ERU") to each unit. Therefore, for the purpose of this Master Report each 50 foot single family residential unit will be assigned one (1) ERU.

The assessments will initially be levied across <u>all</u> the gross acreage in the District. The lien will shift to the parcels in the District, as represented in **Table F** upon the following events:

- Land is platted within the District
- Land is sold in District

The amount of the assessments that will shift to platted lots is based on the schedule in **Table F**. Land that is sold in the District prior to platting will have a lien amount attached to the parcel that is equal to the development rights conveyed with such parcel and type of planned use. Assessments will then be assigned in accordance with **Table F**. As platting occurs the debt assessment will be assigned on a first platted first assigned basis to platted lots receiving property folio numbers, and allocated on an ERU basis as shown herein on **Table F**.

In addition to the special assessments imposed for debt service on the Bonds, the District will also levy an annual administrative assessment to fund the costs of operating and managing the District. As each residential dwelling unit will benefit equally from the operation and management of the District and the Project, the annual operation and management assessments will be allocated equally to each assessable lot or unit.

Given the District's land use plan and the type of infrastructure to be funded by the special assessments, this method will result in a fair allocation of benefits and services and an equitable allocation of costs for the proposed Bonds. However, if the future platting results in changes in land use or proportion of benefit per unit, this allocation methodology may not be applicable and it may be necessary for the District to revise this methodology.

### 5.0 COLLECTION OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

The proposed special assessments for the District are planned to be collected through the Uniform Method of Collection described in Chapter 197, Section 197.3632; *Florida Statutes* ("F.S.") for platted lots, or any other legal means available to the District.

Since there are costs associated with the collection of the special assessments (whether by uniform method of collection as authorized under Chapter 197.3632, *F.S.*, or other methods allowed by Florida law), these costs must also be included in the special assessment levy. These costs generally include the 1% collection fee of the County Tax Collector, a 1% service fee of the County Property Appraiser and a 4% discount for early payment of taxes. These additional costs may be reflected by dividing the annual debt service and maintenance assessment amounts by a factor of 0.94. In the event the special assessments are direct billed, then, the collection costs and discounts may not apply.

### 6.0 FINANCING STRUCTURE

The estimated cost of construction for the Project is \$12,587,704. The construction program and the costs associated with the District are identified herein on **Table A**.

All or a portion of the capital improvements comprising the Project is assumed to be financed by the Bonds which, when issued, will be payable from and secured by special assessments levied annually against all assessable properties within the District which totals approximately 395.60+/- acres. Based on the current market conditions the total aggregate principal amount of the Bonds (approximately \$15,940,000) for the District is shown herein on **Table B.** The proceeds of the Bonds will provide a maximum of approximately \$12,587,704 for construction related costs. The sizing of the Bonds is assumed to include capitalized interest, if so required, a debt service reserve fund equal to the maximum annual net debt service and issuance costs as shown herein on **Table B.** (Note: The District may decide in the future not issue the total Par Debt of \$15,940,000 referenced in this Master Report.)

### 7.0 MODIFICATIONS, REVISIONS AND TRUE-UP MECHANISM

Allocation of proposed costs and proposed debt, respectively shown herein on **Table C and Table D**, for the infrastructure improvements financed by the District for the Project (estimated at \$12,587,704) is initially based on the estimated residential dwelling units (554) projected to be constructed within the District and benefited by the infrastructure improvements comprising the Project. Based on a Bond size of approximately \$15,940,000 at an assumed interest rate of 5.50% the estimated annual debt service on the Special Assessment Bonds will be approximately \$1,096,920 which has <u>not</u> been grossed up to include the 1% County Tax Collector fee, 1% County Property Appraiser fee, and 4% discount for early payment of taxes.

To ensure that each residential unit is assessed no more than their pro-rata amount of the annual non-ad valorem assessments shown herein on **Table F**, the District will be required to perform a "True-Up" analysis, which requires a computation at the time of submission of each plat or re-plat to determine the potential remaining Equivalent Residential Units (ERU). The District shall, at the time a plat or re-plat is submitted to the County:

- **A**. Assume that the total number of ERUs, within each parcel, utilized as a basis for this assessment methodology is as described in Table 1 ("Total Assessable ERUs").
- **A.** Ascertain the number of assessable ERUs, within each parcel, in the proposed plat or replat and all prior plats ("Planned Assessable ERUs").
- **B.** Ascertain the current amount of potential remaining ERUs within each Parcel that has not yet been platted ("Remaining Assessable ERUs").

If the Planned Assessable ERUs are equal to the Total Assessable ERUs, no action would be required at that time. However, if the sum of the Planned Assessable ERUs and the Remaining Assessable ERUs are less than the Total Assessable ERUs, the applicable landowner will be obligated by the District to remit to the District an amount of money sufficient to enable the District to retire an amount of Bonds, plus accrued interest, such that the amount of non-ad valorem assessments allocated to each Planned Assessable ERU does not exceed the amount of debt service that would have been allocated thereto, had the total number of Planned Assessable ERUs not changed from what is represented in **Table 1**. Conversely, if the Planned Assessable ERUs is greater than the Total Assessable ERUs, then

there will be a pro-rata decrease in the annual non-ad valorem assessments to all of the benefited properties.

All assessments levied run with the land. A determination of a true-up payment shall be based on the terms and provisions of this Master Report, the applicable supplemental methodology report and the applicable assessment resolutions. It is the responsibility of the landowner of record (other than endusers unaffiliated with the Landowner) to make any required true-up payments that are due. The District will not release any liens on the property for which true-up payments are due until provision for such payment has been satisfied.

### 8.0 PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT ROLL

When fully developed, the current site plan for the District will include the land uses in **Table 1**. Upon platting, a folio number will be assigned to each platted lot and an assessment roll will be created.

### 9.0 <u>ADDITIONAL STIPULATIONS</u>

Certain financing, development, and engineering data was provided by members of District staff, consultants and/or the Landowner. The allocation methodology described herein was based on information provided by those professionals. Special District Services, Inc. makes no representations regarding said information beyond restatement of the factual information necessary for compilation of this report.

Special District Services, Inc. does not represent the Corkscrew Crossing Community Development District as a Municipal Advisor or Securities Broker nor is Special District Services, Inc. registered to provide such services as described in Section 15B of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Similarly, Special District Services, Inc. does not provide the Corkscrew Crossing Community Development District with financial advisory services or offer investment advice in any form.

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### TABLE A

### **PROJECT COST ESTIMATES**

	TOTAL
WATER UTILITIES	\$ 2,229,444
SEWER UTILITIES	\$ 3,770,958
STORMWATER/DRAINAGE	\$ 4,395,211
PRESERVES/ CONSERVATION AREAS	\$ 986,169
ENGINEERING & SURVEY	\$ 619,520
CONTINGENCY COSTS	\$ 586,402
TOTAL	\$ 12,587,704

### **TABLE B**

### **BOND SIZING**

	BC	OND SIZING
Par Amount*	\$	15,940,000
Debt Service Reserve Fund (DSRF) <sup>1</sup>	\$	(1,096,920)
Capitalized Interest <sup>2</sup>	\$	(1,753,400)
Issuance Costs <sup>3</sup>	\$	(501,976)
<b>Construction Funds</b>	\$	12,587,704
Bond Interest Rate		5.50%
Principal Amortization Period (Years) *Subject to change at final bond pricing		30

- 1. DSRF based on 100% of MADS
- 2. Capitalized Interest represents 24 months of interest at 5.5%
- 3. Issuance Costs include underwriter discount

### TABLE C

### **ALLOCATION OF PROJECT COSTS**

Product	Number of Units by Type	ERU Factor*	Total ERUs*	Project Cost Allocation Per Type	Project Cost Allocation Per Unit*
SF - 50'	554	1.00	554.00	\$ 12,587,704	\$ 22,721
TOTAL	554	N/A	554.00	\$ 12,587,704	N/A

<sup>\*</sup>Rounded

### TABLE D

### **ALLOCATION OF BOND DEBT**

Product	Number of Units by Type	ERU Factor*	Total ERUs*	Bond Debt Allocation Per Unit Type*	Bond Debt Allocation Per Unit*
SF - 50'	554	1.00	554.00	\$ 15,940,000	\$ 28,773
TOTAL	554	N/A	554.00	\$ 15,940,000	N/A

<sup>\*</sup>Rounded

### **TABLE E**

### **CALCULATION OF ANNUAL DEBT SERVICE**

	2022 Series Bond Debt
1 Maximum Annual Debt Service	\$ 1,096,920.00
2 Maximum Annual Debt Service Assessment to be Collected	\$ 1,166,936.17
3 Total Number of Gross Acres	395.60
4 Maximum Annual Debt Service per Gross Acre	\$2,949.79
5 Total Number of Residential Units Planned	554
6 Maximum Annual Debt Service per Unit Type	See Table F

<sup>\*</sup>Grossed up to include 1% collection fee of the County Tax Collector, 1% service fee of the County Property Appraiser and 4% for early payment of taxes.

### TABLE F

### ALLOCATION OF DEBT SERIVCE ASSESSMENTS

Product	Number of Units by Type	ERU Factor*	Total ERUs*	**Maximum Annual Debt Assessment Per Unit Type*	**Maximum Annual Debt Assessment Per Unit*
SF - 50'	554	1.00	554.00	\$ 1,166,936	\$ 2,106
TOTAL	554	N/A	554.00	\$ 1,166,936	N/A

<sup>\*</sup>Rounded

<sup>\*\*</sup>Grossed up to include 1% collection fee of the County Tax Collector, 1% service fee of the County Property Appraiser and 4% for early payment of taxes.

Folio ID#'s and/or Parcel Plat Description	Developable Acreage by Parcel	**Maximum Annual Debt Assessment Per Acre*	Par Debt Per Acre	Total Par Debt
Gross Acreage	395.60	\$ 2,949.79	\$ 40,293.23	\$ 15,940,000
TOTALS		N/A	N/A	\$ 15,940,000

<sup>\*</sup>Rounded

<sup>\*\*</sup>Grossed up to include 1% collection fee of the County Tax Collector, 1% service fee of the County Property Appraiser and 4% for early payment of taxes.

#### LEGAL DESCRIPTION

A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN SECTIONS 19, 30 AND 31, TOWNSHIP 46 SOUTH, RANGE 26 EAST, LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 46 SOUTH, RANGE 26 EAST, LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 31 SOUTH 89"16"01" WEST, A DISTANCE OF 2,632.34 FEET TO A POINT ON THE WEST LINE OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 31; THENCE ALONG SAID WEST LINE NORTH 00°33'14" WEST, A DISTANCE OF 2,654.44 FEET TO A POINT ON THE SOUTH LINE OF WILDCAT RUN, PLAT BOOK 36, PAGES 30 THROUGH 43, LEE COUNTY FLORIDA; THENCE ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE NORTH 89"25"55" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 1,316.52 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF WILDCAT RUN, PLAT BOOK 36, PAGES 30 THROUGH 43, LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE ALONG THE EAST LINE OF WILDCAT RUN, PLAT BOOK 36, PAGES 30 THROUGH 43, LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA FOR THE FOLLOWING TWO (2) COURSES AND DISTANCES; NORTH 00°33'07" WEST, A DISTANCE OF 2,647.49 FEET; THENCE NORTH 01"12'26" WEST, A DISTANCE OF 4,789.01 FEET; THENCE NORTH 61'46'42" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 1,480.55 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF PRESERVE AT CORKSCREW, INSTRUMENT #2012000094503, LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE ALONG THE WEST LINE OF PRESERVE AT CORKSCREW, INSTRUMENT #2012000094503, LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA SOUTH 0110'12" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 190.04 FEET; THENCE CONTINUE ALONG SAID WEST LINE SOUTH 011125" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 5284.15 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF PRESERVE AT CORKSCREW, INSTRUMENT #2012000094503, LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND ALSO BEING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF BELLA TERRA UNIT TWO, PLAT BOOK 81, PAGES 1 THROUGH 36, LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE ALONG SAID WEST LINE FOR THE REMAINING COURSES AND DISTANCES SOUTH 00°32'05" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 2,649.60 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00°32'13" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 2,646.76 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

PROPERTY CONTAINING 395.6 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

#### Miscellaneous Notices

Published in The News-Press on October 11, 2022

#### Location

Lee County,

#### **Notice Text**

NOTICE OF RULE DEVELOPMENT BY THE CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT In accord with Chapters 120 and 190, Florida Statutes, the Corkscrew Crossing 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 (2022). 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 (2022). A copy of the proposed Rules of Procedure may be obtained by contacting the District Manager, at Special District Services, Inc., 2501A Burns Road, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410, 561-630-4922. Kathleen Meneely, District Manager CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT www.corkscrewcrossingcdd.org AD#5439146 Oct. 11, 2022

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#### Miscellaneous Notices

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#### Location

Lee County,

#### **Notice Text**

NOTICE OF RULEMAKING REGARDING THE RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT A public hearing will be conducted by the Board of Supervisors of the Corkscrew Crossing Community Development District ("District") on November 10, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. at the Valencia Bonita Clubhouse, 16621 Valencia Bonita Blvd., Bonita Springs, Florida 34135. In accord with Chapters 120 and 190, Florida Statutes, the District hereby gives the public notice of its intent to adopt its proposed Rules of Procedure. The purpose and effect of the proposed Rules of Procedure is to provide for efficient and effective District operations and to ensure compliance with recent changes to Florida law. Prior notice of rule development was published in the Fort Myers News-Press on October 11, 2022. The Rules of Procedure may 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. Specific legal authority for the adoption of the proposed Rules of Procedure includes Sections 190.011(5), 190.011(15) and 190.035, Florida Statutes (2022). 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 (2022). A copy of the proposed Rules of Procedure may be obtained by contacting the District Manager's Office at Special District Services, Inc., 2501A Burns Road, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410, 561-630-4922. Any person who wishes to provide the District with a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative as provided by Section 120.541(1), Florida Statutes, must do so in writing within twenty one (21) days after publication of this notice to the District Manager's Office. This public hearing may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the hearing without additional notice. If anyone chooses to appeal any decision of the Board with respect to any matter considered at a public hearing, such person will need a record of the proceedings and should accordingly ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made which includes the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based. At the hearing, staff or Supervisors may participate in the public hearing by speaker telephone. Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Manager's Office at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8771 or 1 800-955-8770 for aid in contacting the District Office. Kathleen Meneely, District Manager CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT www.corkscrewcrossingcdd.org AD#5441452 10/12/2022

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#### **RESOLUTION 2022-35**

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

WHEREAS, Corkscrew Crossing 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 CORKSCREW CROSSING 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2022.

DEVELOPINIENT DISTRICT		
Chair/Vice Chair, Board of Supervisors		
	DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT	

**Exhibit A:** Rules of Procedure

# RULES OF PROCEDURE CORKSCREW CROSSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

## **EFFECTIVE AS OF OCTOBER 13, 2022**

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#### Rule 1.0 General.

- (1) The Corkscrew Crossing Community Development District (the "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 (the "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 (the "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) <u>Officers.</u> 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) <u>Record Book.</u> 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) Meetings. 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 required by statute or these Rules, at least seven (7) days, but no more than thirty (30) 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. "General circulation" means a publication that is printed and published at least once a week for the preceding year, offering at least 25% of its words in the English language, qualifies as a periodicals material for postal purposes in the county in which the District is located, is for sale to the public generally, is available to the public generally for the publication of official or other notices, and is customarily containing information of a public character or of interest or of value to the residents or owners of property in the county where published, or of interest or of value to the general public. The annual meeting notice required to be published by Section 189.015 of the Florida Statutes, shall be published in a newspaper not of limited subject matter, which is published at least five days a week, unless the only newspaper in the county is published less than five days a week. 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."
- (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 Vice-Chairperson, shall prepare an agenda 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) <u>Public Comment.</u> 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) <u>Security and Firesafety Board Discussions</u>. 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: §§ 189.069(2)(a)16, 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) <u>Notice of Rule Development.</u>

- (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.
- (7) Hearing. The District may, or, upon the written request of any affected person 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) Negotiated Rulemaking. 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) <u>Petitions to Challenge Existing Rules.</u>

- (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) <u>Rates, Fees, Rentals and Other Charges.</u> 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, designbuild 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) Definitions.

- (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.
- (l) "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) <u>Competitive Selection.</u>

- (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) <u>Competitive Negotiation.</u>

- (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) <u>Establishment of Auditor Selection Committee.</u> 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) <u>Establishment of Minimum Qualifications and Evaluation Criteria.</u> 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) Board Selection of Auditor.

- (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) Notice of Award. 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) <u>Scope.</u> 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.
  - 1. 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.

- 2. 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.
- 6. 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) <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 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) <u>Purpose and Scope.</u> 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 pre-qualified 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) <u>Renewal.</u> 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) <u>Renewal.</u> 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) <u>Filing.</u>

- With respect to a protest regarding qualifications, specifications, (a) 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) Formal Proceeding. 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.
- 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 October 13, 2022, 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.