

PALM BEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

WORKSHOP SUMMARY

Meeting Date: April 23, 2013

Department: Administration

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Title: Advisory Boards

Summary: This item was requested by the BCC. Staff requests BCC direction on various issues including: 1) whether the BCC wishes to consider terminating any boards; 2) whether the BCC wishes to reduce the number of at-large appointments which sometimes have multiple nominees; and 3) whether the BCC wishes to consider reducing the number of members per board when feasible. Countywide (TKF)

Background and Policy Issues: The BCC has addressed the subject of advisory boards previously. There are relatively few boards (23) that exist totally at the discretion of the BCC, with many others mandated by various legal/external requirements. Quite a few of the discretionary boards have been given substantial roles in County process which makes their termination problematical. Examples are the Internal Audit Committee and the Criminal Justice Commission. Previous attempts to reduce the number of discretionary boards have been largely unsuccessful because a majority of the BCC could not agree on which boards were superfluous or because of citizen objection.

Lately, the BCC has had some at-large appointments with multiple nominees which resulted in much debate. There have been thoughts expressed that perhaps we should try to reduce the number of at-large appointments that the BCC must make, replacing them with district appointments or by single nominees that come from relevant interest groups for essentially automatic appointment. The use of at-large appointments typically allows for obtaining persons with specific qualifications for specific seats. It is typically not possible to get specific diverse qualifications through district appointments. Lastly, the BCC has historically had reasons for specifying the number of members on various boards to achieve various representation goals. As openings occur, staff could reconsider needs.

Attachment:

1. List of discretionary boards
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Recommended by: N/A
Department Director Date

Approved By:  4/27/13
County Administrator Date

II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	20 <u>13</u>	20 <u>14</u>	20 <u>15</u>	20 <u>16</u>	20 <u>17</u>
Capital Expenditures	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating Costs	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
External Revenues	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Program Income (County)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
In-Kind Match (County)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
 NET FISCAL IMPACT	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
 No. ADDITIONAL FTE POSITIONS (Cumulative)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Is Item Included In Current Budget? Yes _____ No _____
 Budget Account No.: Fund _____ Department _____ Unit _____
 Object _____ Reporting Category _____


B. Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact:

No Fiscal Impact associated with this Workshop Item.


C. Departmental Fiscal Review:

III. REVIEW COMMENTS

A. OFMB Fiscal and/or Contract Dev. and Control Comments:



 OFMB



 Contract Dev. and Control

4/18/2013
 2P DM
 4/18/13 4/17/13

B. Legal Sufficiency:



 Assistant County Attorney

4/18/13

C. Other Department Review:

 Department Director

Established by BCC (23):

BOARD	ESTABLISHED BY	NUMBER OF MEMBERS	LAST MET	COMMENTS
Agricultural Enhancement Committee	Resolution	9	Nov. 14, 2012	
Artificial Reef & Estuarine Enhancement Committee	Resolution	11	March 7, 2013	
Aviation & Airports Advisory Board	Resolution	9	April 17, 2013	
Citizens Advisory Committee on Health & Human Services	Resolution	11	April 11, 2013	Comp Plan Amendment required
Citizens Committee on Airport Noise	Resolution	11	Feb. 21, 2013	
Contract Review Committee (R/PPM)	Resolution/PPM	4 (1 appt by BCC/3 Staff)	April 17, 2013	
County Financing Committee	PPM	5 (1 appt by BCC/4 Staff)	April 12, 2013	
Criminal Justice Commission	Ordinance	33 (12 private sector appt by BCC/21 public)	Mar. 25, 2013	
Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council	Resolution	18	Mar. 21, 2013	
Fire Rescue Advisory Board	Resolution	7	April 11, 2013	Comp Plan Amendment required
Fire Rescue Level of Service Committee	Resolution	9 (7 appt by BCC/2 Staff)	Feb. 23, 2012	
Handicap Accessibility & Awareness Grant Review Committee	Resolution	9	Jan. 2010	
Homeless Advisory Board	Resolution	19	Feb. 20, 2013	
Impact Fee Review Committee	Resolution	10 (7 regular/3 alternates)	Nov. 19, 2012	Comp Plan and ULDC Amendments required
Internal Audit Committee	Ordinance	5	Mar. 20, 2013	
Natural Areas Management Advisory Committee	Resolution	7	April 19, 2013	
Overall Economic Development Program Committee	Resolution	31	Dec. 2009	
Property Review Committee	Ordinance	5	June 11, 2012	
Public Art Committee	Resolution	9 (8 regular/1 alternate)	Feb. 11, 2013	
Regional Hazardous Materials Oversight Committee	Ordinance	5	April 9, 2013	
Small Business Assistance Advisory Committee	Ordinance	14	April 17, 2013	
Water Resources Task Force	Resolution	36 (18 regular/18 alternates)	Jan. 18, 2013	
Water Utilities Advisory Board	Resolution	11	Mar. 29, 2013	2 Members serve on Administrative Hearing Board