

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**MARCH 10, 2026**

A Regular Meeting was held at the Murdock Administration Complex in Commission Chambers; Room 119, Port Charlotte, Florida.

The following members were present: Chair Tiseo, Commissioner Constance, Commissioner Deutsch, Commissioner Doherty, and Commissioner Truex. Also in attendance were: County Administrator Flores, County Attorney David (arrived at 9:17 am), Deputy County Attorney Pruitt (departed at 9:17 am), Internal Audit Director Dan Revallo, and Minutes Clerk Gerace. The following members were absent: None.

**The Meeting was called to order at 9:00 am**

The Invocation was given by **Commissioner Constance**, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Changes to the Agenda**

**Change #1:** S-1, Added attachment – Revised HHR Update and Loan Authorization Presentation.

Requested by: Human Services

**COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE MOVED TO APPROVE CHANGES TO THE AGENDA, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TRUEX**

**MOTION CARRIED 5:0.**

**Proclamations - Commissioner Bill Truex**

**COMMISSIONER DOHERTY MOVED TO APPROVE THE PROCLAMATIONS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DEUTSCH**

**MOTION CARRIED 5:0.**

**Artist of the Month**

Thelma Daida accepted the Proclamation.

**50th Anniversary of the Charlotte County Genealogical Society**

Carolann Palm-Abramoff, Charlotte County Genealogical Society President accepted the Proclamation.

**International Grant Professionals Day**

Projects Manager April Santos, Financial Manager Zinnia Vargas, and Disaster Recovery Manager James Gentile accepted the Proclamation.

**Florida Government Finance Professionals Week**

Richard Arthur, Fiscal Services Manager accepted the Proclamation.

**National Nutrition Month**

Proclamation to be mailed to Alison Duffey.

## Employee Recognition

### Years of Service - February 2026

**5 Years:** Jenny Shao, Facilities Management; Brett Carroll, Community Development; Michaela Arreola, Utilities; Lawrence Axton, Utilities; **10 Years:** Vincent Lockhart, Utilities; Richard Nelson, Utilities; Heidi Maddox, Transit; Kelly Smith, Utilities; Robert W. Weaver, Public Works; Wyatt Hoffman, Budget & Admin Services, IT; **20 Years:** Kimberly Chamberlain, Budget & Admin Services, Purchasing; Lacey Solomon, Community Services; and **30 Years:** David Cain, Utilities.

## Award Presentations

### PUBLIC INPUT - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Captain Marian Schneider discussed Joint Meeting with Lee County Board of County Commissioners.

Robin Wilkins, Open Shores of Southwest Florida, Inc. mentioned Joint Meeting with Lee County Board of County Commissioners.

Skip Wilkins commented on Joint Meeting with Lee County Board of County Commissioners.

Rita Kitenplan noted Joint Meeting with Lee County Board of County Commissioners.

### COMMITTEE VACANCIES

The committee vacancy list below is for informational purposes only. It is not part of the County Commission agenda upon which action is to be taken, and therefore not a topic on which public input is allowed at the beginning of this meeting.

The **Construction Industry Licensing Board** is seeking a volunteer to fill an unexpired term representing the electrical contractor category. Volunteer must have an active electrical contractor's license and be a resident of Charlotte County for at least two years. Length of term is until March 26, 2028. To obtain an application, please contact Diane Whidden at 941-743-1298 or via email at [Diane.Whidden@CharlotteCountyFL.gov](mailto:Diane.Whidden@CharlotteCountyFL.gov).

**Construction Industry Licensing Board** is seeking one volunteer to represent the "consumer advocate" category. Volunteer must be a resident of Charlotte County for at least two years and have no financial interest, direct or indirect, in the building trades. Length of term is four years. To obtain an application, please call 941-743-1298 or email [Diane.Whidden@CharlotteCountyFL.gov](mailto:Diane.Whidden@CharlotteCountyFL.gov).

The **Beaches and Shores Advisory Committee** is seeking a volunteer to fill the vacancy of the District 4 Representative. The applicant must be a resident of Charlotte County and reside within the boundaries of District 4. The term will be effective immediately upon approval and expire December 31, 2029. This position will remain open until it is filled. To obtain an application send an email to [Claudia.Mayo@charlottecountyfl.gov](mailto:Claudia.Mayo@charlottecountyfl.gov).

The following **MSBU/TU Advisory Boards** are seeking volunteers who must be both a property owner within and reside within the Unit. Submit applications to Public Works Department, 7000 Florida Street, Punta Gorda, Florida 33950; call 941-575-3600 or e-mail [MSBU-TU@CharlotteCountyFL.gov](mailto:MSBU-TU@CharlotteCountyFL.gov).

**Boca Grande Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2026, and one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2028.

- **Cook & Brown Street Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2026, and two members to fill positions with terms through October 31, 2027 and two members to fill positions with terms through October 31, 2028.
- **Gardens of Gulf Cove Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2027, and one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2028.
- **Greater Port Charlotte Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2026.
- **Gulf Cove Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2028.
- **Gulf Cove Waterway Benefit Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2026, and one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2028.
- **Harbour Heights Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2027, and two members to fill positions with terms through October 31, 2028.
- **Manasota Key Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking two members to fill positions with terms through October 31, 2028.
- **Manchester Waterway Benefit Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2027, and one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2028.
- **Mid-Charlotte Stormwater Utility Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2028.
- **Northwest Port Charlotte Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2028.
- **Northwest Port Charlotte Waterway Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2026.
- **Pirate Harbor Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2028.
- **Pirate Harbor Waterway Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2027.
- **Placida Area Street & Drainage Maintenance Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2028.
- **Rotonda Heights Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2028.
- **Rotonda Lakes Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2028.
- **Rotonda Sands Street & Drainage Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2028.
- **South Charlotte Stormwater Utility Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2027.
- **Suncoast Waterway Maintenance Unit** is seeking one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2026, and one member to fill a position with a term through October 31, 2028.

**Barrier Island Fire Service Municipal Service Benefit Unit (MSBU) Advisory Board** is seeking a volunteer to fill a vacant position with term ending October 31, 2026. Applicants must be residents of Charlotte County and reside within the Unit.

Submit applications to Public Safety Department, 26571 Airport Road, Punta Gorda, Florida 33982; call 941-833-5602 or email Dawn.Johnston@CharlotteCountyFL.gov.

The Charlotte County-Punta Gorda Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is accepting applications for the following volunteer positions:

**Citizens' Advisory Committee (CAC) - one South County Representative.** The CAC reviews and makes recommendations on transportation plans and projects for MPO Board consideration.

**Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) - one West County Representative (applicant must reside West of the Myakka River.** The BPAC reviews and makes recommendations on transportation plans and projects for MPO Board consideration.

**Charlotte County Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board (LCB)** is seeking one volunteer representing the **Economically Disadvantaged** (rule: "A person who is recognized by the Florida Association for Community Action (President), representing the economically disadvantaged in the county."); and one **experienced representative of the local private for-profit transportation industry**. The LCB identifies local service needs and to provide guidance to the Community Transportation Coordinator on services for the transportation disadvantaged.

**Application deadline:** Friday, March 20, 2026. Apply online at [www.ccpmpo.gov](http://www.ccpmpo.gov) or contact the MPO for an application. Address: Charlotte County-Punta Gorda MPO, 1050 Loveland Blvd. Box C, Port Charlotte, FL 33980; Email: [office@ccpmpo.gov](mailto:office@ccpmpo.gov). The MPO Board will elect members at its **Monday, March 30, 2026** Meeting.

#### REPORTS RECEIVED AND FILED

#### CONSENT AGENDA

**Commissioner Constance** spoke to Appointment - Affordable Housing Advisory Committee, Amendment 2 to Contract # 11-278 and Site Lease for Biosolids Management and Recycling Agreement, and Adoption of Fiscal Sustainability Plan for East Port Water Reclamation Facility Expansion.

**COMMISSIONER TRUEX MOVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DOHERTY**

**MOTION WITHDRAWN**

**COMMISSIONER DOHERTY MOVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA WITH THE EXCEPTION OF E-1, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE**

**MOTION CARRIED 5:0.**

#### Clerk of the Circuit Court

##### **A. Comptroller Division**

##### 1. Finance

**Recommended Action:** Approve the Clerk's Finance Memorandum.

**Budgeted Action:** No action needed.

##### **B. Minutes Division**

1. Minutes

**Recommended Action:** Approve the following Minutes:

February 19, 2026 BCC Pre Agenda  
February 25, 2026 BCC Regular and Land Use Meeting

**Budgeted Action:** No action needed.

Board of County Commissioners

**C. Commission Office**

1. Appointment - Gulf Cove Waterway Advisory Board

**Recommended Action:** Approve the new appointment of Aubrey Lowry to fill a vacant position on the Gulf Cove Waterway Advisory Board. This appointment will be effective immediately and will expire on October 31, 2028.

**Budgeted Action:** No action needed.

2. Appointment - Gulf Cove Waterway Advisory Board

**Recommended Action:** Approve the appointment of Donald Hair to fill the unexpired term of Donna Draus on the Gulf Cove Waterway Advisory Board. This appointment will be effective immediately and will expire on October 31, 2028.

**Budgeted Action:** No action needed.

3. Appointment - Harbour Heights Street & Drainage Advisory Board

**Recommended Action:** Approve the new appointment of Alan Pike to fill the unexpired term of Brian Fiegal on the Harbour Heights Street & Drainage Advisory Board. This appointment will be effective immediately and will expire on October 31, 2027.

**Budgeted Action:** No action needed.

4. Appointment - Affordable Housing Advisory Committee

**Recommended Action:** Approve the new appointment of Steve Vieira to the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee as a representative of the Planning and Zoning Board. The term begins immediately and will expire on December 31, 2028.

**Budgeted Action:** No action needed.

5. Reappointment - Northwest Port Charlotte Waterway Advisory Board

**Recommended Action:** Approve the reappointment of Shawn Joannes to the Northwest Port Charlotte Waterway Advisory Board. This appointment will be effective immediately and will expire on October 31, 2026.

**Budgeted Action:** No action needed.

6. Reappointment - Gulf Cove Street & Drainage Advisory Board

**Recommended Action:** Approve the reappointment of Shirley Slaughter to the Gulf Cove Street & Drainage Advisory Board. This appointment will be effective immediately and will expire on October 31, 2028.

**Budgeted Action:** No action needed.

7. Reappointment - Construction Industry Licensing Board

**Recommended Action:** Reappointment of Michael LaPorta to the Construction Industry Licensing Board representing the consumer advocate category. Length of term is until March 11, 2030.

**Budgeted Action:** No action needed.

**D. County Administration**

**E. County Attorney**

1. Joint Meeting with Lee County Board of County Commissioners

**Recommended Action:** Approve Resolution scheduling a Joint Public Meeting with the Lee County Board of County Commissioners at 9:00 a.m. on April 27, 2026, pursuant to Section 164.1055, Florida Statutes. RES 2026-052

**Budgeted Action:** No action needed.

Chair Tiseo discussed statutory process and timeline, state representative involvement, Joint Meeting with Lee County Board of County Commissioners, Boca Grande parking challenges and signage, and public correspondence and documentation. Commissioner Truex mentioned Representatives Vanessa Oliver and Danny Nix and statutory process.

**COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2026-052 SCHEDULING A JOINT PUBLIC MEETING WITH THE LEE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AT 9:00 A.M. ON APRIL 27, 2026, PURSUANT TO SECTION 164.1055, FLORIDA STATUTES, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DEUTSCH**

**MOTION CARRIED 5:0.**

2. Crime Stoppers Program

**Recommended Action:** Approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the attached corrected Letter of Agreement with Southwest Florida Crime Stoppers Program, Inc. designating them as the County's agent for receiving funds from the State Crime Stoppers Trust Fund pursuant to Section 16.555(5)(b), F.S., and Rule 2A-9.002 (2) F.A.C. **A.AGR 2026-005**

**Budgeted Action:** No action needed.

**F. Budget and Administrative Services**

Fiscal Services

Information Technology

Purchasing

1. 26-310, Award, Piggyback, Sewer Vacuum Truck (Utilities)

**Recommended Action:** a) Approve award of Piggyback purchase, File #26-310, for the purchase of a Sewer Vacuum Truck on the Sourcewell Contract 101221-GPV from Evervac Equipment, LLC of Winter Haven, Florida for the amount of \$644,159.86; and b) Authorize asset #35704 to be sold at auction; and c) Approve resolution for budget adjustment BA26-233 in the amount of \$644,160; and d) Approve amending Heavy Equipment Replacement Capital Maintenance Plan increasing the total budget from \$15,228,592 to \$15,872,752. RES 2026-053

**Budgeted Action:** Approve budget adjustment BA26-233 in the amount of \$644,160 amending the FY26 budget for the Heavy Equipment Replacement Capital Maintenance Plan from \$15,228,592 to 15,872,752. Additional funding is needed in FY26 to advance the replacement of an inoperable vacuum tank. Funding is supplied from Utility Rate Fees.

2. 26-189, Approve Ranking, Emergency Operations Center Facility Emergency Food Catering - Annual Contract (Emergency Operations)

**Recommended Action:** a) Approve ranking of firms for Request for Proposal #26-189, Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Facility Emergency Food Catering - Annual Contract: 1st: Mattison's 41, of Sarasota, Florida, 2nd: Cotton Commercial USA, Inc., of Katy, Texas; and b) Approve start of negotiations; and c) Authorize the Chairman to sign the Contract after completion of negotiations.

**Budgeted Action:** No action needed. The potential expense for this contract would only occur if there was an emergency or disaster event and will be submitted to FEMA for reimbursement if applicable.

3. 25-505, Approve Change Orders #1, 2, and 3, Hansen CIS SaaS Software Cloud (Utilities)

**Recommended Action:** Approve award of Change Orders #1, 2, and 3 for File #25-505, Hansen CIS SaaS Software Cloud Agreement, to Hansen Banner, LLC of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania in the amount of \$55,200 for the additional services required for the Cityworks integration.

**Budgeted Action:** No action needed. Budgeted in the Capital Improvement Project "CCU Business Services Customer Billing" as approved in the FY26 budget process. Funding will be supplied from the Utility Operations & Maintenance Fund.

4. 23-654, Cancel, Advanced Metering Infrastructure System Assessment Study (Utilities)

**Recommended Action:** Approve the cancellation of Contract #23-654, Advanced Metering Infrastructure System Assessment Study with E Source Companies, LLC.

**Budgeted Action:** No action needed

5. 25-188, Amendment of Contract, Inspection and Condition Assessment for Wastewater System Pipelines, Manholes and Force Mains (Utilities)

**Recommended Action:** a) Approve the amended contract for Request for Proposal #25-188, Inspection and Condition Assessment for Wastewater System Pipelines, Manholes and Force Mains, with Mead & Hunt of Fort Myers, Florida; and b) Authorize the Chairman to sign.

**Budgeted Action:** No action needed. Budgeted in the Utilities Operations and Maintenance Fund - Operations budget as approved in the FY2026 budget process. Funding for this expenditure comes from rate revenues.

6. Property Deletions for the Month of March 2026 (Purchasing)

**Recommended Action:** Approve the deletion of additional property inventory items listed on the attached for the month of March 2026.

**Budgeted Action:** No action needed.

**Real Estate Services**

**Risk Management**

**G. Community Development**

**H. Community Services**

**I. Economic Development**

**J. Emergency Management**

**K. Facilities Management**

**L. Human Services**

**1. Local Housing Assistance Plan (LHAP) Technical Revisions**

**Recommended Action:** a) Approve a Resolution adopting the LHAP technical revisions; and b) Authorize the Chairman to execute the Resolution and Certification form to Florida Housing Finance Corporation. **RES 2026-054**

**Budgeted Action:** No action needed.

**M. People Operations**

**N. Public Safety**

**O. Public Works**

**1. Amendment 2 to Contract # 11-278 and Site Lease for Biosolids Management and Recycling Agreement**

**Recommended Action:** a) Approve Amendment 2 to Contract # 11-278 between Charlotte County and Charlotte County Bio-Recycling Center, LLC for Biosolids Management and Recycling; and b) Approve Amendment 2 to Site Lease Agreement between Charlotte County and Charlotte County Bio-Recycling Center, LLC; and c) Authorize the Chairman to sign.

**Budgeted Action:** No action needed.

**P. Tourism Development**

**Q. Utilities**

**1. Adoption of Fiscal Sustainability Plan for East Port Water Reclamation Facility Expansion**

**Recommended Action:** a) Approve Resolution adopting the East Port Water Reclamation Facility Expansion Capital Project Fiscal Sustainability Plan (FSP) for inclusion into the County's Capital Maintenance Programs; and b) Authorize the Chairman to execute the Resolution. **RES 2026-055**

**Budgeted Action:** No action needed. The FSP is a documentary obligation of East Port Water Reclamation Facility Expansion Florida Department of Environmental Protection's (FDEP) Loan Agreement and currently has no funding requirements. Any future funding requirements will be incorporated into the County's Capital Maintenance Program.

2. Amendment 1 to State Revolving Fund Loan Agreement DW0802L0

**Recommended Action:** a) Approve Amendment 1 State Revolving Fund Loan Agreement DW0802L0 between Charlotte County and the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) for the South County Improvements; and b) Authorize the Chairman to sign Amendment 1. **A.AGR 2024-200**

**Budgeted Action:** No action needed. Budgeted in Capital Improvement Project "South County Utility Infrastructure Improvements" as approved in the FY26 budget process. This amendment does not have a financial impact to the project.

**R. Other Agencies**

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**S. Regular Agenda**

1. Hurricane Housing Recovery Program Update and Loan Authorization

**Human Services**

**(Change #1)** Added attachment – Revised HHR Update and Loan Authorization Presentation.

a) Approve a Hurricane Housing Recovery (HHR) Non-profit/Low-income/Special Needs Rental Rehabilitation loan for Presbyterian Homes of Port Charlotte (PHPC) in the amount of \$2,500,000; and b) Approve a Hurricane Housing Recovery (HHR) Multi-family Construction loan for Sovereign at Parkside East in the amount of \$400,000; and c) Approve a Hurricane Housing Recovery (HHR) Multi-family Construction loan for Sovereign at Harbor West in the amount of \$400,000; and d) Approve a Hurricane Housing Recovery (HHR) Non-profit/Low-income/Special Needs Rental Rehabilitation loan for Vincentian Villas I in the amount of \$800,000; and e) Approve a Hurricane Housing Recovery (HHR) Non-profit/Low-income/Special Needs Rental Rehabilitation loan for Vincentian Villas II in the amount of \$800,000.

Colleen Turner, Human Services Manager gave a brief overview of Hurricane Housing Recovery (HHR) Program, HHR23 Overview, HHR23 Plan, HHR23 Strategies – Individual Assistance, Rental Rehab/Construction, Presbyterian Homes Port Charlotte, Sovereign at Parkside East and Harbor West, Vincentian Villas I/II – St. Vincent de Paul Cares, Requested Action, responded to Land Use Restriction Agreement (LURA) requirements, fund sources, Request for Applications (RFA), secured financing, provided services, hurricane hardening costs, and location concerns.

Chair Tiseo commented on Presbyterian Homes Port Charlotte, loan structure, unit and construction costs, project partnerships, and affordable housing. **Commissioner Constance** spoke to Presbyterian Homes Port Charlotte, location, County contribution percentage, Sovereign at Parkside East and Harbor West, funding requests, and cost increases. **Commissioner Deutsch** noted program criteria, funding structure, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessible unit construction costs, and affordability. **Commissioner Doherty** discussed County contributions and total units.

**COMMISSIONER DOHERTY MOVED TO APPROVE A HURRICANE HOUSING RECOVERY (HHR) NON-PROFIT/LOW-INCOME/SPECIAL NEEDS RENTAL REHABILITATION LOAN FOR PRESBYTERIAN HOMES OF PORT CHARLOTTE (PHPC) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,500,000; AND B) APPROVE A HURRICANE HOUSING RECOVERY (HHR) MULTI-FAMILY CONSTRUCTION LOAN FOR SOVEREIGN AT PARKSIDE EAST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$400,000; AND C) APPROVE A HURRICANE HOUSING RECOVERY (HHR) MULTI-FAMILY CONSTRUCTION LOAN FOR SOVEREIGN AT HARBOR WEST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$400,000; AND D) APPROVE A HURRICANE HOUSING RECOVERY (HHR) NON-PROFIT/LOW-**

**INCOME/SPECIAL NEEDS RENTAL REHABILITATION LOAN FOR VINCENTIAN VILLAS I IN THE AMOUNT OF \$800,000; AND  
E) APPROVE A HURRICANE HOUSING RECOVERY (HHR) NON-PROFIT/LOW-INCOME/SPECIAL NEEDS RENTAL  
REHABILITATION LOAN FOR VINCENTIAN VILLAS II IN THE AMOUNT OF \$800,000, SECONDED BY CHAIR TISEO**

**MOTION CARRIED 5:0.**

**Taken Out of Order**

**PUBLIC INPUT - ANY SUBJECT**

Jack Vanderhayden mentioned Beaches and Shores Advisory Committee and Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meetings, Port Charlotte Beach Park bathroom facilities, parking citations, and dog prohibition signage and enforcement methods.

Tyler Right commented on Gulf Cove, trash buildup, Waste Management, natural beauty, Hurricane Housing Recovery Program Update and Loan Authorization, unit and development costs, citizen survey questions, beach access limitations, and environmental and water quality construction impacts.

United States Air Force Retired Colonel Mary Ann Tipton spoke to TCP-24-04 Revisions to Rural Settlement Area Overlay District (RSAOD) transmittal, Pulte Group, RSAOD Illustrative Site Exhibit, December 9, 2025 Regular and Land Use Meeting, proposed density increase, public records request, Principal Planner Jie Shao correspondence, Smart Charlotte 2050 Planning Framework, and Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA) recommendation.

Brad Wade noted Rotonda West proposed affordable housing development impacts and concerns, commercial tourism and zoning, and roadway designs.

Kim Kitko, Homeowners Against Landfill Odor (HALO) remarked on February 25, 2026 Regular and Land Use Meeting, SLD Landfill violations, Florida Department of Environment Protection (FDEP) Consent Decree and Consent Order process, community partner collaboration, City of Bushnell actions, public safety, life quality, and requested support letter.

**PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA**

**T. 10:00 A.M. Public Hearing or soon thereafter, as the agenda allows.**

**1. Amend the Ordinance Governing the Environmentally Sensitive Lands Oversight Committee.**

**Recommended Action:** Conduct a public hearing to consider amending the ordinance to remove the requirement that the board appoints a member of the board to be a liaison to the committee. **ORD 2026-010**

**Budgeted Action:** No action needed.

Tommy Scott, Community Services Director highlighted Amend the Ordinance Governing the Environmentally Sensitive Lands Oversight Committee and replied to amendment purpose.

Chair Tiseo discussed committee meeting attendance. **Commissioner Constance** mentioned committee meeting attendance and participation impacts. **Commissioner Deutsch** commented on purpose and committee meeting attendance benefit. **Commissioner Doherty** spoke to Parks and Recreation Advisory Board attendance and input opportunity.

**Public Hearing**

COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE MOVED TO CLOSE PUBLIC INPUT, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DOHERTY

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE MOVED TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 2026-010 OF THE BOARD OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 3-5 OF THE CODE OF LAWS AND ORDINANCES OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA: PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT, BY REVISING ARTICLE XVII: ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE LANDS PROTECTION, SECTION 3-5-381: ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE LANDS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE; TO DELETE THE REQUIREMENT OF A BOARD MEMBER OF THE CHARLOTTE COUNTY COMMISSION TO SERVE AS A LIAISON TO THE ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE LANDS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE; APPLICANT, BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT WITH OTHER ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DOHERTY

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

#### PRESENTATION AGENDA

U. 10:00 A.M. Presentation or soon thereafter, as the agenda allows.

##### AA. County Administrator Comments

County Administrator Flores noted March 11, 2026 GC Herring Park Phase 1 Groundbreaking ceremony and improvements.

##### BB. County Attorney Comments - None

##### CC. Economic Development Director Comments - None

##### DD. County Commissioner Comments

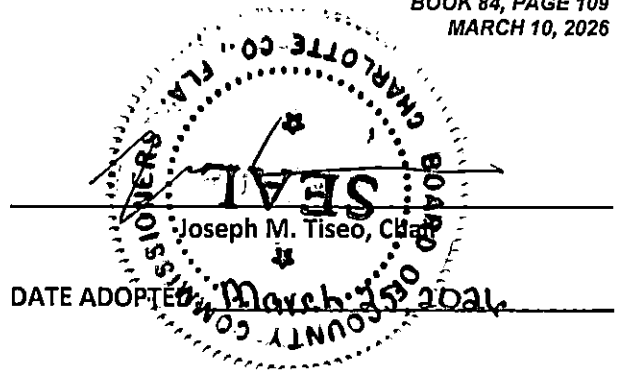
Chair Tiseo discussed Port Charlotte Beach Park and Complex construction, restroom facilities, SLD Landfill location, Lee County, approved developments, HALO requested support letter, FDEP authority and enforcement, Consent Order, environmental protections, timetable, trash buildup, illegal dumping enforcement, Waste Management service levels, dog prohibition enforcement, and public safety. Commissioner Constance mentioned public attendance and input, dog prohibition enforcement, safety concerns, beach facilities map, HALO requested support letter, Lee County, SLD Landfill odor pollution, environmental and wildlife impacts, timeframe, March 25, 2026 Regular and Land Use Meeting, US 41 and Retta Esplanade Intersection signalization timeline and accidents, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), Florida Power & Light (FPL) permit process, City of Punta Gorda, contractor workloads, Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), and public safety. Commissioner Deutsch commented on regulations, pending legislation, March 11, 2026 GC Herring Park Phase 1 Groundbreaking, Army Corps of Engineers, project costs and impacts, Waste Management service levels, and locations. Commissioner Doherty noted support letter, technical data, FDEP authority and enforcement timetable, authorization, and FPL Local Government Liaison Charlotte Miller. Commissioner Truex spoke to Lee County, FDEP, expedited enforcement process, requested support letter, environmental impacts, FPL project process and timeline impacts, contractors, public safety, Property Tax Reform, pending legislation, trash buildup locations and contents, and Code Enforcement.

County Attorney David interjected on support letter and Board approval.

COMMISSIONER DEUTSCH MOVED TO APPROVE DRAFTING A SUPPORT LETTER TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (FDEP) REGARDING THE SLD LANDFILL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DOHERTY

MOTION WITHDRAWN

ADJOURNED: 10:31 am



ATTEST:

ROGER D. EATON, CLERK  
OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND  
EX-OFFICIO OF THE BOARD  
OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

By: *Kimberly Allen*  
Deputy Clerk