# PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

# **BOARD APPOINTMENT SUMMARY**

Meeting Date: October 21, 2025

**Department:** Airports

Submitted by: Airports

Advisory Board: Aviation and Airports Advisory Board

# I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

**Motion & Title: Staff recommends motion to approve:** the At-Large appointment of one (1) candidate to the Aviation and Airports Advisory Board (AAAB) for a term beginning October 21, 2025 and expiring September 30, 2028:

SEAT NAME
No. 9 Ronald Ash. P.E.

SEAT REQUIREMENT
Experience in Aviation and Airports

NOMINATED BY
Mayor Maria G. Marino
Vice Mayor Sara Baxter
Commissioner Maria Sachs

**Summary:** The AAAB, created on December 18, 1984, is charged with the duty of making recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) and the Director of the Department of Airports on any and all aviation and airport matters coming with the authority and purview of the BCC, excluding the subject of Airport and aviation noise generation which is assigned to the Citizens Committee on Airport Noise. A memo was sent to the BCC on August 27, 2025 requesting support of appointment. Per Resolution No. R2013-1303, the AAAB consists of nine (9) members. Seven (7) members are District appointments (Seats 1 through 7) and two (2) members are At-Large appointments (Seats 8 and 9). The term for Seat No. 9 has expired. Ronald Ash, P.E meets the membership requirements and is willing to serve. **Countywide (AH)** 

**Background and Justification:** The AAAB, created on December 18, 1984, is charged with the duty of making recommendations to the BCC and the Director of the Department of Airports on any and all aviation and airport matters coming with the authority and purview of the BCC, excluding the subject of Airport and aviation noise generation which is assigned to the Citizens Committee on Airport Noise.

## Attachments:

- 1. Memo to BCC Requesting Nominations
- 2. Boards/Committees Application
- 3. Boards and Commissions Directory Membership Listing
- 4. Resolution R2013-1303

Recommended by:

Department Director

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Legal Sufficiency: Ime Odelson

**Assistant County Attorney** 

Date

# II. REVIEW COMMENTS

Α.	Other Department Review:	
	Department Director	<del></del>



COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR Joseph Abruzzo

**DEPARTMENT OF AIRPORTS** 



## INTER-DEPARTMENT COMMUNICATION PALM BEACH COUNTY

TO:

The Honorable Mayor Maria G. Marino & Members of the Board of County

Commissioners

FROM:

Laura M. Beebe Director, Department of Airports

DATE:

August 27, 2025

SUBJECT: At-Large Appointment for the Aviation and Airports Advisory

Board (AAAB)

The Aviation and Airports Advisory Board (AAAB) is comprised of nine (9) members, seven (7) are termed "District" members and two (2) are termed "At-Large" members. One At-Large position for the AAAB is vacant and available for appointment by the Board of County Commissioners (BCC).

Mr. Ronald M. Ash, a retired Professional Engineer, has resided in Palm Beach Gardens for over 35 years. He is also a licensed pilot who often flies out of North County Airport and he has expressed his desire to be appointed to serve on the AAAB. Mr. Ash previously served on the AAAB and he is qualified and eligible to serve again.

The function of the AAAB is to make recommendations to the BCC or the Director of the Department of Airports on any and all aviation and airport matters coming within the authority and purview of the BCC, except; however, the subject of Airport and aviation noise generation heretofore assigned to the Citizens Committee on Ariport Noise.

If you wish to support Mr. Ash's nomination please sign and return the enclosed Boards/Committee Application. Staff would like to place his appointment on an agenda for one of the October 2025 BCC meetings. Should you have any questions, please contact Stephen Cartagena at (561) 471-7403 or contact me directly at (561) 471-7430.

Enclosures: Application and resume re Ronald M. Ash / Current AAAB Membership Roster

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PALM BEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
BOARDS/COMMITTEES APPLICATION
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# **BOARDS/COMMITTEES APPLICATION**

The information provided on this form will be used in considering your nomination. (Answer "NONE" or "N/A" where appropriate.)

# APPLICANT TO COMPLETE/SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING:

- SECTION II
- CONTRACTUAL RELATIONSHIPS
- CODE OF ETHICS TRAINING
- RESUME or BIOGRAPHY

SECTION I	SECTION I (OFFICE USE ONLY)				y Not Advisory	
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			REAPPOINTMENT	x	NEW APPOINTMENT	
TERM:		10/01/2025	START DATE	09/30/2028	END DATE	
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NAME: (Firs	t/Middle Initial/Last)		Ronald M. Ash, P.E.			
ADDRESS:	2352 Palm Harbor Dr.					
CITY:	Palm Beach Gardens		STATE: FL	ZIP:	33410	
PHONE #:	(561) 310-9777 – cell		***************************************	<del></del>		
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Pursuant to Article XIII, Sec. 2-443 of the Palm Beach County Code of Ethics, advisory board members are prohibited from entering into any contract or other transaction for goods or services with Palm Beach County. Exceptions to this prohibition include awards made under sealed competitive bids, certain emergency and sole source purchases, and transactions that do not exceed \$500 per year in aggregate. These exemptions are described in the Code. This prohibition does not apply when the advisory board member's board provides no regulation, oversight, management, or policy-setting recommendations regarding the subject contract or transaction and the contract or transaction is disclosed at a public meeting of the Board of County Commissioners. To determine compliance with this provision, it is necessary that you, as a board member applicant, identify all contractual relationships between Palm Beach County government and you as an individual, directly or indirectly, or your employer or business. This information should be provided in the space below. If there are no contracts or transactions to report, please verify that none exist. Staff will review this information and determine if you are eligible to serve or if you may be eligible for an exception or waiver pursuant to the code.									
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Any questions and/or concerns regarding Article XIII of the Palm Beach County Code of Ethics, please visit the Commission on Ethics website www.palmbeachcountyethics.com or contact us via email at ethics@palmbeachcountyethics.com or (561) 233-0724.  APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE: By signing below I acknowledge that I have read, understand and agree to abide by Article XIII, The Palm Beach County Code of Ethics, and I have received the required Code of Ethics Training. By signing below, I acknowledge that I will be subject to the State of Florida and Palm Beach County Code of Ethics and the Florida Sunshine Law (Chapter 286, Florida Statutes).									
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**DISTRICT#** 

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**YES** 

SECTION III - COMMISSIONER (OFFICE USE ONLY)

COMMISSIONER'S SIGNATURE:

APPOINTMENT MADE:

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# Ronald M. Ash, P.E.

Current Employer: Recently Retired.

**Profession:** Professional Engineer - Engineering, Planning, Inspection, Design and Construction, Land Development; Surveying - Planning and Development; Real Estate - Land Development and Building Construction; Certified Neutral Arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association; Pilot - Licensed Private Pilot (single engine land).

Work History: Sole Proprietor providing Engineering and Arbitration Services, 2010 to 2014; Vice President, Brown and Caldwell, 2003-2010; Senior Engineer and Client Service manager, Post Buckley, Schuh & Jernigan, Inc., 1996-2003; City (Civil) Engineer and Director of Engineering and Utility Services, Boca Raton, 1994-1996; Owner, Prestige Builders and Elite Properties in RI, 1985-91; Engineers, Architects, Planners and Construction Managers, President and CEO, Ash Design Group, Inc., 1979-1993 with offices in Rhode Island and Palm Beach County, FL.

Experience: Over 45 years in field of engineering, architecture and construction. Comprehensive knowledge of principles and practices of civil and environmental engineering and related disciplines. Extensive knowledge of and in the preparation of construction plans and specifications to include modern techniques as applied to construction, operations and maintenance. Heavy emphasis on troubleshooting of design and construction problems. Engineering disciplines under my direction included water, sewer, drainage, roadway improvements, survey, buildings, architecture, site and landscape design and construction inspection. Experienced in full spectrum of business management and development; planning, budgeting, financial plans, trend analysis and forecasting. Participated in all phases of engineering and construction to include schools, buildings, condominiums, high-end homes, parks, water plants, wastewater plants, reservoirs, highways, pipelines, parks and recreational facilities.

Alternative Dispute Resolution Experience: Chairman of arbitration panel and single arbitrator on numerous multi-million dollar engineering, design and construction cases. Served successfully as mediator on numerous AAA construction disputes.

Alternative Dispute Resolution Training: ICDR 7th Annual Miami International Arbitration Conference, 2009; AAA Arbitrator Ethics & Disclosure (ACE003), 2007; AAA Chairing an Arbitration Panel: Managing Procedures, Process & Dynamics (ACE005), 2006; AAA Construction Arbitrator II Training, 2005; AAA Arbitrator Update 2002; AAA 4-hour Advanced Mediator Training, 1992; AAA Basic and Advanced Arbitrator Training; Participated in numerous AAA seminars as speaker and received awards from AAA.

**Professional Licenses:** Licensed Professional Engineer: Florida, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island. Licensed Professional Land Surveyor, Rhode Island (retired); Licensed Real Estate Broker (retired); Licensed Private Pilot (single engine land).

Professional Associations (present and former): Florida Engineering Society (formerly a member of the FES Leadership Advisory Committee); American Society of Civil Engineers (Past President, Local Section in Rhode Island); American Water Works Association; American Water Resources Association; Society of Professional Engineers (local and national); Florida Association of County Engineers and Road Superintendents; Northern Palm Beach County Improvement District (Governing Board Supervisor and past chairman); Palm Beach International Aviation Airport Advisory Board Member AAAB (currently Chairman, at-large).

**Education:** University of Rhode Island (BS, Civil Engineering: MS, Civil and Environmental Engineering). Numerous Arbitration and Mediation classes and seminars presented by AAA.

**Publications and Speaking Engagements:** Former adjunct professor at Roger Williams College (Engineering and construction) and Bryant University (Math Department) in the State of Rhode Island. Participated in Project Management training to employees of former employer.

Citizenship: United States of America.

Locale: Palm Beach County, FL



# PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AVIATION AND AIRPORTS ADVISORY BOARD

#### I. AUTHORITY:

Resolution R84-1960, adopted December 17, 1984; amended by Resolution R90-1992, amended by Resolution R92-1808, adopted on December 1, 1992; amended and superseded by Resolution R93-615, adopted on May 18, 1993; amended and superseded by Resolution R96-205, adopted on February 20, 1996; Repealed and replaced by Resolution R 2013-1303, adopted October 1, 2013.

#### II. APPOINTING BODY:

**Board of County Commissioners** 

#### III. COMPOSITION, QUALIFICATIONS, TERMS & REMOVAL:

The Committee shall be composed of nine members: seven of whom shall be termed "District" members, and two of whom shall be termed "at-large" members. District members shall reside within the County and shall have qualifications for office as are hereinafter enumerated. At-large members shall be appointed by the BCC, as a whole, from moniations provided by individual Commissioners, and the aviation community. Members shall serve three year terms. Terms shall begin on October 1st and end on September 30th. Beginning on or after March 1, 2013, no member shall be appointed or reappointed for more than three consecutive three year terms.

#### **EXTENDED COMPOSITION:**

#### IV. MEETINGS:

The Advisory Board may meet in regular session monthly, or as required, at times and places set by the Advisory Board or as determined by the Chairman.

#### V. FUNCTIONS:

To make recommendations to the BCC or the Director of the Department of Airports on any and all aviation and airport matters coming within the authority and purview of the BCC, except; however, the subject of Airport and aviation noise generation heretofore assigned to the Citizens Committee on Ariport Noise.

#### VI. LIAISON INFORMATION:

LIAISON DEPARTMENT

CONTACT PERSON

ADDRESS

Department of Airports

Stephen Cartagena

Phone # 561-471-7403

### **AVIATION AND AIRPORTS ADVISORY BOARD**

SEAT ID	CURRENT MEMBER	ROLE TYPE	RACE CODE	GENDER	BUSINESS / HOME PHONE	SEAT REQUIREMENT	APPOINT DATE	REAPPOINT DATE	EXPIRE DATE	MEMBER TERM
Appointed I	By : District 1									
	Douglas Sanders douglasjsanders@aol.com	Member	CA	М	561-691-1106	Experience in Aviation & Airpor	ts 02/09/2021	08/19/2025	09/30/2028	Term 2
	11109 Green Bayberry Dr Palm Beach Gardens FL 334	18								
	NOMINATED BY	:District 1 0	Commissio	oner						
Appointed I	By : District 2									
	Bruce Pelly bpelly@bellsouth.net	Member	CA	M	561-686-7656	Experience in Aviation & Airpor	ts 08/20/2019	08/19/2025	09/30/2028	
	911 Ocean Dr Unit 203 Juno Beach FL 33408									
	NOMINATED BY	:District 2 C	Commissio	oner						
Appointed I	By : District 3									
-	Humberto Rivera humberto@hriveralaw.com Rivera Law Firm PO Box 211746 Royal Palm Beach FL 33421	Member	НА	М	561-970-8646	Experience in Aviation & Airport	ts 01/14/2025	08/19/2025	09/30/2028	
	NOMINATED BY	:District 3 C	Commissio	oner						
Appointed I	By : District 4									
	Sophie Gaeta sophiemgaeta@gmail.com	Member	CA	F	56-160-23580	Experience in Aviation & Airport	ts 11/19/2019	08/19/2025	09/30/2028	
	370 Golfview Rd Apt 804 North Palm Beach FL 33408									
	NOMINATED BY	:District 4 C	Commissio	oner						
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Appointed	d By : District 5							
5	Vacant	Member				Experience in Aviation & Airports	09/30/2025	
	NOMINATED BY	:District 5	Commissio	ner				
Appointed	d By : District 6							
6	Jerry Harrison me@jerryharrison.com	Member	CA	М	864-420-0356	Experience in Aviation & Airports 06/03/2025	09/30/2027	
	8928 S Kendale Cir Lake Worth FL 33467							
	NOMINATED BY	:District 6	Commissio	ner				
Appointed	d By : District 7							
7	Elizabeth McBride ethreattmcbride@aol.com NONE	Member	AA	F	•**	Experience in Aviation & Airports 07/08/2025	09/30/2027	
	NOMINATED BY	':District 7	Commissio	ner				
Appointed By : At-Large/Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners								
8	Vacant	Member				Experience in Aviation & Airports		
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Appointed By : At-Large/Palm Beach	County Board	of C	ounty (	Commissioners
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9 Vacant

Member

Experience in Aviation & Airports

NOMINATED BY:

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### **RESOLUTION NO. 2013- 1303**

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, REPEALING RESOLUTION 96-205; PROVIDING FOR CREATION OF THE PALM BEACH COUNTY AVIATION AND **AIRPORTS** ADVISORY BOARD; PROVIDING FOR ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERSHIP; PROVIDING FOR TERM OFFICE; OF **PROVIDING** FOR **OFFICERS**; **PROVIDING** FOR QUALIFICATIONS OF MEMBERS; PROVIDING FOR STAFF COOPERATION AND SUPPORT; PROVIDING FOR MEETINGS: PROVIDING FOR QUORUM AND ATTENDANCE; PROVIDING FOR DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES; PROVIDING FOR RULES OF PROCEDURES OF VACANCIES; PROVIDING FOR COMPENSATION, EXPENSES AND FUNDING; PROVIDING FOR APPOINTMENT OF ADVISORS; PROVIDING FOR COMPLIANCE WITH UNIFORM POLICY FOR ADVISORY BOARDS AND **COMMISSIONS:** PROVIDING FOR COMPLIANCE WITH PALM BEACH COUNTY CODE OF ETHICS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Palm Beach County, by and through its Department of Airports, owns and operates the Palm Beach International Airport ("PBIA"), Palm Beach County Park Airport, Palm Beach County Glades Airport, and the North Palm Beach County General Aviation Airport (the "Airports"); and

WHEREAS, Resolution 96-205 created the Palm Beach County Aviation and Airports Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, on February 5, 2013, the Board of County Commissioners ("Board") adopted Resolution 2013-0193, establishing uniform policies and procedures for Palm Beach County advisory boards, committees and commissions; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to repeal and replace Resolution 96-205, so the Advisory Board conforms to the uniform policies and procedures for Palm Beach County advisory boards, committees and commissions.

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

- **Section 1.** Recitals. The foregoing recitals are true and correct and are expressly incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof.
- Section 2. <u>Repeal of Resolution 96-205</u>. Resolution 96-205 shall be repealed effective upon adoption of this Resolution.
- Section 3. <u>Creation of Advisory Board</u>. There is hereby created the Palm Beach County Aviation and Airports Advisory Board ("Advisory Board") which shall be charged with the duty of giving recommendations and advice to the Board concerning the planning, development, construction, reconstruction, operation and financial viability of the Airports and aviation activities coming within the purview of the Board.
- Section 4. <u>Advisory Board Membership</u>. The Advisory Board shall be composed of nine (9) members, seven (7) of whom shall be termed "District" members, two (2) of whom shall be termed "At-Large" members. District members shall reside within the County and shall have such qualifications for office as are hereinafter enumerated. At-Large members shall be appointed by the Board, as a whole, from nominations provided by individual County Commissioners, and the aviation community including, but not limited to, air carriers, fixed base operators, aviation clubs and designated aviation interests, or other community organizations. At-Large members shall

also possess qualifications for office as hereinafter enumerated. All District members shall serve at the pleasure of the District Commissioner appointing them and may be removed without cause. Similarly, all At-Large members shall serve at the pleasure of the Board and may be removed without cause.

Section 5. <u>Term of Office</u>. Members of the Advisory Board shall serve a three (3) year term. Terms shall begin on October 1<sup>st</sup> and end on September 30<sup>th</sup>. Existing member's terms shall end on September 30<sup>th</sup> of the year in which their term expires. Beginning on or after March 1, 2013, no member shall be appointed or reappointed to the Advisory Board for more than three (3) consecutive three (3) year terms. Vacancies occurring during a term shall be filled for the expired term, and shall not count toward the member's term limits.

Section 6. Officers. Officers of the Advisory Board shall consist of a Chair and a Vice Chair who shall be elected by a majority vote of the membership and shall serve for terms of one (1) year. No officer shall serve for more than two (2) consecutive terms and any officer may be removed before the expiration of his term by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Advisory Board. The Chair shall preside over the meetings and the Vice Chair shall preside in the absence of the Chair.

Section 7. <u>Qualifications of Members</u>. Each person nominated for and appointed to the Advisory Board shall possess a favorable reputation within Palm Beach County for experience and expertise in at least one of the following professions or fields:

- (A) Architecture
- (B) Engineering
- (C) Banking
- (D) Insurance
- (E) Law
- (F) Accounting
- (G) Non-residential construction
- (H) Business
- (I) Consumer

In addition, the seven (7) "District" members shall possess substantial, prior, verifiable experience in aviation or airports.

Section 8. <u>Staff Cooperation and Support</u>. The staff of the Board, including but not limited to, the County Administrator or his designee, the County Attorney or his designee, and the Director of Airports, are hereby charged with the responsibility to furnish to the Advisory Board such records, documents, plans, reports and financial data on aviation and Airport matters which, in the opinion of the Advisory Board, may fulfill the duties required of it hereunder. Secretarial and recording support for the Advisory Board shall be made available by the Department of Airports.

Section 9. Meetings. The Advisory Board may meet in regular session monthly, or as required, at times and places set by the Advisory Board or as determined by the Chair. Regular meetings shall be set by the Advisory Board at least one (1) calendar month in advance of each meeting. Special meetings of the Advisory Board may be held at the call of the Chair or the Director of Airports, provided, however, that forty-eight (48) hours advance notice is given to both the members of the Advisory Board and the public in

accordance with Florida Statutes, so that reasonable public notice is provided for all meetings, with same being open to the public at all times.

- Section 10. Quorum and Attendance. A quorum must be present for the conduct of all official business of the Advisory Board. A majority of the members appointed shall constitute a quorum. An Advisory Board member shall be automatically removed for lack of attendance. Lack of attendance is defined as: failure to attend three (3) consecutive meetings or failure to attend more than one half (1/2) of the meetings scheduled during a calendar year. Participation for less than three-fourths (3/4) of a meeting shall constitute lack of attendance. Members removed pursuant to this paragraph shall not continue to serve on the Advisory Board, and such removal shall create a vacancy.
- Section 11. <u>Duties and Responsibilities</u>. It shall be the duty of the Advisory Board to review and make recommendations to the Board or the Director of the Department of Airports. Such review and recommendations shall be performed in a timely manner. Moreover, the Advisory Board may review and make recommendation to the Board on any and all aviation and Airport matters coming within the authority and purview of the Board, excepting, however, the subject of Airport and aviation noise generation heretofore assigned to the Citizens Committee on Airport Noise.
- Section 12. Rules of Procedures and Vacancies. All meetings shall be governed by Roberts Rules of Order. Vacancies in the membership of the Advisory Board shall be filled for the unexpired term by the County Commission in the same manner as the original appointment had been made. All Advisory Board members shall serve at the pleasure of the District Commissioner or Board as the case may be.
- Section 13. Compensation, Expenses and Funding. Members of the Advisory Board shall serve without compensation but may be eligible for travel reimbursement for only those expenses which are incurred for travel outside Palm Beach County which is necessary to fulfill Advisory Board member responsibilities provided sufficient funds have been budgeted and are available as set forth in PPM CW-O-038. No other expenses are reimbursable except documented long distance phone calls to the liaison County department. Any approved travel reimbursement shall be subject to those actual expenses at the rate or rates established by State law and County travel policy. Approval authority for pre-authorized board member travel is designated to the County Administrator and Deputy County Administrator and shall be in accordance with Countywide Policy and Procedures memoranda (PPM) CW-F-009.
- Section 14. <u>Appointment of Advisors</u>. The Advisory Board is authorized to seek and secure advice from those who might be of assistance to the Advisory Board; provided, however, that such advice must be obtained without compensation to the advisor.
- Section 15. Compliance with Uniform Policy for Advisory Boards and Commissions. This Resolution and the Advisory Board are expressly subject to all uniform policies for advisory boards and commissions as established by the Board pursuant to Resolution 2013-0193, as may be amended. In the event of any conflict between this Resolution or any amendments hereto, and the aforesaid Resolution 2013-0193, as may be amended, the latter shall prevail over the former.
- Section 16. <u>Compliance with Palm Beach County Code of Ethics</u>. Advisory Board members shall comply with the applicable provisions of the Palm Beach County Code of Ethics as codified in Section 2-254 through 2-260 of the Palm Beach County Code.
- Section 17. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Resolution is held invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, then said holding shall in no way affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Resolution.

Section 18. <u>Effective Date</u>. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by who moved its adoption. The motion was second and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:	led by Commissioner <u>Berger</u> ,
Commissioner Steven L. Abrams, Mayor	- Aye
Commissioner Priscilla A. Taylor, Vice N	ſayor - Aye
Commissioner Hal R. Valeche	- Aye
Commissioner Paulette Burdick	- Aye
Commissioner Shelley Vana	- Aye
Commissioner Mary Lou Berger	- Aye
Commissioner Jess R. Santamaria	- Aye
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APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY  By: Assistant County Attorney  Cell file	ATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF PALM SEACH SHARON R. BCCK, Clerk and Complication d in my office on OCT AT 2813  Deputy Clerk  Deputy