

The Board of Sumter County Commissioners (BOCC/Board) convened for a Workshop Meeting on Tuesday, February 15, 2022, at The Villages Sumter County Service Center in Wildwood, Florida with the following members present to wit: Doug Gilpin, District No. 2; Craig Estep, Chairman, District No. 3; and Garry Breeden, 2nd Vice Chairman, District No. 4. The following individuals were also present and acting in their respective official capacities: Bradley Arnold, County Administrator; Bill Kleinsorge, Finance Director; and Caroline Alrestimawi, Deputy Clerk. Commissioner Estep called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the invocation given by Commissioner Breeden followed by the flag salute led by Commissioner Gilpin. The complete audio recording of this meeting is available on the Clerk's Website - [www.sumterclerk.com](http://www.sumterclerk.com).

*Clerk's Note: Gary Search, Vice Chairman, District No. 1; and Oren Miller, District No. 5, were absent, as they were suspended from serving in their official capacities per State of Florida Office of the Governor Executive Order 22-01 and 22-02 (see attached).*

*State of FL Executive Order 22-01, State of FL Executive Order 22-02*

## **1. Public Forum**

There was no input from the public.

The attached presentations were presented by the following individuals: Bradley Arnold, County Administrator; Deborah Snyder, Public Works Director; Shailesh Patel, Assistant Public Works Director over Construction; and Steven Cohoon, Assistant Public Works Director over Design.

## **2. Public Works - Fleet Maintenance and Transit**

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## **3. Public Works - Facilities and Parks**

Mr. Arnold mentioned the prospect of considering a Welcome and Adoption Center for Animal Services during the next budget cycle, as the Board's vote against that idea was against the contract with the architect but not necessarily against the project. Commissioner Gilpin stated that the contract brought before the Board was too extreme and he would like to create something scaled down with an outside area. The Board agreed with Commissioner Gilpin and Mr. Arnold will incorporate that into the next budget process.

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## **4. Public Works Operation / Design / Construction**

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- a. Solid Waste  
2-15-22-4-a
- b. Wayfinding  
2-15-22-4-b
- c. Stormwater Management  
2-15-22-4-c
- d. ARPA  
2-15-22-4-d
- e. FDOT and Turnpike Coordination  
2-15-22-4-e
- f. Road Project Funding  
2-15-22-4-f
- g. Regional Roads  
2-15-22-4-g
- h. ATMS and Signalization Projects  
2-15-22-4-h
- i. Minor Roads Projects  
2-15-22-4-i

The Board offered no objections to the activities proposed by Mr. Arnold, which were outlined in the presentations.

Commissioner Breeden confirmed that the list of priority projects were as follows and in the following order: 1. Ambulance Service; 2. Service Center; and 3. Adoption Center.

Commissioner Breeden also asked the Board for their thoughts on moving the Workshop Meetings back to 5:00 p.m. Commissioner Gilpin stated that he would like all meetings to take place at 5:00 p.m., as he does not believe there has been an increase in attendance because when

people have an issue, they come to the meetings. Commissioner Estep does not have an issue with moving the Workshop Meetings to 5:00 p.m. but would like the Regular Meetings to remain at 7:00 p.m. to allow more individuals to attend. The Board provided consensus to move the Workshop Meetings to 5:00 p.m., which Mr. Arnold will place on the next agenda for a formal vote.

**5. Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.