



Bayshore Gateway Triangle CRA • Bayshore Beautification MSTU
Haldeman Creek MSTU

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AGENDA

Hybrid Virtual Zoom Advisory Committee Meeting

4870 Bayshore Drive FGCU Buehler Auditorium

April 3, 2024 - 5:00 PM

Chairman Maurice Gutierrez, Vice Chair George Douglas
Branimir Brankov, Susan Crum, James Cascone, Frank McCutcheon, Joann Talano,

- 1. Meeting Called to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance**
- 4. Public to be Heard (Non-Agenda Items)**
- 5. Adoption of Agenda Action Item**
- 6. Approval of Minutes**
 - a. Joint Meeting Minutes March 6, 2024 (Attachment 1) **Action Item**
- 7. Landscape Maintenance Report**
 - a. Armando Yzaguirre (Attachment 2)
 - b. MSTU Project Manager Maintenance Report –Tami Scott (Attachment 3)
- 8. Community / Business Presentations**
 - a. Danford Street Improvement Project Update, Road Maintenance Project Manager Chris Covert
 - b. Stormwater Improvement Project, Becca Pine and Weeks update Erik Montalvo Project Manager, Road Maintenance
- 9. Old Business**
- 10. New Business**
 - a. Mileage Neutral or Tax Neutral **Action Item**
 - b. Christmas Decorations Discussion
- 11. Staff Report**
 - a. Financials (Attachment 4)
- 12. Correspondence and Communication**
 - a. Homeless Camping Bill Article (Attachment 5)
 - b. Sidewalk to Shelter Article (Attachment 6)
- 13. Advisory Committee Comments**
- 14. Public Comments**

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15. Next Meeting Date

- a. May 8, 2024 @ 5:00pm

16. Adjournment



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Item 6a

March 6, 2024, Meeting Minutes

**COLLIER COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (CRA) BAYSHORE GATEWAY
TRIANGLE LOCAL REDEVELOPMENT ADVISORY BOARD**

AND

**BAYSHORE BEAUTIFICATION MSTU ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING,**

MARCH 6, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Chairwomen, Karen Beatty, and Chairman, Maurice Gutierrez, at 5:05 p.m.

- I. **Meeting Called to Order:** Meeting called to order by Karen Beatty and Maurice Gutierrez.
- II. **Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance:** Recited.
- III. **Roll Call:** Present: Karen Beatty, Al Schantzen, Kristin Hood, Kathi Kilburn, James Talano; Maurice Gutierrez, Frank McCutcheon, Joann Talono, Branimir Brankov; and James Cascone, sitting in as a guest.
- IV. **Participation by Board Members via Virtual Attendance:** Motion made by Maurice Gutierrez to accept George Douglas and Susan Crum via Zoom; seconded by Frank McCutcheon; approved unanimously.
- V. **Approval of Agenda:** Road Maintenance staff was unable to attend due to the earlier storm and flooding issues – cancel 8A. Motion made by Al Schantzen to adopt the revised agenda; seconded by Karen Beatty. Motion made by Maurice Gutierrez to adopt the revised agenda; seconded by Branimir Brankov. Approved unanimously.
- VI. **Meeting Minutes:** (1) Kristin Hood referred to the February 8 CRA meeting minutes under section IX Community Presentations (a) Pavorotti Foundation and asked that the name Donna McGinnis be removed. (2) Shirley Garcia provided clarification to the Boards regarding Columbia Essex that there was no vote taken however there was a consensus of no support for a rezone or any deviations (the height) for this project. Motion was made by Kathi Kilburn to accept the revised minutes; seconded by Al Schantzen. Motion was made by Branimir Brankov to accept the February 7 MSTU minutes as written; seconded by Frank McCutcheon. Approved unanimously.



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VII. Reports:

- a. **Sheriff's Office Patrol Report:** Sgt. Tuff – new reporting system and does not yet have the ability to look up the stats; Pine Street speed trailer sign up a month ago and have been doing weekly operations and are very present in the area; property agreement for the property across from Jackson, if the owners are not present and if transients are on the property we can move them along. Events: Coffee with a Cop every final Friday each month at the Wawa on Tamiami East; the women's shelter is running a little low on their food pantries and I reached out to the Army Recruitment Center and we will accept non-perishable food items; call the Women's Shelter and ask about whether you can drop there instead of at Wawa; St. Matthew's House – there is a connection with the Women's Center and they may need help or partner; a pilot program, the HOT team – Homeless Outreach Team – 2x/month, hinder the transient population but also help them out at the same time; we have CAT bus passes to give them as long as they have a residence to go to – working with St. Matthew's House.
- b. **Development Report by Laura DeJohn:** Attachment provided. Al Schantzen asked that a pickleball court be added to #9, the Columbia Sussex; there is a contentious issue with the neighbors. James Talano would like to add to a future agenda a presentation on the Live Local Act.
- c. **MSTU Landscape Monthly Maintenance and Financial Report by Tami Scott and Shirley Garcia:** Attachment provided. Tami Scott received a developer complaint (Kelly Road) about trees on his property that needed to be cut down. There were three canopy trees and one other tree was on his property. However, he was building on public realm. Board discussion ensued. This should be brought to someone's attention so that it doesn't happen again; staff may be interpreting the definition of a public realm incorrectly. Al Schantzen asked that Tami Scott draft a letter from the CRA to Development Services to (1) look at this property; and (2) the property behind it; I don't see any barrier or buffer, and no landscape plan for the 12 units. There are some rejected permits and some approved permits. He's doing way above the 50% rule. We need verification and oversight between the two properties. Tami Scott will give a draft copy to Karen Beatty. Landscaping has been renewed for another year at the same price.

VIII. Old Business:

- a. **2023 Annual Report Draft:** Copy provided to all Board members. Send any questions or input to Shirley Garcia.
- b. **Christmas Decorations Scope Discussion:** Combined budget, \$25,000 from CRA and \$25,000 from MSTU, for a total of \$50,000.



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X. Joint Projects/Priorities – 2024/2025:

- a. CRA & MSTU Priorities Spreadsheet.** Attachment provided. Short- and long-term priorities were added to the list but not in order by priority.

Will revisit short term priorities by the Board and send them to Ms. Garcia prior to the next meeting. (From the Strategic Planning Workshop)

XI. Staff Reports:

- a. CRA Financials:** Ms. Garcia provided the monthly financials and asked if anyone had any questions
- b. MSTU Financials:** Ms. Garcia provided the monthly financials and asked if anyone had any questions

Discussion of light poles being replaced and adding some outlets in some of the mediums. Avalon is not part of Bayshore Beautification. Shirley Garcia explained the movement of money process on the financials.

- c. Project Manager Maintenance Report:**
Tami Scott discussed on-going projects.

d. 17 Acre Boardwalk Project Report:

Tami Scott gave an update. The site will be able to use reclaimed instead of portable water. Documents have been approved; project has moved into the procurement process. Still on schedule – Summer of 2025 for a ribbon cutting. A glitch in the DEP review process. We submitted our project and permit to the DEP, Application 404, who is now being sued for reviewing these types of applications because they may not have the expertise to grant approval. We decided to put an application together, at \$100, the same package to the Army Corps of Engineers.

XII. Communications:

a. Code Enforcement:

John Johnson will try to clear up the paperwork/determination regarding the dumpster/enclosure on Shoreview and take whatever action. Sent the Board documents regarding Areca regarding four permits approved and another four declined – may have to do with the 50%. There is no site development or landscaping plans, etc. An issue on Cypress – the lots being split up – across from Celebration Park – they removed every tree. A violation was given; another



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violation also for a seawall/clearing the land. The developer did not have any permits.

- b. **360 Market Closing, new Seven South Craft Food:** An Article was attached to provide the community

XIII. Advisory Board General Communications: Discussion amongst the board members in regards to where staff is in regards to the placement of the Real Macaw Parrott? The County Manager needs to agree to place it and get the Board to approve it. (2) Radar on our MSTU's cost sharing for the three side streets south of Bayshore. Shirley Garcia will email the Board to give a deadline on giving her the priorities list.

XIV. Next Meeting Dates:

- a. CRA – Thursday, April 4, 2024, 6:00 p.m.
- b. MSTU – Wednesday, April 3, 2024, 5:00 p.m.

XV. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Chairwoman Karen Beatty

A&M PROPERTY MAINTENANCE- GENERAL MAINTENANCE REPORT

Bayshore Beautification MSTU Landscape & Irrigation Maintenance

Item 7a

Month of: March 2024

Work Area 1-North Bayshore Drive	Week #1	Week #2	Week #3	Week #4	Week #5
Mowing, Weeding & Edging	n/a	3/13/24	n/a	3/27/24	n/a
Trimming & Pruning	n/a	3/13/24	n/a	3/27/24	n/a
Pre & Post Cleaning	3/6/24	3/13/24	3/20/24	3/27/24	n/a
Irrigation Maintenance	3/6/24	3/13/24	3/20/24	3/27/24	n/a
Work Area 2-South Bayshore Drive	Week #1	Week #2	Week #3	Week #4	Week #5
Mowing, Weeding & Edging	n/a	3/13/24	n/a	3/27/24	n/a
Trimming & Pruning	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Pre & Post Cleaning	3/6/24	3/13/24	3/20/24	3/27/24	n/a
Work Area 3-Thommason Drive	Week #1	Week #2	Week #3	Week #4	Week #5
Mowing, Weeding & Edging	3/6/24	n/a	3/20/24	n/a	n/a
Trimming & Pruning	3/6/24	n/a	3/20/24	n/a	n/a
Pre & Post Cleaning	3/6/24	3/13/24	3/20/24	3/27/24	n/a
Irrigation Maintenance	3/6/24	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Work Area 4- Lunar Street ROW	Week #1	Week #2	Week #3	Week #4	Week #5
Mowing, Weeding & Edging	3/6/24	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Trimming & Pruning	n/a	3/13/24	n/a	n/a	n/a
Pre & Post Cleaning	3/6/24	3/13/24	n/a	n/a	n/a
Work Area 5- Bayview Drive	Week #1	Week #2	Week #3	Week #4	Week #5
Mowing, Weeding & Edging	3/6/24	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Trimming & Pruning	n/a	3/13/24	n/a	n/a	n/a
Pre & Post Cleaning	3/6/24	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Work Area 6- Community Parking Lot	Week #1	Week #2	Week #3	Week #4	Week #5
Mowing, Weeding & Edging	3/6/24	n/a	3/20/24	n/a	n/a
Trimming & Pruning	3/6/24	n/a	3/20/24	n/a	n/a
Pre & Post Cleaning	3/6/24	n/a	3/20/24	n/a	n/a
Irrigation Maintenance	3/6/24	n/a	3/20/24	n/a	n/a
Work Area 7- Hamilton to Bay ROW	Week #1	Week #2	Week #3	Week #4	Week #5
Mowing, Weeding & Edging	3/6/24	n/a	3/20/24	n/a	n/a
Trimming & Pruning	3/6/24	n/a	3/20/24	n/a	n/a
Pre & Post Cleaning	3/6/24	n/a	3/20/24	n/a	n/a
Additional services all Work Areas	Week #1	Week #2	Week #3	Week #4	Week #5
Ornamental Turf Spraying	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Fertilizer	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Mulch	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION/COMMENTS (plant/pest problems, site issues, recent traffic accidents, etc.)					
WORK COMPLETED THIS MONTH			WORK IN PROGRESS		
INV#BAYIN-048, EST#1478-Pressure Washing	\$	17,000.45			
INV#BAYINC-049, EST#1506-Cap Irrigation Lines	\$	750.00			
INV#BAYINC-050, EST#1507-Repair 3" main line break @ bridge	\$	750.00			
OPEN ESTIMATES; PENDING APPROVAL					
			EST#1503-Dune Daisies @ Roundabout	\$	434.00
			EST#1504-Dune Daisies @ Bridge	\$	2,340.00

INVOICE SUMMARY

BAYSHORE MSTU-MONTHLY SERVICES			
PO#4500226579		\$ 82,500.32	Landscape Maintenance
Invoice Date	Inv No	Amount	Description
10/31/23	CCBAY-025	\$ 6,330.14	October Maintenance
11/29/23	CCBAY-026	\$ 7,326.07	November Maintenance
12/29/23	CCBAY-027	\$ 6,110.72	December Maintenance
1/31/24	CCBAY-028	\$ 6,110.72	January Maintenance
2/27/24	CCBAY-029	\$ 6,110.72	February Maintenance
3/29/24	CCBAY-030	\$ 6,110.72	March Maintenance
Total Monthly Maintenance		\$ 38,099.09	
PO Balance:		\$ 44,401.23	
BAYSHORE MSTU-ADDITIONAL SERVICES			
		\$ 85,000.00	Additional Services
Invoice Date	Inv No	Amount	Description
10/9/23	BAYINC-038	\$ 1,865.40	Median 20-Plant Installation
10/23/23	BAYINC-039	\$ 250.00	Median 20-Irigation Repair
10/27/23	BAYINC-040	\$ 480.00	CRA Parking Lot-Tree
10/31/23	BAY41-003	\$ 200.00	October 41 & Bayshore Mowing
10/31/23	BAYWK-1023	\$ 2,400.00	October Additional Clean-Up
11/20/23	BAYINC-041R	\$ 10,575.00	Roundabout Topsoil
11/21/23	BAYINC-042	\$ 16,934.00	Roundabout Plant Installation
11/29/23	BAYWK-1123	\$ 2,400.00	November Additional Clean-Up
11/29/23	BAY41-004	\$ 200.00	November 41 & Bayshore Mowing
12/29/23	BAYWK-1223	\$ 3,000.00	December Additional Clean-Up
12/29/23	BAY41-005	\$ 200.00	December 41 & Bayshore Mowing
1/6/24	BAYINC-043	\$ 406.25	Median 18 Irigation
1/16/24	BAYINC-044	\$ 700.00	Irigation Repairs
1/31/24	BAYWK-0124	\$ 2,400.00	January Additional Clean-Up
1/31/24	BAY41-006	\$ 200.00	January 41 & Bayshore Mowing
2/3/24	BAYINC-045	\$ 375.00	Median 7 Irigation Repairs
2/9/24	BAYINC-046	\$ 250.00	Roundabout Irigation Repairs
2/19/24	BAYINC-047	\$ 525.00	3467 Remove Tree
2/27/24	BAYWK-0224	\$ 2,400.00	February Additional Clean-Up
2/27/24	BAY41-007	\$ 200.00	February 41 & Bayshore Mowing
3/2/24	BAYINC-048	\$ 17,000.45	Pressure Washing
3/13/24	BAYINC-049	\$ 750.00	Bayshore-Cap Irigation Lines
3/15/24	BAYINC-050	\$ 750.00	Bridge-Irigation Repairs
3/29/24	BAYWK-0324	\$ 3,000.00	March Additional Clean-Up
3/29/24	BAY41-008	\$ 200.00	March 41 & Bayshore Mowing
Total Expenses:		\$ 67,661.10	
PO Balance:		\$ 17,338.90	
COMBINED PO TOTAL		\$ 167,500.32	
COMBINED BILLED TO DATE		\$ 105,760.19	
COMBINED PO FUNDS AVAILABLE		\$ 61,740.13	



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Item 6b

MEMORANDUM

TO: BBMSTU and CRA ADVISORY BOARD
VIA: DAN RODRIGUEZ, DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER
FROM: TAMI SCOTT, PROJECT MANAGER
SUBJECT: 17 ACRES BOARDWALK PROJECT
DATE: MARCH 27, 2024

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- **SDPI- Sugden Park review is due February 26, 2024, Monday of next week. Approved**
 - **SDP- 17 Acres is due March 6, 2024; Two weeks from yesterday. Approved**
 - **SFWMD- Permit is still pending awaiting DEP approval.**
 - **DEP – Permit pending; new application to Army Corps of Engineers in leu of the DEP**
 - **PROCUREMENT PROCESS**

As of Monday 3-18-2024, County staff consider the majority of tasks 1,2,2A,2B and 3 as described in “SCHEDULE C “completed or near completion with the exception of Task 2C Environmental Services, as of 3-18-2024 we are moving on to task / Item 4- Bidding Services.

Deliverables for Procurement

- Solicitation Worksheet; confirm funding sources, days of completion, LD calculation,
- Final Plans/Drawings and Specs, signed and sealed by EOR
- Engineer’s Estimate / Opinion of Cost
- Bid Schedule
- Add Alternates for the hardscape material.
- Permit documents and/or requirements



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MEMORANDUM

TO: BBMSTU and CRA ADVISORY BOARD
VIA: DAN RODRIGUEZ, DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER
FROM: TAMI SCOTT, PROJECT MANAGER
SUBJECT: CURRENT PROJECTS
DATE: MARCH 27, 2024

Maintenance Projects

Tami Scott - Project Manager
Bayshore CRA and MSTU
Cell 239-778-6598

- Replace existing electrical control box- PO issued. waiting on parts \$30,840.81
- Repair lights at roundabout- PO issued, Repair scheduled \$4,273.98
- New bus stop structures and accessories have been approved and PO issued Accessories \$38,000, Construction \$108,000 -starting April 2024
- Repave and restripe Bayshore drive and Shadowlawn. Current price for Bayshore is approx. \$140,000 waiting on final number for Shadowlawn.
- Replace existing irrigation pumps- staff is in discussion with County irrigation team waiting on new county contract approximately \$80,000
- Replace benches and trash can throughout Bayshore drive \$29,870.00
- Rework sidewalk pavers on Bayshore – looking at a pilot project in front of 239 hotel.
- Paint bridge and railings – finalizing scope
- Install new lighting on Bayshore- creating final scope \$400,000
- Scrap metal from CRA shop loaded in recycle dumpster and waiting on pick up. 20 yard dumpster
- Miscellaneous construction and horticultural debris from CRA shop loaded in recycle dumpster and waiting on pick up. 20 yard dumpster

Partnership Projects with Road Maintenance –

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Creativity in Bloom

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Bayshore Area 1: Pines, Becca, Weeks:

- Current plans are at 85% since 02/29/2024. We are currently waiting for a change order to include the Wastewater Force Main relocation on Weeks Ave and Becca Ave.
- Working with City of Naples to include water main improvements as well. Engineer to estimate design work and depending on cost will be either included in the current change order or Blot Engineering will be directly selected by the City of Naples for the design work.
- Previous point will also determine if an interlocal agreement will be needed for the Construction work or for construction and design work with the City of Naples.

Bayshore Area 4: Linwood Way & Bayside St.

- Current plans are at 60% and has gone for review. Other departments will note any conflicts with their own utilities and City of Naples will look for any potential opportunities to partner with them.
- Once review is complete, we will look over for any potential conflicts and changes needed to the plans.

Partnership Projects with Transportation and FDOT –

Michael Tisch

Project Manager II

Transportation Engineering

Phone: (239)-252-5839

Sidewalk Project –

- Areca Ave. down to Captains Cove – Design FDOT FY 27(Starts July 2026) Design would start Sept/Oct 2026, it takes 9 to 12 months to complete. Construction would be anticipated to start in late 2028/early 2029, but it is currently NOT in the FDOT Work Program yet, as it is outside the 5-Year Work Program.

Sidewalk Project –

- Pineland Ave to Francis Ave. - Design FDOT FY 27(Starts July 2026) Design would start Sept/Oct 2026, it takes 9 to 12 months to complete. Construction would be anticipated to start in late 2028/early 2029, but it is currently NOT in the FDOT Work Program yet, as it is outside the 5-Year Work Program.

Fund 1630 Bayshore MSTU

Fund / Comm Item	BCC Adopt Budget	Tot Amend Budget	Commitment	Actual	Available
Grand Total-Fund/CI			334,224.06	982,751.51-	648,527.45
1630000000 BAYSHORE/AVALON BEAUTIFICATION MSTU			334,224.06	982,751.51-	648,527.45
REVENUE Sub Total	2,388,000.00-	2,400,542.40-		1,707,433.16-	693,109.24-
REVENUE - OPERATING Sub-Total	1,766,900.00-	1,766,900.00-		1,707,433.16-	59,466.84-
311100 CURRENT AD VALOREM TAXES	1,763,700.00-	1,763,700.00-		1,536,447.49-	227,252.51-
311200 DELINQUENT AD VALOREM TAXES				2.35	2.35-
335190 STATE REVENUE-OTHER				2,261.08-	2,261.08
341490 MISCELLANEOUS				140,055.93-	140,055.93
361170 OVERNIGHT INTEREST				10,016.54-	10,016.54
361180 INVESTMENT INTEREST	3,200.00-	3,200.00-		2,489.46-	710.54-
361320 INTEREST TAX COLLECTOR				1,281.81-	1,281.81
369130 INS CO REFUNDS				14,883.20-	14,883.20
CONTRIBUTION AND TRANSFERS Sub-Total	621,100.00-	633,642.40-			633,642.40-
486600 TRANSFER FROM PROPERTY APPRAISER					
486700 TRANSFER FROM TAX COLLECTOR					
489200 CARRY FORWARD GENERAL	709,500.00-	709,500.00-			709,500.00-
489201 CARRY FORWARD OF ENCUMB AMT BY ADC CODE		12,542.40-			12,542.40-
489900 NEGATIVE 5% ESTIMATED REVENUES	88,400.00	88,400.00			88,400.00
EXPENSE Sub Total	2,388,000.00	2,400,542.40	334,224.06	724,681.65	1,341,636.69
OPERATING EXPENSE	945,900.00	949,212.40	290,244.06	184,964.32	474,004.02
631400 ENGINEERING FEES	60,000.00	60,000.00			60,000.00
634970 INDIRECT COST REIMBURSEMENT	7,900.00	7,900.00	3,950.00	3,950.00	
634980 INTERDEPT PAYMENT FOR SERV	135,500.00	135,500.00			135,500.00
634990 LANDSCAPE INCIDENTALS	100,000.00	100,000.00	61,770.71	105,729.61	67,500.32-
634999 OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	259,400.00	259,400.00	27,947.23	32,593.75	198,859.02
639990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICE		3,312.40		3,312.40	
641951 POSTAGE	1,000.00	1,000.00			1,000.00
643100 ELECTRICITY	120,000.00	120,000.00	55,766.79	11,303.77	52,929.44
643400 WATER AND SEWER	50,000.00	50,000.00	82,182.58	5,097.83	37,280.41-
645100 INSURANCE GENERAL	1,200.00	1,200.00	600.00	600.00	
645260 AUTO INSURANCE	900.00	900.00	450.00	450.00	
646311 SPRINKLER SYSTEM MAINTENANCE	15,000.00	15,000.00			15,000.00
646318 MULCH	15,000.00	15,000.00	2,492.60	2,507.40	10,000.00
646320 LANDSCAPE MATERIALS	77,400.00	77,400.00			77,400.00
646360 MAINTENANCE OF GROUNDS ALLOCATED	35,000.00	35,000.00			35,000.00
646430 FLEET MAINT ISF LABOR AND OVERHEAD	400.00	400.00		155.00	245.00
646440 FLEET MAINT ISF PARTS AND SUBLET	300.00	300.00		241.75	58.25
646445 FLEET NON MAINT ISF PARTS AND SUBLET	100.00	100.00			100.00
646451 LIGHTING MAINTENANCE	45,000.00	45,000.00	53,584.15	16,530.64	25,114.79-
646970 OTHER EQUIP REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	1,000.00	1,000.00		776.68	223.32
649030 CLERKS RECORDING FEES ETC	1,000.00	1,000.00		818.66	181.34
649100 LEGAL ADVERTISING	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00		
652140 PERSONAL SAFETY EQUIPMENT	1,000.00	1,000.00			1,000.00
652310 FERTILIZER HERBICIDES AND CHEMICALS	500.00	500.00			500.00
652490 FUEL AND LUBRICANTS ISF BILLINGS	400.00	400.00		224.22	175.78
652989 LUMBER AND LAMINATES	400.00	400.00			400.00
652990 OTHER OPERATING SUPPLIES	15,000.00	15,000.00		672.61	14,327.39
653710 TRAFFIC SIGNS	1,000.00	1,000.00			1,000.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY	74,000.00	83,230.00	43,980.00	12,584.86	26,665.14
762200 BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS		9,230.00	43,980.00	12,584.86	47,334.86-
764990 OTHER MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT	74,000.00	74,000.00			74,000.00
TRANSFERS	977,000.00	977,000.00		488,500.00	488,500.00
911627 TRANSFER TO 1627 BAYSHORE AVALON BEAUTIFICATION	977,000.00	977,000.00		488,500.00	488,500.00
TRANSFER CONST	67,600.00	67,600.00		38,632.47	28,967.53
930600 BUDGET TRANSFERS PROPERTY APPRAISER	13,500.00	13,500.00		6,848.36	6,651.64
930700 BUDGET TRANSFERS TAX COLLECTOR	54,100.00	54,100.00		31,784.11	22,315.89
RESERVES	323,500.00	323,500.00			323,500.00
991000 RESERVE FOR CONTINGENCIES	35,000.00	35,000.00			35,000.00
Fund / Comm Item	BCC Adopt Budget	Tot Amend Budget	Commitment	Actual	Available
993000 RESERVE FOR CAPITAL OUTLAY	288,500.00	288,500.00			288,500.00

Fund 1627 Bayshore Capital Projects

Fund / Comm Item	BCC Adopt Budget	Tot Amend Budget	Commitment	Actual	Available
Grand Total-Fund/CI			132,137.00	488,509.28-	356,372.28
1627000000 BAYSHORE/AVALON BEAUTIFICATION MSTU			132,137.00	488,509.28-	356,372.28
REVENUE Sub Total	2,294,300.00-	4,251,838.54-		506,323.68-	3,745,514.86-
REVENUE - OPERATING Sub-Total	14,200.00-	14,200.00-		17,823.68-	3,623.68
361170 OVERNIGHT INTEREST				14,069.58-	14,069.58
361180 INVESTMENT INTEREST	14,200.00-	14,200.00-		3,754.10-	10,445.90-
CONTRIBUTION AND TRANSFERS Sub-Total	2,280,100.00-	4,237,638.54-		488,500.00-	3,749,138.54-
411630 TRANSFER FROM 1630 BAYSHORE/AVALON BEAUTIFICATION	977,000.00-	977,000.00-		488,500.00-	488,500.00-
489200 CARRY FORWARD GENERAL	1,303,800.00-	1,303,800.00-			1,303,800.00-
489201 CARRY FORWARD OF ENCUMB AMT BY ADC CODE		1,957,538.54-			1,957,538.54-
489900 NEGATIVE 5% ESTIMATED REVENUES	700.00	700.00			700.00
EXPENSE Sub Total	2,294,300.00	4,251,838.54	132,137.00	17,814.40	4,101,887.14
OPERATING EXPENSE	509,400.00	1,621,131.19	89,491.00	8,012.40	1,523,627.79
631400 ENGINEERING FEES	500,000.00	811,635.00	77,324.50		734,310.50
634970 INDIRECT COST REIMBURSEMENT	9,400.00	9,400.00	4,700.00	4,700.00	
634999 OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		796,783.79	7,466.50		789,317.29
639990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICE		3,312.40		3,312.40	
643100 ELECTRICITY					
CAPITAL OUTLAY	1,734,200.00	2,580,007.35	42,646.00	9,802.00	2,527,559.35
762200 BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS		9,802.00		9,802.00	
763100 IMPROVEMENTS GENERAL	1,734,200.00	2,570,205.35	42,646.00		2,527,559.35
RESERVES	50,700.00	50,700.00			50,700.00
993000 RESERVE FOR CAPITAL OUTLAY	50,700.00	50,700.00			50,700.00

Fund 1627 Project 50171 Hamilton Ave Parking

Fund / Comm Item	BCC Adopt Budget	Tot Amend Budget	Commitment	Actual	Available
Grand Total-Fund/CI		149,379.63			149,379.63
50171 BAYSHORE/AVALON BEAUTIFICATION MSTU		149,379.63			149,379.63
EXPENSE Sub Total		149,379.63			149,379.63
CAPITAL OUTLAY		149,379.63			149,379.63
763100 IMPROVEMENTS GENERAL		149,379.63			149,379.63

Fund 1627 Project 50172 Thomasson Drive

Fund / Comm Item	BCC Adopt Budget	Tot Amend Budget	Commitment	Actual	Available
Grand Total-Fund/CI		54,324.12	40,290.00	13,114.40	919.72
50172 BAYSHORE/AVALON BEAUTIFICATION MSTU		54,324.12	40,290.00	13,114.40	919.72
EXPENSE Sub Total		54,324.12	40,290.00	13,114.40	919.72
OPERATING EXPENSE		3,312.40		3,312.40	
639990 OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICE		3,312.40		3,312.40	
643100 ELECTRICITY					
CAPITAL OUTLAY		51,011.72	40,290.00	9,802.00	919.72
762200 BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS		9,802.00		9,802.00	
763100 IMPROVEMENTS GENERAL		41,209.72	40,290.00		919.72

Fund 1627 Project 50173 South Bayshore

Fund / Comm Item	BCC Adopt Budget	Tot Amend Budget	Commitment	Actual	Available
Grand Total-Fund/CI		66,635.00			66,635.00
50173 BAYSHORE/AVALON BEAUTIFICATION MSTU		66,635.00			66,635.00
EXPENSE Sub Total		66,635.00			66,635.00
OPERATING EXPENSE		11,635.00			11,635.00
631400 ENGINEERING FEES		11,635.00			11,635.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY		55,000.00			55,000.00
763100 IMPROVEMENTS GENERAL		55,000.00			55,000.00

Fund 1627 Bayshore Capital Projects
Fund 1627 Project 50174 North Bayshore

Fund / Comm Item	BCC Adopt Budget	Tot Amend Budget	Commitment	Actual	Available
Grand Total-Fund/CI	2,234,200.00	2,141,339.79	87,147.00		2,054,252.79
50174 BAYSHORE/AVALON BEAUTIFICATION MSTU	2,234,200.00	2,141,339.79	87,147.00		2,054,252.79
EXPENSE Sub Total	2,234,200.00	2,141,339.79	87,147.00		2,054,252.79
OPERATING EXPENSE	500,000.00	1,596,783.79	84,791.00		1,511,992.79
631400 ENGINEERING FEES	500,000.00	800,000.00	77,324.50		722,675.50
634999 OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		796,783.79	7,466.50		789,317.29
CAPITAL OUTLAY	1,734,200.00	544,616.00	2,356.00		542,260.00
763100 IMPROVEMENTS GENERAL	1,734,200.00	544,616.00	2,356.00		542,260.00

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DeSantis signs homeless camping bill

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\$30M appropriation isn't sufficient, advocates say

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At a Wednesday bill signing, Gov. Ron DeSantis and top Republicans in the Florida Legislature highlighted that their anti-public camping bill would provide what are known as “wraparound services,” including mental health care, for the state’s homeless population.

The legislation requires municipalities to designate a specific public space for camping and sleeping, if the shelters are full, with approval from the Florida Department of Children and Families. They must include security, behavioral health services and bathrooms with running water.

But critics say the state’s \$30 million appropriation for the measure isn’t enough.

DeSantis signed “Unauthorized Public Camping and Public Sleeping” (HB 1365) in Miami Beach, saying “it will help maintain and ensure that Florida streets are clean and that Florida streets are safe for our residents.”

“What we’re saying is, we can do better,” said Sen. Jonathan Martin, R-Fort Myers, who also spoke at the press conference. “We can synergize, we can put everybody in one place, not just the

homeless, but we can put the not-forprofits and those that are helping in one location.”

But Megan Sarmiento, an outreach program manager for the Florida Harm Reduction Collective in Tampa, said \$30 million isn’t enough for the kind of outreach the state’s Republican leaders are talking about.

“We’re going to need so much more funding if we’re going to build up these resources,” she said. “Even now, how the system is, we are finding people on the streets and are unable to link them to care because of the lack of resources, including housing and detox.”

Governor returns to Miami Beach for homeless bill signing

This is the governor’s third appearance in Miami Beach since Feb. 5. At the event, Mayor Steven Meiner called Florida the “law and order state” and Miami the “law and order city.”

House Speaker Paul Renner, R-Palm Coast, was in attendance, as was the bill’s sponsor, Rep. Sam Garrison, RFleming Island, in line to be Florida House speaker in 2026-28.

Garrison earlier told the USA TODAY Network that the state has allocated \$30 million – \$10 million more than the previous year – for what are known as “continuums of care” to prepare for the law. Garrison calls the state funding an “investment” into new state standards.

Continuums of care are the regional bodies that coordinate housing and services for homeless people.

“We’re going to make a real big difference in the lives of Floridians and those who have mental health issues, those who are homeless for economic reasons, or those who are suffering from substance abuse as well,” said Martin, who sponsored the Senate version of bill.

Sarmento works in Hillsborough and Pinellas counties, which in 2023 ranked third and fourth in the number of homeless people, according to the Florida Department of Health. Currently in Hillsborough, there is only one detox facility that takes people without insurance, and it’s always full, she said.

‘Resources are either scarce or not allowed,’ advocate says

“I think the idea of providing wraparound services is great, but the two services that people want the most, detox and medications for opioid use disorder, those resources are either scarce or not allowed,” Sarmento said.

Rep. Anna Eskamani, D-Orlando, responded to the new homeless camp law. In a statement, she said the state should focus on decreasing property insurance rates and affordable housing.

“This law is going to make a bad situation worse and we should be focused on addressing the environment that creates homelessness, not punish people who have fallen into those circumstances,” she said.

The conservative, Texas-based Cicero Institute, a policy research group, has been advocating for states to adopt restrictions like the new Florida law.

Republican megadonor and billionaire tech entrepreneur Peter Thiel has promoted the idea, along with Joe Lonsdale, a tech investor who hosted a Texas fundraiser for DeSantis during his nowsuspended presidential campaign.

DeSantis said the law was Florida’s way of preventing cities looking like San Francisco, a city he has criticized for its “leftist policies” and for allowing parks and sidewalks “to be overwhelmed with tent cities and homeless encampments.”

“These are difficult issues, but you should not be accosted by a homeless, like we see,” DeSantis said at the press conference. “You should be able to walk down the street and live your life.”

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Sidewalks to shelters

Florida cities, counties trying to get ready for homeless camping law



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For Stephanie Bennett, home is a tent in the woods. • It's there, near a set of railroad tracks in the city of Tampa, that the 41-year-old has lived for the last eight years. • Not too long ago, an outreach worker and the cashier at the nearby 7-Eleven told her about a new law coming, one that would make it illegal for her to live in her tent. • That legislation – “Unauthorized Public Camping and Public Sleeping” (HB 1365) – was signed by Gov. Ron DeSantis on Wednesday in Miami Beach. • It will prohibit local municipalities from allowing people to camp or sleep on public property as of its Oct. 1 effective date. • “Florida will not allow homeless encampments to intrude on its citizens or undermine their quality of life like we see in states like New York and California,” he said in a statement.

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New legislation signed by Gov. Ron DeSantis will prohibit local municipalities from allowing people to camp or sleep on public property as of its Oct. 1 effective date. GETTY IMAGES



The Area Housing Commission has "Campsite Shelter Removal" notices posted at the Jones Swamp homeless camp off North Navy Boulevard in Pensacola on Feb. 21. GREGG PACHKOWSKI / GREGG@PNJ.COM

Homeless

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"The legislation I signed today upholds our commitment to law and order while also ensuring homeless individuals have the resources they need to get back on their feet," DeSantis said.

The legislation requires municipalities to designate a specific public space for camping and sleeping with approval from the Florida Department of Children and Families that includes security, behavioral health services and bathrooms with running water.

If they don't, the law allows businesses and residents to hold the local government accountable in court.

Its proponents view it through the lens of compassionate conservatism, pointing to decades of funding for efforts that they say haven't helped reduce the homeless population by attacking the root causes, including poverty, mental health and substance use disorder.

Critics, meantime, have said the legislation will create forced internment camps, shoving homeless people into fenced villages where they will be neither seen nor heard.

"When they told me about this law, I went and told everybody," Bennett said. "I was like, 'Yo, they're trying to pass a law where they're going to make it illegal for us to put our tents up. We're not going to be able to have tents, and they're going to force us into their camps.'"

Across Florida, under the looming threat of potential civil suits, local governments and what are called "continuations of care" are looking at ways to comply — with varying responses.

One county is looking to open an overnight shelter. A city in the Panhandle is hiring a consultant. And a rural continuum of care with one of the highest unsheltered rates in the country has heard nothing from the six counties that it serves.

While the state upped the budget for the continuums of care, the regional bodies that coordinate housing and services for homeless people, advocates for the homeless are wondering if counties and cities will pay for the expansion in services. If there are any.

Bennett believes the support she would get at the camp won't be enough to help her.

"What is keeping you homeless, that is the issue that they need to address. The why, not the aftermath," Bennett said. "Don't just leave us this way, find out why, and help us."

Rep. Sam Garrison, R-Fleming Island, said that was the intent of the bill, to connect the chronically homeless with mental health treatment. He called the new initiative "the Florida model."

"That was the way we tried to address that issue and making sure there was accountability, while also not putting the burden exclusively on the person who's sleeping on the side street," said Garrison, who is in line to be Florida House speaker in 2026-28.

Some say jail is better alternative

In 2023, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) counted 18,815 year-round shelter beds in emergency, safe haven and transitional housing in Florida. That same year, the state had 30,756 people experiencing homelessness, with 15,482 people unsheltered.

The part of the law that requires mu-



A homeless man looks for shelter in Tampa on Aug. 30, 2023, after Hurricane Idalia made landfall.

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municipalities to create designated camp sites is only triggered if there aren't enough shelter beds.

"The current status quo of living under an underpass, or on your own somewhere without even a modicum of sanitation, or security, or access to mental health or substance abuse services just isn't going to work," Garrison said.

Megan Sarmento, an outreach program manager for the Florida Harm Reduction Collective in Tampa, said many of the homeless people she works with distrust DCF, the agency in charge of monitoring the encampments. Some of them have lost their children or have been incarcerated because of DCF, she said.

"I feel like: these services need to be voluntary rather than kind of forced, because as soon as somebody feels forced to do something, especially among this population that's found this independence and freedom, then that linkage to care doesn't work," she said.

While the legislation requires 24-hour security at the encampment, Bennett predicted unsheltered people would rather head to a jail cell than risk their safety and camp with people they don't know.

The new law includes an exemption for "fiscally constrained" counties from the requirements of the public camping area if the county can show compliance would "result in fiscal hardship."

Bennett doesn't trust the state or local governments will be able to monitor the camp and offer the support she needs. Bennett said she has untreated bipolar disorder, schizophrenia and attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder. She said she would need wrap-around services, including self-sufficient skills training and someone to help her sign up for disability.

But "it's like the system has ADD (attention deficit disorder)," she said. "We've gotten started, and we've gotten through one step, but then oh, whoops, the system's dropped us. By the time they pick us back up again, we've got to start over, or we've got some other issue."

There were 29 "fiscally constrained" counties in Florida in 2023, according to the state's Department of Revenue. Most are rural and in north Florida or the interior of South Florida.

Brenda Gray and a staff of five other people lead the continuum of care for six of those counties. Gray, the executive director of Heartland Coalition for the



Leon County Commissioners approve multiple initiatives to fight homelessness. Eleven intersections will be decorated with new blue signs encouraging organizational donations.

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Homeless, coordinates services for the homeless in DeSoto, Glades, Hardee, Hendry, Highlands and Okeechobee counties.

In 2023, the Annual Homelessness Assessment Report to Congress by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development found Hardee, Hendry and Highlands counties had the second-highest rate of homelessness in the nation.

Homelessness includes couch surfing, families doubling up in the same apartment, sleeping in a car, living in a hotel or staying at the shelter. But a little over 88% of all the homeless people in these three counties are unsheltered, according to the report.

Gray said the funding the agency gets to help people find housing is from federal and state dollars. None of the counties contributed to the \$723,463 the agency got in grants in fiscal year 2023 (July 1-June 30).

In 2022, the number of homeless people in all six counties totaled 609.

A few weeks ago, Gray had a single mother with children looking for a place to live.

She could put them in a hotel for a week, but that could be over \$1,000.

"The mother just can't ... find a place she can afford," Gray said. "I know nine times out of 10 the landlord's going to say 'I want first, last and security.' OK, I can handle that, but what happens after that? She can probably only afford one more month, so she's in that place for four months, and then she's back homeless again."

She added: "That's crazy. What do you do?"

What are governments doing?

In the early days of the legislative session that ended March 8, Gray asked each county she serves what they were planning on doing. Her organization does not have land for a designated encampment site. As of earlier this week, she had not heard back from any of the six counties, she said.

A spokesperson for Highlands County said the county started community-wide discussions with local stakeholders last fall and will continue them throughout the spring to address the increasing unsheltered population, including expanding access to mental health care.

The City of Orlando is currently looking at facilities for an emergency overnight shelter, said spokesperson Ashley

Papagni.

The city will be partnering with the Homeless Services Network of Central Florida, the lead agency designated by the federal government to address homelessness for Orange, Osceola and Seminole counties, according to its website.

The shelter would not require criminal background checks, credit checks or income verification, program participation, sobriety or identification, Papagni said, and it would be open 24 hours a day so residents do not have to leave during the day.

In February, the Homeless Services Network's CEO said she was concerned about the future law and worried about who would pay for the new encampments.

"And without funding available, many jurisdictions are not going to have a viable way to fulfill those requirements," Martha Are told WMFE, the NPR affiliate in Central Florida. "If they do not have the funding to make one of these locations happen, they will find themselves in a position where all they can do is relocate people out of the community — or arrest them."

Leon County isn't planning to change its operations and policies under the new law, said its spokesperson, Mathieu Cavell. That's because, he explained in a memo, the capital county is already in compliance with the law and already has a number of ongoing partnerships, initiatives and funds invested to combat homelessness.

In Pensacola, the city is hiring "housing first" homelessness consultant Jon DeCarmine, the executive director of GRACE Marketplace in Gainesville.

GRACE Marketplace is a low-barrier shelter and support services center that works to help people experiencing homelessness find a permanent place to live.

"How we also adhere to this new legislation is going to have to be a collective effort between us in the county, but we're not going to be able to do that alone," Pensacola Mayor D.C. Reeves said this month.

The state has allocated \$30 million — \$10 million more than the previous year — for continuums of care to prepare for the law. Garrison calls the state funding an "investment" into new state standards.

Some local governments have turned a "blind eye" to the homeless and "shrug their shoulders," he said.

"We're not going to tell you necessarily how to do it, but we're going to say no matter what, these public spaces have to be protected," Garrison said.

At a press conference last week, DeSantis said "the Florida model" is a way to keep cities from looking like San Francisco, a city that he had previously said "collapsed because of leftist policies."

He hinted at the potential of the state helping local governments with mental health support, but stood firm against permitting cities and counties to let people live in public parks and on streets.

"We're basically saying in the state of Florida, a municipality or county is just simply not allowed to embrace San Francisco-style policies," DeSantis said last Friday. "You can make other choices, but you can't make that choice. Why? Because every time that choice has been made, the result has been destructive."

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