Agenda Item #: SB-

# PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

#### **BOARD APPOINTMENT SUMMARY**

**Meeting Date:** 

August 16, 2011

Department:

Administration

**Advisory Board:** 

**Water Resource Task Force** 

#### I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

**Motion & Title: Staff recommends motion to ratify:** Marlene Ross of the City of Boynton Beach as an alternate for one of the League of Cities seats on the Palm Beach County Water Resources Task Force (Seat No. 2), effective August 16, 2011.

**Summary:** The Water Resources Task Force is comprised of 14 members: six (6) City elected officials; one (1) County Commissioner; one (1) special independent district water and/or wastewater provider or utility water or wastewater provider representative; one (1) Lake Worth Drainage District representative; one (1) drainage/water control district representative; one (1) South Florida Water Management District Governing Board member; one (1) environmental representative; one (1) land owner actively farming to represent agricultural interests; one (1) Indian Trail Improvement District representative. The resolution also requires designated alternates for each seat.

Due to the recent resignation of one of the League of Cities Task Force alternates, a new alternate submitted by the League of Cities needs to be ratified by the Board of County Commissioners. Countywide (MJ)

**Background and Justification:** The Water Resource Task Force was established to identify and evaluate opportunities and impediments to providing future water supply, conservation, wastewater treatment and reuse or reclaimed water supply opportunities that most efficient and cost effective. The diversity of the current 12 Task Force members is as follows: one African-American female, and eleven Caucasian males. The new appointee is a Hispanic female. The SFWMD seat and one League of cities seat remains unfilled at this time.

Attachments:	1) Board Appointment Nominee Forms w/ Acknowledgement Forms
	2) Amended Water Resources Task Force Resolution
	3) Current Membership Roster

Recommended by: Benneth S. Sodd &.	8/8/11
Department Director	Date
Legal Sufficiency:	8/11/11
Assistant County Attorney	Date
II. REVIEW COMMENTS	

A. Other Department Review:

Department Director

# PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ADVISORY BOARD NOMINEE INFORMATION FORM

The information provided on this form will be used by County Commissioners and/or the entire Board in considering your nomination. This form MUST BE COMPLETED IN FULL. Answer "none" or "not applicable" where appropriate. Further, please attach a biography or résumé to this form.

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#### **Marlene Ross**

403 Andover Court, Boynton Beach, FL 33436 561-304-0428-home; 561-644-3610-cell marlene\_ross@yahoo.com

#### EDUCATION & PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE/RECOGNITION

- Bachelor of Arts in Science FAU 1989
- Masters in Education FAU 1994
- WXEL TV/FM (PBS/NPR) Community Affairs Director 1999 to Present
- Extensive experience in non-profit sector—WXEL, United Way PBC fundraiser, SunFest
   Hispanic Media Coordinator, PRIDE Misdemeanor & Probation Services educator, etc..
- Nominee for 2008 Women in Leadership Awards, selected by the Executive Women of the Palm Beaches
- 2008 Hispanic Woman of Distinction Honoree (One of 12 Honorees from Miami-Dade/Broward/PB Counties selected by *Latina Style Magazine* for annual luncheon)
- 2008 Hispanic Heroes Award Finalist/Business Leader of the Year Finalist, selected by the
   Northern Palm Beach County Chamber of Commerce & the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of
   PBC
- Featured in 2008 and 2009 on NBC/WPTV Channel 5 for its "Hispanic Heroes" series which is presented annually on WPTV during September and October for "Hispanic Heritage Month".
- Advocate for children, animals & the environment

#### **CURRENT & PAST CIVIC INVOLVEMENT**

- Boynton Beach City Commissioner, District 4: since Nov. 2007 (re-elected March 2011); Vice Mayor 2010/2011
- Boynton Beach Community Redevelopment Agency/CRA Board Member since 2007 (Vice Chair 2010/2011)
- Sustainability/Environmental Team Liaison Commissioner (city's Climate Action Plan)
- Education Liaison Commissioner: School District of Palm Beach County (advocating for the city's schools, including Galaxy Elem., Boynton Beach High School, etc.); Boynton Beach Mental Health Initiative; Boynton Beach Sister Cities International Program
- Economic Development Advocate: City/CRA/COBWRA: Coalition of Boynton West
  Residential Associations/Greater Boynton Beach Chamber of Commerce; committed to
  economic development & downtown redevelopment and to the maintenance of city's essential
  services while keeping taxes low

- Public Safety Advocate: BBPD/Animal Care & Control; BB Fire Rescue Department
- South Central Regional Wastewater Treatment & Disposal Board Member (Q meetings since
   2008—selected to be Chair in April 2011 for the next year)
- Past member of City of Boynton Beach Education Advisory Board
- Past member of Wellesley at Boynton Beach HOA Board

#### Work Experience:

WXEL TV42 & 90.7FM/Barry Telecommunications, Inc., Boynton Beach, FL - Since 1999, I was until recently the Director of Community Affairs for both WXEL TV & FM, the PBS and NPR stations serving the West Palm Beach, Florida market (Public Broadcasting Service and National Public Radio). Since May 2011, WXEL is no longer a dual-licensee because WXEL FM was basically sold and changed call letters to WPBI/Classical South Florida; so now I represent WXEL TV. I'm primarily responsible for handling education and outreach in public broadcasting for WXEL on a local, state, and national level while also handling a variety of civic and business duties. I review and complete grant applications for educational outreach projects typically based on PBS programs, including PBS KIDS---and occasionally some projects based on NPR programs or other public broadcasting themes. Many of the outreach campaigns are made possible by the CPB, PBS, National Center for Media Engagement, which represents and funds PBS stations across the country through funding from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB). Other funding sources for the projects typically include flagship PBS stations such as WGBH (Boston) and Thirteen WNET (New York City) and funding partners such as foundations. Some of these foundations have included the National Science Foundation, the Arthur Davis Vining Foundation, and many more.

Basically I have been the education director overseeing a small yet dynamic and efficient bi-lingual team in English/Spanish for 11+ years in representing the mission of these public media sister stations (while reaching a large viewing and listening area covering at least 5 counties). WXEL's mission is to educate, to enlighten, and to inspire; my responsibilities require me to focus on education, engagement, and advocacy. One special purpose of my position is for me and the Education Specialist to administer WXEL's Ready To Learn service based on the classic and innovative PBS KIDS television programming for children and families. We also produce the WXEL TV/FM Community Calendar for non-profits, including education/civic groups, arts & culture organizations, etc. Occasionally, I complete grant applications issued by PBS, the Corp. for Public Broadcasting/CPB, and/or individual PBS/NPR stations or other national or local funders for specific projects. Due to my strong writing and communication skills many of my department's applications have been selected for funding; this approach especially involves the local level by reaching target audiences in the community based on PBS and/or NPR or local programming and themes based on community needs as well as sometimes the state and national levels, depending on the project, i.e. Facing the Mortgage Crisis in 2009 was a national initiative involving local outreach efforts by WXEL TV/FM with education, engagement and production components for homeowners; in 2009-2010 the NATIONAL PARKS was the largest national outreach initiatives in the history of public broadcasting and WXEL's proposal completed by me was selected for this special campaign---ASPIRA-Palm Beach Chapter and their youth were among the project partners.

Established community partners/contacts under my leadership for WXEL's education dept. include the Literacy Coalition of PBC, T.E.N./The Education Network (School District of PBC), individual public schools/charter schools in the SDPBC, the PBC Library System (branches), Broward County Library System, various city libraries, various chambers of commerce, ASPIRA-PB Chapter,

Hispanic Human Resources Council of PBC (2 childcare centers), other early childhood development agencies & Pre-K/K sites including Head Start of PBC, the A.R.M. Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge, etc.

My advocacy work involves collaborating with the staff of the WXEL Major Gifts/Special Events Dept. for fundraising efforts and especially on the state level with Florida Public Broadcasting Service/FPBS in Tallahassee as well as on the national level with the American Public Television Stations/APTS (lobbying group) & National Public Radio Station Advisory Advocacy Group in Washington, D.C. Additionally, under my leadership, the WXEL Community Affairs Dept. launched Vme as a WXEL TV digital channel in July 2009 (Comcast 203/WXEL TV42.3; Vme is basically public television's first Spanish-language network and through WXEL the West Palm Beach market is one of only 40+ Vme markets in the country. Vme Media, Inc. offices are located in New York City.

In 2006 and 2007, I was part of a grant-writing team at WXEL whose proposals for local television specials and related outreach with broadcast dates in 2007 and 2008 were selected for funding by the Community Foundation for Palm Beach and Martin Counties. The topics have included literacy issues and the foster care crisis in 2007 while Alzheimer's Disease/Caregivers and Elections 2008 have been planned for 2008. Thanks to successfully securing a long list of grant-funded outreach campaigns, I've had the opportunity to gain extensive experience in implementing strategic short-term and long-term initiatives in the community through collaborations with key community partners such as the Literacy Coalition of Palm Beach County (WXEL's official literacy partner), the School District of Palm Beach County/The Education Network (T.E.N.), and a variety of non-profit groups, as well as with media partners such as the *Sun-Sentinel* (Tribune Co.), the Scripps Treasure Coast newspapers, *South Florida Parenting Magazine*, WRMF 97.9FM, and Radio Fiesta 1380AM.

I was responsible for overseeing the WXEL Community Advisory Board for several years, as required by the CPB for community licensee stations like WXEL. This advisory board is made up of 10-15 community members and met at least 3 times/year at WXEL. Now that the WXEL CAB has been re-organized in the past year in order to continue serving per the updated CPB guidelines, my role is that of liaison to this advisory board while a group of independent citizens are coordinating the meetings. The Community Advisory Board focuses on WXEL's programming, community outreach, and policy in making any possible recommendations to the Barry Telecommunications, Inc./WXEL Board of Trustees.

Along with the WXEL Creative Services Department and/or the WXEL Underwriting Sales Dept., I have facilitated the development of media sponsorships, event sponsorships, and local trade agreements. I served as an effective liaison for WXEL's advocacy and lobbying efforts with state legislators and their staff in Tallahassee, FL (2000-2004); I have continued to advocate locally for WXEL with elected officials from the State of Florida as well as well U.S. Senators & U.S. Representatives and their local offices. I continue coordinating with the Florida Public Broadcasting Service (FPBS) in Tallahassee. The National Center for Media Engagement (formerly as the NCO/National Center for Outreach) designated me as one of two official state contacts for its 2-year "Outreach For Florida" project serving the 13 PBS stations in Florida. I have served as a guest speaker in English and Spanish for civic groups and events for children and families in diverse local communities as well as a panelist representing WXEL at a variety of media seminars. I'm responsible for the Ready To Learn (RTL) service, WXEL's early childhood educational service based on the educational, non-violent, and award-winning PBS KIDS television programs. I supervise the WXEL Education Specialist in administering the RTL service throughout the year. The coordinator and volunteers distribute new children's books to the parents and caregivers of at-

risk children, plus the coordinator serves as a consultant to sites and schedules visits and workshops in the community for parents and educators at designated sites as an integral part of Ready To Learn. Also, the coordinator and I represent WXEL and RTL at a variety of community events, including many reaching a diverse population of children's literacy advocates and/or at-risk children and families.

In 2003, I was elected by my PBS peers across the country to serve a 2-year term as a member-atlarge on the NETA (National Educational Telecommunications Association) Outreach Executive Committee for its Outreach Council. My NETA committee members and I produced outreach sessions for two of NETA's annual conferences (NETA represents PBS stations through its membership system), we developed monthly professional development calls, and I successfully recruited candidates from PBS stations across the country for a major NETA election for the Outreach Executive Committee. This committee elected me to serve as the 2005 Chair-Elect. I have coordinated with the WXEL Major Gifts Dept. for fundraising efforts with the WXEL Garnet Society and its Latin Cultural Council in order to successfully target the general community as well as the Hispanic community. In April 2007, I served as the MC at the "Believing in Girls" fundraising luncheon for the PACE Center for Girls-Palm Beach County. I was asked to serve again as the MC at another fundraising event for PACE Center for Girls in West Palm Beach in October 2007. I served as an on-air host on WXEL 90.7FM during fundraising drives while reaching targeted financial goals during breaks in the public radio programming. For several years I served as liaison for activities and events held at Barry University in Miami Shores, Florida (WXEL's license-holder). I produce the bi-monthly WXEL TV/FM Community Calendar and maintain the on-line WXEL Events Calendar. I oversee complete the final reports required for a variety of grant projects. Throughout the year, I review various RFPs on a regular basis and select some of them in order to write grant proposals. Furthermore, I am responsible for completing specific reports or grant applications through the Florida Dept. of Education (FDE), the Florida Public Broadcasting Service (FPBS), the Public Broadcasting Service (PBS), the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB), the National Center for Outreach (NCO), the National Educational Telecommunications Association (NETA), and other organizations such as the lobbying group American Public Television Stations (APTS). I report directly to WXEL's President & C.E.O.

<u>United Way of Palm Beach County</u>, Boynton Beach, FL – In 1999, I worked as a dynamic Fundraising Associate for 6 months under a temporary, grant-funded position for this non-profit organization which serves as a major funder in the community; I secured a variety of accounts at strategic work-place sites, including *The Palm Beach Post* and other employers in the community.

WFLX FOX29, West Palm Beach, FL – During 1997 and 1998, I worked as an efficient Administrative Associate in national advertising sales and local advertising sales, expediting media buys through sales reps at this local FOX affiliate, which serves the West Palm Beach, Florida market (Malrite/Raycom Media).

<u>SunFest, Inc.</u>, West Palm Beach, FL – In 1996, I worked in this temporary position as a dynamic Hispanic Media Coordinator for the non-profit organization, successfully promoting Florida's largest art, jazz, and waterfront festival among Hispanic media on a local, regional, and national level. This involved using my strong bi-lingual skills in English and Spanish with a variety of contacts at publications across the country plus radio and television stations. I was the first individual in the organization's history to successfully develop an extensive database of Hispanic media contacts and to secure significant coverage of the event by many of these media contacts.

<u>Pride Integrated Services, Inc.</u>, West Palm Beach, FL – From 1993 to 1995, I worked as an Assessment Specialist/Educator for this non-profit organization, which handles misdemeanor probation services in the criminal justice system in Palm Beach County; I successfully completed substance abuse assessments on defendants at the county jails and courthouses; taught DUI Education classes in English and Spanish to DUI offenders, effectively using my strong interpretation and translation skills in my role as an educator.

School District of Palm Beach County, West Palm Beach, FL – Between 1990 and 1993, I worked as a respected Teacher/Educator, primarily at an alternative high school (South Area Alternative High School in Lake Worth) where I taught English and World History.

Education: Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL: Master of Education degree (Counselor Education, 1994); Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL: Bachelor of Arts degree (College of Science-Psychology/Schmidt Presidential Scholarship, 1989)

**Special Honors**: Graduated as Class Salutatorian from Lake Worth Community High School; was awarded several scholarships, including the Schmidt Presidential Scholarship for 4 years while attending F.A.U. (1985-1989)

**Special Skills/Interests:** Excellent writer (grant applications, copy points, etc.); extensive bi-lingual skills in English and Spanish (speaking, reading, and writing), including strong interpretation and translation skills; children/youth advocate; supporter of local and national animal welfare organizations & environmental groups.

Civic Duty: City Commissioner-District IV, Boynton Beach, elected on November 6, 2007; reelected on March 8, 2011 after successfully running my second campaign; approved by the
commission to be the "Education" and "Sustainability"/Green" commissioner, plus actively
involved in public safety issues, redevelopment, economic development, and several other key
issues affecting the City of Boynton Beach (such as advocating successfully for the city's unique
Animal Care & Control Division of BBPD in the face of budget cuts for 3 consecutive years);
Boynton Beach CRA Board member since November 2007; appointed by the City of Boynton
Beach Commission to serve on the city's Education Advisory Board: served for one year, 20052006; 2004 graduate of the Citizens Police Academy for the City of Boynton Beach; Secretary and
then Secretary/Vice Pres. of the Wellesley at Boynton Beach HOA Board of Directors between
March 2006 and November 2007.

#### **CIVIC INFORMATION:**

Until recently, for almost 3 years, I served as a Local Advisory Committee/LAC member for ASPIRA-Palm Beach Chapter (non-profit which mentors Hispanic and other minority youth); I served on the city's Education Advisory board for one year before being elected as City Commissioner in 2007 plus I had successfully completed the BBPD's Citizens Police Academy (10-week course) before my election; I served on the HOA Board of Directors for Wellesley at Boynton Beach for 2 years before I was elected as City Commissioner. In addition to serving as a City Commissioner, I have also been a Boynton Beach Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) board member for 3+ years. I also serve as a board member of the South Central Regional Wastewater Treatment & Disposal Board (City of Boynton Beach & City of Delray Beach commissioners) and have been able to attend the majority of these quarterly meetings involving a most precious resource, water! For example, when I served as Vice Mayor I accepted invitations to be the keynote speaker and/or presenter on many occasions (several times in place of the mayor when the mayor wasn't available) at a variety of settings for ceremonies and celebrations such as ribbon cuttings for businesses, several veterans events, awards ceremonies, etc.).



TO:

**ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS** 

FROM:

**ROBERT WEISMAN** 

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR** 

RE:

PALM BEACH COUNTY CODE OF ETHICS

Effective May 1, 2010, contractual relationships between Palm Beach County government and advisory board members, their employers, or businesses, are prohibited conflicts of interest as set forth in the Palm Beach County Code of Ethics, Ordinance 2009-051. This conflict of interest must be waived by an affirmative vote of five (5) members of the Board of County Commissioners upon full disclosure at a public meeting in order to accept appointment to an advisory board. In the space provided below, please identify any such contractual relationships, or verify that none exist at this time. The Ordinance (2009-051) and the training requirement can be found on the web at: <a href="http://www.pbcgov.com/ethics/advisory.htm">http://www.pbcgov.com/ethics/advisory.htm</a>

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ADVISORY BOARD(S): PALMBEACH COUNTY WATER RESOURCE TASK FORCE

I acknowledge that I have taken the required training; and read and understand the Palm Beach County Code of Ethics Ordinance, the provisions of which are effective May 1, 2010. I understand that as an advisory board member of the above-mentioned board(s) that I am bound by it.

Signature:

\_ Date: \_\_\_

Please sign and return this FORM to {Insert Liaison Name Here} {Insert Address Here}. A self-addressed envelope has been provided for your convenience.

TO:

**ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS** 

FROM:

**ROBERT WEISMAN** 

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR** 

RE:

STATE GUIDE TO THE SUNSHINE AMENDMENT & CODE OF

**ETHICS** 

As an appointee to a Palm Beach County Advisory Board, you must familiarize yourself with the State Guide to the Sunshine Amendment and Code of Ethics. The purpose of this guide is to ensure adherence to the highest standards of ethics, protect the integrity of County government and foster public confidence.

This guide addresses conflict of interest, disclosure, acceptance and reporting of gifts, use of position or property, voting conflicts, political activities, prohibition against misuse of the code, and enforcement. This Guide also addresses conflicts, prohibitions on doing business with the County or having conflicting employment or contractual relationships. The Guide can be found on the web at: <a href="http://www.pbcgov.com/ethics/advisory.htm">http://www.pbcgov.com/ethics/advisory.htm</a>

Please read and make yourself familiar with the Guide and return the acknowledgment form below to: (Insert Liaison Name) (Insert Liaison Address). If you cannot access this document on the web, please contact (Insert Liaison Name) at (Insert Liaison Telephone #) for other arrangements.

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ADVISORY BOARD(S): PALM BEACH COUNTY WATER RESOURCE TASK FORCE

I acknowledge that I have read the State of Florida Guide to the Sunshine Amendment and the Code of Ethics. I understand that as an advisory board member of the above-mentioned board(s) that I am

bound by it.

Signature:

Please sign and return to (Insert Liaison Information) in self-addressed envelope provided.

Revised 3/15/10

#### Resolution No. R-2010-0660

A RESOLUTION OF THE PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS; RECOGNIZING THE NEED FOR A COLLABORATIVE, MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL APPROACH TO ADDRESS COUNTY-WIDE WATER RESOURCES; ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE COMPOSED OF ELECTED COUNTY AND CITY COMMISSIONERS AND OFFICIALS REPRESENTING THE SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT, AND WATER CONTROL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD; AUTHORIZING THE DESIGNATION OF TECHNICAL/PROFESSIONAL STAFF WORKGROUP TO ADVISE THE TASK FORCE; PROVIDING FOR MEETINGS OF THE TASK FORCE AND TECHNICAL/PROFESSIONAL STAFF WORKGROUP; PROVIDING FOR STAFF SUPPORT; PROVIDING FOR REPORTING AND MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Palm Beach County has long depended upon the Biscayne Aquifer for the County's primary source of water; and

WHEREAS, In response to efforts to restore the Everglades, in 2007 the South Florida Management District adopted Regional Water Availability Rule which restricts future withdrawals from the Biscayne Aquifer; and

WHEREAS, Palm Beach County's local government leaders recognize it is critical to address the availability of water resources within the County to protect the public health, ensure the sustainability of sensitive environmental resources and natural systems, and provide viable economic opportunities for our communities and residents; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Senate Bill CS/CS/SB 1302 (Wastewater Discharge/Ocean Outfalls legislation) passed by the 2008 Legislature, two regional wastewater treatment providers in Palm Beach County will be required to reuse significant amounts of treated domestic wastewater currently being disposed of via ocean outfalls; and

WHEREAS, the County is facing significant and costly projected water supply needs, which cannot be met without increased demands on the Biscayne Aquifer unless appropriate measures are taken in accordance with the Regional Water Availability Rule, and which will require development alternative water supply projects such as the use of reclaimed water and/or stormwater reuse projects; and; and

WHEREAS, local leaders are committed to ensuring that the longterm water resource needs of all Palm Beach County water users are effectively planned for and met, including those of water providers, wholesale and retail purchasers, and their customers; and

WHEREAS, local leaders are committed to ensuring that the longterm water resource needs of all Palm Beach County water users are effectively planned for and met, including those of water providers, wholesale and retail purchasers, and their customers; and

WHEREAS, these needs may be met more efficiently and cost effectively through collaborative partnerships, evaluation of existing and planned infrastructure and by considering regional or sub-regional approaches; and

WHEREAS, there is currently no effective county-wide forum to consider these opportunities; and

WHEREAS, in 2005 the Florida Legislature enacted Chapter 2005-291, Laws of Florida, SB 444, legislation that encourages cooperation among local entities to plan for multi-jurisdictional water supply entities to maximize state funding for alternative water supply projects; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners:

Section 1. The adoption of this and companion resolutions by the Palm Beach County League of Cities and South Florida Water Management District Governing Board shall have the effect of creating the Palm Beach County Water Resources Task Force ("Task Force").

Section 2. The Task Force shall be composed of elected and appointed officials designated by the government entities identified in Section 3 of this resolution. A Technical/Professional staff ("TP Workgroup") workgroup may be designated by the entities in Section 4 to advise the Task Force on matters such as, but not limited to, water resource availability, management, facilities and infrastructure, supply and constraints, and other technical, environmental, and professional subject matters as requested by the Task Force.

Section 3. The Task Force shall be composed of representatives of the following entities:

- (a) Six (6) City elected officials appointed by the Palm Beach County League of Cities, which represent a cross section of small, medium, and large cities, one of whom shall be an elected official of a city that purchases water from another municipality or water utility. For each of the six members appointed, the Palm Beach County League of Cities shall also appoint an alternate member to serve in the appointed member's absence. Alternate members must be municipal elected officials and must be from a different similarly-sized municipality.
- (b) One (1) County Commissioner or their appointee and an alternate appointed by the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners.
- (c) One (1) Special Independent District Water and/or Wastewater Provider or Utility Water and/or wastewater Provider official and an alternate appointed by the Board of County Commissioners.
- (d) One (1) Lake Worth Drainage District Representative and an alternate appointed by the Board of County Commissioners.

- (e) One (1) Drainage/Water Control District elected official and an alternate appointed by the Board of County Commissioners.
- (f) One (1) South Florida Water Management District Governing Board Member and an alternate appointed by the Governing Board.
- (g) One (1) Environmental Representative familiar with water resource issues in southeast Florida and an alternate appointed by the Board of County Commissioners.
- (h) One (1) Land Owner in Palm Beach County, actively farming that land to represent the agricultural interests in Palm Beach County, and an alternate appointed by the Board of County Commissioners
- (i) One (1) Indian Trail Improvement District representative and an alternate appointed by the Indian Trail Improvement District Board of Supervisors.

Section 4. The following Technical/Professional staff shall be designated by the Task Force to serve on the TP Workgroup upon recommendation by the TP Workgroup Chair. The Palm Beach County Water Resources Manager will serve as the Chair of the TP Workgroup.

- (a) Four staff persons appointed by the League of Cities from representative municipal governments in Palm Beach County
- (b) One (1) County Staff person from the Department of Environmental Resource Management;
- (c) One (1) County staff person from the Department of Water Utilities;
- (d) One (1) staff person from the Lake Worth Drainage District;
- (e) One (1) staff person from a Special Independent District Water and/or Wastewater Provider or Utility Water and/or Wastewater Provider.
- (f) One (1) water management staff person from the South Florida Water Management District.
- (g) One (1) builder representative appointed by the Florida Home Builders Association.
- (h) One (1) staff person from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection;
- (i) One (1) staff person from the Florida Department of Agricultural and Consumer Services to represent agricultural interests;
- (j) One (1) person representing the public at large
- (k) One (1) staff person from the Palm Beach County Health Department.
- (1) One (1) grower representative appointed by the Palm Beach County Chapter of the Florida Nursery Growers and Landscape Association

Section 5. The Task Force will identify and evaluate opportunities and impediments to providing future water supply, conservation, wastewater treatment, and reuse or reclaimed water opportunities that are most efficient and cost effective.

Section 6. The Task Force shall serve at the pleasure of the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners meeting quarterly, at a minimum, following its initial organizational meeting until such time as the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners determines by majority vote that the services of the Task Force are no longer needed. At its organizational meeting, Members of the Task Force shall elect a Chair and Vice-Chair, adopt rules of procedure, including provisions for quorum, voting and consideration of motions and other items, and establish such standing committees as necessary to conduct the work of the Task Force.

Section 7. The Technical/Professional staff workgroup may meet as scheduled by its chair.

The staff committee, following the appointments made pursuant to Section 4, shall meet for the purpose of selecting a Vice-Chair, adopting any necessary rules of procedure, appointing any standing workgroup subcommittees, and address issues identified by the Task Force for future technical evaluation by the TP Workgroup.

Section 8. Palm Beach County Water Utilities shall provide staff support to the Task Force.

Section 9. Support staff will prepare meeting notices and minutes, maintain records, coordinate or prepare draft reports, and prepare final reports containing the findings and recommendations of the Task Force.

Section 10. The governmental entities adopting this resolution recognize and agree their participation as members of the Task Force is a voluntary effort. The participating governments further recognize that any final report issued by the Task Force shall not be construed as imposing any mandates upon the participants or other government entities within Palm Beach County. It is understood and desired, rather, that the collaborative work of the Task Force serve as recommendations for state and federal agencies, Palm Beach local governments, businesses, and residents as each community moves forward with consideration and decision-making regarding future water resources planning, development, and management.

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Section 11. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall become effective upon adoption.

ADOPTED this 20th day April, 2010

### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, THAT:

	The foregoing Resolution was offered by Commissioner	Vana ,
who Marcus	adoption. The motion was seconded by	
	, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as	follows:
	Commissioner Burt Aaronson, Chairman	
		Aye
	Commissioner Karen T. Marcus, Vice Chairman	Aye
	Commissioner John F. Koons	Aye
	Commissioner Shelley Vana	Aye
	Commissioner Steven L. Abrams	Aye
	Commissioner Jess R. Santamaria	Aye
	Commissioner Priscilla A. Taylor	Aye

The Chairperson thereupon declared the Resolution duly passed and adopted the 20th day of April , 2010.

> PALM BEACH COUTNY, FLORIDA BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISIONERS

SHARON R. BOCK, CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIECY

By:

County Attorney

STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF PALM BEACH I, SHARON R. BOCK, Clerk and Comptroller certify this to be a true and correct copy of the original

filed in my office on \_APR 2 1 1910

dated at West Palm Beach

## Palm Beach County Water Resources Task Force Membership List July 2011

Member Jay Foy (Vice-Chair)	Organization Town of Haverhill	<u>Alternate</u> Vacant	Organization
Mike Mullaugh	City of Boca Raton	Vacant	
Matt Willhite	Village of Wellington	Scott Maxwell	City of Lake Worth
Michael Dahlgren	City of Atlantis	Vacant	
David Levy (Chair)	City of Palm Beach Gardens	Vacant	
Vacant		David Stewart	City of Lantana
Priscilla Taylor	Palm Beach County	Shelley Vana	Palm Beach County
Albrey Arrington	Loxahatchee River District	David Brown	Town of Jupiter
Jim Alderman	LWDD	John Whitworth	LWDD
Adrian Salee	NPBCID	Vacant	
Vacant	SFWMD	Terrie Bates	SFWMD
John Flanigan	Environmental Interests	Dick Tomasello	Environmental Interests
Steve Bedner	Farming Interests	Ted Winsberg	Farming Interests
Tony LasCasas	ITID	Vacant	ITID