

*Dowden West Community
Development District*

Agenda

June 15, 2017

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Dowden West
Community Development District
Organizational Meeting Agenda

Thursday
June 15, 2017
9:00 Am

Offices of GMS-CF, LLC
135 W. Central Blvd., Suite 320
Orlando, FL

I. Introduction

- A. Call to Order
- B. Public Comment Period
- C. Oath of Office

II. Organizational Matters

- A. Confirmation of Notice of Meeting
- B. Information on Community Development Districts and Public Official Responsibilities and Florida Statues Chapter 190
- C. Election of Officers
 - 1. Election of Chairman - Resolution 2017-01
 - 2. Election of Vice Chairman - Resolution 2017-02
 - 3. Election of Secretary - Resolution 2017-03
 - 4. Election of Treasurer - Resolution 2017-04
 - 5. Election of Assistant Treasurer - Resolution 2017-05
 - 6. Election of Assistant Secretary(ies) - Resolution 2017-06

III. Retention of District Staff

- A. Consideration of Contract for District Management Services
- B. Consideration of Appointment of District Counsel
- C. Selection of Registered Agent and Office - Resolution 2017-07
- D. Request Authorization to Issue RFQ for Engineering Services

IV. Designation of Meetings and Hearing Dates

- A. Designation of Regular Monthly Meeting Date, Time and Location
- B. Designation of Landowner's Meeting Date, Time and Location

- C. Designation of Date of Public Hearing to Adopt Rules of Procedure in accordance with Section 120.54, Florida Statutes
 - 1. Consideration of Resolution 2017-08 Setting a Public Hearing to Consider the Proposed Rules of the District
- D. Designation of Dates of Public Hearing on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2017
 - 1. Consideration of Resolution 2017-09 Setting the Public Hearing and Approving the Proposed Fiscal Year 2017 Budget
 - 2. Consideration of Resolution 2017-10 Setting the Public Hearing and Approving the Proposed Fiscal Year 2018 Budget
 - 3. Approval of the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Developer Funding Agreement
- E. Designation of Date of Public Hearing Expressing the District's Intent to Utilize the Uniform Method of Levying, Collecting and Enforcing Non Ad-Valorem Assessments in accordance with Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes

V. Other Organizational Matters

- A. Selection of District Depository
- B. Authorization of Bank Account Signatories
- C. Consideration of Resolution 2017-11 Relating to Defense of Board Members
- D. Consideration of Resolution 2017-12 Approving and Ratifying District Counsel Recording in the Property Records of Orange County the "Notice of Establishment" in accordance with Chapter 190.0485, Florida Statutes
- E. Consideration of Resolution 2017-13 Adopting Investment Guidelines
- F. Consideration of Resolution 2017-14 Authorizing Execution of Public Depositor Report
- G. Consideration of Resolution 2017-15 Designating a Policy for Public Comment
- H. Consideration of Resolution 2017-16 Adopting a Travel and Reimbursement Policy
- I. Consideration of Resolution 2017-17 Adopting a Records Retention Policy

- J. Consideration of Compensation to Board Members
- K. Selection of District Records Office Within Orange County
- L. Authorization to Prepare Public Facilities Report in Accordance with Chapter 189.08 Florida Statutes to Coincide with Special District Filing Date of August 1st for Orange County

VI. Capital Improvements

- A. Appointment of Financing Team
 - 1. Bond Counsel
 - 2. Interim Engineer
 - 3. Investment Banker
 - 4. Assessment Administrator
 - 5. Trustee
- B. Approval of Financing Team Funding Agreement

VII. Financing Matters

- A. Consideration of Engineer’s Report
- B. Consideration of Assessment Methodology
- C. Consideration of Resolution 2017-18 Authorizing the Issuance of Bonds and Authorizing the Commencement of Validation Proceedings
- D. Consideration of Resolution 2017-19 Declaring Special Assessments and Approval of Assessment Methodology
- E. Consideration of Resolution 2017-20 Setting Public Hearing for Special Assessments

VIII. Other Business

- A. Staff Reports
 - i. Attorney
 - ii. Manager
- B. Supervisors Requests
- C. Approval of Funding Request No. 1

IX. Adjournment

SECTION II

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Signature of Affiant

Brandon DeLoach
Printed Name of Affiant

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 7 day of June, 2017,
by above Affiant, who is personally known to me (X) or who has produced identification ().


Signature of Notary Public



Name of Notary, Typed, Printed, or Stamped

**NOTICE OF ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
DISTRICT**

The organizational meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Dowden West Community Development District will be held on June 15, 2017 at 9:00 AM at the Offices of GMS-CF, LLC, 135 West Central Blvd., Suite 320, Orlando, FL 32801. The purpose of the meeting is to elect certain District officers, consider the appointment of staff to include but not limited to manager, attorney, engineer and others as deemed appropriate by the Board of Supervisors; to consider the services to be provided by the District and the financing plan for same; to appoint a team for purposes of issuing special assessment bonds and consider the associated funding agreement; and to conduct other business that may come before the Board.

The meeting is open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida Law for Community Development Districts. A copy of the meeting agenda may be obtained from the District Manager at 135 W. Central Blvd., Suite 320, Orlando, FL 32801.

The meeting may be continued to a date, time, and place as evidenced by motion of the majority of Board Members participating. There may be occasions when one or more Supervisors will participate by telephone.

Pursuant to provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodation to participate in this meeting is asked to advise the District Office at (407) 841-5524 at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service (800) 955-8770, who can aid you in contacting the District Office.

Each person who decides to appeal any action taken at these meetings 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.

George S. Flint
District Manager
Governmental Management Services -
Central Florida, LLC

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CHAPTER 190

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS

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190.001 Short title.—This act may be cited as the “Uniform Community Development District Act of 1980.”
History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407.

190.002 Legislative findings, policies, and intent.—

(1) The Legislature finds that:

(a) There is a need for uniform, focused, and fair procedures in state law to provide a reasonable alternative for the establishment, power, operation, and duration of independent districts to manage and finance basic community development services; and that, based upon a proper and fair determination of applicable facts, an independent district can constitute a timely, efficient, effective, responsive, and economic way to deliver these basic services, thereby providing a solution to the state’s planning, management, and financing needs for delivery of capital infrastructure in order to service projected growth without overburdening other governments and their taxpayers.

(b) It is in the public interest that any independent special district created pursuant to state law not outlive its usefulness and that the operation of such a district and the exercise by the district of its powers be consistent with applicable due process, disclosure, accountability, ethics, and government-in-the-sunshine requirements which apply both to governmental entities and to their elected and appointed officials.

(c) It is in the public interest that long-range planning, management, and financing and long-term maintenance, upkeep, and operation of basic services for community development districts be under one coordinated entity.

(2) It is the policy of this state:

(a) That the needless and indiscriminate proliferation, duplication, and fragmentation of local general-purpose government services by independent districts is not in the public interest.

(b) That independent districts are a legitimate alternative method available for use by the private and public sectors, as authorized by state law, to manage and finance basic services for community developments.

(c) That the exercise by any independent district of its powers as set forth by uniform general law comply with all applicable governmental laws, rules, regulations, and policies governing planning and permitting of the development to be serviced by the district, to ensure that neither the establishment nor operation of such district is a development order under chapter 380 and that the district so established does not have any zoning or permitting powers governing development.

(d) That the process of establishing such a district pursuant to uniform general law be fair and based only on factors material to managing and financing the service delivery function of the district, so that any matter concerning permitting or planning of the development is not material or relevant.

(3) It is the legislative intent and purpose, based upon, and consistent with, its findings of fact and declarations of policy, to authorize a uniform procedure by general law to establish an independent special district as an alternative method to manage and finance basic services for community development. It is further the legislative intent and purpose to provide by general law for the uniform operation, exercise of power, and procedure for termination of any such independent district. It is further the purpose and intent of the Legislature that a district created under this chapter not have or exercise any zoning or development permitting power, that the establishment of the independent community development district as provided in this act not be a development order within the meaning of chapter 380, and that all applicable planning and permitting laws, rules, regulations, and policies control the development of the land to be serviced by the district. It is further the purpose and intent of the Legislature that no debt or obligation of a district constitute a burden on any local general-purpose government without its consent.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407; s. 1, ch. 84-360.

190.003 Definitions.—As used in this chapter, the term:

(1) “Ad valorem bonds” means bonds which are payable from the proceeds of ad valorem taxes levied on real and tangible personal property and which are generally referred to as general obligation bonds.

(2) "Assessable improvements" means, without limitation, any and all public improvements and community facilities that the district is empowered to provide in accordance with this act.

(3) "Assessment bonds" means special obligations of the district which are payable solely from proceeds of the special assessments levied for an assessable project.

(4) "Board" or "board of supervisors" means the governing board of the district or, if such board has been abolished, the board, body, or commission succeeding to the principal functions thereof or to whom the powers given to the board by this act have been given by law.

(5) "Bond" includes "certificate," and the provisions which are applicable to bonds are equally applicable to certificates. The term "bond" includes any general obligation bond, assessment bond, refunding bond, revenue bond, and other such obligation in the nature of a bond as is provided for in this act, as the case may be.

(6) "Community development district" means a local unit of special-purpose government which is created pursuant to this act and limited to the performance of those specialized functions authorized by this act; the governing head of which is a body created, organized, and constituted and authorized to function specifically as prescribed in this act for the purpose of the delivery of urban community development services; and the formation, powers, governing body, operation, duration, accountability, requirements for disclosure, and termination of which are as required by general law.

(7) "Compact, urban, mixed-use district" means a district located within a municipality and within a community redevelopment area created pursuant to s. 163.356, that consists of a maximum of 75 acres, and has development entitlements of at least 400,000 square feet of retail development and 500 residential units.

(8) "Cost," when used with reference to any project, includes, but is not limited to:

(a) The expenses of determining the feasibility or practicability of acquisition, construction, or reconstruction.

(b) The cost of surveys, estimates, plans, and specifications.

(c) The cost of improvements.

(d) Engineering, fiscal, and legal expenses and charges.

(e) The cost of all labor, materials, machinery, and equipment.

(f) The cost of all lands, properties, rights, easements, and franchises acquired.

(g) Financing charges.

(h) The creation of initial reserve and debt service funds.

(i) Working capital.

(j) Interest charges incurred or estimated to be incurred on money borrowed prior to and during construction and acquisition and for such reasonable period of time after completion of construction or acquisition as the board may determine.

(k) The cost of issuance of bonds pursuant to this act, including advertisements and printing.

(l) The cost of any election held pursuant to this act and all other expenses of issuance of bonds.

(m) The discount, if any, on the sale or exchange of bonds.

(n) Administrative expenses.

(o) Such other expenses as may be necessary or incidental to the acquisition, construction, or reconstruction of any project or to the financing thereof, or to the development of any lands within the district.

(p) Payments, contributions, dedications, fair share or concurrency obligations, and any other exactions required as a condition to receive any government approval or permit necessary to accomplish any district purpose.

(9) "District" means the community development district.

(10) "District manager" means the manager of the district.

(11) "District roads" means highways, streets, roads, alleys, sidewalks, landscaping, storm drains, bridges, and thoroughfares of all kinds and descriptions.

(12) "Elector" means a landowner or qualified elector.

(13) "General obligation bonds" means bonds which are secured by, or provide for their payment by, the pledge, in addition to those special taxes levied for their discharge and such other sources as may be provided for their payment or pledged as security under the resolution authorizing their issuance, of the full faith and credit and taxing power of the district and for payment of which recourse may be had against the general fund of the district.

(14) “Landowner” means the owner of a freehold estate as appears by the deed record, including a trustee, a private corporation, and an owner of a condominium unit; it does not include a reversioner, remainderman, mortgagee, or any governmental entity, who shall not be counted and need not be notified of proceedings under this act. Landowner shall also mean the owner of a ground lease from a governmental entity, which leasehold interest has a remaining term, excluding all renewal options, in excess of 50 years.

(15) “Local general-purpose government” means a county, municipality, or consolidated city-county government.

(16) “Project” means any development, improvement, property, utility, facility, works, enterprise, or service now existing or hereafter undertaken or established under the provisions of this act.

(17) “Qualified elector” means any person at least 18 years of age who is a citizen of the United States, a legal resident of Florida and of the district, and who registers to vote with the supervisor of elections in the county in which the district land is located.

(18) “Refunding bonds” means bonds issued to refinance outstanding bonds of any type and the interest and redemption premium thereon. Refunding bonds shall be issuable and payable in the same manner as the refinanced bonds, except that no approval by the electorate shall be required unless required by the State Constitution.

(19) “Revenue bonds” means obligations of the district which are payable from revenues derived from sources other than ad valorem taxes on real or tangible personal property and which do not pledge the property, credit, or general tax revenue of the district.

(20) “Sewer system” means any plant, system, facility, or property, and additions, extensions, and improvements thereto at any future time constructed or acquired as part thereof, useful or necessary or having the present capacity for future use in connection with the collection, treatment, purification, or disposal of sewage, including, without limitation, industrial wastes resulting from any process of industry, manufacture, trade, or business or from the development of any natural resource. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the term “sewer system” includes treatment plants, pumping stations, lift stations, valves, force mains, intercepting sewers, laterals, pressure lines, mains, and all necessary appurtenances and equipment; all sewer mains, laterals, and other devices for the reception and collection of sewage from premises connected therewith; and all real and personal property and any interest therein, rights, easements, and franchises of any nature relating to any such system and necessary or convenient for operation thereof.

(21) “Water management and control facilities” means any lakes, canals, ditches, reservoirs, dams, levees, sluiceways, floodways, curbs, gutters, pumping stations, or any other works, structures, or facilities for the conservation, control, development, utilization, and disposal of water, and any purposes appurtenant, necessary, or incidental thereto. The term “water management and control facilities” includes all real and personal property and any interest therein, rights, easements, and franchises of any nature relating to any such water management and control facilities or necessary or convenient for the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, operation, or maintenance thereof.

(22) “Water system” means any plant, system, facility, or property and additions, extensions, and improvements thereto at any future time constructed or acquired as part thereof, useful or necessary or having the present capacity for future use in connection with the development of sources, treatment, or purification and distribution of water. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the term “water system” includes dams, reservoirs, storage, tanks, mains, lines, valves, hydrants, pumping stations, chilled water distribution systems, laterals, and pipes for the purpose of carrying water to the premises connected with such system, and all rights, easements, and franchises of any nature relating to any such system and necessary or convenient for the operation thereof.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407; s. 2, ch. 84-360; s. 10, ch. 87-363; s. 2, ch. 91-308; s. 33, ch. 2000-364; s. 1, ch. 2007-160; s. 1, ch. 2009-142.

190.004 Preemption; sole authority.—

(1) This act constitutes the sole authorization for the future establishment of independent community development districts which have any of the specialized functions and powers provided by this act.

(2) The adoption of chapter 84-360, Laws of Florida, does not affect the validity of the establishment of any community development district or other special district existing on June 29, 1984; and existing community development districts will be subject to the provisions of chapter 190, as amended. All actions taken prior to July 1, 2000, by a community development district existing on June 29, 1984, if taken pursuant to the authority contained in chapter 80-407, Laws of Florida, or this chapter are hereby deemed to have adequate statutory authority. Nothing herein shall affect the validity of any outstanding indebtedness of a community development district established prior to June 29, 1984, and such district is hereby authorized to continue to comply with all terms and requirements of trust indentures or loan agreements relating to such outstanding indebtedness.

(3) The establishment of an independent community development district as provided in this act is not a development order within the meaning of chapter 380. All governmental planning, environmental, and land development laws, regulations, and ordinances apply to all development of the land within a community development district. Community development districts do not have the power of a local government to adopt a comprehensive plan, building code, or land development code, as those terms are defined in the Community Planning Act. A district shall take no action which is inconsistent with applicable comprehensive plans, ordinances, or regulations of the applicable local general-purpose government.

(4) The exclusive charter for a community development district shall be the uniform community development district charter as set forth in ss. 190.006-190.041, including the special powers provided by s. 190.012.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407; s. 3, ch. 84-360; s. 27, ch. 85-55; s. 34, ch. 87-224; s. 34, ch. 99-378; s. 9, ch. 2000-304; s. 39, ch. 2011-139.

190.005 Establishment of district.—

(1) The exclusive and uniform method for the establishment of a community development district with a size of 2,500 acres or more shall be pursuant to a rule, adopted under chapter 120 by the Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission, granting a petition for the establishment of a community development district.

(a) A petition for the establishment of a community development district shall be filed by the petitioner with the Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission. The petition shall contain:

1. A metes and bounds description of the external boundaries of the district. Any real property within the external boundaries of the district which is to be excluded from the district shall be specifically described, and the last known address of all owners of such real property shall be listed. The petition shall also address the impact of the proposed district on any real property within the external boundaries of the district which is to be excluded from the district.

2. The written consent to the establishment of the district by all landowners whose real property is to be included in the district or documentation demonstrating that the petitioner has control by deed, trust agreement, contract, or option of 100 percent of the real property to be included in the district, and when real property to be included in the district is owned by a governmental entity and subject to a ground lease as described in s. 190.003(14), the written consent by such governmental entity.

3. A designation of five persons to be the initial members of the board of supervisors, who shall serve in that office until replaced by elected members as provided in s. 190.006.

4. The proposed name of the district.

5. A map of the proposed district showing current major trunk water mains and sewer interceptors and outfalls if in existence.

6. Based upon available data, the proposed timetable for construction of the district services and the estimated cost of constructing the proposed services. These estimates shall be submitted in good faith but are not binding and may be subject to change.

7. A designation of the future general distribution, location, and extent of public and private uses of land proposed for the area within the district by the future land use plan element of the effective local government comprehensive plan of which all mandatory elements have been adopted by the applicable general-purpose local government in compliance with the Community Planning Act.

8. A statement of estimated regulatory costs in accordance with the requirements of s. 120.541.

(b) Prior to filing the petition, the petitioner shall:

1. Pay a filing fee of \$15,000 to the county, if located within an unincorporated area, or to the municipality, if located within an incorporated area, and to each municipality the boundaries of which are contiguous with, or contain all or a portion of the land within, the external boundaries of the district.

2. Submit a copy of the petition to the county, if located within an unincorporated area, or to the municipality, if located within an incorporated area, and to each municipality the boundaries of which are contiguous with, or contain all or a portion of, the land within the external boundaries of the district.

3. If land to be included within a district is located partially within the unincorporated area of one or more counties and partially within a municipality or within two or more municipalities, pay a \$15,000 filing fee to each entity. Districts established across county boundaries shall be required to maintain records, hold meetings and hearings, and publish notices only in the county where the majority of the acreage within the district lies.

(c) Such county and each such municipality required by law to receive a petition may conduct a public hearing to consider the relationship of the petition to the factors specified in paragraph (e). The public hearing shall be concluded within 45 days after the date the petition is filed unless an extension of time is requested by the petitioner and granted by the county or municipality. The county or municipality holding such public hearing may by resolution express its support of, or objection to the granting of, the petition by the Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission. A resolution must base any objection to the granting of the petition upon the factors specified in paragraph (e). Such county or municipality may present its resolution of support or objection at the Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission hearing and shall be afforded an opportunity to present relevant information in support of its resolution.

(d) A local public hearing on the petition shall be conducted by a hearing officer in conformance with the applicable requirements and procedures of the Administrative Procedure Act. The hearing shall include oral and written comments on the petition pertinent to the factors specified in paragraph (e). The hearing shall be held at an accessible location in the county in which the community development district is to be located. The petitioner shall cause a notice of the hearing to be published in a newspaper at least once a week for the 4 successive weeks immediately prior to the hearing. Such notice shall give the time and place for the hearing, a description of the area to be included in the district, which description shall include a map showing clearly the area to be covered by the district, and any other relevant information which the establishing governing bodies may require. The advertisement shall not be placed in that portion of the newspaper where legal notices and classified advertisements appear. The advertisement shall be published in a newspaper of general paid circulation in the county and of general interest and readership in the community, not one of limited subject matter, pursuant to chapter 50. Whenever possible, the advertisement shall appear in a newspaper that is published at least 5 days a week, unless the only newspaper in the community is published fewer than 5 days a week. In addition to being published in the newspaper, the map referenced above must be part of the online advertisement required pursuant to s. 50.0211. All affected units of general-purpose local government and the general public shall be given an opportunity to appear at the hearing and present oral or written comments on the petition.

(e) The Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission shall consider the entire record of the local hearing, the transcript of the hearing, resolutions adopted by local general-purpose governments as provided in paragraph (c), and the following factors and make a determination to grant or deny a petition for the establishment of a community development district:

1. Whether all statements contained within the petition have been found to be true and correct.
2. Whether the establishment of the district is inconsistent with any applicable element or portion of the state comprehensive plan or of the effective local government comprehensive plan.
3. Whether the area of land within the proposed district is of sufficient size, is sufficiently compact, and is sufficiently contiguous to be developable as one functional interrelated community.
4. Whether the district is the best alternative available for delivering community development services and facilities to the area that will be served by the district.
5. Whether the community development services and facilities of the district will be incompatible with the capacity and uses of existing local and regional community development services and facilities.
6. Whether the area that will be served by the district is amenable to separate special-district government.

(f) The Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission shall not adopt any rule which would expand, modify, or delete any provision of the uniform community development district charter as set forth in ss. 190.006-190.041, except as provided in s. 190.012. A rule establishing a community development district shall only contain the following:

1. A metes and bounds description of the external boundaries of the district and any real property within the external boundaries of the district which is to be excluded.
2. The names of five persons designated to be the initial members of the board of supervisors.
3. The name of the district.

(g) The Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission may adopt rules setting forth its procedures for considering petitions to establish, expand, modify, or delete uniform community development districts or portions thereof consistent with the provisions of this section.

(2) The exclusive and uniform method for the establishment of a community development district of less than 2,500 acres in size or a community development district of up to 7,000 acres in size located within a connected-city corridor established pursuant to s. 163.3246(14) shall be pursuant to an ordinance adopted by the county commission of the county having jurisdiction over the majority of land in the area in which the district is to be located granting a petition for the establishment of a community development district as follows:

(a) A petition for the establishment of a community development district shall be filed by the petitioner with the county commission. The petition shall contain the same information as required in paragraph (1)(a).

(b) A public hearing on the petition shall be conducted by the county commission in accordance with the requirements and procedures of paragraph (1)(d).

(c) The county commission shall consider the record of the public hearing and the factors set forth in paragraph (1)(e) in making its determination to grant or deny a petition for the establishment of a community development district.

(d) The county commission shall not adopt any ordinance which would expand, modify, or delete any provision of the uniform community development district charter as set forth in ss. 190.006-190.041. An ordinance establishing a community development district shall only include the matters provided for in paragraph (1)(f) unless the commission consents to any of the optional powers under s. 190.012(2) at the request of the petitioner.

(e) If all of the land in the area for the proposed district is within the territorial jurisdiction of a municipal corporation, then the petition requesting establishment of a community development district under this act shall be filed by the petitioner with that particular municipal corporation. In such event, the duties of the county, hereinabove described, in action upon the petition shall be the duties of the municipal corporation. If any of the land area of a proposed district is within the land area of a municipality, the county commission may not create the district without municipal approval. If all of the land in the area for the proposed district, even if less than 2,500 acres, is within the territorial jurisdiction of two or more municipalities or two or more counties, except for proposed districts within a connected-city corridor established pursuant to s. 163.3246(14), the petition shall be filed with the Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission and proceed in accordance with subsection (1).

(f) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subsection, within 90 days after a petition for the establishment of a community development district has been filed pursuant to this subsection, the governing body of the county or municipal corporation may transfer the petition to the Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission, which shall make the determination to grant or deny the petition as provided in subsection (1). A county or municipal corporation shall have no right or power to grant or deny a petition that has been transferred to the Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission.

(3) The governing body of any existing special district, created to provide one or more of the public improvements and community facilities authorized by this act, may petition for reestablishment of the existing district as a community development district pursuant to this act. The petition shall contain the information specified in subparagraphs (1)(a)1., 3., 4., 5., 6., and 7. and shall not require payment of a fee pursuant to paragraph (1)(b). In such case, the new district so formed shall assume the existing obligations, indebtedness, and guarantees of indebtedness of the district so subsumed, and the existing district shall be terminated.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407; ss. 4, 5, ch. 84-360; s. 28, ch. 85-55; s. 35, ch. 87-224; s. 34, ch. 96-410; s. 6, ch. 98-146; s. 35, ch. 99-378; s. 34, ch. 2000-364; s. 2, ch. 2007-160; s. 33, ch. 2008-4; s. 4, ch. 2009-142; s. 40, ch. 2011-139; s. 6, ch. 2012-212; s. 13, ch. 2015-30; s. 1, ch. 2016-94.

190.006 Board of supervisors; members and meetings.—

(1) The board of the district shall exercise the powers granted to the district pursuant to this act. The board shall consist of five members; except as otherwise provided herein, each member shall hold office for a term of 2 years or 4 years, as provided in this section, and until a successor is chosen and qualifies. The members of the board must be residents of the state and citizens of the United States.

(2)(a) Within 90 days following the effective date of the rule or ordinance establishing the district, there shall be held a meeting of the landowners of the district for the purpose of electing five supervisors for the district. Notice of the landowners' meeting shall be published once a week for 2 consecutive weeks in a newspaper which is in general circulation in the area of the district, the last day of such publication to be not fewer than 14 days or more than 28 days before the date of the election. The landowners, when assembled at such meeting, shall organize by electing a chair who shall conduct the meeting. The chair may be any person present at the meeting. If the chair is a landowner or proxy holder of a landowner, he or she may nominate candidates and make and second motions.

(b) At such meeting, each landowner shall be entitled to cast one vote per acre of land owned by him or her and located within the district for each person to be elected. A landowner may vote in person or by proxy in writing. Each proxy must be signed by one of the legal owners of the property for which the vote is cast and must contain the typed or printed name of the individual who signed the proxy; the street address, legal description of the property, or tax parcel identification number; and the number of authorized votes. If the proxy authorizes more than one vote, each property must be listed and the number of acres of each property must be included. The signature on a proxy need not be notarized. A fraction of an acre shall be treated as 1 acre, entitling the landowner to one vote with respect thereto. For purposes of determining voting interests, platted lots shall be counted individually and rounded up to the nearest whole acre. The acreage of platted lots shall not be aggregated for determining the number of voting units held by a landowner or a landowner's proxy. The two candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected for a period of 4 years, and the three candidates receiving the next largest number of votes shall be elected for a period of 2 years, with the term of office for each successful candidate commencing upon election. The members of the first board elected by landowners shall serve their respective 4-year or 2-year terms; however, the next election by landowners shall be held on the first Tuesday in November. Thereafter, there shall be an election of supervisors for the district every 2 years in November on a date established by the board and noticed pursuant to paragraph (a). The second and subsequent landowners' election shall be announced at a public meeting of the board at least 90 days prior to the date of the landowners' meeting and shall also be noticed pursuant to paragraph (a). Instructions on how all landowners may participate in the election, along with sample proxies, shall be provided during the board meeting that announces the landowners' meeting. The two candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected to serve for a 4-year period, and the remaining candidate elected shall serve for a 2-year period.

(3)(a)1. If the board proposes to exercise the ad valorem taxing power authorized by s. 190.021, the district board shall call an election at which the members of the board of supervisors will be elected. Such election shall be held in conjunction with a primary or general election unless the district bears the cost of a special election. Each member shall be elected by the qualified electors of the district for a term of 4 years, except that, at the first such election, three members shall be elected for a period of 4 years and two members shall be elected for a period of 2 years. All elected board members must be qualified electors of the district.

2.a. Regardless of whether a district has proposed to levy ad valorem taxes, commencing 6 years after the initial appointment of members or, for a district exceeding 5,000 acres in area or for a compact, urban, mixed-use district, 10 years after the initial appointment of members, the position of each member whose term has expired shall be filled by a qualified elector of the district, elected by the qualified electors of the district. However, for those districts established after June 21, 1991, and for those existing districts established after December 31, 1983,

which have less than 50 qualified electors on June 21, 1991, sub-subparagraphs b. and d. shall apply. If, in the 6th year after the initial appointment of members, or 10 years after such initial appointment for districts exceeding 5,000 acres in area or for a compact, urban, mixed-use district, there are not at least 250 qualified electors in the district, or for a district exceeding 5,000 acres or for a compact, urban, mixed-use district, there are not at least 500 qualified electors, members of the board shall continue to be elected by landowners.

b. After the 6th or 10th year, once a district reaches 250 or 500 qualified electors, respectively, then the positions of two board members whose terms are expiring shall be filled by qualified electors of the district, elected by the qualified electors of the district for 4-year terms. The remaining board member whose term is expiring shall be elected for a 4-year term by the landowners and is not required to be a qualified elector. Thereafter, as terms expire, board members shall be qualified electors elected by qualified electors of the district for a term of 4 years.

c. Once a district qualifies to have any of its board members elected by the qualified electors of the district, the initial and all subsequent elections by the qualified electors of the district shall be held at the general election in November. The board shall adopt a resolution if necessary to implement this requirement when the board determines the number of qualified electors as required by sub-subparagraph d., to extend or reduce the terms of current board members.

d. On or before June 1 of each year, the board shall determine the number of qualified electors in the district as of the immediately preceding April 15. The board shall use and rely upon the official records maintained by the supervisor of elections and property appraiser or tax collector in each county in making this determination. Such determination shall be made at a properly noticed meeting of the board and shall become a part of the official minutes of the district.

(b) Elections of board members by qualified electors held pursuant to this subsection shall be nonpartisan and shall be conducted in the manner prescribed by law for holding general elections. The district shall publish a notice of the qualifying period set by the supervisor of elections for each election at least 2 weeks prior to the start of the qualifying period. Board members shall assume the office on the second Tuesday following their election. If no elector qualifies for a seat to be filled in an election, a vacancy in that seat shall be declared by the board effective on the second Tuesday following the election. Within 90 days thereafter, the board shall appoint a qualified elector to fill the vacancy. Until such appointment, the incumbent board member in that seat shall remain in office.

(c) Candidates seeking election to office by qualified electors under this subsection shall conduct their campaigns in accordance with the provisions of chapter 106 and shall file qualifying papers and qualify for individual seats in accordance with s. 99.061.

(d) The supervisor of elections shall appoint the inspectors and clerks of elections, prepare and furnish the ballots, designate polling places, and canvass the returns of the election of board members by qualified electors. The county canvassing board shall declare and certify the results of the election.

(4) Members of the board shall be known as supervisors and, upon entering into office, shall take and subscribe to the oath of office as prescribed by s. 876.05. They shall hold office for the terms for which they were elected or appointed and until their successors are chosen and qualified. If, during the term of office, a vacancy occurs, the remaining members of the board shall fill the vacancy by an appointment for the remainder of the unexpired term.

(5) A majority of the members of the board constitutes a quorum for the purposes of conducting its business and exercising its powers and for all other purposes. Action taken by the district shall be upon a vote of a majority of the members present unless general law or a rule of the district requires a greater number.

(6) As soon as practicable after each election or appointment, the board shall organize by electing one of its members as chair and by electing a secretary, who need not be a member of the board, and such other officers as the board may deem necessary.

(7) The board shall keep a permanent record book entitled "Record of Proceedings of (name of district) Community Development District," in which shall be recorded minutes of all meetings, resolutions, proceedings, certificates, bonds given by all employees, and any and all corporate acts. The record book shall at reasonable times be opened to inspection in the same manner as state, county, and municipal records pursuant to chapter

119. The record book shall be kept at the office or other regular place of business maintained by the board in the county or municipality in which the district is located or within the boundaries of a development of regional impact or Florida Quality Development, or combination of a development of regional impact and Florida Quality Development, which includes the district.

(8) Each supervisor shall be entitled to receive for his or her services an amount not to exceed \$200 per meeting of the board of supervisors, not to exceed \$4,800 per year per supervisor, or an amount established by the electors at referendum. In addition, each supervisor shall receive travel and per diem expenses as set forth in s. 112.061.

(9) All meetings of the board shall be open to the public and governed by the provisions of chapter 286.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407; s. 6, ch. 84-360; s. 23, ch. 85-80; s. 3, ch. 91-308; s. 962, ch. 95-147; s. 36, ch. 99-378; s. 19, ch. 2000-158; s. 35, ch. 2004-345; s. 32, ch. 2004-353; s. 3, ch. 2007-160; s. 33, ch. 2008-95; s. 2, ch. 2009-142.

190.007 Board of supervisors; general duties.—

(1) The board shall employ, and fix the compensation of, a district manager. The district manager shall have charge and supervision of the works of the district and shall be responsible for preserving and maintaining any improvement or facility constructed or erected pursuant to the provisions of this act, for maintaining and operating the equipment owned by the district, and for performing such other duties as may be prescribed by the board. It shall not be a conflict of interest under chapter 112 for a board member or the district manager or another employee of the district to be a stockholder, officer, or employee of a landowner or of an entity affiliated with a landowner. The district manager may hire or otherwise employ and terminate the employment of such other persons, including, without limitation, professional, supervisory, and clerical employees, as may be necessary and authorized by the board. The compensation and other conditions of employment of the officers and employees of the district shall be as provided by the board.

(2) The board shall designate a person who is a resident of the state as treasurer of the district, who shall have charge of the funds of the district. Such funds shall be disbursed only upon the order, or pursuant to the resolution, of the board by warrant or check countersigned by the treasurer and by such other person as may be authorized by the board. The board may give the treasurer such other or additional powers and duties as the board may deem appropriate and may fix his or her compensation. The board may require the treasurer to give a bond in such amount, on such terms, and with such sureties as may be deemed satisfactory to the board to secure the performance by the treasurer of his or her powers and duties. The financial records of the board shall be audited by an independent certified public accountant at least once a year.

(3) The board is authorized to select as a depository for its funds any qualified public depository as defined in s. 280.02 which meets all the requirements of chapter 280 and has been designated by the Chief Financial Officer as a qualified public depository, upon such terms and conditions as to the payment of interest by such depository upon the funds so deposited as the board may deem just and reasonable.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407; s. 7, ch. 84-360; s. 32, ch. 86-191; s. 963, ch. 95-147; s. 170, ch. 2003-261; s. 4, ch. 2007-160.

190.008 Budget; reports and reviews.—

(1) The district shall provide financial reports in such form and such manner as prescribed pursuant to this chapter and chapter 218.

(2)(a) On or before each June 15, the district manager shall prepare a proposed budget for the ensuing fiscal year to be submitted to the board for board approval. The proposed budget shall include at the direction of the board an estimate of all necessary expenditures of the district for the ensuing fiscal year and an estimate of income to the district from the taxes, assessments, and other revenues provided in this act. The board shall consider the proposed budget item by item and may either approve the budget as proposed by the district manager or modify the same in part or in whole. The board shall indicate its approval of the budget by resolution, which resolution shall provide for a hearing on the budget as approved. Notice of the hearing on the budget shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the area of the district once a week for 2 consecutive weeks, except that the first publication shall be not fewer than 15 days prior to the date of the hearing. The notice shall further contain a designation of the day, time, and place of the public hearing. At the time and place designated in

the notice, the board shall hear all objections to the budget as proposed and may make such changes as the board deems necessary. At the conclusion of the budget hearing, the board shall, by resolution, adopt the budget as finally approved by the board. The budget shall be adopted prior to October 1 of each year.

(b) At least 60 days prior to adoption, the district board shall submit to the local governing authorities having jurisdiction over the area included in the district, for purposes of disclosure and information only, the proposed annual budget for the ensuing fiscal year and any proposed long-term financial plan or program of the district for future operations.

(c) The local governing authorities may review the proposed annual budget and any long-term financial plan or program and may submit written comments to the board for its assistance and information in adopting its annual budget and long-term financial plan or program.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407; s. 5, ch. 2007-160.

190.009 Disclosure of public financing.—

(1) The district shall take affirmative steps to provide for the full disclosure of information relating to the public financing and maintenance of improvements to real property undertaken by the district. Such information shall be made available to all existing residents, and to all prospective residents, of the district. The district shall furnish each developer of a residential development within the district with sufficient copies of that information to provide each prospective initial purchaser of property in that development with a copy, and any developer of a residential development within the district, when required by law to provide a public offering statement, shall include a copy of such information relating to the public financing and maintenance of improvements in the public offering statement. The district shall file the disclosure documents required by this subsection and any amendments thereto in the property records of each county in which the district is located.

(2) The Department of Economic Opportunity shall keep a current list of districts and their disclosures pursuant to this act and shall make such studies and reports and take such actions as it deems necessary.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407; s. 17, ch. 81-167; s. 15, ch. 83-55; s. 1, ch. 85-60; s. 2, ch. 90-46; s. 9, ch. 94-218; s. 37, ch. 99-378; s. 6, ch. 2007-160; s. 10, ch. 2008-240; s. 70, ch. 2011-142.

190.011 General powers.—The district shall have, and the body may exercise, the following powers:

(1) To sue and be sued in the name of the district; to adopt and use a seal and authorize the use of a facsimile thereof; to acquire, by purchase, gift, devise, or otherwise, and to dispose of, real and personal property, or any estate therein; and to make and execute contracts and other instruments necessary or convenient to the exercise of its powers.

(2) To apply for coverage of its employees under the state retirement system in the same manner as if such employees were state employees, subject to necessary action by the district to pay employer contributions into the state retirement fund.

(3) To contract for the services of consultants to perform planning, engineering, legal, or other appropriate services of a professional nature. Such contracts shall be subject to public bidding or competitive negotiation requirements as set forth in s. 190.033.

(4) To borrow money and accept gifts; to apply for and use grants or loans of money or other property from the United States, the state, a unit of local government, or any person for any district purposes and enter into agreements required in connection therewith; and to hold, use, and dispose of such moneys or property for any district purposes in accordance with the terms of the gift, grant, loan, or agreement relating thereto.

(5) To adopt rules and orders pursuant to the provisions of chapter 120 prescribing the powers, duties, and functions of the officers of the district; the conduct of the business of the district; the maintenance of records; and the form of certificates evidencing tax liens and all other documents and records of the district. The board may also adopt administrative rules with respect to any of the projects of the district and define the area to be included therein. The board may also adopt resolutions which may be necessary for the conduct of district business.

(6) To maintain an office at such place or places as it may designate within a county in which the district is located or within the boundaries of a development of regional impact or a Florida Quality Development, or a

combination of a development of regional impact and a Florida Quality Development, which includes the district, which office must be reasonably accessible to the landowners. Meetings pursuant to s. 189.015(3) of a district within the boundaries of a development of regional impact or Florida Quality Development, or a combination of a development of regional impact and a Florida Quality Development, may be held at such office.

(7)(a) To hold, control, and acquire by donation, purchase, or condemnation, or dispose of, any public easements, dedications to public use, platted reservations for public purposes, or any reservations for those purposes authorized by this act and to make use of such easements, dedications, or reservations for any of the purposes authorized by this act.

(b) When real property in the district is owned by a governmental entity and subject to a ground lease as described in s. 190.003(14), to collect ground rent from landowners pursuant to a contract with such governmental entity and to contract with the county tax collector for collection of such ground rent using the procedures authorized in s. 197.3631, other than the procedures contained in s. 197.3632.

(8) To lease as lessor or lessee to or from any person, firm, corporation, association, or body, public or private, any projects of the type that the district is authorized to undertake and facilities or property of any nature for the use of the district to carry out any of the purposes authorized by this act.

(9) To borrow money and issue bonds, certificates, warrants, notes, or other evidence of indebtedness as hereinafter provided; to levy such tax and special assessments as may be authorized; and to charge, collect, and enforce fees and other user charges.

(10) To raise, by user charges or fees authorized by resolution of the board, amounts of money which are necessary for the conduct of the district activities and services and to enforce their receipt and collection in the manner prescribed by resolution not inconsistent with law.

(11) To exercise within the district, or beyond the district with prior approval by resolution of the governing body of the county if the taking will occur in an unincorporated area or with prior approval by resolution of the governing body of the municipality if the taking will occur within a municipality, the right and power of eminent domain, pursuant to the provisions of chapters 73 and 74, over any property within the state, except municipal, county, state, and federal property, for the uses and purposes of the district relating solely to water, sewer, district roads, and water management, specifically including, without limitation, the power for the taking of easements for the drainage of the land of one person over and through the land of another.

(12) To cooperate with, or contract with, other governmental agencies as may be necessary, convenient, incidental, or proper in connection with any of the powers, duties, or purposes authorized by this act.

(13) To assess and impose upon lands in the district ad valorem taxes as provided by this act.

(14) To determine, order, levy, impose, collect, and enforce special assessments pursuant to this act and chapter 170. Such special assessments may, in the discretion of the district, be collected and enforced pursuant to the provisions of ss. 197.3631, 197.3632, and 197.3635, chapter 170, or chapter 173.

(15) To exercise all of the powers necessary, convenient, incidental, or proper in connection with any of the powers, duties, or purposes authorized by this act.

(16) To exercise such special powers as may be authorized by this act.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407; s. 8, ch. 84-360; s. 46, ch. 89-169; s. 4, ch. 91-308; s. 38, ch. 99-378; s. 1, ch. 2003-39; s. 7, ch. 2007-160; s. 5, ch. 2009-142; s. 69, ch. 2014-22.

190.012 Special powers; public improvements and community facilities.—The district shall have, and the board may exercise, subject to the regulatory jurisdiction and permitting authority of all applicable governmental bodies, agencies, and special districts having authority with respect to any area included therein, any or all of the following special powers relating to public improvements and community facilities authorized by this act:

(1) To finance, fund, plan, establish, acquire, construct or reconstruct, enlarge or extend, equip, operate, and maintain systems, facilities, and basic infrastructures for the following:

(a) Water management and control for the lands within the district and to connect some or any of such facilities with roads and bridges.

(b) Water supply, sewer, and wastewater management, reclamation, and reuse or any combination thereof, and to construct and operate connecting intercepting or outlet sewers and sewer mains and pipes and water mains, conduits, or pipelines in, along, and under any street, alley, highway, or other public place or ways, and to dispose of any effluent, residue, or other byproducts of such system or sewer system.

(c) Bridges or culverts that may be needed across any drain, ditch, canal, floodway, holding basin, excavation, public highway, tract, grade, fill, or cut and roadways over levees and embankments, and to construct any and all of such works and improvements across, through, or over any public right-of-way, highway, grade, fill, or cut.

(d)1. District roads equal to or exceeding the applicable specifications of the county in which such district roads are located; roads and improvements to existing public roads that are owned by or conveyed to the local general-purpose government, the state, or the Federal Government; street lights; alleys; landscaping; hardscaping; and the undergrounding of electric utility lines. Districts may request the underground placement of utility lines by the local retail electric utility provider in accordance with the utility's tariff on file with the Public Service Commission and may finance the required contribution.

2. Buses, trolleys, transit shelters, ridesharing facilities and services, parking improvements, and related signage.

(e) Investigation and remediation costs associated with the cleanup of actual or perceived environmental contamination within the district under the supervision or direction of a competent governmental authority unless the covered costs benefit any person who is a landowner within the district and who caused or contributed to the contamination.

(f) Conservation areas, mitigation areas, and wildlife habitat, including the maintenance of any plant or animal species, and any related interest in real or personal property.

(g) Any other project within or without the boundaries of a district when a local government issued a development order pursuant to s. 380.06 or s. 380.061 approving or expressly requiring the construction or funding of the project by the district, or when the project is the subject of an agreement between the district and a governmental entity and is consistent with the local government comprehensive plan of the local government within which the project is to be located.

(h) Any other project, facility, or service required by a development approval, interlocal agreement, zoning condition, or permit issued by a governmental authority with jurisdiction in the district.

(2) After the local general-purpose government within the jurisdiction of which a power specified in this subsection is to be exercised consents to the exercise of such power by the district, the district shall have the power to plan, establish, acquire, construct or reconstruct, enlarge or extend, equip, operate, and maintain additional systems and facilities for:

(a) Parks and facilities for indoor and outdoor recreational, cultural, and educational uses.

(b) Fire prevention and control, including fire stations, water mains and plugs, fire trucks, and other vehicles and equipment.

(c) School buildings and related structures and site improvements, which may be leased, sold, or donated to the school district, for use in the educational system when authorized by the district school board.

(d) Security, including, but not limited to, guardhouses, fences and gates, electronic intrusion-detection systems, and patrol cars, when authorized by proper governmental agencies; except that the district may not exercise any police power, but may contract with the appropriate local general-purpose government agencies for an increased level of such services within the district boundaries. However, this paragraph does not prohibit a district from contracting with a towing operator to remove a vehicle or vessel from a district-owned facility or property if the district follows the authorization and notice and procedural requirements in s. 715.07 for an owner or lessee of private property. The district's selection of a towing operator is not subject to public bidding if the towing operator is included in an approved list of towing operators maintained by the local government that has jurisdiction over the district's facility or property.

(e) Control and elimination of mosquitoes and other arthropods of public health importance.

(f) Waste collection and disposal.

(3) To adopt and enforce appropriate rules following the procedures of chapter 120, in connection with the provision of one or more services through its systems and facilities.

(4)(a) To adopt rules necessary for the district to enforce certain deed restrictions pertaining to the use and operation of real property within the district and outside the district pursuant to an interlocal agreement under chapter 163 if within another district or, if not within another district, with the consent of the county or municipality in which the deed restriction enforcement is proposed to occur. For the purpose of this subsection, the term “deed restrictions” means those covenants, conditions, restrictions, compliance mechanisms, and enforcement remedies contained in any applicable declarations of covenants and restrictions that govern the use and operation of real property and, for which covenants, conditions, and restrictions, there is no homeowners’ association or property owner’s association having respective enforcement powers unless, with respect to a homeowners’ association whose board is under member control, the association and the district agree in writing to enforcement by the district. The district may adopt by rule all or certain portions of the deed restrictions that:

1. Relate to limitations, prohibitions, compliance mechanisms, or enforcement remedies that apply only to external appearances or uses and are deemed by the district to be generally beneficial for the district’s landowners and for which enforcement by the district is appropriate, as determined by the district’s board of supervisors; or
2. Are consistent with the requirements of a development order or regulatory agency permit.

(b) The board may vote to adopt such rules only when all of the following conditions exist:

1. The district was in existence on the effective date of this subsection, or is located within a development that consists of multiple developments of regional impact and a Florida Quality Development.
2. For residential districts, the majority of the board has been elected by qualified electors pursuant to the provisions of s. 190.006.
3. For residential districts, less than 25 percent of residential units are in a homeowners’ association.
4. The declarant in any applicable declarations of covenants and restrictions has provided the board with a written agreement that such rules may be adopted. A memorandum of the agreement shall be recorded in the public records.

(c) Within 60 days after such rules take effect, the district shall record a notice of rule adoption stating generally what rules were adopted and where a copy of the rules may be obtained. Districts may impose fines for violations of such rules and enforce such rules and fines in circuit court through injunctive relief.

(d) The owners of property located outside the boundary of the district shall elect an advisor to the district board pursuant to paragraph (e). The sole responsibilities of the district board advisor are to review enforcement actions proposed by the district board against properties located outside the district and make recommendations relating to those proposed actions. Before the district board may enforce its rules against any owner of property located outside the district, the district board shall request the district board advisor to make a recommendation on the proposed enforcement action. The district board advisor must render a recommendation within 30 days after receiving a request from the district board or is deemed to have no objection to the district board’s proposed decision or action.

(e)1. Whenever an interlocal agreement is entered into pursuant to paragraph (a), a district board advisor seat shall be created for one elected landowner whose property is within the jurisdiction of the governmental entity entering into the interlocal agreement but not within the boundaries of the district. The district board advisor shall be elected by landowners whose land is subject to enforcement by the district but whose land is not within the boundaries of the district. The district board advisor shall be elected for a 2-year term. The first election for a district board advisor shall be within 90 days after the effective date of the interlocal agreement between the district and the government entity.

2. The election of the district board advisor shall occur at a meeting of eligible landowners. The district shall publish notice of the meeting and election once a week for 2 consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the area of the parties to the interlocal agreement. The notice must include instructions on how all landowners may participate in the election and how to obtain a proxy form. The last day of publication may not be less than 14 days or more than 28 days before the date of the election. The landowners, when assembled at the meeting, shall organize by electing a chair who shall conduct the meeting. The chair may be any person present at

the meeting. If the chair is a landowner or proxy holder of a landowner, he or she may nominate candidates and make and second motions.

3. At the meeting, each landowner is entitled to cast one vote per acre of land owned by him or her and located within the district for each person to be elected. A landowner may vote in person or by proxy in writing. Each proxy must be signed by one of the legal owners of the property for which the vote is cast and must contain the typed or printed name of the individual who signed the proxy; the street address, legal description of the property, or tax parcel identification number; and the number of authorized votes. If the proxy authorizes more than one vote, each property must be listed and the number of acres of each property must be included. The signature on a proxy need not be notarized. A fraction of an acre shall be treated as 1 acre, entitling the landowner to one vote with respect thereto. For purposes of determining voting interests, platted lots shall be counted individually and rounded up to the nearest whole acre. The acreage of platted lots may not be aggregated for purposes of determining the number of voting units held by a landowner or a landowner's proxy.

4. If a vacancy occurs in the district advisor seat, a special landowner election shall be held within 60 days after the vacancy using the notice, proxy, and acreage voting provisions of this subsection.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407; s. 51, ch. 83-217; s. 9, ch. 84-360; s. 47, ch. 89-169; s. 8, ch. 93-51; s. 39, ch. 99-378; s. 15, ch. 2000-317; s. 47, ch. 2000-364; s. 33, ch. 2004-345; s. 30, ch. 2004-353; s. 8, ch. 2007-160; s. 9, ch. 2009-142; s. 2, ch. 2016-94.

190.0125 Purchase, privatization, or sale of water, sewer, or wastewater reuse utility by district.—No community development district may purchase or sell a water, sewer, or wastewater reuse utility that provides service to the public for compensation, or enter into a wastewater facility privatization contract for a wastewater facility, until the governing body of the community development district has held a public hearing on the purchase, sale, or wastewater facility privatization contract and made a determination that the purchase, sale, or wastewater facility privatization contract is in the public interest. In determining if the purchase, sale, or wastewater facility privatization contract is in the public interest, the community development district shall consider, at a minimum, the following:

- (1) The most recent available income and expense statement for the utility;
- (2) The most recent available balance sheet for the utility, listing assets and liabilities and clearly showing the amount of contributions-in-aid-of-construction and the accumulated depreciation thereon;
- (3) A statement of the existing rate base of the utility for regulatory purposes;
- (4) The physical condition of the utility facilities being purchased, sold, or subject to a wastewater facility privatization contract;
- (5) The reasonableness of the purchase, sales, or wastewater facility privatization contract price and terms;
- (6) The impacts of the purchase, sale, or wastewater facility privatization contract on utility customers, both positive and negative;
- (7)(a) Any additional investment required and the ability and willingness of the purchaser or the private firm under a wastewater facility privatization contract to make that investment, whether the purchaser is the community development district or the entity purchasing the utility from the community development district;
- (b) In the case of a wastewater facility privatization contract, the terms and conditions on which the private firm will provide capital investment and financing or a combination thereof for contemplated capital replacements, additions, expansions, and repairs. The community development district shall give significant weight to this criteria.
- (8) The alternatives to the purchase, sale, or wastewater facility privatization contract and the potential impact on utility customers if the purchase, sale, or wastewater facility privatization contract is not made;
- (9)(a) The ability of the purchaser or the private firm under a wastewater facility privatization contract to provide and maintain high-quality and cost-effective utility service, whether the purchaser is the community development district or the entity purchasing the utility from the community development district;
- (b) In the case of a wastewater facility privatization contract, the community development district shall give significant weight to the technical expertise and experience of the private firm in carrying out the obligations specified in the wastewater facility privatization contract; and

(10) All moneys paid by a private firm to a community development district pursuant to a wastewater facility privatization contract shall be used for the purpose of reducing or offsetting property taxes, wastewater service rates, or debt reduction or making infrastructure improvements or capital asset expenditures or other public purpose; provided, however, nothing herein shall preclude the community development district from using all or part of the moneys for the purpose of the community development district's qualification for relief from the repayment of federal grant awards associated with the wastewater system as may be required by federal law or regulation.

The community development district shall prepare a statement showing that the purchase, sale, or wastewater facility privatization contract is in the public interest, including a summary of the purchaser's or private firm's experience in water, sewer, or wastewater reuse utility operation and a showing of financial ability to provide the service, whether the purchaser or private firm is the community development district or the entity purchasing the utility from the community development district.

History.—s. 3, ch. 84-84; s. 9, ch. 93-51; s. 9, ch. 96-202.

190.013 Water management and control plan.—In the event that the board assumes the responsibility for providing water management and control for the district as provided in s. 190.012(1)(a) which is to be financed by benefit special assessments, the board shall proceed to adopt water management and control plans, assess for benefits, and apportion and levy special assessments, as follows:

(1) The board shall cause to be made by the district's engineer, or such other engineer or engineers as the board may employ for that purpose, complete and comprehensive water management and control plans for the lands located within the district that will be improved in any part or in whole by any system of facilities that may be outlined and adopted, and the engineer shall make a report in writing to the board with maps and profiles of said surveys and an estimate of the cost of carrying out and completing the plans.

(2) Upon the completion of such plans, the board shall hold a hearing thereon to hear objections thereto, shall give notice of the time and place fixed for such hearing by publication once each week for 2 consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the general area of the district, and shall permit the inspection of the plan at the office of the district by all persons interested. All objections to the plan shall be filed at or before the time fixed in the notice for the hearing and shall be in writing.

(3) After the hearing, the board shall consider the proposed plan and any objections thereto and may modify, reject, or adopt the plan or continue the hearing to a day certain for further consideration of the proposed plan or modifications thereof.

(4) When the board approves a plan, a resolution shall be adopted and a certified copy thereof shall be filed in the office of the secretary and incorporated by him or her into the records of the district.

(5) The water management and control plan may be altered in detail from time to time until the appraisal record herein provided is filed, but not in such manner as to affect materially the conditions of its adoption. After the appraisal record has been filed, no alteration of the plan shall be made, except as provided by this act.

(6) Within 20 days after the final adoption of the plan by the board, the board shall proceed pursuant to s. 298.301.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407; s. 5, ch. 91-308; s. 964, ch. 95-147; s. 26, ch. 97-40.

190.014 Issuance of bond anticipation notes.—In addition to the other powers provided for in this act, and not in limitation thereof, the district shall have the power, at any time, and from time to time after the issuance of any bonds of the district shall have been authorized, to borrow money for the purposes for which such bonds are to be issued in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of the sale of such bonds and to issue bond anticipation notes in a principal sum not in excess of the authorized maximum amount of such bond issue. Such notes shall be in such denomination or denominations, bear interest at such rate as the board may determine in compliance with s. 215.84, mature at such time or times not later than 5 years from the date of issuance, and be in such form and executed in such manner as the board shall prescribe. Such notes may be sold at either public or private sale or, if such notes shall be renewal notes, may be exchanged for notes then outstanding on such terms as the board shall

determine. Such notes shall be paid from the proceeds of such bonds when issued. The board may, in its discretion, in lieu of retiring the notes by means of bonds, retire them by means of current revenues or from any taxes or assessments levied for the payment of such bonds; but in such event a like amount of the bonds authorized shall not be issued. Non-ad valorem assessments levied to pay interest on bond anticipation notes shall not constitute an installment of assessments under s. 190.022.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407; s. 9, ch. 83-215; s. 9, ch. 2007-160.

190.015 Short-term borrowing.—The district at any time may obtain loans, in such amount and on such terms and conditions as the board may approve, for the purpose of paying any of the expenses of the district or any costs incurred or that may be incurred in connection with any of the projects of the district, which loans shall bear such interest as the board may determine in compliance with s. 215.84, and may be payable from and secured by a pledge of such funds, revenues, taxes, and assessments as the board may determine, subject, however, to the provisions contained in any proceeding under which bonds were theretofore issued and are then outstanding. For the purpose of defraying such costs and expenses, the district may issue negotiable notes, warrants, or other evidences of debt to be payable at such times, to bear such interest as the board may determine in compliance with s. 215.84, and to be sold or discounted at such price or prices not less than 95 percent of par value and on such terms as the board may deem advisable. The board shall have the right to provide for the payment thereof by pledging the whole or any part of the funds, revenues, taxes, and assessments of the district. The approval of the electors residing in the district shall not be necessary except when required by the State Constitution.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407; s. 80, ch. 81-259; s. 10, ch. 83-215.

190.016 Bonds.—

(1) **SALE OF BONDS.**—Bonds may be sold in blocks or installments at different times, or an entire issue or series may be sold at one time. Bonds may be sold at public or private sale after such advertisement, if any, as the board may deem advisable but not in any event at less than 90 percent of the par value thereof, together with accrued interest thereon. Bonds may be sold or exchanged for refunding bonds. Special assessment and revenue bonds may be delivered by the district as payment of the purchase price of any project or part thereof, or a combination of projects or parts thereof, or as the purchase price or exchange for any property, real, personal, or mixed, including franchises or services rendered by any contractor, engineer, or other person, all at one time or in blocks from time to time, in such manner and upon such terms as the board in its discretion shall determine. The price or prices for any bonds sold, exchanged, or delivered may be:

- (a) The money paid for the bonds;
- (b) The principal amount, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption or exchange, or outstanding obligations exchanged for refunding bonds; and
- (c) In the case of special assessment or revenue bonds, the amount of any indebtedness to contractors or other persons paid with such bonds, or the fair value of any properties exchanged for the bonds, as determined by the board.

(2) **AUTHORIZATION AND FORM OF BONDS.**—Any general obligation bonds, benefit bonds, or revenue bonds may be authorized by resolution or resolutions of the board which shall be adopted by a majority of all the members thereof then in office. Such resolution or resolutions may be adopted at the same meeting at which they are introduced and need not be published or posted. The board may, by resolution, authorize the issuance of bonds and fix the aggregate amount of bonds to be issued; the purpose or purposes for which the moneys derived therefrom shall be expended, including, but not limited to, payment of costs as defined in s. 190.003(8); the rate or rates of interest, in compliance with s. 215.84; the denomination of the bonds; whether or not the bonds are to be issued in one or more series; the date or dates of maturity, which shall not exceed 40 years from their respective dates of issuance; the medium of payment; the place or places within or without the state where payment shall be made; registration privileges; redemption terms and privileges, whether with or without premium; the manner of execution; the form of the bonds, including any interest coupons to be attached thereto; the manner of execution of bonds and coupons; and any and all other terms, covenants, and conditions thereof and the establishment of revenue or other funds. Such authorizing resolution or resolutions may further provide for the contracts authorized

by s. 159.825(1)(f) and (g) regardless of the tax treatment of such bonds being authorized, subject to the finding by the board of a net saving to the district resulting by reason thereof. Such authorizing resolution may further provide that such bonds may be executed in accordance with the Registered Public Obligations Act, except that bonds not issued in registered form shall be valid if manually countersigned by an officer designated by appropriate resolution of the board. The seal of the district may be affixed, lithographed, engraved, or otherwise reproduced in facsimile on such bonds. In case any officer whose signature shall appear on any bonds or coupons shall cease to be such officer before the delivery of such bonds, such signature or facsimile shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes the same as if he or she had remained in office until such delivery.

(3) INTERIM CERTIFICATES; REPLACEMENT CERTIFICATES.—Pending the preparation of definitive bonds, the board may issue interim certificates or receipts or temporary bonds, in such form and with such provisions as the board may determine, exchangeable for definitive bonds when such bonds have been executed and are available for delivery. The board may also provide for the replacement of any bonds which become mutilated, lost, or destroyed.

(4) NEGOTIABILITY OF BONDS.—Any bond issued under this act or any temporary bond, in the absence of an express recital on the face thereof that it is nonnegotiable, shall be fully negotiable and shall be and constitute a negotiable instrument within the meaning and for all purposes of the law merchant and the laws of the state.

(5) DEFEASANCE.—The board may make such provision with respect to the defeasance of the right, title, and interest of the holders of any of the bonds and obligations of the district in any revenues, funds, or other properties by which such bonds are secured as the board deems appropriate and, without limitation on the foregoing, may provide that when such bonds or obligations become due and payable or shall have been called for redemption and the whole amount of the principal and interest and premium, if any, due and payable upon the bonds or obligations then outstanding shall be held in trust for such purpose and provision shall also be made for paying all other sums payable in connection with such bonds or other obligations, then and in such event the right, title, and interest of the holders of the bonds in any revenues, funds, or other properties by which such bonds are secured shall thereupon cease, terminate, and become void; and the board may apply any surplus in any sinking fund established in connection with such bonds or obligations and all balances remaining in all other funds or accounts other than money held for the redemption or payment of the bonds or other obligations to any lawful purpose of the district as the board shall determine.

(6) ISSUANCE OF ADDITIONAL BONDS.—If the proceeds of any bonds are less than the cost of completing the project in connection with which such bonds were issued, the board may authorize the issuance of additional bonds, upon such terms and conditions as the board may provide in the resolution authorizing the issuance thereof, but only in compliance with the resolution or other proceedings authorizing the issuance of the original bonds.

(7) REFUNDING BONDS.—The district shall have the power to issue bonds to provide for the retirement or refunding of any bonds or obligations of the district that at the time of such issuance are or subsequently thereto become due and payable, or that at the time of issuance have been called or are or will be subject to call for redemption within 10 years thereafter, or the surrender of which can be procured from the holders thereof at prices satisfactory to the board. Refunding bonds may be issued at any time when in the judgment of the board such issuance will be advantageous to the district. No approval of the qualified electors residing in the district shall be required for the issuance of refunding bonds except in cases in which such approval is required by the State Constitution. The board may by resolution confer upon the holders of such refunding bonds all rights, powers, and remedies to which the holders would be entitled if they continued to be the owners and had possession of the bonds for the refinancing of which such refunding bonds are issued, including, but not limited to, the preservation of the lien of such bonds on the revenues of any project or on pledged funds, without extinguishment, impairment, or diminution thereof. The provisions of this act pertaining to bonds of the district shall, unless the context otherwise requires, govern the issuance of refunding bonds, the form and other details thereof, the rights of the holders thereof, and the duties of the board with respect to them.

(8) REVENUE BONDS.—

(a) The district shall have the power to issue revenue bonds from time to time without limitation as to amount. Such revenue bonds may be secured by, or payable from, the gross or net pledge of the revenues to be derived

from any project or combination of projects; from the rates, fees, or other charges to be collected from the users of any project or projects; from any revenue-producing undertaking or activity of the district; from special assessments; or from any other source or pledged security. Such bonds shall not constitute an indebtedness of the district, and the approval of the qualified electors shall not be required unless such bonds are additionally secured by the full faith and credit and taxing power of the district.

(b) Any two or more projects may be combined and consolidated into a single project and may hereafter be operated and maintained as a single project. The revenue bonds authorized herein may be issued to finance any one or more of such projects, regardless of whether or not such projects have been combined and consolidated into a single project. If the board deems it advisable, the proceedings authorizing such revenue bonds may provide that the district may thereafter combine the projects then being financed or theretofore financed with other projects to be subsequently financed by the district and that revenue bonds to be thereafter issued by the district shall be on parity with the revenue bonds then being issued, all on such terms, conditions, and limitations as shall have been provided in the proceeding which authorized the original bonds.

(9) GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS.—

(a) The district shall have the power from time to time to issue general obligation bonds to finance or refinance capital projects or to refund outstanding bonds in an aggregate principal amount of bonds outstanding at any one time not in excess of 35 percent of the assessed value of the taxable property within the district as shown on the pertinent tax records at the time of the authorization of the general obligation bonds for which the full faith and credit of the district is pledged. Except for refunding bonds, no general obligation bonds shall be issued unless the bonds are issued to finance or refinance a capital project and the issuance has been approved at an election held in accordance with the requirements for such election as prescribed by the State Constitution. Such elections shall be called to be held in the district by the board of county commissioners of the county upon the request of the board of the district. The expenses of calling and holding an election shall be at the expense of the district, and the district shall reimburse the county for any expenses incurred in calling or holding such election.

(b) The district may pledge its full faith and credit for the payment of the principal and interest on such general obligation bonds and for any reserve funds provided therefor and may unconditionally and irrevocably pledge itself to levy ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the district, to the extent necessary for the payment thereof, without limitations as to rate or amount.

(c) If the board determines to issue general obligation bonds for more than one capital project, the approval of the issuance of the bonds for each and all such projects may be submitted to the electors on one and the same ballot. The failure of the electors to approve the issuance of bonds for any one or more capital projects shall not defeat the approval of bonds for any capital project which has been approved by the electors.

(d) In arriving at the amount of general obligation bonds permitted to be outstanding at any one time pursuant to paragraph (a), there shall not be included any general obligation bonds which are additionally secured by the pledge of:

1. Special assessments levied in an amount sufficient to pay the principal and interest on the general obligation bonds so additionally secured, which assessments have been equalized and confirmed by resolution or ordinance of the board pursuant to s. 170.08.

2. Water revenues, sewer revenues, or water and sewer revenues of the district to be derived from user fees in an amount sufficient to pay the principal and interest on the general obligation bonds so additionally secured.

3. Any combination of assessments and revenues described in subparagraphs 1. and 2.

(10) BONDS AS LEGAL INVESTMENT OR SECURITY.—

(a) Notwithstanding any provisions of any other law to the contrary, all bonds issued under the provisions of this act shall constitute legal investments for savings banks, banks, trust companies, insurance companies, executors, administrators, trustees, guardians, and other fiduciaries and for any board, body, agency, instrumentality, county, municipality, or other political subdivision of the state and shall be and constitute security which may be deposited by banks or trust companies as security for deposits of state, county, municipal, or other public funds or by insurance companies as required or voluntary statutory deposits.

(b) Any bonds issued by the district shall be incontestable in the hands of bona fide purchasers or holders for value and shall not be invalid because of any irregularity or defect in the proceedings for the issue and sale thereof.

(11) **COVENANTS.**—Any resolution authorizing the issuance of bonds may contain such covenants as the board may deem advisable, and all such covenants shall constitute valid and legally binding and enforceable contracts between the district and the bondholders, regardless of the time of issuance thereof. Such covenants may include, without limitation, covenants concerning the disposition of the bond proceeds; the use and disposition of project revenues; the pledging of revenues, taxes, and assessments; the obligations of the district with respect to the operation of the project and the maintenance of adequate project revenues; the issuance of additional bonds; the appointment, powers, and duties of trustees and receivers; the acquisition of outstanding bonds and obligations; restrictions on the establishing of competing projects or facilities; restrictions on the sale or disposal of the assets and property of the district; the priority of assessment liens; the priority of claims by bondholders on the taxing power of the district; the maintenance of deposits to assure the payment of revenues by users of district facilities and services; the discontinuance of district services by reason of delinquent payments; acceleration upon default; the execution of necessary instruments; the procedure for amending or abrogating covenants with the bondholders; and such other covenants as may be deemed necessary or desirable for the security of the bondholders.

(12) **VALIDATION PROCEEDINGS.**—The power of the district to issue bonds under the provisions of this act may be determined, and any of the bonds of the district maturing over a period of more than 5 years shall be validated and confirmed, by court decree, under the provisions of chapter 75 and laws amendatory thereof or supplementary thereto.

(13) **ACT FURNISHES FULL AUTHORITY FOR ISSUANCE OF BONDS.**—This act constitutes full and complete authority for the issuance of bonds and the exercise of the powers of the district provided herein. No procedures or proceedings, publications, notices, consents, approvals, orders, acts, or things by the board, or any board, officers, commission, department, agency, or instrumentality of the district, other than those required by this act, shall be required to perform anything under this act, except that the issuance or sale of bonds pursuant to the provisions of this act shall comply with the general law requirements applicable to the issuance or sale of bonds by the district. Nothing in this act shall be construed to authorize the district to utilize bond proceeds to fund the ongoing operations of the district.

(14) **PLEDGE BY THE STATE TO THE BONDHOLDERS OF THE DISTRICT.**—The state pledges to the holders of any bonds issued under this act that it will not limit or alter the rights of the district to own, acquire, construct, reconstruct, improve, maintain, operate, or furnish the projects or to levy and collect the taxes, assessments, rentals, rates, fees, and other charges provided for herein and to fulfill the terms of any agreement made with the holders of such bonds or other obligations and that it will not in any way impair the rights or remedies of such holders.

(15) **DEFAULT.**—A default on the bonds or obligations of a district shall not constitute a debt or obligation of a local general-purpose government or the state.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407; s. 11, ch. 83-215; s. 10, ch. 84-360; s. 24, ch. 85-80; s. 6, ch. 91-308; s. 965, ch. 95-147; s. 8, ch. 98-47; s. 6, ch. 2009-142.

190.017 Trust agreements.—Any issue of bonds shall be secured by a trust agreement by and between the district and a corporate trustee or trustees, which may be any trust company or bank having the powers of a trust company within or without the state. The resolution authorizing the issuance of the bonds or such trust agreement may pledge the revenues to be received from any projects of the district and may contain such provisions for protecting and enforcing the rights and remedies of the bondholders as the board may approve, including, without limitation, covenants setting forth the duties of the district in relation to: the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, improvement, maintenance, repair, operation, and insurance of any projects; the fixing and revising of the rates, fees, and charges; and the custody, safeguarding, and application of all moneys and for the employment of consulting engineers in connection with such acquisition, construction, reconstruction, improvement, maintenance, repair, or operation. It shall be lawful for any bank or trust company within or without

the state which may act as a depository of the proceeds of bonds or of revenues to furnish such indemnifying bonds or to pledge such securities as may be required by the district. Such resolution or trust agreement may set forth the rights and remedies of the bondholders and of the trustee, if any, and may restrict the individual right of action by bondholders. The board may provide for the payment of proceeds of the sale of the bonds and the revenues of any project to such officer, board, or depository as it may designate for the custody thereof and may provide for the method of disbursement thereof with such safeguards and restrictions as it may determine. All expenses incurred in carrying out the provisions of such resolution or trust agreement may be treated as part of the cost of operation of the project to which such trust agreement pertains.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407.

190.021 Taxes; non-ad valorem assessments.—

(1) **AD VALOREM TAXES.**—An elected board shall have the power to levy and assess an ad valorem tax on all the taxable property in the district to construct, operate, and maintain assessable improvements; to pay the principal of, and interest on, any general obligation bonds of the district; and to provide for any sinking or other funds established in connection with any such bonds. An ad valorem tax levied by the board for operating purposes, exclusive of debt service on bonds, shall not exceed 3 mills, except that a district authorized by a local general-purpose government to exercise one or more powers specified in s. 190.012(2) may levy an additional 2 mills for operating purposes, exclusive of debt service on bonds. The ad valorem tax provided for herein shall be in addition to county and all other ad valorem taxes provided for by law. Such tax shall be assessed, levied, and collected in the same manner and same time as county taxes. The levy of ad valorem taxes shall be approved by referendum when required by the State Constitution.

(2) **BENEFIT SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS.**—The board shall annually determine, order, and levy the annual installment of the total benefit special assessments for bonds issued and related expenses to finance district facilities and projects which are levied under this act. These assessments may be due and collected during each year that county taxes are due and collected, in which case such annual installment and levy shall be evidenced to and certified to the property appraiser by the board not later than August 31 of each year, and such assessment shall be entered by the property appraiser on the county tax rolls, and shall be collected and enforced by the tax collector in the same manner and at the same time as county taxes, and the proceeds thereof shall be paid to the district. However, this subsection shall not prohibit the district in its discretion from using the method prescribed in either s. 197.363 or s. 197.3632 for collecting and enforcing these assessments. Notice of the proposed amount of the assessment pursuant to s. 200.069 that includes the date and time of the hearing may be used in lieu of the notice provisions of s. 197.3632(4)(b). These benefit special assessments shall be a lien on the property against which assessed until paid and shall be enforceable in like manner as county taxes. The amount of the assessment for the exercise of the district's powers under ss. 190.011 and 190.012 shall be determined by the board based upon a report of the district's engineer and assessed by the board upon such lands, which may be part or all of the lands within the district benefited by the improvement, apportioned between benefited lands in proportion to the benefits received by each tract of land.

(3) **MAINTENANCE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS.**—To maintain and preserve the facilities and projects of the district, the board may levy a maintenance special assessment. This assessment may be evidenced to and certified to the property appraiser by the board of supervisors not later than August 31 of each year and shall be entered by the property appraiser on the county tax rolls and shall be collected and enforced by the tax collector in the same manner and at the same time as county taxes, and the proceeds therefrom shall be paid to the district. However, this subsection shall not prohibit the district in its discretion from using the method prescribed in either s. 197.363 or s. 197.3632 for collecting and enforcing these assessments. Notice of the proposed amount of the assessment pursuant to s. 200.069 that includes the date and time of the hearing may be used in lieu of the notice provisions of s. 197.3632(4)(b). These maintenance special assessments shall be a lien on the property against which assessed until paid and shall be enforceable in like manner as county taxes. The amount of the maintenance special assessment for the exercise of the district's powers under ss. 190.011 and 190.012 shall be determined by the board based upon a report of the district's engineer and assessed by the board upon such lands, which may be all of

the lands within the district benefited by the maintenance thereof, apportioned between the benefited lands in proportion to the benefits received by each tract of land.

(4) **ENFORCEMENT OF TAXES.**—The collection and enforcement of all taxes levied by the district shall be at the same time and in like manner as county taxes, and the provisions of the Florida Statutes relating to the sale of lands for unpaid and delinquent county taxes; the issuance, sale, and delivery of tax certificates for such unpaid and delinquent county taxes; the redemption thereof; the issuance to individuals of tax deeds based thereon; and all other procedures in connection therewith shall be applicable to the district to the same extent as if such statutory provisions were expressly set forth herein. All taxes shall be subject to the same discounts as county taxes.

(5) **WHEN UNPAID TAX IS DELINQUENT; PENALTY.**—All taxes provided for in this act shall become delinquent and bear penalties on the amount of such taxes in the same manner as county taxes.

(6) **TAX EXEMPTION.**—All bonds issued hereunder and interest paid thereon and all fees, charges, and other revenues derived by the district from the projects provided by this act are exempt from all taxes by the state or by any political subdivision, agency, or instrumentality thereof; however, any interest, income, or profits on debt obligations issued hereunder are not exempt from the tax imposed by chapter 220. Further, districts are not exempt from the provisions of chapter 212.

(7) **TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS.**—Nothing in this act shall be deemed to affect any benefit tax, maintenance tax, non-ad valorem assessment, ad valorem tax, or special assessment imposed by a community development district as of June 21, 1991. Nothing in this act shall be construed to affect any tax or assessment pledged to secure or authorized pursuant to a trust indenture under this chapter, and the district imposing such tax or assessment is hereby authorized to impose such tax or assessment under the terms required by the trust indenture. The terms benefit taxes or maintenance taxes used in this chapter prior to June 21, 1991, are redesignated as benefit or maintenance special assessments pursuant to this act, and such terms may be used interchangeably under the terms of an existing trust indenture.

(8) **STATUS OF ASSESSMENTS.**—Benefit special assessments, maintenance special assessments, and special assessments are non-ad valorem assessments as defined by s. 197.3632.

(9) **ASSESSMENTS CONSTITUTE LIENS; COLLECTION.**—Benefit special assessments and maintenance special assessments authorized by this section, and special assessments authorized by s. 190.022 and chapter 170, shall constitute a lien on the property against which assessed from the date of imposition thereof until paid, coequal with the lien of state, county, municipal, and school board taxes. These non-ad valorem assessments may be collected, at the district's discretion, by the tax collector pursuant to the provisions of s. 197.363 or s. 197.3632, or in accordance with other collection measures provided by law.

(10) **LAND OWNED BY GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY.**—Except as otherwise provided by law, no levy of ad valorem taxes or non-ad valorem assessments under this chapter, or chapter 170, chapter 197, or otherwise, by a board of a district on property of a governmental entity that is subject to a ground lease as described in s. 190.003(14), shall constitute a lien or encumbrance on the underlying fee interest of such governmental entity.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407; s. 11, ch. 84-360; s. 48, ch. 89-169; s. 7, ch. 91-308; s. 40, ch. 99-378; s. 35, ch. 2000-364; s. 10, ch. 2007-160; s. 7, ch. 2009-142.

190.022 Special assessments.—

(1) The board may levy special assessments for the construction, reconstruction, acquisition, or maintenance of district facilities authorized under this chapter using the procedures for levy and collection provided in chapter 170 or chapter 197.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 170.09, district assessments may be made payable in no more than 30 yearly installments.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407; s. 12, ch. 84-360; s. 8, ch. 91-308; s. 41, ch. 99-378.

190.023 Issuance of certificates of indebtedness based on assessments for assessable improvements; assessment bonds.—

(1) The board may, after any assessments for assessable improvements are made, determined, and confirmed as provided in s. 190.022, issue certificates of indebtedness for the amount so assessed against the abutting property or property otherwise benefited, as the case may be; and separate certificates shall be issued against each part or parcel of land or property assessed, which certificates shall state the general nature of the improvement for which the assessment is made. The certificates shall be payable in annual installments in accordance with the installments of the special assessment for which they are issued. The board may determine the interest to be borne by such certificates, in compliance with s. 215.84, and may sell such certificates at either private or public sale and determine the form, manner of execution, and other details of such certificates. The certificates shall recite that they are payable only from the special assessments levied and collected from the part or parcel of land or property against which they are issued. The proceeds of such certificates may be pledged for the payment of principal of and interest on any revenue bonds or general obligation bonds issued to finance in whole or in part such assessable improvement, or, if not so pledged, may be used to pay the cost or part of the cost of such assessable improvements.

(2) The district may also issue assessment bonds or other obligations payable from a special fund into which such certificates of indebtedness referred to in the preceding subsection may be deposited; or, if such certificates of indebtedness have not been issued, the district may assign to such special fund for the benefit of the holders of such assessment bonds or other obligations, or to a trustee for such bondholders, the assessment liens provided for in this act unless such certificates of indebtedness or assessment liens have been theretofore pledged for any bonds or other obligations authorized hereunder. In the event of the creation of such special fund and the issuance of such assessment bonds or other obligations, the proceeds of such certificates of indebtedness or assessment liens deposited therein shall be used only for the payment of the assessment bonds or other obligations issued as provided in this section. The district is authorized to covenant with the holders of such assessment bonds or other obligations that it will diligently and faithfully enforce and collect all the special assessments and interest and penalties thereon for which such certificates of indebtedness or assessment liens have been deposited in or assigned to such fund; to foreclose such assessment liens so assigned to such special fund or represented by the certificates of indebtedness deposited in the special fund, after such assessment liens have become delinquent, and deposit the proceeds derived from such foreclosure, including interest and penalties, in such special fund; and to make any other covenants deemed necessary or advisable in order to properly secure the holders of such assessment bonds or other obligations.

(3) The assessment bonds or other obligations issued pursuant to this section shall have such dates of issue and maturity as shall be deemed advisable by the board; however, the maturities of such assessment bonds or other obligations shall not be more than 2 years after the due date of the last installment which will be payable on any of the special assessments for which such assessment liens, or the certificates of indebtedness representing such assessment liens, are assigned to or deposited in such special fund.

(4) Such assessment bonds or other obligations issued under this section shall bear such interest as the board may determine, not to exceed a rate which is in compliance with s. 215.84, and shall be executed, shall have such provisions for redemption prior to maturity, shall be sold in the manner and be subject to all of the applicable provisions contained in this act for revenue bonds, except as the same may be inconsistent with the provisions of this section.

(5) All assessment bonds or other obligations issued under the provisions of this act, except certificates of indebtedness issued against separate lots or parcels of land or property as provided in this section, shall be and constitute and shall have all the qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments under the law merchant and the laws of the state.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407; s. 81, ch. 81-259; s. 12, ch. 83-215.

190.024 Tax liens.—All taxes of the district provided for in this act, together with all penalties for default in the payment of the same and all costs in collecting the same, including a reasonable attorney's fee fixed by the court and taxed as a cost in the action brought to enforce payment, shall, from January 1 for each year the property is liable to assessment and until paid, constitute a lien of equal dignity with the liens for state and county

taxes and other taxes of equal dignity with state and county taxes upon all the lands against which such taxes shall be levied. A sale of any of the real property within the district for state and county or other taxes shall not operate to relieve or release the property so sold from the lien for subsequent district taxes or installments of district taxes, which lien may be enforced against such property as though no such sale thereof had been made. The provisions of ss. 194.171, 197.122, 197.333, and 197.432 shall be applicable to district taxes with the same force and effect as if such provisions were expressly set forth in this act.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407; s. 33, ch. 82-226; s. 202, ch. 85-342; s. 27, ch. 95-280.

190.025 Payment of taxes and redemption of tax liens by the district; sharing in proceeds of tax sale.—

(1) The district has the right to:

(a) Pay any delinquent state, county, district, municipal, or other tax or assessment upon lands located wholly or partially within the boundaries of the district; and

(b) To redeem or purchase any tax sales certificates issued or sold on account of any state, county, district, municipal, or other taxes or assessments upon lands located wholly or partially within the boundaries of the district.

(2) Delinquent taxes paid, or tax sales certificates redeemed or purchased, by the district, together with all penalties for the default in payment of the same and all costs in collecting the same and a reasonable attorney's fee, shall constitute a lien in favor of the district of equal dignity with the liens of state and county taxes and other taxes of equal dignity with state and county taxes upon all the real property against which the taxes were levied. The lien of the district may be foreclosed in the manner provided in this act.

(3) In any sale of land pursuant to s. 197.542 and amendments thereto, the district may certify to the clerk of the circuit court of the county holding such sale the amount of taxes due to the district upon the lands sought to be sold; and the district shall share in the disbursement of the sales proceeds in accordance with the provisions of this act and under the laws of the state.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407; s. 203, ch. 85-342.

190.026 Foreclosure of liens.—Any lien in favor of the district arising under this act may be foreclosed by the district by foreclosure proceedings in the name of the district in a court of competent jurisdiction as provided by general law in like manner as is provided in chapter 170 or chapter 173 and amendments thereto; the provisions of those chapters shall be applicable to such proceedings with the same force and effect as if those provisions were expressly set forth in this act. Any act required or authorized to be done by or on behalf of a municipality in foreclosure proceedings under chapter 170 or chapter 173 may be performed by such officer or agent of the district as the board of supervisors may designate. Such foreclosure proceedings may be brought at any time after the expiration of 1 year from the date any tax, or installment thereof, becomes delinquent; however no lien shall be foreclosed against any political subdivision or agency of the state. Other legal remedies shall remain available.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407; s. 11, ch. 2007-160.

190.031 Mandatory use of certain district facilities and services.—To the full extent permitted by law, the district shall require all lands, buildings, premises, persons, firms, and corporations within the district to use the water management and control facilities and water and sewer facilities of the district.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407.

190.033 Bids required.—

(1) No contract shall be let by the board for any goods, supplies, or materials to be purchased when the amount thereof to be paid by the district shall exceed the amount provided in s. 287.017 for category four, unless notice of bids or other competitive solicitation, including requests for proposals or qualifications, is advertised once in a newspaper in general circulation in the county and in the district. Any board seeking to construct or improve a public building, structure, or other public works shall comply with the bidding procedures of s. 255.20 and other applicable general law. In each case, the bid of the lowest responsive and responsible bidder shall be accepted unless all bids are rejected because the bids are too high, or the board determines it is in the best interests of the district to reject all bids. In each case in which requests for proposals, qualifications, or other competitive

solicitations are used, the district shall determine which response is most advantageous for the district and award the contract to that proposer. The board may require the bidders or proposers to furnish bond with a responsible surety to be approved by the board. If the district does not receive a response to its competitive solicitation, the district may proceed to purchase such goods, supplies, materials, or construction services in the manner it deems in the best interests of the district. Nothing in this section shall prevent the board from undertaking and performing the construction, operation, and maintenance of any project or facility authorized by this act by the employment of labor, material, and machinery.

(2) The provisions of the Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act, s. 287.055, apply to contracts for engineering, architecture, landscape architecture, or registered surveying and mapping services let by the board.

(3) Contracts for maintenance services for any district facility or project shall be subject to competitive solicitation requirements when the amount thereof to be paid by the district exceeds the amount provided in s. 287.017 for category four. The district shall adopt rules, policies, or procedures establishing competitive solicitation procedures for maintenance services. Contracts for other services shall not be subject to competitive solicitation unless the district adopts a rule, policy, or procedure applying competitive solicitation procedures to said contracts.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407; s. 9, ch. 91-308; s. 113, ch. 94-119; s. 42, ch. 99-378; s. 12, ch. 2007-160.

190.035 Fees, rentals, and charges; procedure for adoption and modifications; minimum revenue requirements.—

(1) The district is authorized to prescribe, fix, establish, and collect rates, fees, rentals, or other charges, hereinafter sometimes referred to as "revenues," and to revise the same from time to time, for the facilities and services furnished by the district, within the limits of the district, including, but not limited to, recreational facilities, water management and control facilities, and water and sewer systems; to recover the costs of making connection with any district facility or system; and to provide for reasonable penalties against any user or property for any such rates, fees, rentals, or other charges that are delinquent.

(2) No such rates, fees, rentals, or other charges for any of the facilities or services of the district shall be fixed until after a public hearing at which all the users of the proposed facility or services or owners, tenants, or occupants served or to be served thereby and all other interested persons shall have an opportunity to be heard concerning the proposed rates, fees, rentals, or other charges. Rates, fees, rentals, and other charges shall be adopted under the administrative rulemaking authority of the district, but shall not apply to district leases. Notice of such public hearing setting forth the proposed schedule or schedules of rates, fees, rentals, and other charges shall have been published in a newspaper in the county and of general circulation in the district at least once and at least 10 days prior to such public hearing. The rulemaking hearing may be adjourned from time to time. After such hearing, such schedule or schedules, either as initially proposed or as modified or amended, may be finally adopted. A copy of the schedule or schedules of such rates, fees, rentals, or charges as finally adopted shall be kept on file in an office designated by the board and shall be open at all reasonable times to public inspection. The rates, fees, rentals, or charges so fixed for any class of users or property served shall be extended to cover any additional users or properties thereafter served which shall fall in the same class, without the necessity of any notice or hearing.

(3) Such rates, fees, rentals, and charges shall be just and equitable and uniform for users of the same class, and when appropriate may be based or computed either upon the amount of service furnished, upon the number of average number of persons residing or working in or otherwise occupying the premises served, or upon any other factor affecting the use of the facilities furnished, or upon any combination of the foregoing factors, as may be determined by the board on an equitable basis.

(4) The rates, fees, rentals, or other charges prescribed shall be such as will produce revenues, together with any other assessments, taxes, revenues, or funds available or pledged for such purpose, at least sufficient to provide for the items hereinafter listed, but not necessarily in the order stated:

(a) To provide for all expenses of operation and maintenance of such facility or service;

(b) To pay when due all bonds and interest thereon for the payment of which such revenues are, or shall have been, pledged or encumbered, including reserves for such purpose; and

(c) To provide for any other funds which may be required under the resolution or resolutions authorizing the issuance of bonds pursuant to this act.

(5) The board shall have the power to enter into contracts for the use of the projects of the district and with respect to the services and facilities furnished or to be furnished by the district.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407; s. 10, ch. 91-308.

190.036 Recovery of delinquent charges.—In the event that any rates, fees, rentals, charges, or delinquent penalties shall not be paid as and when due and shall be in default for 60 days or more, the unpaid balance thereof and all interest accrued thereon, together with reasonable attorney's fees and costs, may be recovered by the district in a civil action.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407.

190.037 Discontinuance of service.—In the event the fees, rentals, or other charges for water and sewer services, or either of them, are not paid when due, the board shall have the power, under such reasonable rules and regulations as the board may adopt, to discontinue and shut off both water and sewer services until such fees, rentals, or other charges, including interest, penalties, and charges for the shutting off and discontinuance and the restoration of such water and sewer services or both, are fully paid; and, for such purposes, the board may enter on any lands, waters, or premises of any person, firm, corporation, or body, public or private, within the district limits. Such delinquent fees, rentals, or other charges, together with interest, penalties, and charges for the shutting off and discontinuance and the restoration of such services and facilities and reasonable attorney's fees and other expenses, may be recovered by the district, which may also enforce payment of such delinquent fees, rentals, or other charges by any other lawful method of enforcement.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407; s. 82, ch. 81-259.

190.041 Enforcement and penalties.—The board or any aggrieved person may have recourse to such remedies in law and at equity as may be necessary to ensure compliance with the provisions of this act, including injunctive relief to enjoin or restrain any person violating the provisions of this act or any bylaws, resolutions, regulations, rules, codes, or orders adopted under this act. In case any building or structure is erected, constructed, reconstructed, altered, repaired, converted, or maintained, or any building, structure, land, or water is used, in violation of this act or of any code, order, resolution, or other regulation made under authority conferred by this act or under law, the board or any citizen residing in the district may institute any appropriate action or proceeding to prevent such unlawful erection, construction, reconstruction, alteration, repair, conversion, maintenance, or use; to restrain, correct, or avoid such violation; to prevent the occupancy of such building, structure, land, or water; and to prevent any illegal act, conduct, business, or use in or about such premises, land, or water.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407; s. 83, ch. 81-259.

190.043 Suits against the district.—Any suit or action brought or maintained against the district for damages arising out of tort, including, without limitation, any claim arising upon account of an act causing an injury or loss of property, personal injury, or death, shall be subject to the limitations provided in s. 768.28.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407.

190.044 Exemption of district property from execution.—All district property shall be exempt from levy and sale by virtue of an execution, and no execution or other judicial process shall issue against such property, nor shall any judgment against the district be a charge or lien on its property or revenues; however, nothing contained herein shall apply to or limit the rights of bondholders to pursue any remedy for the enforcement of any lien or pledge given by the district in connection with any of the bonds or obligations of the district.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407.

190.046 Termination, contraction, or expansion of district.—

(1) A landowner or the board may petition to contract or expand the boundaries of a community development district in the following manner:

(a) The petition shall contain the same information required by s. 190.005(1)(a)1. and 8. In addition, if the petitioner seeks to expand the district, the petition shall describe the proposed timetable for construction of any district services to the area, the estimated cost of constructing the proposed services, and the designation of the future general distribution, location, and extent of public and private uses of land proposed for the area by the future land use plan element of the adopted local government local comprehensive plan. If the petitioner seeks to contract the district, the petition shall describe what services and facilities are currently provided by the district to the area being removed, and the designation of the future general distribution, location, and extent of public and private uses of land proposed for the area by the future land element of the adopted local government comprehensive plan.

(b) For those districts initially established by county ordinance, the petition for ordinance amendment shall be filed with the county commission. If the land to be included or excluded is, in whole or in part, within the boundaries of a municipality, then the county commission shall not amend the ordinance without municipal approval. A public hearing shall be held in the same manner and with the same public notice as other ordinance amendments. The county commission shall consider the record of the public hearing and the factors set forth in s. 190.005(1)(e) in making its determination to grant or deny the petition for ordinance amendment.

(c) For those districts initially established by municipal ordinance pursuant to s. 190.005(2)(e), the municipality shall assume the duties of the county commission set forth in paragraph (b); however, if any of the land to be included or excluded, in whole or in part, is outside the boundaries of the municipality, then the municipality shall not amend its ordinance without county commission approval.

(d)1. For those districts initially established by administrative rule pursuant to s. 190.005(1), the petition shall be filed with the Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission.

2. Prior to filing the petition, the petitioner shall pay a filing fee of \$1,500, to the county if the district or the land to be added or deleted from the district is located within an unincorporated area or to the municipality if the district or the land to be added or deleted is located within an incorporated area, and to each municipality the boundaries of which are contiguous with or contain all or a portion of the land within or to be added to or deleted from the external boundaries of the district. The petitioner shall submit a copy of the petition to the same entities entitled to receive the filing fee. In addition, if the district is not the petitioner, the petitioner shall file the petition with the district board of supervisors.

3. Each county and each municipality shall have the option of holding a public hearing as provided by s. 190.005(1)(c). However, the public hearing shall be limited to consideration of the contents of the petition and whether the petition for amendment should be supported by the county or municipality.

4. The district board of supervisors shall, in lieu of a hearing officer, hold the local public hearing provided for by s. 190.005(1)(d). This local public hearing shall be noticed in the same manner as provided in s. 190.005(1)(d). Within 45 days of the conclusion of the hearing, the district board of supervisors shall transmit to the Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission the full record of the local hearing, the transcript of the hearing, any resolutions adopted by the local general-purpose governments, and its recommendation whether to grant the petition for amendment. The commission shall then proceed in accordance with s. 190.005(1)(e).

5. A rule amending a district boundary shall describe the land to be added or deleted.

(e)1. During the existence of a district initially established by administrative rule, the process to amend the boundaries of the district pursuant to paragraphs (a)-(d) shall not permit a cumulative net total greater than 50 percent of the land in the initial district, and in no event greater than 1,000 acres on a cumulative net basis.

2. During the existence of a district initially established by county or municipal ordinance, the process to amend the boundaries of the district pursuant to paragraphs (a)-(d) shall not permit a cumulative net total greater than 50 percent of the land in the initial district, and in no event greater than 1,000 acres on a cumulative net basis.

(f) Petitions to amend the boundaries of the district that exceed the amount of land specified in paragraph (e) shall be processed in accordance with s. 190.005, and the petition shall include only the elements set forth in s.

190.005(1)(a)1. and 5.-8. and the consent required by paragraph (g). However, the resulting administrative rule or ordinance may only amend the boundaries of the district and may not establish a new district or cause a new 6-year or 10-year period to begin pursuant to s. 190.006(3)(a)2. The filing fee for such petitions shall be as set forth in s. 190.005(1)(b), as applicable.

(g) In all cases of a petition to amend the boundaries of a district, the filing of the petition by the district board of supervisors constitutes consent of the landowners within the district. In all cases, written consent of those landowners whose land is to be added to or deleted from the district as provided in s. 190.005(1)(a)2. is required.

(2) The district shall remain in existence unless:

(a) The district is merged with another district as provided in subsection (3) or subsection (4);

(b) All of the specific community development systems, facilities, and services that it is authorized to perform have been transferred to a general-purpose unit of local government in the manner provided in subsections (5), (6), and (7); or

(c) The district is dissolved as provided in subsection (8), subsection (9), or subsection (10).

(3) The district may merge with other community development districts upon filing a petition for merger, which petition shall include the elements set forth in s. 190.005(1) and which shall be evaluated using the criteria set forth in s. 190.005(1)(e). The filing fee shall be as set forth in s. 190.005(1)(b). In addition, the petition shall state whether a new district is to be established or whether one district shall be the surviving district. The district may merge with any other special districts upon filing a petition for establishment of a community development district pursuant to s. 190.005. The government formed by a merger involving a community development district pursuant to this section shall assume all indebtedness of, and receive title to, all property owned by the preexisting special districts, and the rights of creditors and liens upon property shall not be impaired by such merger. Any claim existing or action or proceeding pending by or against any district that is a party to the merger may be continued as if the merger had not occurred, or the surviving district may be substituted in the proceeding for the district that ceased to exist. Prior to filing the petition, the districts desiring to merge shall enter into a merger agreement and shall provide for the proper allocation of the indebtedness so assumed and the manner in which such debt shall be retired. The approval of the merger agreement and the petition by the board of supervisors of the district shall constitute consent of the landowners within the district.

(4)(a) To achieve economies of scale, reduce costs to affected district residents and businesses in areas with multiple existing districts, and encourage the merger of multiple districts, up to five districts that were established by the same local general-purpose government and whose board memberships are composed entirely of qualified electors may merge into one surviving district through adoption of an ordinance by the local general-purpose government, notwithstanding the acreage limitations otherwise set forth for the establishment of a district in this chapter. The filing of a petition by the majority of the members of ¹each district board of supervisors seeking to merge constitutes consent of the landowners within each applicable district.

(b) In addition to meeting the requirements of subsection (3), a merger agreement entered into between the district boards subject to this subsection must also:

1. Require the surviving merged district board to consist of five elected board members.

2. Require each at-large board seat to represent the entire geographic area of the surviving merged district.

3. Ensure that each district to be merged is entitled to elect at least one board member from its former boundary.

4. Ensure a fair allocation of board membership to represent the districts being merged. To that end:

a. If two districts merge, two board members shall be elected from each of the districts and one member shall be elected at-large.

b. If three districts merge, one board member shall be elected from each of the three districts and two board members shall be elected at-large.

c. If four districts merge, one board member shall be elected from each of the four districts and one board member shall be elected at-large.

d. If five districts merge, one board member shall be elected from each of the five districts.

5. Require the election of board members for the surviving merged district to be held at the next general election following the merger, at which time all terms of preexisting board members shall end and the merger shall be legally in effect.

(c) Before filing the merger petition with the local general-purpose government under this subsection, each district proposing to merge must hold a public hearing within its district to provide information about and take public comment on the proposed merger, merger agreement, and assignment of board seats. Notice of the hearing shall be published at least 14 days before the hearing. If, after the public hearing, a district board decides that it no longer wants to merge and cancels the proposed merger agreement, the remaining districts must each hold another public hearing on the revised merger agreement. A petition to merge may not be filed for at least 30 days after the last public hearing held by the districts proposing to merge.

(5) The local general-purpose government within the geographical boundaries of which the district lies may adopt a nonemergency ordinance providing for a plan for the transfer of a specific community development service from a district to the local general-purpose government. The plan must provide for the assumption and guarantee of the district debt that is related to the service by the local general-purpose government and must demonstrate the ability of the local general-purpose government to provide such service:

(a) As efficiently as the district.

(b) At a level of quality equal to or higher than the level of quality actually delivered by the district to the users of the service.

(c) At a charge equal to or lower than the actual charge by the district to the users of the service.

(6) No later than 30 days following the adoption of a transfer plan ordinance, the board of supervisors may file, in the circuit court for the county in which the local general-purpose government that adopted the ordinance is located, a petition seeking review by certiorari of the factual and legal basis for the adoption of the transfer plan ordinance.

(7) Upon the transfer of all of the community development services of the district to a general-purpose unit of local government, the district shall be terminated in accordance with a plan of termination which shall be adopted by the board of supervisors and filed with the clerk of the circuit court.

(8) If, within 5 years after the effective date of the rule or ordinance establishing the district, a landowner has not received a development permit, as defined in chapter 380, on some part or all of the area covered by the district, then the district will be automatically dissolved and a judge of the circuit court shall cause a statement to that effect to be filed in the public records.

(9) In the event the district has become inactive pursuant to s. 189.062, the respective board of county commissioners or city commission shall be informed and it shall take appropriate action.

(10) If a district has no outstanding financial obligations and no operating or maintenance responsibilities, upon the petition of the district, the district may be dissolved by a nonemergency ordinance of the general-purpose local governmental entity that established the district or, if the district was established by rule of the Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission, the district may be dissolved by repeal of such rule of the commission.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407; ss. 13, 19, ch. 84-360; s. 49, ch. 89-169; s. 11, ch. 91-308; s. 43, ch. 99-378; s. 34, ch. 2004-345; s. 31, ch. 2004-353; s. 10, ch. 2009-142; s. 22, ch. 2013-15; s. 70, ch. 2014-22; s. 3, ch. 2016-94.

¹**Note.**—The words “of the” following the word “each” were deleted by the editors.

190.047 Incorporation or annexation of district.—

(1) Upon attaining the population standards for incorporation contained in s. 165.061 and as determined by the Department of Economic Opportunity, any district wholly contained within the unincorporated area of a county that also meets the other requirements for incorporation contained in s. 165.061 shall hold a referendum at a general election on the question of whether to incorporate. However, any district contiguous to the boundary of a municipality may be annexed to such municipality pursuant to the provisions of chapter 171.

(2) The Department of Economic Opportunity shall annually monitor the status of the district for purposes of carrying out the provisions of this section.

History.—s. 14, ch. 84-360; s. 13, ch. 2007-160; s. 71, ch. 2011-142.

190.048 Sale of real estate within a district; required disclosure to purchaser.—Subsequent to the establishment of a district under this chapter, each contract for the initial sale of a parcel of real property and each contract for the initial sale of a residential unit within the district shall include, immediately prior to the space reserved in the contract for the signature of the purchaser, the following disclosure statement in boldfaced and conspicuous type which is larger than the type in the remaining text of the contract: “THE (Name of District) COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT MAY IMPOSE AND LEVY TAXES OR ASSESSMENTS, OR BOTH TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, ON THIS PROPERTY. THESE TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS PAY THE CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION, AND MAINTENANCE COSTS OF CERTAIN PUBLIC FACILITIES AND SERVICES OF THE DISTRICT AND ARE SET ANNUALLY BY THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE DISTRICT. THESE TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS ARE IN ADDITION TO COUNTY AND OTHER LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS AND ALL OTHER TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS PROVIDED FOR BY LAW.”

History.—s. 15, ch. 84-360; s. 3, ch. 90-46; s. 44, ch. 99-378.

190.0485 Notice of establishment.—Within 30 days after the effective date of a rule or ordinance establishing a community development district under this act, the district shall cause to be recorded in the property records in the county in which it is located a “Notice of Establishment of the Community Development District.” The notice shall, at a minimum, include the legal description of the district and a copy of the disclosure statement specified in s. 190.048.

History.—s. 45, ch. 99-378.

190.049 Special acts prohibited.—Pursuant to s. 11(a)(21), Art. III of the State Constitution, there shall be no special law or general law of local application creating an independent special district which has the powers enumerated in two or more of the paragraphs contained in s. 190.012, unless such district is created pursuant to the provisions of s. 189.031.

History.—s. 2, ch. 80-407; s. 16, ch. 84-360; s. 47, ch. 99-378; s. 71, ch. 2014-22.

RESOLUTION 2017-01

**A RESOLUTION OF THE DOWDEN WEST
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
ELECTING _____ AS
CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the Dowden West Community District desires to elect _____ as Chairperson.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE DOWDEN
WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:**

1. _____ is elected Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors.

Adopted this 15th day of June, 2017.

Chair/Vice Chair

Secretary/ Assistant Secretary

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RESOLUTION 2017-02

**A RESOLUTION OF THE DOWDEN WEST
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
ELECTING _____ AS
VICE CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the Dowden West Community District desires to elect _____ as Vice Chairperson.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE DOWDEN
WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:**

1. _____ is elected Vice Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors.

Adopted this 15th day of June, 2017.

Chair/Vice Chair

Secretary/ Assistant Secretary

RESOLUTION 2017-03

**A RESOLUTION OF THE DOWDEN WEST
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
ELECTING _____ AS
SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the Dowden West Community District desires to elect _____ as Secretary.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE DOWDEN
WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:**

1. _____ is elected Secretary of the Board of Supervisors.

Adopted this 15th day of June, 2017.

Chair/Vice Chair

Secretary/ Assistant Secretary

RESOLUTION 2017-04

**A RESOLUTION OF THE DOWDEN WEST
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
ELECTING _____ AS
TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the Dowden West Community District desires to elect _____ as Treasurer.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE DOWDEN
WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:**

1. _____ is elected Treasurer of the Board of Supervisors.

Adopted this 15th day of June, 2017.

Chair/Vice Chair

Secretary/ Assistant Secretary

RESOLUTION 2017-05

**A RESOLUTION OF THE DOWDEN WEST
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
ELECTING _____ AS
ASSISTANT TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the Dowden West Community District desires to elect _____ as Assistant Treasurer.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE DOWDEN
WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:**

1. _____ is elected Assistant Treasurer of the Board of Supervisors.

Adopted this 15th day of June, 2017.

Chair/Vice Chair

Secretary/ Assistant Secretary

RESOLUTION 2017-06

**A RESOLUTION OF THE DOWDEN WEST
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ELECTING**

**_____ / _____
& _____ AS ASSISTANT
SECRETARIES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the Dowden West Community District desires to elect _____ / _____ & _____ as Assistant Secretaries.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD
OF SUPERVISORS OF THE DOWDEN WEST
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:**

1. _____ / _____, & _____ are elected Assistant Secretaries of the Board of Supervisors.

Adopted this 15th day of June, 2017.

Chair/Vice Chair

Secretary/ Assistant Secretary

SECTION III

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**AGREEMENT FOR DISTRICT MANAGEMENT SERVICES BETWEEN
DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AND
GOVERNMENTAL MANAGEMENT SERVICES -
CENTRAL FLORIDA, LLC**

Date of Agreement: ____ day of _____, 2017.

Between: Governmental Management Services - Central Florida, LLC
 135 W. Central Blvd, Suite 320
 Orlando, Florida 32801

(Hereinafter referred to as "Manager");

And: Dowden West Community Development District
 A unit of special purpose local government located in
 the City of Orlando, Orange County, Florida

(Hereinafter referred to as "District").

**GENERAL MANAGEMENT, ADMINISTRATIVE, AND ACCOUNTING
SERVICES**

This engagement is for the Manager to provide District Management Services for the District. The duties and responsibilities include, but are not limited to the following:

Meetings, Hearings, Workshops, Etc.

- The Manager will organize, conduct, and provide minutes for all meetings of the District. This includes, but is not limited to, scheduling meetings, providing agenda packages and meeting materials in the form requested by the District Board of Supervisors, and publishing Board meeting, public hearing notices, and landowner election notices pursuant to Florida law.
- The Manager will consult with the District Board of Supervisors and its designated representatives, and when necessary, organize such meetings, discussions, project site visits, workshops, and hearings as may pertain to the administration and accomplishment of the various projects and services provided by the District.

Records

- The Manager will maintain “Record of Proceedings” for the District within the boundaries of the local government in which the District is located and include meeting minutes, agreements, resolutions and other records required by law or contract and provide access to such records as necessary for proper District function or compliance with Florida’s public records laws.

District Operations

- The Manager will act as the primary point of contact for District-related matters.
- The Manager will consult with and advise the District on matters related to the operation and maintenance of the District’s public infrastructure.
- The Manager will make recommendations and assist in matters relating to solicitation, approval, rejection, amendment, renewal, and cancellation of contracts for services to the District. In advance of expiration of contracts, the Manager will advise the Board as to need for renewal or additional procurement activities and implement same.
- On or before October 1st of every year, the Manager will prepare an annual inventory of all District owned tangible personal property and equipment in accordance with all applicable rules and standards.
- The Manager will recommend and advise the Board, in consultation with the District Engineer of the appropriate amount and type of insurance and be responsible for procuring all necessary insurance.
- The Manager will ensure compliance with all statutes affecting the District by performing the following tasks (and such other tasks required by law but not specifically identified herein):
 - File name and location of the Registered Agent and Office location annually with Department of Community Affairs , the City and the County.
 - Provide legal description and boundary map as provided by District Engineer to the Supervisor of Elections
 - Provide the regular meeting schedule of the Board to the City and the County.
 - File all required financial reports to the Department of Revenue, Auditor General, the County, and other governmental agencies with jurisdiction in compliance with Florida law.

- File request letter to the Supervisor of Elections of the County for number of registered voters as of April 15, each year. Report annually the number of registered voters in the District by June 1, of each year.
- Transmit Public Facilities Report and related updates to appropriate agencies.
- Prepare and file annual public depositor report.

Accounting and Reporting

- The Manager will implement an integrated management reporting system compliant with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) for government and fund accounting which will allow the District to represent fairly and with full disclosure the financial position of the District. The District's accounting activities will be overseen by a degreed accountant.
- The Manager will prepare reports as appropriate under applicable law, accounting standards, and bond trust indenture requirements. The Manager will track the District's general fund and bond fund activities and provide monthly and annual financial statements (including budget to actual summary).
- The Manager will administer the processing, review and approval, and timely payment of all invoices and purchase orders.
- The Manager will oversee District's capital and general fund accounts.
- The Manager will recommend and implement investment policies and procedures pursuant to State law, and provide Cash Management services to obtain maximum earnings for District operations through investment of surplus funds to the State Board of Administration.

Audits

- The Manager will provide audit support to auditors for the required Annual Audit, and will ensure completion and submission of audit and Annual Financial Statements to the County, Auditor General, and other appropriate government entities in compliance with Florida law.

Budgeting

- The Manager will prepare and provide for a proposed budget for Board approval and submission to the City and the County in compliance with state law. The Manager will prepare final budget and backup material for and present the budget at all budget meetings, hearings and workshops. The Manager will ensure that all budget meetings, hearings, and workshops are properly noticed.

- The Manager will administer the adopted budget and prepare budget amendments on an ongoing basis as necessary.

Capital Program Administration

- The Manager will maintain proper capital fund and project fund accounting procedures and records.
- The Manager will coordinate with District staff to provide for appropriate bid and or proposal/qualification processes for Capital Project Construction.
- The Manager will oversee and implement bond issue related compliance, i.e., coordination of annual arbitrage report, transmittal of annual audit and budget to the trustee, transmittal of annual audit to bond holders and underwriters, annual/quarterly disclosure reporting, etc.

Maintenance Contract Administration

- Upon direction by the District's Board of Supervisors and upon mutual agreement of the parties hereto, Manager will provide Maintenance Contract Administration for District in general accordance with the fees outlined in Exhibit A. The parties further understand and recognize that the scope and number of contracts to be administered under said fee may be limited and/or multiple fees may be required. Any Maintenance Contract Administration shall be by separate agreement between the parties.

FINANCIAL SERVICES

Assessments & Revenue Collection

- The Manager will develop and administer the annual assessment roll for the District. This includes administering the tax roll for the District for assessments collected by the County and administering assessments for Off Tax Roll parcels/lots.
- The Manager will provide payoff information and pre-payment amounts as requested by property owners, and collect prepayment of assessments as necessary.
- The Manager will monitor development of the District and perform Assessment True-up Analysis when appropriate.

- The Manager will issue estoppel letters as needed for property transfers.
- The Manager will maintain the District's Lien Book, in which is recorded the details of any District debt and the related debt service assessments. The Lien Book will account for all District debt and show the allocation of debt principal to assessed properties within the District.

FEES AND TERM OF SERVICES

All services will be completed on a timely basis in accordance with the District needs and statutory requirements.

The District agrees to compensate the Manager in accordance with the fee schedule set forth in the attached Exhibit A. Payment shall be made in equal monthly installments at the beginning of each month, and may be amended annually as evidenced by the budget approved by the Board.

This Agreement shall automatically renew each Fiscal Year of the District, unless otherwise terminated by either party. The District will consider price adjustments each twelve (12) month period to compensate for market conditions and the planned workload of the District to be performed during the next twelve (12) month period. Evidence of price or fee adjustments will be approved by the Board in its adopted or amended Fiscal Year Budget.

DISTRICT RESPONSIBILITIES

The District shall provide for the timely services of its legal counsel, engineer and any other consultants, contractors or employees, as required, for the Manager to perform the duties outlined in this Contract. Expenses incurred in providing this support shall be the sole responsibility of the District.

TERMINATION OF THIS CONTRACT

This Contract may be terminated as follows:

1. By the District for "good cause," which shall include misfeasance, malfeasance, nonfeasance or dereliction of duties by the Manager which termination may be immediate; or
2. By the Manager or District, for any reason, upon 60 days written notice.

In the event this Contract is terminated in either manner above stated, the Manager will make all reasonable effort to provide for an orderly transfer of the books and records of the District to the District or its designee.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. All invoices are due and payable when received.
2. This Contract shall be interpreted in accordance with and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Florida.
3. In the event that any provision of this contract shall be determined to be unenforceable or invalid by a court such unenforceability or invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of the Contract which shall remain in full force and effect.
4. The rights and obligations of the District as defined by this Contract shall inure to the benefit of and shall be binding upon the successors and assigns of the District. There shall be no assignment of this Contract by the Manager, without the approval of the District.
5. Nothing contained in this Contract shall be deemed as a waiver of immunity or limits of liability of the District beyond any statutory limited waiver of immunity or limits of liability which may have been adopted by the Florida Legislature in Section 768.28, Florida Statutes or other statute, and nothing in this Contract shall inure to the benefit of any third party for the purpose of allowing any claim which would otherwise be barred under the Doctrine of Sovereign Immunity or by operation of law.
6. Any amendment or change to this Contract shall be in writing and executed by all parties.

NOTICES

All notices required in this Agreement shall be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, or express mail with proof of receipt. If sent to the District, notice shall be to:

Dowden West Community Development District
135 W. Central Blvd, Suite 320
Orlando, Florida 32801
Attn: Chairman

With a copy to:

If notice is sent to Manager, it shall be sent to:

Governmental Management Services - Central Florida, LLC
135 W. Central Blvd, Suite 320
Orlando, Florida 32801
Attn: George S. Flint

This Contract shall represent the entire agreement between the Manager and the District. Both Manager and District understand and agree with the terms and conditions as set forth herein.

Approved by:

Board of Supervisors Dowden West
Community Development District

Secretary/Assistant Secretary

By: _____
Chairman

Governmental Management Services
- Central Florida, LLC.

Witness

George S. Flint, Vice-President

**EXHIBIT A
DISTRICT MANAGEMENT FEE SCHEDULE
JUNE 2017**

Base Services Contract

Management Services, Financial and Accounting Services, Administrative Services

- Annual Fee paid in equal monthly payments \$ 35,000
(plus reimbursables)

Other Services*

- Maintenance Contract Administration Negotiated
- Annual Assessment Administration Fee \$ 5,000
(Beginning with the first assessment to individual unit owners, direct assessment or utilizing tax collector)
- Dissemination Agent \$ 3,500
- Pre-paid Assessment Collection Fee \$ 75 (per lot/unit)
- Bond Issuance Cost \$ 12,500 (per bond issue)
- Annual Construction Accounting Fee \$ 3,500 (per bond issue)
(During construction period)
- SERC Preparation & Assistance w/ Petition \$ 2,500
- Assessment Methodology Preparation \$ 15,000

*Costs for other services shall be by separate agreement or work authorization and may be adjusted based upon the scope of services provided.



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Re: **Engagement of Latham, Shuker, Eden & Beaudine, LLP to Provide
Legal Services to Dowden West Community Development District**

Dear Board of Supervisors:

This letter sets forth the terms and conditions under which Latham, Shuker, Eden & Beaudine, LLP (the "Firm") offers to serve as District Counsel to the Dowden West Community Development District (the "District"). We thank you for the opportunity to provide you with services and look forward to working with you and the other supervisors on the board of the District. Unless otherwise specifically indicated in this letter, for purposes of the engagement described herein, no person or entity other than the District shall be a client of the Firm for any purpose.

The scope of the services which the Firm will provide, the basis upon which it will charge fees therefor, and the other terms of this engagement are as follows:

1. Scope of Legal Services as District Counsel. The Firm will provide the District with services to include (but not be limited to) the following:

(a) Advise the District regarding general matters which come before the District.

(b) Review of financing and re-financing transactions proposed for the District.

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(c) Review of financing and disclosure documents prepared in connection with bonds to be issued or re-structured by the District, as well as preparation of any issuer documents and due diligence review.

(d) Provide required legal opinions in connection with the issuance or re-structuring of bonds by the District; covering the organization and existence of the District; its authority to issue bonds and to enter into other related transactions; the authorization and execution of certain documents to be delivered by the District in connection with the issuance or restructuring of bonds; the enforceability of the agreements entered into by the District; to our actual knowledge, the absence or existence of any litigation affecting the District; and to our knowledge, the accuracy of information concerning the District contained in offering documents prepared in connection with the sale of bonds of the District.

(e) Attend District board meetings; supply such staff support for the District as may be requested; advise the District on matters such as public records, sunshine law matters and public ethics matters; assist in the annual audit of the District, as requested; and otherwise assist and advise the District and its staff, as appropriate, in matters properly before or relating to the District.

In addition to the above, the Firm will be available to consult with the District's Board of Supervisors, the District Manager, the District Engineer, and with representatives of the City of Orlando and Orange County, with regard to questions that may arise with regard to any District business, financing or outstanding or re-issued debt. Work performed hereunder shall be generally by direction of the chairman of the board of supervisors of the District or by the District Manager. Unless the Firm is directed otherwise with respect to a particular matter, all communications pertaining to the progress of any work performed hereunder shall be addressed to the chairman of the District or the District Manager, with copies to the other members if necessary or desirable. Flat fee billing arrangements may be negotiated for bond issues and refinancing/restructuring transactions.

2. Billing Practices and Fees. Our fees will be based upon the ethical rules governing our practice. The amount of each fee will be the fair value of the services provided, taking into account the time spent, the nature of the services performed, the expertise required, the size and scope of the matter, the results obtained, the emergency nature of any request for services by the District, and other relevant considerations. For most services rendered by the Firm, a primary determinant of fees will be the internally established hourly rates for each of the Firm's attorneys and paralegals. These hourly rates may be adjusted annually as determined by the Firm. Currently, the Firm's hourly rates range from \$90 per hour for our most junior paralegals to \$550 per hour for our most experienced, specialized partners. I, along with a junior associate, will be the attorneys primarily responsible for providing the services to the Petitioner,

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although we will avoid performing duplicative services. My current reduced rate for governmental work is \$355 per hour. I will be assisted by a junior associate, Andrew d'Adesky, whose current rate is \$255 per hour. The public finance paralegals in our department have a current rate of \$110 per hour. Others within the Firm may assist us in the future at their normal hourly rates, if expertise in litigation, real estate, etc., or other legal areas is required. All fees for the District's bond financing and related work, that is expected to be reimbursable by the proceeds of the financing, shall not be billed until the time such financing is closed.

3. Costs and Expenses. In providing services to the District, the Firm will necessarily incur out of pocket expenses. The District will be required to reimburse the Firm for these expenses which may include, among others, communication costs (i.e., courier, long distance telephone charges, facsimile charges, etc.), document reproduction charges, filing fees, secretarial overtime when required by the matter's timing, and charges incurred in connection with computer research facilities. Internal Firm costs are invoiced at rates established by the Firm from time to time. A list of the current internal Firm cost rates is available upon request. It is Firm policy that any invoice from a third party vendor incurred on behalf of the District will be forwarded to you for direct payment by the District to the vendor.

The Firm and the District expects this engagement to remain in effect for a period of time beginning at the date of the District's execution of this letter. The Firm will serve under this engagement letter at the pleasure of the District and/or the Firm, and the engagement may be terminated by the District or by the Firm at any time. The Firm shall be paid for all work performed through the date of termination and shall be paid for work on any and all bond issues (and/or re-structuring of bond issues) upon which it has rendered services (whether or not such issue or re-structuring has closed).

4. Payment of Invoices. Unless otherwise agreed in writing with the District, the Firm renders monthly invoices specifying the services performed and expenses incurred. The amount reflected as due in each invoice is payable within thirty (30) days following receipt by the District. The Firm attempts to include disbursements in each invoice for the month following which such disbursements are incurred. However, given the nature of disbursements, some may not be immediately available, in which case they will be included within a subsequent invoice. The Firm also reserves the right to charge interest on past due invoice balances at an amount not to exceed one and one-half percent (1.5%) per month. Any questions concerning an invoice rendered by the Firm should be referred to me as the account billing attorney or to the Managing Partner of the Firm.

5. Adverse Representation. As you may know, the Firm has represented, currently represents, and will in the future represent, numerous other districts and state and local governments, as well as other private and governmental clients in real estate, bankruptcy, litigation, public finance matters and the like. Such other matters are unrelated to the representation described in this engagement letter. The Firm does not believe that its representation of such other districts would interfere with its current representation of the District as specified herein. However, because of the large number of such other clients, it is important to have a clear understanding which will govern our relationship. Our representation is based on the understanding that the Firm may undertake representation in the future of other clients in matters, including litigation, which may be adverse to the District or its primary developer, and that the District hereby consents to such representation.

Subject to sunshine law constraints, the Firm is subject to ethical rules which prohibit the disclosure of confidential information obtained in representing the District which could be used to the District's disadvantage in any such other representation, and the Firm will not take a position adverse to the District in any litigation or dispute arising directly out of any specific representation of the District. The Firm will advise the District, and withdraw from representation of the District, if representation of the District could adversely affect the judgment or quality of services to be rendered by the Firm in its representation of the District and/or result in a material, actual or perceived conflict of interest and/or if such representation has violated, violates, will violate or threatens to violate traditional ethical standards imposed by the Rules Regulating the Florida Bar, especially Rule 4-1.7, or violates any provisions of the Florida Statutes.

6. Scope of Services. You have retained the Firm to provide general legal representation in connection with the ongoing matters of the District. The District has not retained the Firm to provide legal representation or advice in any other area of law unrelated to the specific representation which the Firm hereby undertakes (for example, we are not providing litigation, bankruptcy or bond counsel services at this time). In the event a need arises in any other area, the Firm would be happy to discuss with you expanding the scope of its services consistent with the terms of this letter, or recommending that special counsel be retained to advise the District on such matters.

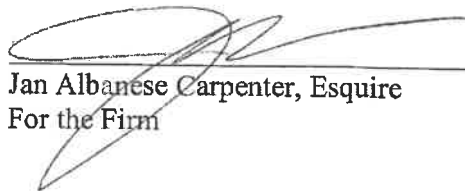
We apologize for the formality of this letter. However, we believe it is essential for the protection of both the District and the Firm to clearly specify the terms of our ongoing relationship. In light of the fact that we are requesting the District to signify its concurrence with the terms of this letter by signing below, the District is certainly welcome and is encouraged to have the terms of this letter reviewed by separate counsel.

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If the terms of this letter are acceptable to you, please sign this letter below and return this letter to my attention via facsimile or email.

We at the Firm look forward to serving as legal counsel for the Dowden West Community Development District.

Very truly yours,



Jan Albanese Carpenter, Esquire
For the Firm

**ACCEPTED AND AGREED TO:
DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

By: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

Dated: _____

RESOLUTION 2017-07

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AUTHORIZING AND DESIGNATING A REGISTERED AGENT AND REGISTERED AGENT'S OFFICE FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACCEPTING SERVICE OF PROCESS, NOTICE OR DEMAND ON BEHALF OF THE DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, The Dowden West Community Development District (hereinafter the "District") is a local unit of special-purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, being situated entirely within the City of Orlando, Orange County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, the District is statutorily required to designate a registered agent and a registered office location for the purposes of records keeping and accepting any process, notice or demand required or permitting by law to be served upon the District in accordance with section 189.416(1), Florida Statutes.

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

Section 1. _____ of _____ is hereby designated as registered agent for the Dowden West Community Development District.

Section 2. The District's Registered Office shall be _____ and whose telephone number is _____.

Section 3. In accordance with section 189.416, Florida Statutes, the District's Secretary is hereby directed to file certified copies of this Resolution to Orange County, the City of Orlando and to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity.

Section 4. This Resolution shall become effective on June 15, 2017.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 15th DAY OF JUNE, 2017.

ATTEST:

DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

Secretary/Assistant Secretary

Chair/Vice Chair

**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES
DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

The Dowden West Community Development District (“District”), located in the City of Orlando, Orange County, Florida, announces that professional engineering services will be required on a continuing basis for planning, preparing reports and plans, providing contract administration services and construction oversight, and providing designs and specifications for roadways, buffer walls, water facilities, sewer facilities, reclaimed water facilities, stormwater management facilities, and other public improvements authorized by Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*.

The engineering firm selected will act in the general capacity of District Engineer and provide District engineering services, as required. Any firm or individual (“Applicant”) desiring to provide professional services to the District must: 1) hold applicable federal, state and local licenses; 2) if a corporate entity, be a current and active corporation or authorized to do business in Florida in accordance with Florida law; and 3) furnish a statement (“Qualification Statement”) of its qualifications and past experience on U.S. General Service Administration’s “Architect-Engineer Qualifications, Standard Form No. 330,” with pertinent supporting data. Among other things, Applicants must submit information relating to: a) the ability and adequacy of the Applicant’s professional personnel; b) whether the Applicant is a certified minority business enterprise; c) the Applicant’s willingness to meet time and budget requirements; d) the Applicant’s past experience and performance, including but not limited to past experience as a District Engineer for any community development districts; e) the geographic location of the Applicant’s headquarters and offices; f) the current and projected workloads of the Applicant; and g) the volume of work previously awarded to the Applicant.

The District will review all Applicants and will comply with the State procedures as established by the Consultant’s Competitive Negotiations Act, Chapter 287, *Florida Statutes*. All applicants interested must submit eight (8) hard copies and one (1) electronic copy of Standard Form No. 330 and Qualification Statement by 2:00 p.m. on _____ to the attention of George Flint, District Manager, **Dowden West Community Development District**, 135 West Central Boulevard, Suite 320, Orlando, Florida 32801, phone number (407) 841-5524.

The Board shall select and rank the Applicants, and the highest ranked Applicant will be requested to enter into contract negotiations. If an agreement cannot be reached between the District and the highest ranked Applicant, negotiations will cease and begin with the next highest ranked Applicant, and if these negotiations are unsuccessful, will continue to the third highest ranked Applicant.

The District reserves the right to reject any and all Qualification Statements. Additionally, there is no express or implied obligation for the District to reimburse Applicants for any expenses associated with the preparation and submittal of the Qualification Statements in response to this request.

George Flint
District Manager

**DOWDEN WEST
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
DISTRICT ENGINEER PROPOSALS
COMPETITIVE SELECTION CRITERIA**

1) Ability and Adequacy of Professional Personnel (Weight: 25 Points)

Consider the capabilities and experience of key personnel within the firm including certification, training, and education; affiliations and memberships with professional organizations; etc.

2) Consultant's Past Performance (Weight: 25 Points)

Past performance for other Community Development Districts in other contracts; amount of experience on similar projects; character, integrity, reputation, of respondent; etc.

3) Geographic Location (Weight: 20 Points)

Consider the geographic location of the firm's headquarters, offices and personnel in relation to the project.

4) Willingness to Meet Time and Budget Requirements (Weight: 15 Points)

Consider the consultant's ability and desire to meet time and budget requirements including rates, staffing levels and past performance on previous projects; etc.

5) Certified Minority Business Enterprise (Weight: 5 Points)

Consider whether the firm is a Certified Minority Business Enterprise. Award either all eligible points or none.

6) Recent, Current and Projected Workloads (Weight: 5 Points)

Consider the recent, current and projected workloads of the firm.

7) Volume of Work Previously Awarded to Consultant by District
(Weight: 5 Points)

Consider the desire to diversify the firms that receive work from the District; etc.

SECTION IV

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RESOLUTION 2017-08

RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND AUTHORIZATION TO PUBLISH NOTICE OF SUCH HEARING FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADOPTING UNIFORM RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Dowden West Community Development District (hereinafter the "District") is a local unit of special-purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, being situated entirely within the City of Orlando, Orange County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors (hereinafter the "Board") is authorized by Section 190.011(5), Florida Statutes, to adopt rules and orders pursuant to Chapter 120, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the attached draft Rules of Procedure and desires hold the necessary public hearing regarding the adoption of the Rules of Procedure.

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

1. A public hearing will be held for the adoption of Uniform Rules of Procedure on:

Date: _____
Hour: _____
Place: _____

2. The District Secretary is directed to publish a notice of rule development and a notice of rule making in accordance with Section 120.54, Florida Statutes.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 15th DAY OF JUNE, 2017.

ATTEST:

DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

Secretary/ Assistant Secretary

Chair/Vice Chair

**RULES OF PROCEDURE
DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

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Rule 1.0 General.

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

meeting. The Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson may delegate the responsibility of conducting the meeting to the District's manager ("District Manager") or District Counsel, in whole or in part.

- (b) The Vice-Chairperson shall be a member of the Board and shall have such duties and responsibilities as specifically designated by the Board from time to time. The Vice-Chairperson has the authority to execute resolutions and contracts on the District's behalf in the absence of the Chairperson. If the Vice-Chairperson resigns from office or ceases to be a member of the Board, the Board shall select a Vice-Chairperson. The Vice-Chairperson serves at the pleasure of the Board.
- (c) The Secretary of the Board serves at the pleasure of the Board and need not be a member of the Board. The Secretary shall be responsible for maintaining the minutes of Board meetings and may have other duties assigned by the Board from time to time. An employee of the District Manager may serve as Secretary. The Secretary shall be bonded by a reputable and qualified bonding company in at least the amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000), or have in place a fidelity bond, employee theft insurance policy, or a comparable product in 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 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) Committees. The Board may establish committees of the Board, either on a permanent or temporary basis, to perform specifically designated functions. Committees may include individuals who are not members of the Board. Such functions may include, but are not limited to, review of bids, proposals, and qualifications, contract negotiations, personnel matters, and budget preparation.
- (4) Record Book. The Board shall keep a permanent record book entitled "Record of Proceedings," in which shall be recorded minutes of all meetings, resolutions, proceedings, certificates, and corporate acts. The Records of Proceedings shall be located at a District office and shall be available for inspection by the public.
- (5) 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 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.

- (1) **District Offices.** 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) **Public Records.** 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) Service Contracts. 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 an individual who is qualified to perform the labor. 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 the 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. After the request has been fulfilled, additional payments or credits may be due.
- (5) Records Retention. The Secretary of the District shall be responsible for retaining the District's records in accordance with applicable Florida law.

- (6) Policies. The Board may adopt policies related to the conduct of its business and the provision of services either by resolution or motion.

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

Law Implemented: §§ 190.006, 119.07, 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 189.417 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 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 407-841-5524. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at 1 (800) 955-8770, who can aid you in contacting the District Office."
 - (e) The following 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 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) Mistake. In the event that a meeting is held under the incorrect assumption that notice required by law and these Rules has been given, the Board at its next properly noticed meeting shall cure such defect by considering the agenda items from the prior meeting individually and anew.
- (3) Agenda. The District Manager, under the guidance of District Counsel and the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson, shall prepare a notice and an agenda of the meeting/hearing/workshop. The notice and agenda shall be available to the public at least seventy-two (72) hours before the meeting/hearing/workshop except in an emergency. For good cause, the agenda may be changed after it is first made available for distribution. 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) Minutes. 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) Special Requests. 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 pre-pay the cost of the copying and postage.

- (6) Emergency Meetings. The Chairperson, or Vice-Chairperson if the Chairperson is unavailable, may convene an emergency meeting of the Board without first having complied with sections (1) and (3) of this Rule, to act on emergency matters that may affect the public health, safety, or welfare. Whenever possible, the District Manager shall make reasonable efforts to provide public notice and notify all Board members of an emergency meeting twenty-four (24) hours in advance. Reasonable efforts may include telephone notification. Notice of the emergency meeting must be provided both before and after the meeting on the District's website, if it has one. Whenever an emergency meeting is called, the District Manager shall be responsible for notifying at least one newspaper of general circulation in the District. After an emergency meeting, the Board shall publish in a newspaper of general circulation in the District, the time, date and place of the emergency meeting, the reasons why an emergency meeting was necessary and a description of the action taken. Actions taken at an emergency meeting may be ratified by the Board at a regularly noticed meeting subsequently held.
- (7) Public Comment. The Board shall set aside a reasonable amount of time at each meeting for public comment and members of the public shall be permitted to provide comment on any proposition before the Board. The portion of the meeting generally reserved for public comment shall be identified in the agenda. Policies governing public comment may be adopted by the Board in accordance with Florida law.
- (8) Budget Hearing. 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) Public Hearings. 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) Board Authorization. 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. 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) Continuances. 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 attorneys 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.

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

Law Implemented: §§ 190.006, 190.007, 190.008, 286.0105, 286.011, 286.0114, Fla. Stat.

Rule 2.0 Rulemaking Proceedings.

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

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

 - (b) All rules as drafted shall be consistent with Sections 120.54(1)(g) and 120.54(2)(b) of the Florida Statutes.

- (3) Notice of Proceedings and Proposed Rules.
 - (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. Notice will then be mailed to all persons whom, at least fourteen (14) days prior to such mailing, have made requests of the District for advance notice of its proceedings.
- (4) Rule Development Workshops. 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 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) Rulemaking Materials. 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) Rulemaking Record. In all rulemaking proceedings, the District shall compile and maintain a rulemaking record. The record shall include, if applicable:
- (a) The texts of the proposed rule and the adopted rule;
 - (b) All notices given for a proposed rule;
 - (c) Any statement of estimated regulatory costs for the rule;
 - (d) A written summary of hearings, if any, on the proposed rule;
 - (e) All written comments received by the District and responses to those written comments; and
 - (f) All notices and findings pertaining to an emergency rule.
- (11) Petitions to Challenge Existing Rules.
- (a) Any person substantially affected by a rule may seek an administrative determination of the invalidity of the rule on the ground that the rule is an invalid exercise of the District's authority.
 - (b) The petition seeking an administrative determination must state with particularity the provisions alleged to be invalid with sufficient explanation of the facts or grounds for the alleged invalidity and facts sufficient to show that the person challenging a rule is substantially affected by it.
 - (c) The petition shall be filed with the District. Within 10 days after receiving the petition, the Chairperson shall, if the petition complies with the requirements of subsection (b) of this section, designate any member of the Board (including the Chairperson), District Manager, District Counsel, or other person as a hearing officer who shall conduct a hearing within 30 days thereafter, unless the petition is withdrawn or a continuance is granted by agreement of the parties. The failure of the District to follow the applicable rulemaking procedures or requirements in this Rule shall be presumed to be material; however, the District may rebut this presumption by showing that the substantial interests of the petitioner and the fairness of the proceedings have not been impaired.
 - (d) Within 30 days after the hearing, the hearing officer shall render a decision and state the reasons therefor in writing.
 - (e) Hearings held under this section shall be de novo in nature. The petitioner has a burden of proving by a preponderance of the evidence that the

existing rule is an invalid exercise of District authority as to the objections raised. The hearing officer may:

- (i) Administer oaths and affirmations;
 - (ii) Rule upon offers of proof and receive relevant evidence;
 - (iii) Regulate the course of the hearing, including any pre-hearing matters;
 - (iv) Enter orders; and
 - (v) Make or receive offers of settlement, stipulation, and adjustment.
- (f) The petitioner and the District shall be adverse parties. Other substantially affected persons may join the proceedings as intervenors on appropriate terms which shall not unduly delay the proceedings.
- (12) Variations and Waivers. 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. Variations and waivers from District rules may be granted subject to the following:
- (a) Variations 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 sixty (60) days after receipt of the original petition, the last item of timely requested additional material, or the petitioner's written request to finish processing the petition. The District's statement granting or denying the petition shall contain a statement of the relevant facts and reasons supporting the District's action.
- (13) Rates, Fees, Rentals and Other Charges. All rates, fees, rentals, or other charges shall be subject to rulemaking proceedings. Policies adopted by the District which do not consist of rates, fees, rentals or other charges may be, but are not required to be, implemented through rulemaking proceedings.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), 190.035, Fla. Stat.
Law Implemented: §§ 190.011(5), 190.035(2), Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.0 Competitive Purchase.

- (1) Purpose and Scope. In order to comply with Sections 190.033(1) through (3), 287.055 and 287.017 of the Florida Statutes, the following provisions shall apply to the purchase of Professional Services, insurance, construction contracts, design-build services, goods, supplies, and materials, Contractual Services, and maintenance services.
- (2) Board Authorization. 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 one million dollars (\$1,000,000), for a study activity when the fee for such Professional Services to the District does not exceed fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), 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 performance-based 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) Qualifying Procedures. 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 federal licenses in good standing, if any;
 - (b) Hold all required applicable state professional licenses in good standing;
 - (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. Consultants who provide their name and address to the District Manager for inclusion on the list shall receive notices by mail. The Board has the right to reject any and all qualifications, and such reservation shall be included in the published notice. Consultants not

receiving a contract award shall not be entitled to recover from the District any costs of qualification package preparation or submittal.

(4) Competitive Selection.

- (a) The Board shall review and evaluate the data submitted in response to the notice described in section (3) of this Rule regarding qualifications and performance ability, as well as any statements of qualifications on file. The Board shall conduct discussions with, and may require public presentation by consultants regarding their qualifications, approach to the Project, and ability to furnish the required services. The Board shall then select and list the consultants, in order of preference, deemed to be the most highly capable and qualified to perform the required Professional Services, after considering these and other appropriate criteria:
 - (i) The ability and adequacy of the professional personnel employed by each consultant;
 - (ii) Whether a consultant is a certified minority business enterprise;
 - (iii) Each consultant's past performance;
 - (iv) The willingness of each consultant to meet time and budget requirements;
 - (v) The geographic location of each consultant's headquarters, office and personnel in relation to the project;
 - (vi) The recent, current, and projected workloads of each consultant; and
 - (vii) The volume of work previously awarded to each consultant by the District.
- (b) Nothing in these Rules shall prevent the District from evaluating and eventually selecting a consultant if less than three (3) qualification packages, including packages indicating a desire not to provide Professional Services on a given Project, are received.
- (c) If the selection process is administered by any person or committee other than the full Board, the selection made will be presented to the full Board with a recommendation that competitive negotiations be instituted with the selected firms in order of preference listed.
- (d) Notice of the rankings adopted by the Board, including the rejection of some or all qualification packages, shall be provided in writing to all

consultants by United States Mail, hand delivery, facsimile, or overnight delivery service. The notice shall include the following statement: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Rule 3.11 of the Rules of the District shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under those Rules," or wording to that effect. Protests of the District's ranking decisions under this Rule shall be in accordance with the procedures set forth in Rule 3.11.

(5) Competitive Negotiation.

- (a) After the Board has authorized the beginning of competitive negotiations, the District may begin such negotiations with the firm listed as most qualified to perform the required Professional Services at a rate or amount of compensation which the Board determines is fair, competitive, and reasonable.
- (b) In negotiating a lump-sum or cost-plus-a-fixed-fee professional contract for more than the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017 of the Florida Statutes, for CATEGORY FOUR, the firm receiving the award shall be required to execute a truth-in-negotiation certificate stating that "wage rates and other factual unit costs supporting the compensation are accurate, complete and current at the time of contracting." In addition, any professional service contract under which such a certificate is required, shall contain a provision that "the original contract price and any additions thereto, shall be adjusted to exclude any significant sums by which the Board determines the contract price was increased due to inaccurate, incomplete, or noncurrent wage rates and other factual unit costs."
- (c) Should the District be unable to negotiate a satisfactory agreement with the firm determined to be the most qualified at a price deemed by the District to be fair, competitive, and reasonable, then negotiations with that firm shall be terminated and the District shall immediately begin negotiations with the second most qualified firm. If a satisfactory agreement with the second firm cannot be reached, those negotiations shall be terminated and negotiations with the third most qualified firm shall be undertaken.
- (d) Should the District be unable to negotiate a satisfactory agreement with one of the top three (3) ranked consultants, additional firms shall be selected by the District, in order of their competence and qualifications. Negotiations shall continue, beginning with the first-named firm on the list, until an agreement is reached or the list of firms is exhausted.

- (6) Contracts; Public Records. 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) Continuing Contract. Nothing in this Rule shall prohibit a Continuing Contract between a consultant and the District.
- (8) Emergency Purchase. 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: §§ 119.07, 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.

- (1) Definitions.
 - (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 audit selection committee appointed by the Board as described in section (2) of this Rule.
- (2) Establishment of Audit Committee. Prior to a public announcement under section (4) of this Rule that Auditing Services are required, the Board shall establish an audit 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 should include at least three individuals, some or all of whom may also serve as members of the Board. The establishment and selection of the Committee must be conducted at a publicly noticed and held meeting of the Board.
- (3) Establishment of Minimum Qualifications and Evaluation Criteria. Prior to a public announcement under section (4) of this Rule that Auditing Services are required, the Committee shall meet at a publicly noticed meeting to establish minimum qualifications and factors to use for the evaluation of Auditing Services to be provided by a certified public accounting firm licensed under Chapter 473 of the Florida Statutes, and qualified to conduct audits in accordance with government auditing standards as adopted by the Florida Board of Accountancy.
 - (a) Minimum Qualifications. 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 federal licenses in good standing, if any;
 - (ii) Hold all required applicable state professional licenses in good standing;
 - (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) Understanding of scope of work;
 - (iv) Ability to furnish the required services; and
 - (v) 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) Public Announcement. 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. If a 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.
- (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) Contract. 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 July 1 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. No contract shall continue, or allow the contract to be renewed, for a period of more than three years from the date of its execution. 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: §§ 119.07, 218.391, Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.3 Purchase of Insurance.

- (1) Scope. The purchases of life, health, accident, hospitalization, legal expense, or annuity insurance, or all of any kinds of such insurance for the officers and employees of the District, and for health, accident, hospitalization, and legal expenses upon a group insurance plan by the District, shall be governed by this Rule. This Rule does not apply to the purchase of any other type of insurance by the District, including but not limited to liability insurance, property insurance, and directors and officers insurance. Nothing in this Rule shall require the District to purchase insurance.

- (2) Procedure. 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. Persons who provide their name and address to the District Manager for inclusion on the list shall receive notices by mail.
 - (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) Scope. 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) Procedure. 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 pre-qualification 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 the 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, 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.

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) Procedure. 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 the 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 such as 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 take whatever steps reasonably necessary in order to proceed with the procurement of construction services, which steps may include a direct purchase of the construction services without further competitive selection processes.
- (3) Sole Source: Government. 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) Contracts: Public Records. 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) Emergency Purchases. 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) Exceptions. This Rule is inapplicable when:
 - (a) The project is undertaken as repair or maintenance of an existing public facility;
 - (b) The funding source of the project will be diminished or lost because the time required to competitively award the project after the funds become available exceeds the time within which the funding source must be spent;
 - (c) The District has competitively awarded a project and the contractor has abandoned the project or the District has terminated the contractor; or
 - (d) The District, after public notice, conducts a public meeting under Section 286.011 of the Florida Statutes, and finds by a majority vote of the Board that it is in the public's best interest to perform the project using its own services, employees, and equipment.

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

Law Implemented: §§ 119.07, 189.4221, 190.033, 255.0518, 255.0525, 255.20, 287.055, Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.6 Construction Contracts, Design-Build.

- (1) Scope. 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) Procedure.
 - (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) Qualifications-Based Selection. 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 such as 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 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) proposals are received, the District may purchase design-build services or may reject the proposals for lack of competitiveness. If no proposals are received, the District may take whatever steps reasonably necessary in order to proceed with the procurement of design-build services, which steps may include 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. Failing accord with the second most qualified firm, the Board must terminate negotiations. The Board shall then undertake negotiations with the third most qualified firm. 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) Contracts: Public Records. 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) Emergency Purchase. The Board may, in case of public emergency, declare an emergency and immediately proceed with negotiations with the best qualified Design-Build Firm available at the time. The fact that an Emergency Purchase has occurred shall be noted in the minutes of the next Board meeting.
 - (5) Exceptions. This Rule is inapplicable when:
 - (a) The project is undertaken as repair or maintenance of an existing public facility;
 - (b) The funding source of the project will be diminished or lost because the time required to competitively award the project after the funds become available exceeds the time within which the funding source must be spent;

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

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

Law Implemented: §§ 119.07, 189.4221, 190.033, 255.0518, 255.0525, 255.20, 287.055, Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.7 Payment and Performance Bonds.

- (1) Scope. 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) Discretionary Bond. At the discretion of the Board, upon entering into a contract for any of the services described in section (1) of this Rule for an amount not exceeding \$200,000, the contractor may be exempted from executing a payment and performance bond.

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

Law Implemented: § 255.05, Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.8 Goods, Supplies, and Materials.

- (1) Purpose and Scope. All purchases of goods, supplies, or materials exceeding the amount provided in Section 287.017 of the Florida Statutes, for CATEGORY FOUR, shall be purchased under the terms of this Rule. Contracts for purchases of “goods, supplies, and materials” do not include printing, insurance, advertising, or legal notices. A contract involving goods, supplies, or materials plus maintenance services may, in the discretion of the Board, be treated as a contract for maintenance services. However, a purchase shall not be divided solely in order to avoid the threshold bidding requirements.
- (2) Procedure. 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 the 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) 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 take whatever steps reasonably necessary in order to proceed with the procurement of goods, supplies, and materials, which steps may include a

direct purchase of the goods, supplies, and materials without further competitive selection processes.

- (3) Goods, Supplies, and Materials included in a Construction Contract Awarded Pursuant to Rule 3.5 or 3.6. There may be occasions where the District has undergone the competitive purchase of construction services which contract may include the provision of goods, supplies, or materials. In that instance, the District may approve a change order to the contract and directly purchase the goods, supplies, and materials. Such purchase of goods, supplies, and materials deducted from a competitively purchased construction contract shall be exempt from this Rule.
- (4) Exemption. Goods, supplies, and materials that are only available from a single source are exempt from this Rule. Goods, supplies, and materials provided by governmental agencies are exempt from this Rule. A contract for goods, supplies, or materials is exempt from this Rule if state or federal law prescribes with whom the District must contract or if the rate of payment is established during the appropriation process. This Rule shall not apply to the purchase of goods, supplies or materials that are purchased under a federal, state, or local government contract that has been competitively procured by such federal, state, or local government in a manner consistent with the material procurement requirements of these Rules.
- (5) Renewal. Contracts for the purchase of goods, supplies, and/or materials subject to this Rule may be renewed for a period that may not exceed three (3) years or the term of the original contract, whichever period is longer.
- (6) Emergency Purchases. 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: §§ 189.4221, 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) Procedure. 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 the 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 take whatever steps reasonably necessary in order to proceed with the procurement of maintenance services, which steps may include a direct purchase of the maintenance services without further competitive selection processes.
- (3) Exemptions. Maintenance services that are only available from a single source are exempt from this Rule. Maintenance services provided by governmental agencies are exempt from this Rule. A contract for maintenance services is exempt from this Rule if state or federal law prescribes with whom the District must contract or if the rate of payment is established during the appropriation process.
 - (4) Renewal. Contracts for the purchase of maintenance services subject to this Rule may be renewed for a period that may not exceed three (3) years or the term of the original contract, whichever period is longer.
 - (5) Contracts: Public Records. 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) Emergency Purchases. 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: §§ 119.07, 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) Contracts: Public Records. 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: §§ 119.07, 190.011(3), 190.033, Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.11 Protests With Respect To Proceedings under Rules 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6, 3.8, and 3.9.

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

(1) Filing.

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

that is the subject of the protest. 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) Contract Execution. 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) Informal Proceeding. 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) Intervenors. Other substantially affected persons may join the proceedings as intervenors on appropriate terms which shall not unduly delay the proceedings.
- (6) Rejection of all Qualifications, Bids, Proposals, Replies and Responses after Receipt of Notice of Protest. If the Board determines there was a violation of law, defect or an irregularity in the competitive solicitation process, 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) Settlement. 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 _____, 2017, 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.

RESOLUTION 2017-09

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT APPROVING PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017 AND SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON PURSUANT TO FLORIDA LAW AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Dowden West Community Development District ("District") was recently established by the City Council of the City of Orlando effective April 10, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the District Manager has prepared and submitted to the Board of Supervisors of the Dowden West Community Development District (the "Board") a proposed operating budget for Fiscal Year 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the proposed budget and desires to set the required public hearing thereon.

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

1. The operating budget proposed by the District Manager for Fiscal Year 2017 attached hereto as **Exhibit A** is hereby approved as the basis for conducting a public hearing to adopt said budget.
2. A public hearing on said approved budget is hereby declared and set for the following date, hour and location:

DATE: _____, 2017

HOUR: _____

LOCATION: _____

3. The District Manager is hereby directed to submit a copy of the proposed budget to the City of Orlando and Orange County prior to the hearing set above.
4. In accordance with Section 189.016, Florida Statutes, the District's Secretary is further directed to post the approved budget on the District's website at least two days before the budget hearing date as set forth in Section 2.
5. Notice of this public hearing shall be published in the manner prescribed in Florida law.
6. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 15TH DAY OF JUNE, 2017.

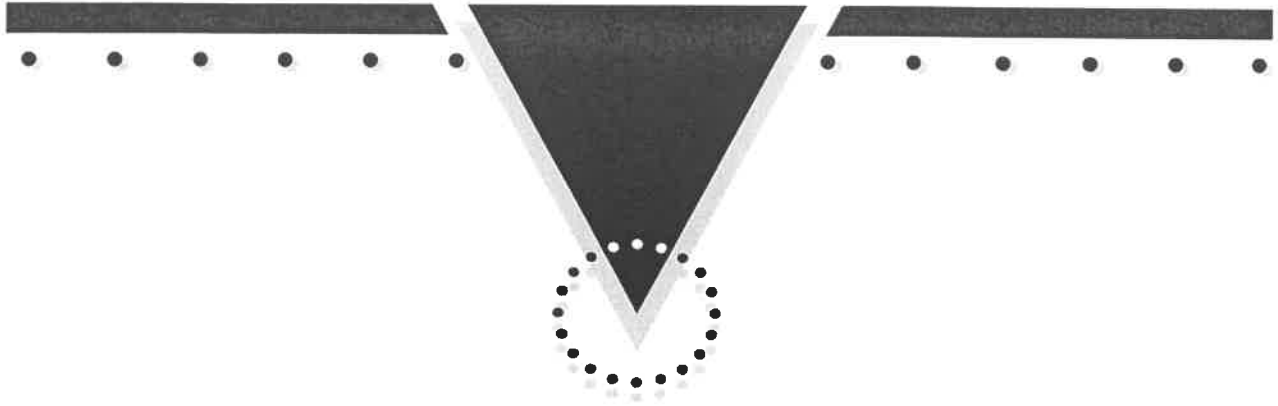
ATTEST:

**DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

Secretary/Assistant Secretary

By: _____
Chair/Vice Chair

Exhibit A: Fiscal Year 2017 Budget



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<u>Revenues</u>		
Developer Contributions	\$35,039	\$86,850
Total Revenues	\$35,039	\$86,850
<u>Expenditures</u>		
<u>Administrative</u>		
Supervisor Fees	\$0	\$0
FICA Expense	\$0	\$0
Engineering	\$4,000	\$12,000
Attorney	\$8,333	\$25,000
Management Fees	\$11,667	\$35,000
** Information Technology	\$1,500	\$600
Telephone	\$100	\$300
Postage	\$1,000	\$1,000
Insurance	\$1,722	\$5,150
Printing & Binding	\$1,000	\$1,000
Legal Advertising	\$5,000	\$5,000
Other Current Charges	\$333	\$1,000
Office Supplies	\$208	\$625
Dues, Licenses & Subscriptions	\$175	\$175
Total Expenditures	\$35,039	\$86,850
Excess Revenues/(Expenditures)	\$0	\$0

* FY17 Budget is prorated from June 2017 to September 2017

** FY17 Budget amount includes a one-time website creation fee.

Dowden West
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GENERAL FUND BUDGET

REVENUES:

Developer Contributions

The District will enter into a Funding Agreement with the Developer to fund the General Fund expenditures for the Fiscal Year.

EXPENDITURES:

Administrative:

Supervisor Fees

Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, allows for each Board member to receive \$200 per meeting, not to exceed \$4,800 per year paid to each Supervisor for the time devoted to District business and meetings. No fees are anticipated at this time.

FICA Expense

Represents the Employer's share of Social Security and Medicare taxes withheld from Board of Supervisors checks. No fees are anticipated at this time.

Engineering

The District's engineer will be providing general engineering services to the District, e.g. attendance and preparation for monthly board meetings, review invoices and various projects as directed by the Board of Supervisors and the District Manager.

Attorney

The District's legal counsel will be providing general legal services to the District, e.g. attendance and preparation for meetings, preparation and review of agreements, resolutions, etc. as directed by the Board of Supervisors and the District Manager.

Management Fees

The District will incur costs for Management, Accounting and Administrative services during the Fiscal Year.

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Information Technology

Represents costs related to the District's accounting and information systems, District's website creation and maintenance, electronic compliance with Florida Statutes and other electronic data requirements.

Telephone

Telephone and fax machine.

Postage

The District incurs charges for mailing of Board meeting agenda packages, overnight deliveries, correspondence, etc.

Insurance

The District's general liability, public official's liability insurance and property insurance coverages.

Printing & Binding

Printing and Binding agenda packages for board meetings, printing of computerized checks, stationary, envelopes etc.

Legal Advertising

The District is required to advertise various notices for monthly Board meetings, public hearings, etc. in a newspaper of general circulation.

Other Current Charges

Bank charges and any other miscellaneous expenses incurred during the year.

Office Supplies

Any supplies that may need to be purchased during the fiscal year, e.g., paper, minute books, file folders, labels, paper clips, etc.

Dues, Licenses & Subscriptions

The District is required to pay an annual fee to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity for \$175. This is the only expense under this category for the District.

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RESOLUTION 2017-10

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT APPROVING PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018 AND SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON PURSUANT TO FLORIDA LAW AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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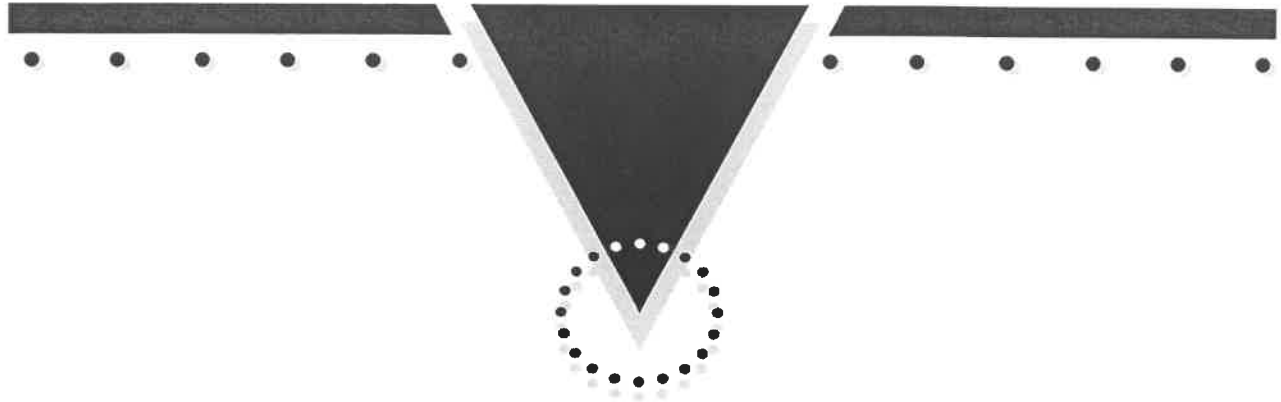
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Dowden West Community Development District
Fiscal Year 2017 Funding Agreement

This Agreement is made and entered into this 15th day of June 2017, by and between:

Dowden West Community Development District, a local unit of special-purpose government established pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, and located in the City of Orlando, Orange County, Florida (hereinafter "District"), and

Beachline South Residential, LLC a Florida limited liability company, the primary landowner and developer in the District (hereinafter "Developer").

Recitals

WHEREAS, the District was established by Ordinance No. 2017-20 of the City Commission in and for City of Orlando, Florida; and

WHEREAS, the District, pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, is authorized to levy such taxes, special assessments, fees and other charges as may be necessary in furtherance of the District's activities and services; and

WHEREAS, Developer presently owns real property within the District, which property will benefit from the timely construction and acquisition of the District's facilities, activities and services and from the continued operations of the District; and

WHEREAS, the District is adopting its general fund budget for the Fiscal Year 2017, which year commenced on October 1, 2016, and concludes on September 30, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the budget, which both parties recognize may be amended from time to time in the sole discretion of the District, is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as **Exhibit A**; and

WHEREAS, the District will need a funding mechanism to enable it to proceed with its operations and services during the Fiscal Year 2017 as described in **Exhibit A**; and

WHEREAS, the Developer desires to provide such funds as are necessary to allow the District to proceed with its operations for Fiscal Year 2017 as described in **Exhibit A**, and as may be amended from time to time by the District.

NOW, therefore, based upon good and valuable consideration and the mutual covenants of the parties, the receipt of which and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

1. The Developer agrees to make available to the District the monies necessary for the operation of the District as called for in the budget attached hereto as **Exhibit A** (as finalized and amended from time to time), within thirty (30) days of written request by the District. The funds shall be placed in the District's general checking account. These payments are made by the Developer in lieu of taxes, fees, or assessments which might otherwise be levied or imposed by the District.

2. This instrument shall constitute the final and complete expression of the agreement between the parties relating to the subject matter of this Agreement. Amendments to and waivers of the provisions contained in this Agreement may be made only by an instrument in writing which is executed by both of the parties hereto.

3. The execution of this Agreement has been duly authorized by the appropriate body or official of all parties hereto, each party has complied with all the requirements of law, and each party has full power and authority to comply with the terms and provisions of this instrument.

4. This Agreement may be assigned, in whole or in part, by either party only upon the written consent of the other, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

5. A default by either party under this Agreement shall entitle the other to all remedies available at law or in equity, which shall include, but not be limited to, the right of damages, injunctive relief and specific performance and specifically including the ability of the District to enforce any and all payment obligations under this Agreement through the imposition and enforcement of a contractual or other lien on property owned by the Developer.

6. In the event that either party is required to enforce this Agreement by court proceedings or otherwise, then the parties agree that the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover from the other all costs incurred, including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs for trial, alternative dispute resolution, or appellate proceedings.

7. This Agreement is solely for the benefit of the formal parties herein and no right or cause of action shall accrue upon or by reason hereof, to or for the benefit of any third party not a formal party hereto. Nothing in this Agreement expressed or implied is intended or shall be construed to confer upon any person or corporation other than the parties hereto any right, remedy or claim under or by reason of this Agreement or any provisions or conditions hereof; and all of the provisions, representations, covenants and conditions herein contained shall inure to the sole benefit of and shall be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective representatives, successors and assigns.

8. This Agreement and the provisions contained herein shall be construed, interpreted and controlled according to the laws of the State of Florida.

9. This Agreement has been negotiated fully between the parties as an arm's length transaction. The parties participated fully in the preparation of this Agreement with the assistance of their respective counsel. In the case of a dispute concerning the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement, the parties are each deemed to have drafted, chosen and selected the language, and the doubtful language will not be interpreted or construed against any party.

10. The Agreement shall take effect as of June 15, 2017.

In witness whereof, the parties execute this agreement the day and year first written above.

Attest:

**Dowden West Community
Development District**

Secretary

Chair, Board of Supervisors

Witnesses:

Beachline South Residential, LLC
a Florida limited liability company

By: _____

[Print Name]

Print: _____

Its: _____

[Print Name]

Exhibit A: Fiscal Year 2017 Budget

SECTION V

RESOLUTION 2017-11

A RESOLUTION SETTING FORTH THE POLICY OF THE DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WITH REGARD TO THE SUPPORT AND LEGAL DEFENSE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND DISTRICT OFFICERS AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors (“Board”) and the officers of the Dowden West Community Development District (“District”) are constantly presented with the necessity for making decisions regarding various phases of District policy and management; and

WHEREAS, it is absolutely essential to the effective operation of the District that such decisions be made in an environment where the threat of personal liability for the Board and its officers is maintained at a minimum; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to formalize a policy with regard to the support and legal protection of the Board and its officers so as to reduce the threat of personal liability to such individuals and allow for an effective decision-making environment.

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

1. As set forth in this Resolution, the District, in accordance with Florida law, agrees that the following Board members and officers of the District shall be provided the benefit of the indemnification, support and legal defense provisions provided in this Resolution:

- a. All members of the Board of Supervisors; and
- b. The District Manager, Secretary and Assistant Secretaries, Treasurer and Assistant Treasurers, and other District officers.

2. As set forth in this Resolution and in accordance with Sections 111.07 and 768.28, Florida Statutes, the District hereby agrees to provide legal representation to defend any and all civil actions, including federal civil rights and other federal civil claims, arising from a complaint for damages or injuries suffered as a result of any action or omission of action of all Board members and officers, present or former, arising out of and in the scope of his or her employment or function, unless, in the case of a tort action, the Board member or officer acted in bad faith, with malicious purpose, or in a manner exhibiting wanton and willful disregard of human rights, safety, or property. Defense of such civil actions includes, but is not limited to, any civil rights lawsuit seeking relief personally against any Board member or officer for an act or omission under color of state law, custom or usage, wherein it is alleged that such Board member or officer has deprived another person of rights secured under the Federal Constitution or laws, including, by way of example, actions under 42 U.S.C. § 1983 or other federal statute.

The District hereby further agrees to provide legal representation to defend against any other litigation arising against a Board member or officer from the performance of their official duties while serving a public purpose, including civil, administrative or criminal actions as permitted by law. By these provisions, the District does not waive any immunity from liability or limited waiver of such immunity as granted under Florida law. Rather, the District is stating that to the extent the State does not through its laws protect the Board and its officers from liability, the District is committed to doing so to the extent described in this Resolution and as permitted by law.

3. The District may insure itself in order to cover all reasonable costs and fees directly arising out of or in connection with any legal claim or suit that directly results from a decision or act made by a Board member or officer while performing the duties and functions of his or her position.

4. This Resolution is intended to evidence the District's support of Board members and officers who perform acts and render decisions in the good faith performance of their duties and functions. The District will neither support nor defend those actions or omissions committed by an individual outside the scope of his or her office or committed in bad faith or with malicious purpose or in a manner exhibiting wanton and willful disregard of human rights, safety, or property. By adoption of this Resolution, the District Board member(s) and/or officer(s) in question are each presumed to have acted within the scope of his or her office and are presumed to be acting in good faith, without a malicious purpose and not in a manner exhibiting wanton and willful disregard of human rights, safety or property. The District's Board of Supervisors may overcome this presumption only by unanimous vote of those participating and voting, in accordance with Section 7 herein.

5. In the event that the District has expended funds to provide an attorney to defend a Board member or officer who is found to be personally liable by virtue of actions outside the scope of his or her employment or function, or is found to have acted in bad faith, with malicious purpose, or in a manner exhibiting wanton and willful disregard of human rights, safety, or property, the individual shall be required to reimburse the District for funds so expended. The District may recover such funds in a civil action against such individual.

6. The District agrees to pay any final judgment, including damages, fines, penalties or other damages, costs, and attorney's fees and costs, arising from any complaint for damages or injuries suffered as a result of any action or omission of action of any Board member or officer as described in Section 111.07, Florida Statutes. If the action arises under Section 768.28, Florida Statutes, as a tort claim, the limitations and provisions of that section governing payment shall apply. If the action is a civil rights action arising under 42 U.S.C. § 1983, or similar federal statutes, payment for the full amount of judgment may be made unless the individual has been determined in the final judgment to have caused the harm intentionally. The District agrees to pay any compromise or settlement of any claim or litigation described in this paragraph, provided, however, that the District determines such compromise or settlement to be in the District's best interest.

7. To rebut the presumption of the automatic payment of judgments or provision of legal representation pursuant to this Resolution, at least one of the following determinations shall be made by a unanimous decision of the District's Board of Supervisors participating and voting:

- a. The actions of the Board member and/or officer were outside the scope of his or her duties and authority; or
- b. The acts or omissions of the Board member and/or officer constituted bad faith, malicious purpose, intentional infliction of harm or were done in a manner exhibiting wanton and willful disregard of human rights, safety or property; or
- c. The Board member and/or officer received financial profit or advantage to which he or she was not legally entitled.

8. To ensure the provision of legal representation pursuant to this Resolution, the following must be met:

- a. A copy of the summons, complaint, notice, demand letter or other document or pleading in the action, or a letter setting forth the substance of any claim or complaint, must be delivered to the District Chairman, Vice Chairman, District Manager or District Attorney within fourteen (14) calendar days after actual receipt of any such document together with a specific request in writing that the District defend or provide representation for the Board member and/or officer; and
- b. The Board member and/or officer must cooperate continuously and fully with the District in the defense of the action.

9. Any indemnification, legal defense or other protection provided pursuant to this representation shall not extend to:

- a. Consulting or other outside professional or business activities for which the Board member and/or officer received financial or other material compensation, which are outside the scope of his or her District duties and authority; and
- b. Any independent contractor for whom defense or indemnification is not authorized pursuant to Section 1(b) of this Resolution, unless the Board votes to authorize such indemnification, legal defense, or other protection; and
- c. Any fine, penalty or other punishment imposed as a result of conviction for a criminal offense, and any legal fees and costs incurred to defend criminal prosecution in which a conviction is obtained; and
- d. Any indemnification or defense prohibited by law.

10. In the event legal representation or defense is provided pursuant to this Resolution, the Board member and/or officer may either:

- a. Retain legal counsel appointed by the District, in which case legal counsel shall be paid directly by the District; or
- b. Retain legal counsel chosen by the Board member and/or officer, in which case the District shall have the right to:
 - i. Approve, in advance, any agreement for legal fees or disbursements; and
 - ii. Pay all or part of the legal fees, costs and other disbursements and to set a maximum for legal fees, costs and other disbursements; and
 - iii. Direct the defense and settle or compromise the action or claim; and
 - iv. Reduce or offset any monies that may be payable by the District by any court costs or attorneys fees awarded to the Board member or officer.

11. The benefits of the policy adopted in this Resolution shall not enlarge the rights that would have been available to any third-party plaintiff or claimant in the absence of this policy.

12. To the extent permitted by law, this policy shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, personal representatives and estate of the Board member and/or officer.

13. The District reserves the right to change, modify or withdraw this Resolution in its sole discretion, except as to actions, demand or other claims based on acts or omissions that occurred before the effective change, modification or withdrawal of this Resolution.

14. This Resolution shall be effective as of its adoption on the date listed below and shall apply to any acts or omissions occurring after that date.

Adopted this 15th day of June, 2017.

ATTEST:

**DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

Secretary

Chair/Vice Chair

RESOLUTION 2017-12

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT APPROVING AND RATIFYING THE FILING OF THE NOTICE OF ESTABLISHMENT FOR THE DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, the Dowden West Community Development District (the “District”) is a local unit of special-purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, being situated entirely within the City of Orlando, Orange County, Florida;

WHEREAS, the District was established by City of Orlando Ordinance No. 2017-20, which became effective on April 10, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the District is required to file a “Notice of Establishment” within the property records of Orange County, Florida pursuant to Chapter 190.0485, Florida Statutes within thirty (30) days of the establishment of the District; and

WHEREAS, in order to maintain adherence with the filing deadline required by Chapter 190.0485, *Florida Statutes*, District Counsel filed a Notice of Establishment on behalf of the District; and

WHEREAS, the District’s Board of Supervisors (the “Board”), in accordance with Florida Statutes, desire to approve and ratify the filing of such Notice of Establishment.

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

SECTION 1. INCORPORATION OF RECITALS. The foregoing Recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein. District Counsel is hereby ratified for recording a Notice of Establishment in substantially the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A** within the property records of Orange County, Florida.

SECTION 2. APPROVAL AND RATIFICATION OF NOTICE OF ESTABLISHMENT. The Notice of Establishment, recorded by District Counsel in the Public Records of Orange County, Florida in substantially the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, is hereby approved and ratified by the District.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 15th DAY OF JUNE, 2017.

ATTEST:

**DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

Secretary

Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

Exhibit A: Form of Notice of Establishment

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Orange County, FL
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THIS INSTRUMENT PREPARED
BY AND RETURN TO:
Jan A. Carpenter, Esq.
Latham, Shuker, Eden & Beaudine, LLP
111 N. Magnolia Ave, Suite 1400
Orlando, Florida 32801

ABOVE SPACE RESERVED FOR
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NOTICE OF ESTABLISHMENT OF THE DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

This Notice of Establishment of the Dowden West Community Development District is recorded pursuant to the requirements of Section 190.0485, *Florida Statutes*. The Dowden West Community Development District (the "District") was established pursuant to City of Orlando Ordinance Number 2017-20 of Orange County, Florida, dated April 10, 2017.

The legal description of external boundaries of the Dowden West Community Development District, as amended, is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated by reference herein.

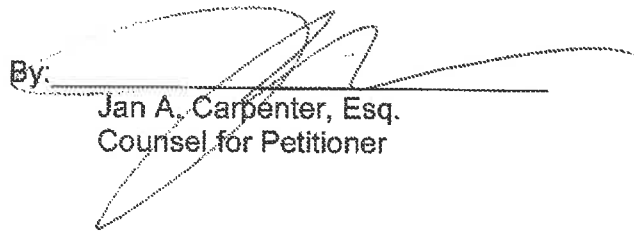
THE DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT MAY IMPOSE AND LEVY TAXES OR ASSESSMENTS, OR BOTH TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, ON THIS PROPERTY. THESE TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS PAY THE CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE COSTS OF CERTAIN PUBLIC FACILITIES AND SERVICES OF THE DISTRICT AND ARE SET ANNUALLY BY THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE DISTRICT. THESE TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS ARE IN ADDITION TO COUNTY AND OTHER LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS AND ALL OTHER TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS PROVIDED FOR BY LAW.

For information about the District, the District's Manager may be contacted at:

Dowden West Community Development District
c/o Governmental Management Services – Central Florida, LLC
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Orlando, Florida 32801
Phone: 407.841.5524

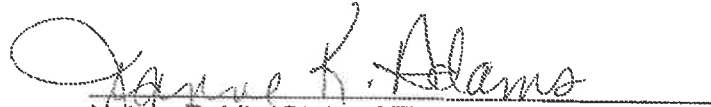
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**DOWDEN WEST
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT,
a Florida community development district**

By: 
Jan A. Carpenter, Esq.
Counsel for Petitioner

**STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF ORANGE**

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 19th day of April, 2017, by JAN A. CARPENTER, as Counsel for the Petitioner of the Dowden West Community Development District, on its behalf. Said person is personally known to me or has produced a valid driver's license as identification.


Notary Public, State of Florida
Print Name: _____
My Commission Expires: _____
My Commission No.: _____

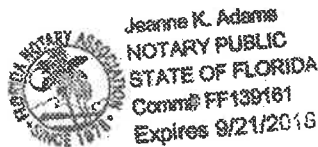


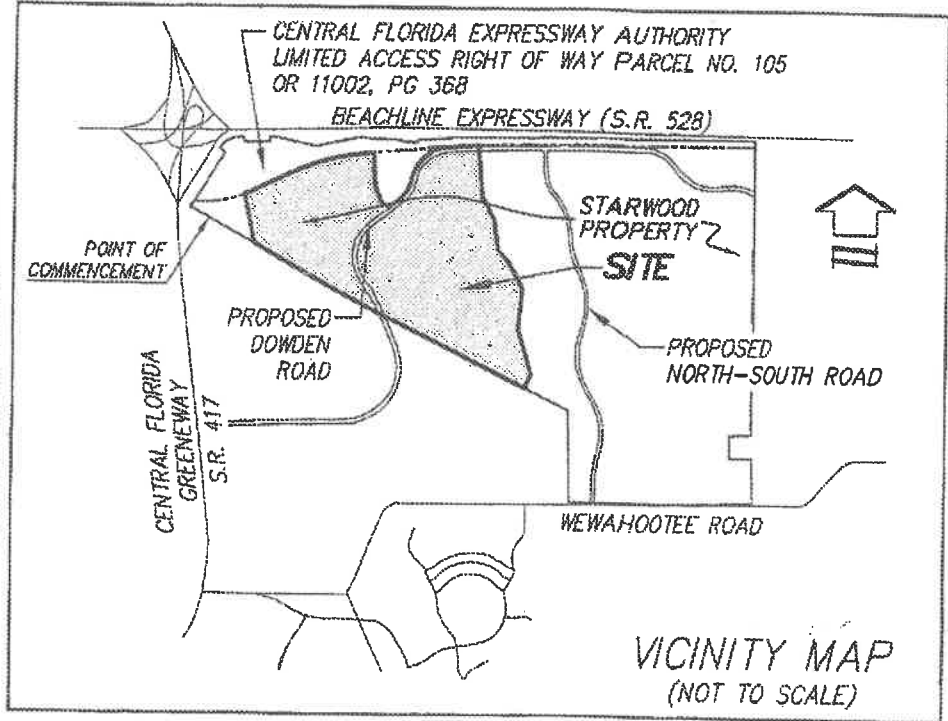
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**METES AND BOUNDS LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE
EXTERNAL BOUNDARIES OF THE
DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

[ATTACHED BELOW]

LEGEND:

	LINE BREAK
PC	POINT OF CURVATURE
PRC	POINT OF REVERSE CURVATURE
PT	POINT OF TANGENCY
R/W	RIGHT OF WAY
OR	OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK
PG	PAGE
L	LENGTH
R	RADIUS
Δ	CENTRAL ANGLE
CB	CHORD BEARING
CH	CHORD LENGTH
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○	CHANGE IN DIRECTION
PNT	POINT OF NON TANGENCY
S.R.	STATE ROAD
NO.	NUMBER
CDD	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
LS	LICENSED SURVEYOR



SURVEY NOTES:

1. BEARINGS SHOWN HEREON ARE ASSUMED AND BASED ON THAT CERTAIN LINE BETWEEN THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 33, TOWNSHIP 23 SOUTH, RANGE 31 EAST AND THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 33, AS BEING N61°17'20"W.
2. LANDS SHOWN HEREON WERE NOT ABSTRACTED FOR RIGHTS-OF-WAY, EASEMENTS, OWNERSHIP, ADJOINERS OR OTHER INSTRUMENTS OF RECORD.
3. THIS SKETCH MEETS THE APPLICABLE "STANDARDS OF PRACTICE" AS SET FORTH BY THE FLORIDA BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS AND MAPPERS IN RULE 5J7.050-.052, FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE.
4. THIS IS NOT A BOUNDARY SURVEY.
5. SECTION TIES SHOWN HEREON ARE BASED ON A BOUNDARY SURVEY BY DONALD W. MCINTOSH AND ASSOCIATES UNDER JOB #14153.002, DATED MARCH 16, 2015, PROVIDED TO THIS FIRM BY THE CLIENT.

THOMAS R. CAMDEN
 PROFESSIONAL SURVEYOR & MAPPER
 LICENSE NUMBER LS 7078
 NOT VALID WITHOUT THE SIGNATURE AND THE ORIGINAL RAISED SEAL OF A FLORIDA LICENSED SURVEYOR AND MAPPER
 DATE
 (SEE SHEET 2 FOR DESCRIPTION OF SKETCH)
 (SEE SHEETS 3-7 FOR SKETCH OF DESCRIPTION)

SHEET 1 OF 7

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SKETCH OF DESCRIPTION

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DOWDEN WEST CDD

SECTIONS 3, TOWNSHIP 24 SOUTH, RANGE 31 EAST
 AND
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LEGAL DESCRIPTION

DOWDEN WEST CDD

A PORTION OF SECTIONS 33 AND 34 TOWNSHIP 23 SOUTH, RANGE 31 EAST, AND A PORTION OF SECTION 3, TOWNSHIP 24 SOUTH, RANGE 31 EAST, ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 33, TOWNSHIP 23 SOUTH, RANGE 31 EAST, ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE S61°17'20"E, A DISTANCE OF 1558.70 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE N11°39'53"W, A DISTANCE OF 1462.85 FEET TO A POINT ON THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF THE CENTRAL FLORIDA EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY LIMITED ACCESS RIGHT OF WAY PARCEL NUMBER 105 AS DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 11002, PAGE 368 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA; POINT ALSO BEING ON A NON-TANGENT CURVE, CONCAVE NORTHWESTERLY, HAVING A RADIUS OF 3246.20 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 01°32'43", A CHORD BEARING OF N66°49'30"E AND A CHORD DISTANCE OF 87.55 FEET; THENCE NORTHEASTERLY ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE AND SAID SOUTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE, A DISTANCE OF 87.55 FEET TO THE END OF SAID CURVE; THENCE N65°56'36"E, A DISTANCE OF 1652.62 FEET TO THE POINT OF CURVATURE OF A CURVE CONCAVE SOUTHEASTERLY, HAVING A RADIUS OF 6300.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 19°15'31", A CHORD BEARING OF N75°34'21"E AND A CHORD DISTANCE OF 2107.65 FEET; THENCE NORTHEASTERLY ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE A DISTANCE OF 2117.61 FEET TO THE POINT OF TANGENCY; THENCE N85°12'06"E, ALONG SAID SOUTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE, A DISTANCE OF 194.70 FEET; THENCE DEPARTING SAID SOUTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE, RUN S02°40'45"E, A DISTANCE OF 900.92 FEET; THENCE S18°43'11"E, A DISTANCE OF 563.86 FEET; THENCE S51°16'52"E, A DISTANCE OF 222.49 FEET; THENCE S33°50'17"E, A DISTANCE OF 57.71 FEET; THENCE N51°17'04"E, A DISTANCE OF 392.36 FEET TO THE POINT OF CURVATURE OF A CURVE, CONCAVE NORTHWESTERLY, HAVING A RADIUS OF 918.95 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 37°32'17", A CHORD BEARING OF N32°30'55"E AND A CHORD DISTANCE OF 591.35 FEET; THENCE NORTHEASTERLY ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE, A DISTANCE OF 602.06 FEET TO THE POINT OF TANGENCY; THENCE N13°44'46"E, A DISTANCE OF 147.55 FEET TO THE POINT OF CURVATURE OF A CURVE, CONCAVE SOUTHEASTERLY, HAVING A RADIUS OF 1168.85 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 45°25'35", A CHORD BEARING OF N36°27'34"E AND A CHORD DISTANCE OF 902.63 FEET; THENCE NORTHEASTERLY ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE, A DISTANCE OF 926.71 FEET TO A POINT OF NON-TANGENCY OF SAID CURVE; THENCE N25°53'43"W, A DISTANCE OF 40.95 FEET; THENCE N21°30'01"W, A DISTANCE OF 110.00 FEET TO A POINT OF THE AFOREMENTIONED SOUTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE; THENCE N85°12'06"E, A DISTANCE OF 1217.88 FEET TO THE POINT OF CURVATURE OF A CURVE, CONCAVE SOUTHERLY, HAVING A RADIUS OF 11200.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 01°19'54", A CHORD BEARING OF N85°52'03"E AND A CHORD DISTANCE OF 260.31 FEET; THENCE EASTERLY ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE, A DISTANCE OF 260.31 FEET TO A POINT OF NON-TANGENCY; THENCE DEPARTING SAID SOUTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE, RUN S03°53'30"E, A DISTANCE OF 1530.02 FEET; THENCE S28°26'51"E, A DISTANCE OF 736.04 FEET; THENCE S08°28'31"E, A DISTANCE OF 918.02 FEET; THENCE S42°16'04"E, A DISTANCE OF 536.04 FEET; THENCE S27°30'58"E, A DISTANCE OF 799.90 FEET; THENCE S06°27'17"W, A DISTANCE OF 1193.90 FEET; THENCE S16°53'30"E, A DISTANCE OF 1403.95 FEET; THENCE S26°38'41"W, A DISTANCE OF 449.68 FEET; THENCE N63°21'19"W, A DISTANCE OF 4505.39 FEET TO NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 3, SAID CORNER ALSO BEING A POINT ON THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 33; THENCE S89°13'33"E, ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE OF SECTION 33, A DISTANCE OF 9.69 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 33; THENCE DEPARTING SAID SOUTH LINE OF SECTION 33, RUN N61°17'20"W, A DISTANCE OF 4494.37 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

CONTAINING 736.279 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

SHEET 2 OF 7

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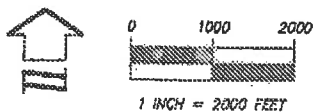
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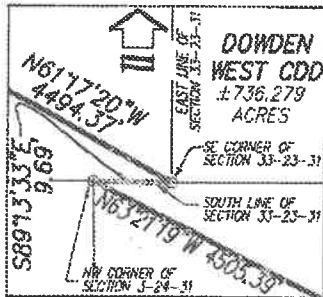
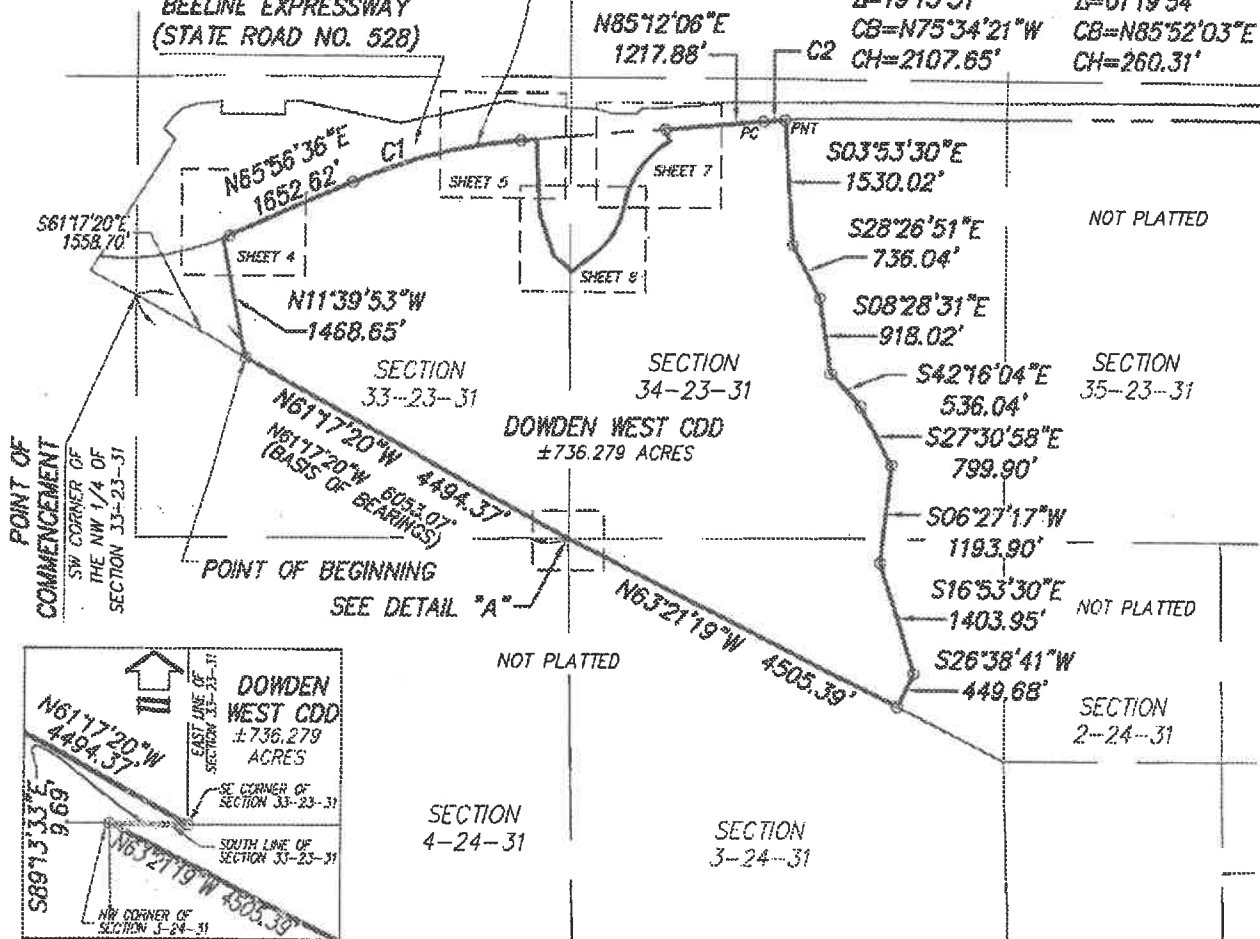
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SOUTHERLY LINE OF THE CENTRAL
FLORIDA EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY
LIMITED ACCESS RIGHT OF WAY
PARCEL NUMBER 103
(OR 11002, PG 36B)

BEELINE EXPRESSWAY
(STATE ROAD NO. 528)

C1	C2
L=2117.61'	L=260.31'
R=6300.00'	R=11200.00'
Δ=1975'31"	Δ=0179'54"
CB=N75°34'21"W	CB=N85°52'03"E
CH=2107.65'	CH=260.31'



DETAIL "A": 1" = 20'

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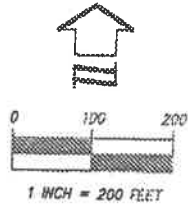
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R=3246.20'
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CB=N66°49'30"E
CH=87.55'

N65°56'36"E 1652.62'

SOUTHERLY LINE OF THE CENTRAL
FLORIDA EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY
LIMITED ACCESS RIGHT OF WAY
PARCEL NUMBER 105
(OR 11002, PG 368)

PNT

PNT

N11°39'53"W 1468.65'

DOWDEN WEST CDD
±736.292 ACRES

SECTION
33-23-31

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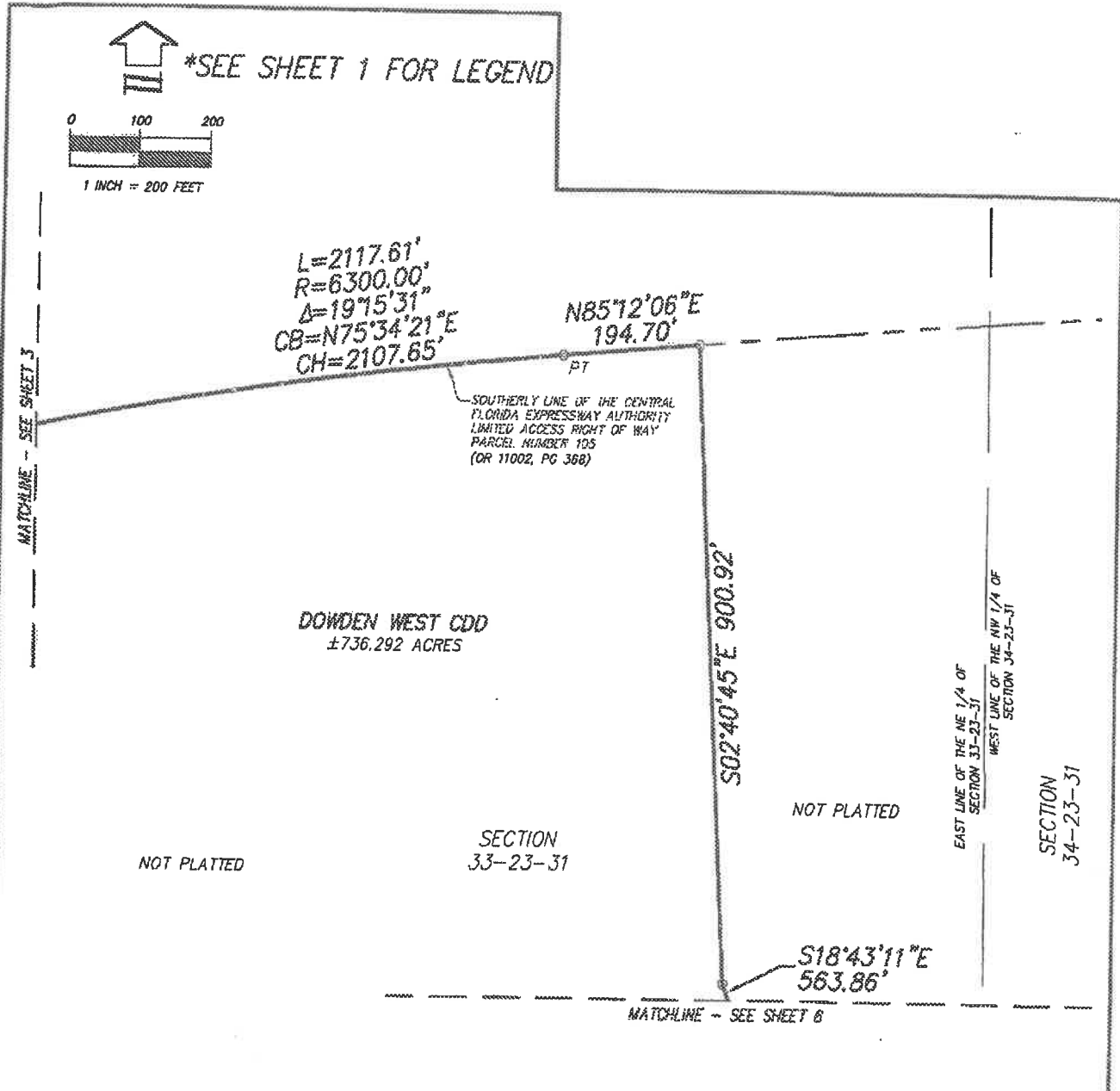
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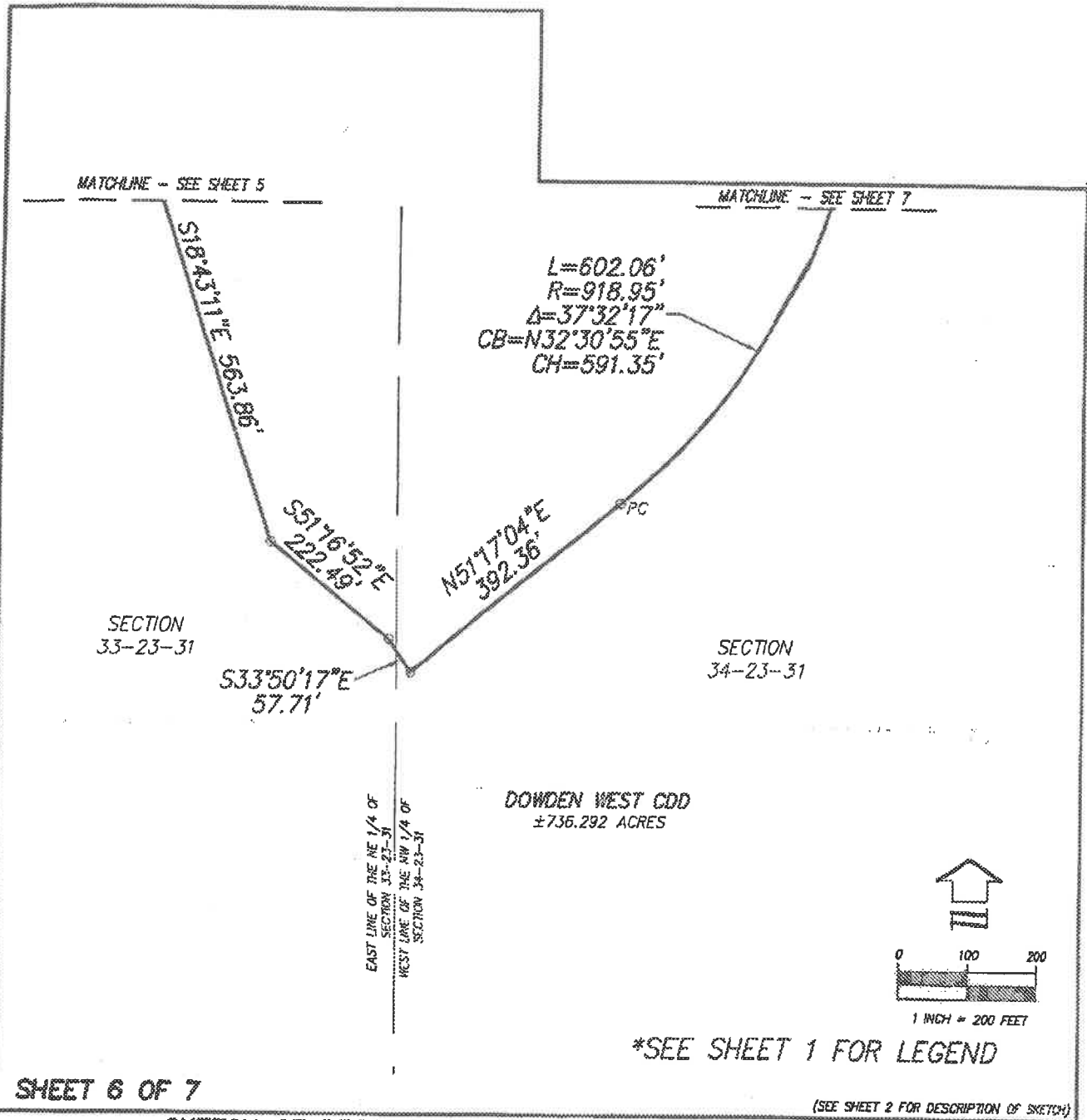
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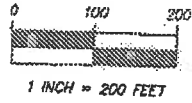
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SOUTHERLY LINE OF THE CENTRAL FLORIDA EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY LIMITED ACCESS RIGHT OF WAY PARCEL NUMBER 105 (OR 11002, PG 368)

N85°12'06"E 1217.88'

N21°30'01"W 110.00'
N25°53'43"W 40.95'

DOWDEN WEST CDD
±758.643 ACRES

SECTION
34-23-31

L=926.71'
R=1168.85'
Δ=45°25'35"
CB=N38°27'34"E
CH=902.63'

N13°44'46"E 147.55'

C3
L=602.06'
R=918.95'
Δ=37°32'17"
CB=N32°30'55"E
CH=591.35'

MATCHLINE - SEE SHEET 6

SHEET 7 OF 7

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RESOLUTION 2017-13

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, ADOPTING THE ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENT GUIDELINES FOR INVESTING PUBLIC FUNDS IN EXCESS OF AMOUNTS NEEDED TO MEET CURRENT OPERATING EXPENSES, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 218.415(17), FLORIDA STATUTES

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors, hereinafter referred to as the “Board” of the Dowden West Community Development District, hereinafter referred to as “District” is required to adopt an investment policy in accordance with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to adopt the alternative investment guidelines for the investment of public funds in excess of amounts needed to meet current operating expenses, in accordance with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes.

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

1. The District hereby adopts the alternative investment guidelines for the investment of public funds in excess of the amounts needed to meet current operating expenses, in accordance with Section 218.415(17), Florida Statutes. The District may invest in the following instruments and may divest itself of investments, at prevailing prices or rates:

- a. The Local Government Surplus Trust Fund, or any intergovernmental investment pool authorized pursuant to the Florida Interlocal Cooperation Act, as provided in Section 163.01, Florida Statutes.
- b. Securities and Exchange Commission registered money market funds with the highest credit quality rating from a nationally recognized rating agency.
- c. Interest-bearing time deposits or savings accounts in qualified public depositories, as defined in Section 280.02, Florida Statutes.
- d. Direct obligations of the U.S. Treasury.

2. Securities listed in paragraphs c and d shall be invested to provide sufficient liquidity to pay obligations as they come due.

3. This Resolution shall become effective this 15th day of June, 2017.

Secretary/ Assistant Secretary

Chair/Vice Chair

RESOLUTION 2017-14

A RESOLUTION OF THE DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT MANAGER, TREASURER TO EXECUTE THE PUBLIC DEPOSITORS REPORT, AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF ANY AND ALL OTHER FINANCIAL REPORTS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, Dowden West Community Development District has established the position of Treasurer for the purpose of maintaining the financial records of the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AS FOLLOW:

1. The District Manager or Treasurer are hereby authorized on behalf of Dowden West Community Development District to execute the public depositor report to the Office of the Treasurer as required by Chapter 280, Florida Statutes, and any and all other financial reports required by any other rule, statute, law ordinance or regulation.
2. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

THIS RESOLUTION INTRODUCED and ADOPTED by the BOARD OF SUPERVISORS at their organizational meeting on the 15th day of June, 2017.

Chair/Vice Chair

Secretary/ Assistant Secretary

RESOLUTION 2017-15

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLIC'S OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD; DESIGNATING PUBLIC COMMENT PERIODS; DESIGNATING A PROCEDURE TO IDENTIFY INDIVIDUALS SEEKING TO BE HEARD; ADDRESSING PUBLIC DECORUM; ADDRESSING EXCEPTIONS; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Dowden West Community Development District ("**District**") is a local unit of special purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, being situated in the City of Orlando, Orange County, Florida; and

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

WHEREAS, Section 286.0114, Florida Statutes, requires that members of the public be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard on a proposition before a board or commission; and

WHEREAS, Section 286.0114, Florida Statutes, sets forth guidelines for rules and policies that govern the public's opportunity to be heard at a public meeting; and

WHEREAS, the District's Board of Supervisors ("**Board**") finds that it is in the best interests of the District to adopt by resolution a policy (the "**Public Comment Policy**") for immediate use and application.

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

SECTION 1. DESIGNATING PUBLIC COMMENT PERIODS. The District's Chairperson, his or her designee, or such other person conducting a District meeting ("**Presiding Officer**"), shall ensure that there is at least one period of time ("**Public Comment Period**") in the District's meeting agenda whereby the public has an opportunity to be heard on propositions before the Board, as follows:

- a) An initial Public Comment Period shall be provided at the start of each Board meeting before consideration of any propositions by the Board. In the event there are propositions that come before the Board that are not listed on the agenda, the Presiding Officer shall announce a Public Comment Period on such proposition prior to the Board voting on the matter.

- b) Speakers shall be permitted to address any agenda item or non-agenda matter(s) of personal or general concern, during the initial Public Comment Period.
- c) Individuals wishing to make a public comment are limited to three (3) minutes per person. Potential speakers may not assign his/her three (3) minutes to extend another speaker's time.
- d) The Presiding Officer may extend or reduce the time periods set forth herein in order to facilitate orderly and efficient District business, provided however that a reasonable opportunity for public comment shall be provided consistent with the requirements of Section 286.0114, Florida Statutes. The Presiding Officer may also elect to set and announce additional Public Comment Periods if he or she deems it appropriate.

SECTION 2. DESIGNATING A PROCEDURE TO IDENTIFY INDIVIDUALS SEEKING TO BE HEARD. Unless otherwise directed and declared by the Presiding Officer, individuals seeking to be heard on propositions before the Board shall identify themselves by a show of hands at the beginning of each Public Comment Period, as announced by the Presiding Officer. Alternatively, in the event that public attendance is high, and/or if otherwise in the best interests of the District in order to facilitate efficient and orderly District business, the Presiding Officer may require individuals to complete speaker cards that include the individual's name, address, the proposition on which they wish to be heard, the individual's position on the proposition (i.e., "for," "against," or "undecided"), and if appropriate, to indicate the designation of a representative to speak for the individual or the individual's group. In the event large groups of individuals desire to speak, the Presiding Officer may require each group to designate a representative to speak on behalf of such group. Any attorney hired to represent an individual or company's interests before the Board shall notify the Board of such representation prior to proving any public comment.

Sections 1 and 2 herein shall be deemed to apply only to District Board meetings, but the Presiding Officer of a District workshop in his or her discretion may elect to apply such Sections to District workshops.

SECTION 3. PUBLIC DECORUM. The following policies govern public decorum at public meetings and workshops:

- a) Each person addressing the Board shall proceed to the place assigned for speaking, and should state his or her name and address in an audible tone of voice for the public record.
- b) All remarks shall be addressed to the Board as a body and not to any member thereof or to any staff member. No person other than a Board Supervisor or District staff member shall be permitted to enter into any discussion with an individual speaker while he or she has the floor, without the permission of the Presiding Officer.

- c) Nothing herein shall be construed to prohibit the Presiding Officer from maintaining orderly conduct and proper decorum in a public meeting. Speakers shall refrain from disruptive behavior, and from making vulgar or threatening remarks. Speakers shall refrain from launching personal attacks against any Board Supervisor, District staff member, or member of the public. The Presiding Officer shall have the discretion to remove any speaker who disregards these policies from the meeting.
- d) In the case that any person is declared out of order by the Presiding Officer and ordered expelled, and does not immediately leave the meeting facilities, the following steps may be taken:
 - i. The Presiding Officer may declare a recess.
 - ii. The Presiding Officer may contact the local law enforcement authority.
 - iii. In case the person does not remove himself or herself from the meeting, the Presiding Officer may request that he or she be placed under arrest by local law enforcement authorities for violation of Section 871.01, Florida Statutes, or other applicable law.

SECTION 4. EXCEPTIONS. The Board recognizes and may apply all applicable exceptions to Section 286.0114, including those set forth in Section 286.0114(3) and other applicable law. Additionally, the Presiding Officer may alter the procedures set forth in this Public Comment Policy for public hearings and other special proceedings that may require a different procedure under Florida law.

SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this resolution is held to be illegal or invalid, the other provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall become effective upon its passage and shall remain in effect unless rescinded or repealed. Furthermore, upon its passage this Resolution supersedes any Public Comment Policy previously adopted by the District.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2017.

ATTEST:

**DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

Print Name: _____
Secretary/Assistant Secretary

Chairperson/Vice Chairperson

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RESOLUTION 2017-16

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT PROVIDING A POLICY FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT OF DISTRICT TRAVEL EXPENSES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Dowden West Community Development District (the “District”) is a local unit of special purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, being situated in the City of Orlando, Orange County, Florida; and

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

WHEREAS, the District recognizes that its board members, employees, consultants, or advisors may undergo travel in connection with the performance of their official duties, and that they may incur usual, ordinary, and incidental expenses in relation to such travel; and

WHEREAS, the District’s Board of Supervisors (the “Board”) finds that it is in the best interest of the District to adopt by resolution a policy (the “Travel and Reimbursement Policy”) for immediate use and application.

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

SECTION 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

- 1.1 The usual, ordinary, and incidental travel expenditures necessarily incurred by District board members, employees, consultants, or advisors in the performance of their official duties shall be reimbursed by the District. Each board member's city of residence shall be his or her official headquarters for purposes of travel expense reimbursement.
- 1.2 Except as otherwise provided, prior authorization for travel is not required, but reimbursable expenses will be limited to those expenses incurred in the performance of official duties undertaken in connection with such public purposes as the District has been authorized by law to perform.
- 1.3 All claims submitted for reimbursement must be accompanied by a written statement that they are true and correct as to every material matter.

SECTION 2. TRANSPORTATION.

- 2.1 All travel must be by a reasonably direct or usually traveled route. In the event a person travels by an indirect route for his own convenience, any additional cost shall be borne by the traveler and reimbursement for expenses shall be based on the usually traveled route.

- 2.2 Commercial travel shall be by the most economical method, tourist or coach class. First class rates will be paid only in the event that a statement is attached to the claim certifying that tourist or coach seating was unavailable.
- 2.3 When available without penalty for cancellation, travelers should take advantage of discount fares.
- 2.4 Transportation by common carrier when traveling on official business and paid for by the traveler shall be substantiated by a receipt.
- 2.5 Rental car expenses shall be substantiated by a copy of the rental agreement.
- 2.6 Whenever travel is by a privately-owned vehicle, the traveler shall be entitled to a mileage allowance at the fixed rate per mile as established by the legislature in Section 112.061, Florida Statutes. Should the State increase the mileage allowance specified in Section 112.061, Florida Statutes, the District shall, without further action by the Board, be permitted to reimburse travelers at the increased rate.
- 2.7 All mileage shall be from point of origin to point of destination. When travel commences from a location other than the traveler's official headquarters, mileage shall be calculated on the basis of the distance from the headquarters city to the point of destination, unless the actual distance is shorter. Vicinity mileage necessary for conduct of official business is allowable, but must be identified as a separate item on the claim for reimbursement of expenses.
- 2.8 No traveler shall be allowed either mileage or transportation expense when s/he is gratuitously transported by another person, or when he is transported by another traveler who is entitled to mileage or transportation expense. However, a traveler on a private aircraft shall be reimbursed the actual amount charged and paid for her/his fare for such transportation up to the cost of a commercial airline ticket for the same flight if one is available, even though the owner or pilot of the aircraft is also entitled to transportation expense for the same flight.

SECTION 3. INCIDENTAL EXPENSES

- 3.1 Reasonable travel-related expenses for meals, lodging, gratuities, taxi fares, tolls, parking fees, and business-related telephone, telegraph, and facsimile charges shall also be reimbursed if substantiated by receipts.
- 3.2 Reimbursement for meals shall not exceed \$6 for breakfast, \$11 for lunch, and \$19 for dinner. Should the State increase the meal allowances specified in Section 112.061, Florida Statutes, the District shall, without further action by the Board, be permitted to reimburse travelers based on the increased limits.
- 3.3 Registration fees and other actual and necessary expenses for conventions, conferences and seminars which will serve a direct public purpose related to District activities will be considered reimbursable if persons attending such meetings receive prior approval. In the event room or meal expenses are included in the registration fee, reimbursement for these expenses will be reduced accordingly.

SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this resolution is held to be illegal or invalid, the other provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall become effective upon its passage and shall remain in effect unless rescinded or repealed.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 15th DAY OF JUNE, 2017.

ATTEST:

**DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

Secretary/ Assistant Secretary

Chair/Vice Chair

RESOLUTION 2017-17

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A RECORDS MANAGEMENT LIAISON OFFICER; PROVIDING THE DUTIES OF THE RECORDS MANAGEMENT LIAISON OFFICER; ADOPTING A RECORDS RETENTION POLICY; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Dowden West Community Development District (“District”) is a local unit of special purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, being situated in the City of Orlando, Orange County, Florida; 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, Section 1.2(2) of the District’s Proposed Rules of Procedure appoints the Secretary of the District as the District’s records custodian; and

WHEREAS, Section 257.36(5), Florida Statutes, requires the District to establish and maintain an active and continuing program for the economical and efficient management of records and to provide for the appointment of a records management liaison officer (“Records Management Liaison Officer”); and

WHEREAS, the District desires for the Records Management Liaison Officer to be an employee of the District or an employee of the District Manager; and

WHEREAS, the District desires to authorize the District’s records custodian to appoint a Records Management Liaison Officer, which may or may not be the District’s records custodian; and

WHEREAS, the District desires to prescribe duties of the Records Management Liaison Officer and provide for the assignment of additional duties; and

WHEREAS, the District’s Board of Supervisors (“Board”) finds that it is in the best interests of the District to adopt by resolution a Records Retention Policy (the “Policy”) for immediate use and application; and

WHEREAS, the District desires to provide for future amendment of the Records Retention Policy.

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

SECTION 1. The District hereby authorizes the District's records custodian to appoint a Records Management Liaison Officer and report such appointment to the appropriate State of Florida agencies. A Records Management Liaison Officer shall be an employee of the District or the District Manager. The Board, and the District's records custodian, shall each have the individual power to remove the Records Management Liaison Officer at any time for any reason. Immediately following the removal or resignation of a Records Management Liaison Officer, the District's records custodian shall appoint a replacement Records Management Liaison Officer.

SECTION 2. The duties of the Records Management Liaison Officer shall include the following:

- A. serve as the District's contact with the Florida Department of State, State Library and Archives of Florida; and
- B. coordinate the District's records inventory; and
- C. maintain records retention and disposition forms; and
- D. coordinate District records management training; and
- E. develop records management procedures consistent with the attached Records Retention Policy, as amended; and
- F. participate in the development of the District's development of electronic record keeping systems; and
- G. submit annual compliance statements; and
- H. work with the Florida Department of State, State Library and Archives of Florida to establish individual retention schedules for the District, from time to time and as may be necessary; and
- I. such other duties as may be assigned by the Board or the District's records custodian in the future.

SECTION 3. The District hereby adopts as its Records Retention Policy the applicable provisions of Section 257.36(5), Florida Statutes, the rules adopted by the Division of Library and Information Services of the Department of State ("Division") pursuant to Section 257.36, Florida Statutes, and the General Records Schedules established by the Division. However, the District hereby extends the minimum retention guidelines contained in the General Records Schedules so that the District will retain all public records relating to District business until the Board of Supervisors amends the Records Retention Policy to address the disposition of the same. To the extent the above statute, rules, or schedules are amended or supplemented in the future, the District's Records Retention Policy shall automatically incorporate such amendment or supplement provided that such automatic amendment does not permit the disposition of District records without further action of the Board. The Records Retention Policy shall remain in full force and effect until such time as the Board amends the Policy.

SECTION 4. If any provision of this resolution is held to be illegal or invalid, the other provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 5. This resolution shall become effective upon its passage and shall remain in effect unless rescinded or repealed. Furthermore, upon its passage this resolution supersedes any Records Retention Policy previously adopted by the District.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 15th day of June, 2017.

ATTEST:

**DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

Print Name: _____
Secretary/Assistant Secretary

Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

SECTION VI

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March 22, 2017

George Flint, District Manager
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135 West Central Blvd., Suite 320
Orlando, FL 32801

Dear George:

Thank you for the opportunity to present this engagement letter to serve as bond counsel to Dowden West Community Development District (the "District") in connection with the issuance of its special assessment bonds. We understand that the District expects to issue its first series of such bonds in 2017 (the "Bonds"). It is our understanding that the Bonds will be sold through a public offering with MBS Capital Markets, LLC, as the underwriter. The following is our proposal to serve as bond counsel to the District. This letter sets forth generally our understanding of what legal services we will perform and the basis for our compensation to provide such bond counsel services.

As Bond Counsel for the Bonds we agree to:

Attend as requested all meetings related to the issuance of the Bonds.

Prepare appropriate resolutions authorizing the issuance of the Bonds.

Prepare certain documents necessary to the validation of the Bonds and attend the validation hearing.

Prepare the master and supplemental trust indenture, and other documents necessary, related or incidental to the issuance of the Bonds.

Advise as to procedures, required approvals and filings, and other legal matters relative to the issuance of the Bonds.

Prepare (or review when prepared by others) closing papers necessary in connection with the sale and issuance of the Bonds, including but not limited to, certified copies of all minutes, ordinances, resolutions and orders; certificates such as officer's seal, incumbency, signatures, no prior pledge, arbitration and others; and consents and opinions from accountants, engineers, special consultants and attorneys.

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Prepare and file the necessary forms with the Internal Revenue Service (FORM 8038-G) and the Florida Division of Bond Finance.

Prepare and deliver at closing a standard, comprehensive approving legal opinion which will, among other things, contain opinions as to the validity and enforceability of the Bonds and the trust indenture, the security for the Bonds and the excludability from gross income of the interest on the Bonds for federal income tax purposes (subject to certain exceptions generally accepted in the industry). In rendering the tax opinion, we will provide general instructions for compliance with the federal rebate laws.

We will also deliver a 10(b)(5) opinion regarding certain sections of the offering document for the Bonds describing the Bonds (including the tax status of the interest thereon) and the security therefor.

Supervise and coordinate the closing of the Bonds and render other legal services incidental or required in connection with the matters listed above.

For performing the above-described services in regard to the issuance of the Bonds, we would propose a fee inclusive of costs of \$44,000. All such fees and costs would be payable in full at the time of delivery of the Bonds.

The District has the right to terminate our representation for any reason at any time and assign this agreement to another law firm. We reserve the same right to terminate upon giving reasonable notice. Among the reasons which might lead us to conclude that we should terminate our representation are (1) a failure to be forthright, cooperative or supportive of our effort; (2) the misrepresentation of, or failure or refusal to, disclose material facts to us; (3) the failure or refusal to accept our advice; (4) the discovery of a conflict of interest with another client; or (5) any other reason permitted or required under the rules of professional conduct governing the legal profession. Upon any termination or our representation, we will submit a statement for services rendered and costs incurred to the date of termination, payable in full upon receipt. This statement will be based on the pro rata amount of work done by us to the point of termination to the total work required to be done to close the issue.

We believe that the above provisions outline in reasonable detail our agreement as to this representation. We sincerely appreciate the opportunity to submit this proposal.

Very truly yours,

AKERMAN, LLP


By: Michael D. Williams, Partner

ACCEPTED:
Dowden West Community
Development District

By: _____
Title: _____

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**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AND DEWBERRY FOR INTERIM
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES**

THIS AGREEMENT made and entered into this ___ day of _____, 2017,
by and between:

Dowden West Community Development District, a local unit of special-purpose government established pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, and located in the City of Orlando, Orange County, Florida (“District”); and

Dewberry, a Florida corporation, with a mailing address of 800 North Magnolia Avenue, Suite 1000, Orlando, Florida 32808 (“Engineer”).

WHEREAS, the District is a local unit of special-purpose government established pursuant to the Uniform Community Development District Act of 1980, as codified in Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes* (“Uniform Act”), by ordinance of the City of Orlando, Florida; and

WHEREAS, the District is authorized to plan, finance, construct, install, acquire and/or maintain improvements, facilities and services in conjunction with the development of the lands within the District; and

WHEREAS, the District intends to employ Engineer on an interim basis to perform engineering, surveying, planning, landscaping, construction administration, environmental management and permitting, financial and economic studies, as defined by a separate work authorization; and

WHEREAS, the Engineer shall serve as District’s professional representative in each service or project to which this Agreement applies and will give consultation and advice to the District during performance of his services.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained, the acts and deeds to be performed by the parties and the payments by the District to the Engineer of the sums of money herein specified, it is mutually covenanted and agreed as follows:

Article 1. Scope of Services

- A. The Engineer will provide general engineering services, including:
1. Preparation of any necessary reports and attendance at meetings of the District’s Board of Supervisors.
 2. Assistance in meeting with necessary parties involving bond issues, special reports, feasibility studies, or other tasks.

3. Any other items requested by the Board of Supervisors.

Article 2. Method of Authorization. Each service or project shall be authorized in writing by the District. The written authorization shall be incorporated in a Work Authorization which shall include the scope of work, compensation, project schedule, and special provisions or conditions specific to the service or project being authorized. Authorization of services or projects under the contract shall be at the sole option of the District.

Article 3. Compensation. It is understood and agreed that the services rendered by Engineer under this contract shall not exceed \$25,000. It is further understood and agreed that the payment of compensation for services under this contract shall be stipulated in each Work Authorization. One of the following methods will be utilized:

- A. Lump Sum Amount - The District and Engineer shall mutually agree to a lump sum amount for the services to be rendered payable monthly in direct proportion to the work accomplished.
- B. Hourly Personnel Rates - For services or projects where scope of services is not clearly defined, or recurring services or other projects where the District desires the use of the hourly compensation rates outlined in **Schedule "A."**

Article 4. Reimbursable Expenses. Reimbursable expenses consist of actual expenditures made by Engineer, its employees, or its consultants in the interest of the project for the incidental expenses as listed as follows:

- A. Expenses of transportation and living when traveling in connection with a project, for long distance phone calls and telegrams, and fees paid for securing approval of authorities having jurisdiction over the project. All expenditures shall be made in accordance with Chapter 112, *Florida Statutes*, and with the District's travel policy.
- B. Expense of reproduction, postage and handling of drawings and specifications.

Article 5. Term of Contract. It is understood and agreed that this contract is for interim engineering services. It is further understood and agreed that the term of this contract will be from the time of execution of this contract by the parties until such time as the District notifies Engineer that it has entered into a subsequent agreement for engineering services.

Article 6. Special Consultants. When authorized in writing by the District, additional special consulting services may be utilized by Engineer and paid for on a cost basis.

Article 7. Books and Records. Engineer shall maintain comprehensive books and records relating to any services performed under this Agreement, which shall be retained by Engineer for a period of at least four (4) years from and after completion of any services hereunder. The District, or its authorized representative, shall have the right to audit such books and records at all reasonable times upon prior notice to Engineer.

Article 8. Ownership of Documents.

A. All rights in and title to all plans, drawings, specifications, ideas, concepts, designs, sketches, models, programs, software, creation, inventions, reports, or other tangible work product originally developed by Engineer pursuant to this Agreement (the "Work Product") shall be and remain the sole and exclusive property of the District when developed and shall be considered work for hire.

B. The Engineer shall deliver all Work Product to the District upon completion thereof unless it is necessary for Engineer in the District's sole discretion, to retain possession for a longer period of time. Upon early termination of Engineer's services hereunder, Engineer shall deliver all such Work Product whether complete or not. The District shall have all rights to use any and all Work Product. Engineer shall retain copies of the Work Product for its permanent records, provided the Work Product is not used without the District's prior express written consent. Engineer agrees not to recreate any Work Product contemplated by this Agreement, or portions thereof, which if constructed or otherwise materialized, would be reasonably identifiable with the Project. If said work product is used by the District for any purpose other than that purpose which is intended by this Agreement, the District shall indemnify Engineer from any and all claims and liabilities which may result from such re-use, in the event Engineer does not consent to such use.

C. The District exclusively retains all manufacturing rights to all materials or designs developed under this Agreement. To the extent the services performed under this Agreement produce or include copyrightable or patentable materials or designs, such materials or designs are work made for hire for the District as the author, creator, or inventor thereof upon creation, and the District shall have all rights therein including, without limitation, the right of reproduction, with respect to such work. Engineer hereby assigns to the District any and all rights Engineer may have including, without limitation, the copyright, with respect to such work. The Engineer acknowledges that the District is the motivating factor for, and for the purpose of copyright or patent, has the right to direct and supervise the preparation of such copyrightable or patentable materials or designs.

Article 9. Accounting Records. Records of Engineer pertaining to the services provided hereunder shall be kept on a basis of generally accepted accounting principles and shall be available to the District or its authorized representative for observation or audit at mutually agreeable times.

Article 10. Reuse of Documents. All documents including drawings and specifications furnished by Engineer pursuant to this Agreement are instruments of service. They are not intended or represented to be suitable for reuse by District or others on extensions of the work for which they were provided or on any other project. Any reuse without specific written consent by Engineer will be at the District's sole risk and without liability or legal exposure to Engineer.

Article 11. Estimate of Cost. Since Engineer has no control over the cost of labor, materials or equipment or over a contractor's(s') methods of determining prices, or over competitive bidding or market conditions, his opinions of probable cost provided as a service hereunder are to be made on the basis of his experience and qualifications and represent his best judgment as a design professional familiar with the construction industry, but Engineer cannot and does not guarantee that proposals, bids, or the construction costs will not vary from opinions of probable cost prepared by him. If the District wishes greater assurance as to the construction costs, it shall employ an independent cost estimator at its own expense. Services to modify approved documents to bring the construction cost within any limitation established by the District will be considered additional services and justify additional fees.

Article 12. Insurance. Engineer shall, at its own expense, maintain insurance during the performance of its services under this Agreement, with limits of liability not less than the following:

Workers Compensation	Statutory
General Liability	
Bodily Injury (including Contractual)	\$500,000/\$1,000,000
Property Damage (including Contractual)	\$500,000/\$1,000,000
Automobile Liability	
Bodily Injury	\$500,000/\$1,000,000
Property Damage	\$100,000
Professional Liability for Errors and Omissions	\$1,000,000

Engineer shall provide District with a certificate evidencing compliance with the above terms and naming the District and its supervisors, employees, agents and staff as additional insureds. Engineer shall provide the District with thirty (30) days notice of cancellation. At no time shall Engineer be without insurance in the above amounts.

Article 13. Contingent Fee. The Engineer warrants that it has not employed or retained any company or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the Engineer, to solicit or secure this Agreement and that it has not paid or agreed to pay any person, company, corporation, individual, or firm, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the Engineer, any fee, commission, percentage, gift, or other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this Agreement.

Article 14. Audit. The Engineer agrees that the District or any of its duly authorized representatives shall, until the expiration of three years after expenditure of funds under this Agreement, have access to and the right to examine any books, documents, papers, and records of the Engineer involving transactions related to the Agreement. The Engineer agrees that payment made under the Agreement shall be subject to reduction for amounts charged thereto that are found on the basis of audit examination not to constitute allowable costs. All required records shall be maintained until an audit is completed and all questions arising therefrom are resolved, or three years after completion of all work under the Agreement.

Article 15. Indemnification. The Engineer agrees, to the fullest extent permitted by law, to indemnify, defend, and hold the District harmless of and from any and all liabilities, claims, causes of action, demands, suits, or losses arising from the negligent acts, errors or omissions of the Engineer, Engineer's agents or employees, in the performance of professional services under this Agreement. Engineer agrees and covenants that nothing herein shall constitute or be construed as a waiver of the District's sovereign immunity pursuant to Section 768.28, *Florida Statutes*.

The District agrees, to the extent permitted by Section 768.28, *Florida Statutes*, and other applicable law, to indemnify and hold the Engineer harmless from any damage, liability or cost to the extent caused by the District's own negligent acts, errors or omissions and those of the District's agents or employees arising from the obligations and duties of the District under this Agreement.

Article 16. Public Records. The Engineer shall allow access to all documents, papers, letters, or other materials subject to the provisions of Chapter 119, *Florida Statutes*, and made or received by the owner in conjunction with this Agreement.

Article 17. Employment Verification. The Engineer agrees that it shall bear the responsibility for verifying the employment status, under the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, of all persons it employs in the performance of this Agreement.

Article 18. Controlling Law. Engineer and the District agree that this Agreement shall be controlled and governed by the laws of the State of Florida.

Article 19. Assignment. Neither the District nor the Engineer shall assign, sublet, or transfer any rights under or interest in this Agreement without the express written consent of the other. Nothing in this paragraph shall prevent the Engineer from employing such independent professional associates and consultants as Engineer deems appropriate, pursuant to Article 5 herein.

Article 20. Termination. The District and the Engineer may terminate this Agreement without cause upon notice. At such time as Engineer receives notification by the District to terminate the contract, Engineer shall not perform any further services unless directed to do so by the Board of Supervisors. In the event of any termination, Engineer will be paid for

services rendered to the date of termination and all reimbursable expenses incurred to the date of termination.

Article 21. Recovery of Costs and Fees. In the event either party is required to enforce this Agreement by court proceedings or otherwise, then the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover from the other party all costs incurred, including reasonable attorneys' fees.

Article 22. Acceptance. Acceptance of this Agreement is indicated by the signature of the authorized representative of the District and the Engineer in the spaces provided below.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused these present to be executed the day and year first above written.

**DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

Secretary

Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

DEWBERRY

Witness

By: _____

SCHEDULE "A"

STANDARD HOURLY BILLING RATE SCHEDULE
Professional/Technical/Construction/Surveying Services

LABOR CLASSIFICATION	HOURLY RATES
<u>Professional</u>	
Engineer I, II, III	\$95.00, \$105.00, \$120.00
Engineer IV, V, VI	\$135.00, \$155.00, \$170.00
Engineer VII, VIII, IX	\$185.00, \$200.00, \$220.00
Environmental Specialist I, II, III	\$90.00, \$105.00, \$115.00
Senior Environmental Scientist IV, VIII	\$135.00, \$210.00
Planner I, II, III	\$90.00, \$105.00, \$115.00
Senior Planner IV, V, VI	\$135.00, \$150.00, \$165.00
Senior Landscape/Planner V	\$150.00
Principal	\$275.00
<u>Technical</u>	
CADD Technician I, II, III, IV	\$70.00, \$85.00, \$95.00, \$110.00
Designer I, II, III	\$100.00, \$115.00, \$135.00
Designer IV, V, VI	\$150.00, \$170.00, \$190.00
<u>Construction</u>	
Construction Professional II, III	\$135.00, \$150.00
Construction Professional IV, V, VI	\$175.00, \$195.00, \$210.00
<u>Survey</u>	
Surveyor I, II, III	\$55.00, \$65.00, \$80.00
Surveyor IV, V, VI	\$95.00, \$105.00, \$120.00
Surveyor VII, VIII, IX	\$140.00, \$160.00, \$180.00
Senior Surveyor IX	\$220.00
Fully Equipped 1, 2, 3, 4 Person Field Crew	\$120.00, \$150.00, \$180.00, \$210.00
<u>Administration</u>	
Administrative Professional I, II, III, IV	\$65.00, \$85.00, \$95.00, \$110.00
Other Direct Costs (Printing, Postage, Etc.)	Cost + 15%

**** Company Confidential and Proprietary**

Revised 8-27-16\Subject to Revision\Standard Hourly Billing Rate Schedule

_____, 2017

Dowden West Community Development District
City of Orlando, Orange County, Florida

Subject: **Work Authorization Number 1**
Dowden West Community Development District

Dear Chairman, Board of Supervisors:

Dewberry is pleased to submit this work authorization to provide interim engineering services for the Dowden West Community Development District. We will provide these services pursuant to our current agreement dated _____, 2017 (“Engineering Agreement”) as follows:

I. Scope of Work

Dowden West Community Development District will engage the services of Dewberry, as Interim Engineer to perform those services as necessary for the preparation of a District Improvement Plan and attendance at meetings and bond validation proceedings regarding the District’s issuance of bonds.

II. Fees

Dowden West Community Development District will compensate Dewberry, pursuant to the hourly rate schedule contained in the Engineering Agreement. The District will reimburse Dewberry, all direct costs which include items such as printing, drawings, travel, deliveries, et cetera, pursuant to the Agreement.

This proposal, together with the Engineering Agreement, represents the entire understanding between the Dowden West Community Development District and Dewberry with regard to the referenced work authorization. If you wish to accept this work authorization, please sign both copies where indicated, and return one complete copy to our office. Upon receipt, we will promptly schedule our services.

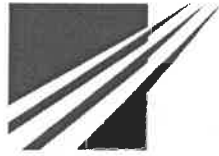
Thank you for considering Dewberry We look forward to helping you create a quality project.

APPROVED AND ACCEPTED

Sincerely,

By: _____
Authorized Representative of
Dowden West Community
Development District

Date: _____



MBS CAPITAL MARKETS, LLC

AGREEMENT FOR UNDERWRITING SERVICES DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

June 15, 2017

Board of Supervisors
Dowden West Community Development District

Dear Supervisors:

MBS Capital Markets, LLC (the "Underwriter") offers to enter into this agreement (the "Agreement") with the Dowden West Community Development District (the "District") which, upon your acceptance of this offer, will be binding upon the District and the Underwriter. The District is proposing to issue one or more series of bonds (the "Bonds") to acquire and/or construct certain public infrastructure improvements including its Series 2017 Bonds to acquire and/or construct the initial phase of public infrastructure for the District that may include, without limitation, roads, water, sewer and storm water management improvements. This Agreement will cover the engagement for the Series 2017 Bonds and will be supplemented for future bond issuances.

1. Scope of Services: The scope of services to be provided in a non-fiduciary capacity by the Underwriter for this transaction will include those listed below.

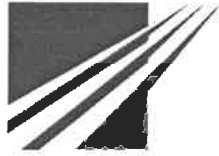
- Advice regarding the structure, timing, terms, and other similar matters concerning the particular municipal securities described above.
- Preparation of rating strategies and presentations related to the issue being underwritten.
- Preparations for and assistance with investor "road shows," if any, and investor discussions related to the issue being underwritten.
- Advice regarding retail order periods and institutional marketing if the District decides to engage in a negotiated sale.
- Assistance in the preparation of the Preliminary Official Statement, if any, and the Final Official Statement.
- Assistance with the closing of the issue, including negotiation and discussion with respect to all documents, certificates, and opinions needed for the closing.
- Coordination with respect to obtaining CUSIP numbers and the registration with the Depository Trust Company.
- Preparation of post-sale reports for the issue, if any.

4890 WEST KENNEDY BLVD. SUITE 288
TAMPA, FLORIDA 33609
PHONE: 813.281.2700

152 LINCOLN AVENUE
WINTER PARK, FLORIDA 32789
PHONE: 407.622.0130

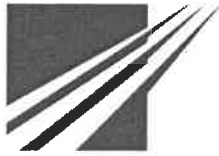
8583 STRAWBERRY LANE
LONGMONT, COLORADO 80503
PHONE: 303.652.0205

1005 BRADFORD WAY
KINGSTON, TENNESSEE 37763
PHONE: 865.717.0303



MBS CAPITAL MARKETS, LLC

- Structuring of refunding escrow cash flow requirements, but not the recommendation of and brokerage of particular municipal escrow investments.
2. **Fees:** The Underwriter will be responsible for its own out-of-pocket expenses other than the fees and disbursements of underwriter's or disclosure counsel which fees shall be paid from the proceeds of the Bonds. Any fees payable to the Underwriter will be contingent upon the successful sale and delivery or placement of the Bonds. The underwriting fee for the sale or placement of the Bonds will be 2% of the par amount of Bonds issued.
 3. **Termination:** Both the District and the Underwriter will have the right to terminate this Agreement without cause upon 90 days written notice to the non-terminating party.
 4. **Purchase Contract:** At or before such time as the District gives its final authorization for the Bonds, the Underwriter and its counsel will deliver to the District a purchase or placement contract (the "Purchase Contract") detailing the terms of the Bonds.
 5. **Notice of Meetings:** The District shall provide timely notice to the Underwriter for all regular and special meetings of the District. The District will provide, in writing, to the Underwriter, at least one week prior to any meeting, except in the case of an emergency meeting for which the notice time shall be the same as that required by law for the meeting itself, of matters and items for which it desires the Underwriter's input.
 6. **Disclosures Concerning the Underwriter's Role Required by MSRB Rule G-17.** The Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board's Rule G-17 requires underwriters to make certain disclosures to issuers in connection with the issuance of municipal securities. Those disclosures are attached hereto as "Exhibit A." By execution of this Agreement, you are acknowledging receipt of the same.



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This Agreement shall be effective upon your acceptance hereof and shall remain effective until such time as the Agreement has been terminated in accordance with Section 3 hereof.

Sincerely,
MBS Capital Markets, LLC

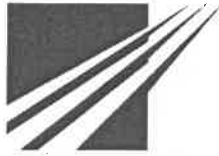
Brett Sealy
Managing Partner

Approved and Accepted By: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

EXHIBIT A



MBS CAPITAL MARKETS, LLC

Disclosures Concerning the Underwriter's Role

- (i) Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board Rule G-17 requires an underwriter to deal fairly at all times with both municipal issuers and investors;
- (ii) The Underwriter's primary role is to purchase securities with a view to distribution in an arm's-length commercial transaction with the District and it has financial and other interests that differ from those of the District;
- (iii) Unlike a municipal advisor, the Underwriter does not have a fiduciary duty to the District under the federal securities laws and is, therefore, not required by federal law to act in the best interests of the District without regard to its own financial or other interests;
- (iv) The Underwriter has a duty to purchase securities from the District at a fair and reasonable price, but must balance that duty with its duty to sell municipal securities to investors at prices that are fair and reasonable; and
- (v) The Underwriter will review the official statement for the District's securities in accordance with, and as part of, its responsibilities to investors under the federal securities laws, as applied to the facts and circumstances of the transaction.

Disclosure Concerning the Underwriter's Compensation

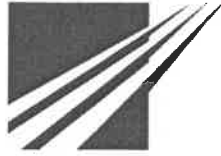
Underwriter's compensation that is contingent on the closing of a transaction or the size of a transaction presents a conflict of interest, because it may cause the Underwriter to recommend a transaction that it is unnecessary or to recommend that the size of the transaction be larger than is necessary.

Conflicts of Interest

Payments to or from Third Parties. There are no undisclosed payments, values, or credits to be received by the Underwriter in connection with its underwriting of this new issue from parties other than the District, and there are no undisclosed payments to be made by the Underwriter in connection with this new issue to parties other than

the District (in either case including payments, values, or credits that relate directly or indirectly to collateral transactions integrally related to the issue being underwritten). In addition, there are no third-party arrangements for the marketing of the District's securities.

Profit-Sharing with Investors. There are no arrangements between the Underwriter and an investor purchasing new issue securities from the Underwriter (including purchases that are contingent upon the delivery by the District to the Underwriter of the securities) according to which profits realized from the resale by such investor of the securities are directly or indirectly split or otherwise shared with the Underwriter.



MBS CAPITAL MARKETS, LLC

Credit Default Swaps. There will be no issuance or purchase by the Underwriter of credit default swaps for which the reference is the District for which the Underwriter is serving as underwriter, or an obligation of that District.

Retail Order Periods. For new issues in which there is a retail order period, the Underwriter will honor such agreement to provide the retail order period. No allocation of securities in a manner that is inconsistent with a District's requirements will be made without the District's consent. In addition, when the Underwriter has agreed to underwrite a transaction with a retail order period, it will take reasonable measures to ensure that retail clients are bona fide.

Dealer Payments to District Personnel. Reimbursements, if any, made to personnel of the District will be made in compliance with MSRB Rule G-20, on gifts, gratuities, and non-cash compensation, and Rule G-17, in connection with certain payments made to, and expenses reimbursed for, District personnel during the municipal bond issuance process.

U.S. Bank, N.A.
Global Corporate Trust Group
225 E. Robinson Street, Suite 250
Orlando, FL 32801

Janice Entsminger
Vice President
Email: janice.entsminger@usbank.com
Phone: 407-835-3810 Fax: 407-835-3814

June 9, 2017

Dowden West Community Development District
Governmental Management Services – Central Florida
135 W. Central Blvd., Suite 320
Orlando, Florida 32801

Re: Proposal to serve as Trustee, Paying Agent and Registrar Dowden West Community Development District Series 2017

Dear Sirs and Madams:

On behalf of U.S. Bank National Association, I am pleased to submit our proposal for Trustee, Registrar and Paying Agent Services for the Dowden West Community Development District.

U.S. Bank has made a long-term commitment to remain in the corporate trust business and to expand its services through acquisitions and establishing new offices in key areas. We have corporate trust offices in Jacksonville, Orlando, and Fort Lauderdale, and Miami in Florida to meet the needs of the bank's growing line of business in this area and better serve our clients in the Florida market. The following are just a few of the many advantages that make U.S. Bank Global Corporate Trust Services an excellent choice for corporate trust services:

- Trust officers with extensive experience in working with all parties of the financing team.
- Local presence to ensure responsiveness for you and the bondholders.

U.S. Bank Global Corporate Trust Services currently holds trust assets totaling \$796.7 billion. We bring substantial experience as bond trustee for municipal general obligation and revenue bond financings. We currently act as trustee, registrar and paying agent for over 132,000 bond issues aggregating over \$4.2 trillion in debt outstanding. We are proud to have been ranked as the number one national municipal trustee since 2012 by Thomson Financial, continuing our more than 10-year history of being ranked as the top one or two municipal trustee. In the State of Florida, U.S. Bank has been ranked as the number municipal trustee since 2005 with a reported 65.2% of the municipal market share as of the first quarter of 2017.

We look forward to working with the Dowden West Community Development District and are eager to continue developing a strong banking relationship. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me directly at (407) 835-3810, or via email at: janice.entsminger@usbank.com.

Sincerely,



Janice Entsminger
Vice President
Relationship Manager | Southeast Region

Fees and Charges – Dowden West Community Development District Series 2017

- I. ACCEPTANCE FEE** **\$1,000.00 per series, payable in advance**
Covers review of documents, participation in document conferences, establishing records / accounts, authentication/ delivery of bonds, receipt of funds, establishment of procedures and ticklers necessary to perform our duties and monitor the various terms and covenants in the financing documents.
- II. ANNUAL ADMINISTRATION FEE** **\$3,450.00 per series, payable in advance**
Maintenance of records in connection with the control of the bonds outstanding; review and compliance of document provisions; receive, pay out and control the movement of funds; pay periodic interest and principal; and prepare periodic accountings and reports. Bond Registrar and Paying Agent services are included. Standard Trustee disclosure information is provided in our services.
- III. LEGAL FEES** **Billed at Cost – Not to Exceed \$5,000.00**
- IV. OUT OF POCKET EXPENSES** **Billed at Cost**
- V. INCIDENTAL EXPENSES** **7.75% of annual trustee administration fee, payable in arrears**
Incidental expenses, such as, wires, postage, copies, mailings, courier expenses, etc.
- VI. EXTRAORDINARY EXPENSES / OTHER SERVICES** **Billed at Cost**
Occasionally we are required to provide services that require extraordinary expenses (such as publication notices, counsel, etc.), and these will be billed at cost. The quoted fee does not include services as Disclosure Agent pursuant to Securities & Exchange commission Rule 15c12- 12, as amended. U.S. Bank will discuss this service with the Obligor if applicable pursuant to the terms of the bond issues.

Account approval is subject to review and qualification. Fees are subject to change at our discretion and upon written notice. Fees paid in advance will not be prorated. The fees set forth above and any subsequent modifications thereof are part of your agreement. Finalization of the transaction constitutes agreement to the above fee schedule, including agreement to any subsequent changes upon proper written notice. In the event your transaction is not finalized, any related out-of-pocket expenses will be billed to you directly. Absent your written instructions to sweep or otherwise invest, all sums in your account will remain uninvested and no accrued interest or other compensation will be credited to the account. Payment of fees constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions set forth.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT PROCEDURES FOR OPENING A NEW ACCOUNT:

To help the government fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering activities, Federal law requires all financial institutions to obtain, verify and record information that identifies each person who opens an account. For a non-individual person such as a business entity, a charity, a Trust or other legal entity we will ask for documentation to verify its formation and existence as a legal entity. We may also ask to see financial statements, licenses, identification and authorization documents from individuals claiming authority to represent the entity or other relevant documentation.

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**BOND ISSUE FUNDING AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
AND DEVELOPER**

THIS BOND ISSUE FUNDING AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is made and effective this ____ day of June, 2017, by and between **DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**, a local unit of special-purpose government established pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, being situated in City of Orlando, Florida, (the "District") and **BEACHLINE SOUTH RESIDENTIAL, LLC**, a Florida limited liability company, and **MATTAMY ORLANDO, LLC**, a Delaware limited liability company authorized to transact business in Florida, both located at 4901 Vineland Road, Suite 450, Orlando, Florida, 32811 (hereinafter collectively, and jointly and severally, "Developer" and, together with the District, the "Parties").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the District was created pursuant to the Uniform Community Development District Act of 1980, Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, as amended (the "Act"), and by Ordinance Number 2017-20 of the City Council of the City of Orlando, Florida (the "City Council"), dated April 17, 2017 for the purpose of planning, financing, constructing, acquiring, operating and/or maintaining certain infrastructure, including surface water management systems, water and wastewater facilities, roadways, landscaping, parks, and recreational facilities and uses; and

WHEREAS, the District has been asked by Developer to issue the Dowden West Community Development District (City of Orlando, Florida) Special Assessment Revenue Bonds, Series 2017 Bonds (the "2017 Bonds") to provide financing for master capital improvement plan consisting of public infrastructure, improvements, facilities and services to benefit certain undeveloped lands within the District (hereinafter, collectively, the "Assessment Area") and has authorized its staff to begin work related to the issue of the 2017 bonds; and

WHEREAS, Developer owns the undeveloped lands within the Assessment Area; and

WHEREAS, Developer and the District desire to enter into this Agreement to provide funds to enable the District to commence work related to the issuance of the 2017 Bonds.

NOW THEREFORE, based upon good and valuable consideration and the mutual covenants of the Parties, the receipt of which and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

1. Incorporation of Recitals. The recitals stated above are true and correct and by this reference are incorporated herein as a material part of this Agreement.

2. Provision of Funds. Developer agrees to make available to the District such monies as are necessary to proceed with the issuance of the 2017 Bonds as follows:

- A. Developer agrees to provide to the District any such monies upon receipt of an invoice from the District requesting such funds, as invoiced pursuant to an agreement or engagement letter approved by the District. Such funds, and all future funds provided pursuant to this Agreement, may be supplied by check, cash, wire transfer or other form of payment deemed satisfactory in the sole discretion of the District as determined by the District Manager. Developer authorizes the District to direct District staff, including the District Engineer, District Manager, Methodology Consultant, if applicable, the District Counsel and Bond Counsel and other professional assistance as may be necessary, to proceed with the work contemplated by this Agreement.
- B. Developer and the District agree that all fees, costs or other expenses incurred by the District for the services of the District Engineer, District Manager, Methodology Consultant, if applicable, District Counsel and Bond Counsel or other professionals for the work contemplated by this Agreement shall be paid solely from the funds provided by Developer pursuant to this Agreement. Such payments shall be made in accordance with the District's normal invoice and payment procedures. The District agrees that any funds provided by Developer pursuant to this Agreement shall be used solely for fees, costs, and expenses arising from or related to the work contemplated by this Agreement. Developer may be reimbursed for monies paid, as costs of issuance for the 2017 Bonds, to the extent allowable under the 2017 Bond documents and tax law.
- C. Developer agrees to provide funds within fourteen (14) days of receipt of written notification from the District Manager of the need for such funds.
- D. In the event that Developer fails to provide any such funds pursuant to this Agreement, Developer and the District agree the work may be halted until such time as sufficient funds are provided by Developer to ensure payment of the costs, fees or expenses which may be incurred in the performance of such work. The District may, in its discretion, place a lien on property (requiring payment as additional assessments) in the District owned by Developer, if such funds are not paid within ninety (90) days of the demand therefor.

3. **Termination.** Any of the Parties hereto may terminate this Agreement without cause by providing ten (10) days' written notice of termination. Any such termination by Developer is contingent upon Developer's provision of sufficient funds to cover any and all fees, costs or expenses incurred by the District in connection with the work to be performed under this Agreement as of the date by when notice of termination is received.

4. **Default.** A default by any party under this Agreement shall entitle the other party to all remedies available at law or in equity, which may include, but not be limited to, the right of damages.

5. **Enforcement of Agreement.** In the event that any of the Parties is required to enforce this Agreement by court proceedings or otherwise, then the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover all fees and costs incurred, including reasonable attorney's fees and costs for trial, alternative dispute resolution, or appellate proceedings.

6. **Agreement.** This instrument shall constitute the final and complete expression of this Agreement between the Parties relating to the subject matter of this Agreement.

7. **Amendments.** Amendments to and waivers of the provisions contained in this Agreement may be made only by an instrument in writing which is executed by all of the Parties hereto.

8. **Authorization.** The execution of this Agreement has been duly authorized by the appropriate body or official of all Parties hereto, each party has complied with all the requirements of law, and each party has full power and authority to comply with the terms and provisions of this instrument.

9. **Notices.** All notices, requests, consents and other communications hereunder ("Notices") shall be in writing and shall be delivered, mailed by First Class Mail, postage prepaid, or overnight delivery service, to the parties, as follows:

If to the District: Dowden West Community Development District
135 W. Central Blvd., Suite 320
Orlando, Florida 32801
Attention: District Manager

With a copy to: Latham, Shuker, Eden & Beaudine, LLP
111 N. Magnolia Avenue, Suite 1400
Orlando, Florida 32801
Attention: Jan Albanese Carpenter, Esq.

If to Developer: Beachline South Residential, LLC
Mattamy Orlando, LLC
4901 Vineland Road, Suite 450
Orlando, Florida 32811
Attention: Keith Trace, P.E.

Except as otherwise provided herein, any Notice shall be deemed received only upon actual delivery at the address set forth herein. Notices delivered after 5:00 p.m. (at the place of delivery) or on a non-business day, shall be deemed received on the next business day. If any time for giving Notice contained in this Agreement would otherwise expire on a non-business day, the Notice period shall be extended to the next succeeding business day. Saturdays,

Sundays and legal holidays recognized by the United States government shall not be regarded as business days. Counsel for the Parties may deliver Notice on behalf of the Parties. Any party or other person to whom Notices are to be sent or copied may notify the other Parties and addressees of any change in name or address to which Notices shall be sent by providing the same on five (5) days' written notice to the Parties and addressees set forth herein.

10. Third Party Beneficiaries. This Agreement is solely for the benefit of the formal Parties hereto and no right or cause of action shall accrue upon or by reason hereof, to or for the benefit of any third party not a formal party hereto. Nothing in this Agreement expressed or implied is intended or shall be construed to confer upon any person or entity other than the Parties hereto any right, remedy or claim under or by reason of this Agreement or any provisions or conditions hereof; and all the provisions, representations, covenants and conditions herein contained shall inure to the sole benefit of and shall be binding upon the Parties hereto and their respective representatives, successors and assigns.

11. Assignment. None of the parties hereto may assign this Agreement or any monies to become due hereunder without the prior written approval of the other parties. Any purported assignment without such prior written approval shall be void.

12. Controlling Law; Venue. This Agreement and the provisions contained herein shall be construed, interpreted and controlled according to the laws of the State of Florida. Venue for any action arising hereunder shall be in a court of appropriate jurisdiction in Orange County, Florida.

13. Effective Date. The Agreement shall be effective after execution by all Parties hereto and shall remain in effect unless terminated by any of the Parties hereto.

14. Sovereign Immunity. Nothing contained herein shall cause or be construed as a waiver of the District's sovereign immunity or limitations on liability granted pursuant to section 768.28, *Florida Statutes*, or other law, and nothing in this Agreement shall inure to the benefit of any third party for the purpose of allowing any claim which could otherwise be barred under the Doctrine of Sovereign Immunity or by operation of law.

15. Public Records. The Developer understands and agrees that all documents of any kind provided to the District or to District Staff in connection with the work contemplated under this Agreement are public records and are treated as such in accordance with Florida law.

[COUNTERPART SIGNATURE PAGES TO FOLLOW]

**COUNTERPART SIGNATURE PAGE FOR
BOND ISSUE FUNDING AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
AND DEVELOPER**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first written above.

DISTRICT:

Attest:

DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

Secretary/Asst. Secretary

By: _____
Name: _____
Chairman of the Board of Supervisors

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**COUNTERPART SIGNATURE PAGE FOR
BOND ISSUE FUNDING AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
AND DEVELOPER**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first written above.

DEVELOPER:

WITNESSES:

MATTAMY ORLANDO, LLC,
a Delaware limited liability company

By: Mattamy Florida, LLC, manager

Print: _____

By: _____

Print: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

AND:

WITNESSES:

BEACHLINE SOUTH RESIDENTIAL, LLC,
a Florida limited liability company

By: Land Innovations, LLC, manager

Print: _____

By: _____

Print: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

SECTION VII

*This item will be provided under
separate cover*



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*This item will be provided under
separate cover*

RESOLUTION 2017-18

A RESOLUTION OF DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT EXCEEDING \$76,180,00 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT SPECIAL ASSESSMENT REVENUE BONDS IN ONE OR MORE SERIES, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE CONSTRUCTION AND/OR ACQUISITION BY THE DISTRICT OF THE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES PERMITTED BY THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 190, FLORIDA STATUTES AND THE ORDINANCE CREATING THE DISTRICT; APPROVING A FORM OF A MASTER TRUST INDENTURE; APPROVING AND APPOINTING A TRUSTEE; AUTHORIZING THE COMMENCEMENT OF VALIDATION PROCEEDINGS RELATING TO THE FOREGOING BONDS; AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO THE FOREGOING BONDS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance No. 2017-20 of the City of Orlando, Florida (the “Ordinance”) Dowden West Community Development District (the “District”) was established in the manner provided by law; and

WHEREAS, the District is authorized by the provisions of Chapter 190, Florida Statutes (the “Act”) and the Ordinance and subject to the limitations set forth in the Act and in the Ordinance, if any, to issue its bonds and other evidence of indebtedness for the purpose, among other things, of constructing and/or acquiring public improvements and community facilities set forth in Section 190.012, Florida Statutes, (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Project will provide significant benefits to the lands within its boundaries, is necessary for the public health, safety and welfare and is in the best interest of the District, its landowners and future residents; and

WHEREAS, the District is authorized by the Act to make payments of principal, interest, and premium, if any, with respect to such bonds or other evidence of indebtedness by levying and collecting Series Pledged Revenues (as defined in the Indenture as defined below); and

WHEREAS, the District now desires to authorize the issuance of its special assessment revenue bonds in one or more series (the “Bonds”), in a principal amount not to exceed \$76,180,000 for the principal purpose of financing the construction and acquisition of the Project, to approve a Master Trust Indenture under which the Bonds will be issued; to appoint a

trustee to serve under the Master Trust Indenture, to authorize the validation of the Bonds and to provide for various other matters relating thereto.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT as follows:

SECTION 1. Authorization. There is hereby authorized to be issued not exceeding \$76,180,000 principal amount of Dowden West Community Development District special assessment revenue bonds in one or more series (the "Bonds"). The Bonds shall be issued under and secured by a Master Trust Indenture, as supplemented (the "Indenture"). The form of the Master Trust Indenture is attached hereto as **Exhibit "A"** and, by this reference, is incorporated in this Resolution as if set forth in full herein. The Bonds shall be dated, shall contain such further description, shall mature in amounts and at times, shall bear interest at the rates, and shall be redeemable at the redemption prices and upon the terms, all as shall be set forth in a resolution adopted by the Board of Supervisors (the "Board") of the District at or before the execution and delivery of the Bonds by the Chairman or Vice Chairman of the Board, which Bonds shall be attested by the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary of the Board, and shall be authenticated by the Trustee under the Indenture.

SECTION 2. Approval of Master Trust Indenture. The Master Trust Indenture is hereby approved in substantially the form set forth in Exhibit "A" hereto and the Chairman or the Vice Chairman of the Board are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver such Master Trust Indenture on behalf of and in the name of the District and the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary of the Board is hereby authorized to attest such execution, with such additions and deletions therein as may be made and approved by the Chairman or the Vice Chairman executing the same, such execution to be conclusive evidence of such approval.

SECTION 3. Trustee. The District hereby authorizes and approves U.S. Bank, N.A., to serve as Trustee under the Master Trust Indenture and to take the actions required of the Trustee in connection with the execution and delivery of the Bonds.

SECTION 4. Validation. Bond Counsel, Akerman LLP, and District Counsel, Latham, Shuker, Eden & Beaudine, LLP, are hereby authorized and directed to prepare, file and prosecute proceedings to validate the Bonds in the manner prescribed by the laws of the State of Florida. The District Manager, engineering consultant, financial consultant, Chairman, Vice-Chairman and/or any other members of the Board and staff are hereby directed and authorized to provide such documents and testimony as may be necessary or useful in the prosecution of the validation proceedings as directed by counsel.

SECTION 5. Open Meetings. It is hereby found and determined that all acts of the Board concerning and relating to adoption of this Resolution were taken in open meetings of the Board and all deliberations of the Board that resulted in such official acts were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including, but not limited to, the requirements of Florida Statutes, Section 286.011.

SECTION 6. Inconsistent Resolutions and Motions. All prior resolutions of the Board inconsistent with the provisions of this Resolution are hereby modified, supplemented and

amended to conform with the provisions herein contained and, except as so modified, supplemented and amended hereby, shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 7. Approval of Prior Actions. All actions taken to date by the members of the Board and the staff of the District in furtherance of the issuance of the Bonds are hereby approved, confirmed and ratified.

SECTION 8. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED this 15th day of June, 2017.

**DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
DISTRICT**

By: _____
Its: Chairman, Board of Supervisors

Attest:

Its: Secretary

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-19

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT DECLARING MASTER SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS ON CERTAIN PROPERTY WITHIN THE DISTRICT; INDICATING THE LOCATION, NATURE AND ESTIMATED COST OF THOSE IMPROVEMENTS WHOSE COST IS TO BE DEFRAYED BY THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS; PROVIDING THE PORTION OF THE ESTIMATED COST OF THE IMPROVEMENTS TO BE PARTIALLY DEFRAYED BY THE MASTER SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS; PROVIDING THE MANNER IN WHICH SUCH MASTER SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS SHALL BE MADE; PROVIDING WHEN SUCH SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS SHALL BE MADE; DESIGNATING LANDS UPON WHICH THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS SHALL BE LEVIED; PROVIDING FOR AN ASSESSMENT PLAT; ADOPTING A PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT ROLL; PROVIDING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE ADVISABILITY AND PROPRIETY OF SAID ASSESSMENTS AND THE RELATED IMPROVEMENTS; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF SAID PUBLIC HEARING; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the Dowden West Community Development District ("Board") hereby determines to undertake, install, plan, establish, construct or reconstruct, enlarge or extend, equip, acquire, operate, and/or maintain master public infrastructure improvements referred to as the master Capital Improvement Plan ("Capital Improvement Plan") described in the Dowden West Community Development District Master Engineer's Report dated June 15, 2017 and attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated by reference (the "Master Engineer's Report"); and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the Dowden West Community Development District ("District") shall defray the cost of the Capital Improvement Plan by the levy of non-ad valorem special assessments pursuant on the properties within District in pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes* ("Master Assessments"); and

WHEREAS, the District is empowered by Chapter 190, the Uniform Community Development District Act, Chapter 170, Supplemental Alternative Method of Making Local and Municipal Improvements, and Chapter 197, *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 Master 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 Assessment Methodology for Dowden West Community Development District, dated June 15, 2015 attached hereto as Exhibit "B" and

incorporated by reference (the "Master Assessment Report") and on file at 135 West Central Boulevard, Suite 320, Orlando, Florida 32801("District Records Office"); and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT IN THE CITY OF ORLANDO, ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA:

1. Master Assessments shall be levied to defray the cost of the Capital Improvement Plan.
2. The Board hereby approves and adopts the Master Engineer's Report, which may be amended from time to time by this Board.
3. The general nature of the Capital Improvement Plan is more specifically described in the Master Engineer's Report and in certain plans and specifications on file at the District Records Office.
4. The general location of the Capital Improvement Plan is shown in the Engineer's Report and in plans and specifications on file at the District Records Office.
5. The estimated cost of the Capital Improvement Plan is approximately \$64,623,221 (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Estimated Cost").
6. The Assessments will defray approximately \$76,180,000 for the Capital Improvement Plan, which includes the Estimated Cost, plus financing related costs, capitalized interest and, debt service reserve.
7. The manner in which the Master Assessments shall be made is contained within the Master Assessment Report, which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B" and is also available at the District Records Office.
8. The Master Assessments shall be levied on all lots and lands within the District which are adjoining to, contiguous with or bounding and abutting upon the Capital Improvement Plan or specially benefited thereby and are further designated on the assessment plat referenced below.
9. There is on file at the District Records Office, an assessment plat showing the area to be assessed, together with plans and specifications describing the Capital Improvement Plan and the Estimated Cost, which shall be open to inspection by the public.
10. 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 is hereby adopted and approved as the District's preliminary assessment roll.

11. Commencing with the year in which the Master Assessments are confirmed, the Master Assessments shall be paid in accordance with the Master Assessment Report, but in no event in more than thirty annual installments payable at the same time and in the same manner as are ad-valorem taxes and as prescribed by Chapter 197, *Florida Statutes*; provided, however, that in the event the non ad-valorem assessment method of collecting the Master Assessments is not available to the District in any year, or the District determines not to utilize the provisions of Chapter 197, *Florida Statutes*, the Master Assessments may be collected as is otherwise permitted by law.

12. 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 Capital Improvement Plan, the cost thereof, the manner of payment therefore, or the amount thereof to be assessed against each property as improved.

13. The District Manager is hereby directed to cause this Resolution to be published twice (once a week for two (2) weeks) in a newspaper of general circulation within Orange County and to provide such other notice as may be required by law or desired in the best interests of the District.

14. This Resolution shall become effective upon its passage.

15. Any capitalized terms used herein and not defined, shall have the meanings set forth in the Master Assessment Report.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 15th day of June, 2017

ATTEST:

DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, a Florida
community development district

By: _____

By: _____

Name: _____
Secretary / Assistant Secretary

Name: _____
Chairman / Vice Chairman

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-20

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD ON _____, 2017 AT _____ A.M./P.M. AT 135 WEST CENTRAL BLVD., SUITE 320, ORLANDO, FLORIDA, 32801, FOR THE PURPOSE OF HEARING PUBLIC COMMENT ON IMPOSING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS ON CERTAIN PROPERTY KNOWN AS THE PHASE I ASSESSMENT AREA WITHIN THE DISTRICT IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTERS 170, 197 AND 190, FLORIDA STATUTES.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the Dowden West Community Development District, ("Board") has previously adopted Resolution No. 2017-19, entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT DECLARING MASTER SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS ON CERTAIN PROPERTY WITHIN THE DISTRICT; INDICATING THE LOCATION, NATURE AND ESTIMATED COST OF THOSE IMPROVEMENTS WHOSE COST IS TO BE DEFRAID BY THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS; PROVIDING THE PORTION OF THE ESTIMATED COST OF THE IMPROVEMENTS TO BE PARTIALLY DEFRAID BY THE MASTER SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS; PROVIDING THE MANNER IN WHICH SUCH MASTER SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS SHALL BE MADE; PROVIDING WHEN SUCH SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS SHALL BE MADE; DESIGNATING LANDS UPON WHICH THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS SHALL BE LEVIED; PROVIDING FOR AN ASSESSMENT PLAT; ADOPTING A PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT ROLL; PROVIDING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE ADVISABILITY AND PROPRIETY OF SAID ASSESSMENTS AND THE RELATED IMPROVEMENTS; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF SAID PUBLIC HEARING; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Resolution No. 2017-19, a preliminary assessment roll has been prepared and all other conditions precedent set forth in Chapters 170, 197 and 190, *Florida Statutes*, to the holding of the aforementioned public hearing have been satisfied, and the roll and related documents are available for public inspection at 135 West Central Boulevard, Suite 320, Orlando, Florida 32801 (the "District Records Office").

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT IN THE CITY OF ORLANDO, ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA:

1. There is hereby declared a public hearing to be held at _____ a.m./p.m., _____, 2017, at 135 West Central Boulevard, Suite 320, Orlando, Florida 32801, for the purpose of hearing comment and objection to the proposed master special assessments for a capital improvement plan for public improvements as identified in the Master Assessment Methodology for Dowden West Community Development District dated June 15, 2017 attached hereto and including the preliminary assessment roll, both of which are also available at the District Records Office. Affected parties may appear at that hearing or submit their comments in writing

prior to the meeting to the office of the District Manager, 135 West Central Boulevard, Suite 320, Orlando, Florida 32801.

2. Notice of said hearing shall be advertised in accordance with Chapters 170, 190, and 197 *Florida Statutes*, and the District Manager is hereby authorized and directed to place said notice in a newspaper of general circulation within Orange County (by two publications one week apart with the last publication at least one week prior to the date of the hearing established herein). The District Manager shall file a publisher's affidavit with the District Secretary verifying such publication of notice. The District Manager is further authorized and directed to give thirty (30) days' written notice by mail of the time and place of this hearing to the owners of all property to be assessed and include in such notice the amount of the assessment for each such property owner, a description of the areas to be improved and notice that information concerning all assessments may be ascertained at the District Records Office. The District Manager shall file proof of such mailing by affidavit with the District Secretary.

3. This Resolution shall become effective upon its passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 15th day of June, 2017.

ATTEST:

DOWDEN WEST COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, a Florida
community development district

Name: _____
Secretary / Assistant Secretary

Name: _____
Chairman / Vice Chairman

**Master Assessment Methodology for Dowden West Community Development District
dated June 15, 2017 is attached to, and made a part of this Resolution**

SECTION VIII

Dowden West

Community Development District

FY17 Funding Request #1
June 15, 2017

Payee	General Fund
1 Funds to Open Operating Account	\$ 5,000.00
2 Insurance - Fiscal Year 2017 (Prorated)	\$ 1,722.00
3 Legal Advertising	\$ 5,000.00
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Total:	\$ 11,722.00

Please make check payable to:

Dowden West Community Development District
1412 South Narcoossee Road
St. Cloud, Florida 34771