MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT **April 15, 2025 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS** REGULAR MEETING **AGENDA**

MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

AGENDA LETTER

Merrick Square Community Development District OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT MANAGER

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April 8, 2025

ATTENDEES:

Please identify yourself each time you speak to facilitate accurate transcription of meeting minutes.

Board of Supervisors Merrick Square Community Development District

Dear Board Members:

The Board of Supervisors of the Merrick Square Community Development District will hold a Regular Meeting on April 15, 2025 at 2:30 p.m., at the offices of D.R. Horton, 6123 Lyons Road, Coconut Creek, Florida 33073. The agenda is as follows:

- Call to Order/Roll Call
- 2. Public Comments
- 3. Administration of Oath of Office to Supervisor Debbie Leonard [Seat 3] (the following to be provided under separate cover)
 - A. Required Ethics Training and Disclosure Filing
 - Sample Form 1 2023/Instructions
 - B. Membership, Obligations and Responsibilities
 - C. Guide to Sunshine Amendment and Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees
 - D. Form 8B: Memorandum of Voting Conflict for County, Municipal and other Local Public Office
- 4. Consider Appointment to Fill Unexpired Term of Seat 1; Term Expires November 2026
 - Administration of Oath of Office to Appointed Supervisor
- 5. Consideration of Resolution 2025-05, Electing and Removing Officers of the District and Providing for an Effective Date
- 6. Consideration of Resolution 2025-06, Approving a Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2025/2026 and Setting a Public Hearing Thereon Pursuant to Florida Law; Addressing Transmittal, Posting and Publication Requirements; Addressing Severability; and Providing for an Effective Date
- 7. Consideration of Resolution 2025-07, Designating Dates, Times and Locations for Regular Meetings of the Board of Supervisors of the District for Fiscal Year 2025/2026 and Providing for an Effective Date

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- 8. Consideration of Resolution 2025-08, Approving the Florida Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement; Providing for Severability; and Providing for an Effective Date
- 9. Acceptance of Unaudited Financial Statements as of February 28, 2025
- 10. Approval of Minutes
 - A. February 18, 2025 Landowners' Meeting
 - B. February 18, 2025 Regular Meeting
- 11. Staff Reports
 - A. District Counsel: Billing, Cochran, Lyles, Mauro & Ramsey, P.A.
 - B. District Engineer: Alvarez Engineers, Inc.
 - C. District Manager: Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC
 - NEXT MEETING DATE: May 20, 2025 at 2:30 PM
 - QUORUM CHECK

SEAT 1		In Person	PHONE	No
SEAT 2	Maria Bolivar	In Person	PHONE	☐ No
SEAT 3	DEBBIE LEONARD	In Person	PHONE	☐ No
SEAT 4	REBECCA CORTES	In Person	PHONE	☐ No
SEAT 5	Darlene DePaula	☐ In Person	☐ PHONE	☐ No

- 12. Board Members' Comments/Requests
- 13. Public Comments
- 14. Adjournment

Please do not hesitate to contact me directly at (561) 517-5111 with any questions.

Singerely,

Kristen Thomas District Manager FOR BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF TO ATTEND BY TELEPHONE

CALL-IN NUMBER: 1-888-354-0094 PARTICIPANT PASSCODE: 8664977

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MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

RESOLUTION 2025-05

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ELECTING AND REMOVING OFFICERS OF THE DISTRICT AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Merrick Square Community Development District (the "District") is a local unit of special-purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*; and

WHEREAS, the District's Board of Supervisors desires to elect and remove Officers of the District.

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

.025:	SECTION 1.	The following is	s/are elected as Officer(s) of the District effective April 15,
			is elected Chair
			is elected Vice Chair
			is elected Assistant Secretary
			is elected Assistant Secretary
			is elected Assistant Secretary
	SECTION 2.	The following O	officer(s) shall be removed as Officer(s) as of April 15, 2025:

Craig Wrathell	is Secretary
Daniel Rom	is Assistant Secretary
Kristen Thomas	is Assistant Secretary
Craig Wrathell	is Treasurer
Jeff Pinder	is Assistant Treasurer
PASSED AND ADOPTED	THIS 15TH DAY OF APRIL, 2025.
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Γ:	MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
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SECTION 3. The following prior appointments by the Board remain unaffected by this

Resolution:

MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

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RESOLUTION 2024-06

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT APPROVING A PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026 AND SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON PURSUANT TO FLORIDA LAW; ADDRESSING TRANSMITTAL, POSTING AND PUBLICATION REQUIREMENTS; ADDRESSING SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the District Manager has prepared and submitted to the Board of Supervisors ("Board") of the Merrick Square Community Development District ("District"), prior to June 15, 2025, the proposed budget ("Proposed Budget") for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2025 and ending September 30, 2026 ("Fiscal Year 2025/2026"); 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 MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

- **SECTION 1. PROPOSED BUDGET APPROVED.** The Proposed Budget prepared by the District Manager for Fiscal Year 2025/2026, attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, is hereby approved as the basis for conducting a public hearing to adopt said Proposed Budget.
- **SECTION 2. SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING.** A public hearing on said approved Proposed Budget is hereby declared and set for the following date, hour, and location:

DATE:

HOUR: 2:30 p.m.

LOCATION: office of D.R. Horton

6123 Lyons Road

Coconut Creek, Florida 33073

- SECTION 3. TRANSMITTAL OF PROPOSED BUDGET TO LOCAL GENERAL PURPOSE GOVERNMENTS. The District Manager is hereby directed to submit a copy of the Proposed Budget to Broward County at least sixty (60) days prior to the hearing set above.
- **SECTION 4. POSTING OF PROPOSED BUDGET.** In accordance with Section 189.016, *Florida Statutes*, the District's Secretary is further directed to post the approved Proposed Budget on the District's website at least two (2) days before the budget hearing date as set forth in Section 2 and shall remain on the website for at least forty-five (45) days.
- **SECTION 5. PUBLICATION OF NOTICE.** Notice of this public hearing shall be published in the manner prescribed in Florida law.

SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY. The invalidity or unenforceability of any one or more provisions of this Resolution shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining portions of this Resolution, or any part thereof.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 15th day of April, 2025.

ATTEST:	MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
Secretary/Assistant Secretary	Chair/Vice Chair, Board of Supervisors

Exhibit A: Fiscal Year 2025/2026 Proposed Budget

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MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT PROPOSED BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2026

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MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT GENERAL FUND BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2026

•	Adopted	Actual	Projected	Total Actual	Adopted
	Budget	through	through	&	Budget
	FY 2025	2/28/2025	9/30/2025	Projected	FY 2026
REVENUES	_				
Assessment levy: on-roll - gross	\$ 118,936				\$ 123,073
Allowable discounts (4%)	(4,757)				(4,923)
Assessment levy: on-roll - net	114,179	\$ 109,494	\$ 4,685	\$ 114,179	118,150
Total revenues	114,179	109,494	4,685	114,179	118,150
EXPENDITURES					
Professional & administrative					
Management/accounting/recording	42,000	17,500	24,500	42,000	42,000
Legal	25,000	2,010	5,500	7,510	12,000
Engineering	3,000	_,0.0	3,000	3,000	3,000
Audit	4,600	_	4,600	4,600	4,600
Arbitrage rebate calculation	500	_	500	500	500
Dissemination agent	1,000	417	583	1,000	1,000
EMMA software service	1,000	1,000	-	1,000	1,000
Trustee	5,500	-	5,500	5,500	5,500
Telephone	200	83	117	200	200
Postage	500	-	500	500	500
Printing & binding	500	208	292	500	500
Legal advertising	3,000	475	2,400	2,875	4,500
Annual special district fee	175	175	-	175	175
Insurance - GL and D&O	5,720	5,408	-	5,408	5,949
Contingencies/bank charges	500	453	47	500	700
Website hosting & maintenance	705	-	705	705	705
Website ADA compliance	210	-	210	210	210
Tax collector	2,379	543	1,836	2,379	2,461
Total professional & administrative	96,489	28,272	50,290	78,562	85,500

MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT GENERAL FUND BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2026

Fiscal Year 2025 Adopted Actual Projected Total Actual Adopted Budget through **Budget** through & FY 2025 2/28/2025 9/30/2025 Projected FY 2026 **Field operations** Stormwater management Field management 2,000 Wetland maintenance 3,460 3,460 3,460 22,000 Wetland monitoring 2,500 2,500 2,500 3,500 Roadway/drainage maintenance 5,000 5,000 Class V Permits 2,150 Total field operations 12,960 5,960 5,960 32,650 109,449 28,272 56,250 Total expenditures 84,522 118,150 Excess/(deficiency) of revenues over/(under) expenditures 4,730 81,222 (51,565)29,657 0 Fund balance - beginning (unaudited) 21,906 (133)81,089 (133)29,524 Fund balance - ending (projected) Assigned Working capital 25,000 25,000 Unassigned 1,636 81,089 29,524 29,524 4,524 Fund balance - ending 26,636 81,089 29,524 29,524 29,524

MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT DEFINITIONS OF GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES

EXPENDITURES

EXPENDITURES	
Professional & administrative	
Management/accounting/recording Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC (WHA), specializes in managing community development districts by combining the knowledge, skills and experience of a team of professionals to ensure compliance with all of the District's governmental requirements. WHA develops financing programs, administers the issuance of tax exempt bond financings, operates and maintains the assets of the community.	\$ 42,000
Legal	12,000
General counsel and legal representation, which includes issues relating to public finance, public bidding, rulemaking, open meetings, public records, real property dedications, conveyances and contracts.	
Engineering	3,000
The District's Engineer will provide construction and consulting services, to assist the District in crafting sustainable solutions to address the long term interests of the community while recognizing the needs of government, the environment and maintenance of the District's facilities.	
Audit*	4,600
Statutorily required for the District to undertake an independent examination of its books, records and accounting procedures.	
Arbitrage rebate calculation	500
To ensure the District's compliance with all tax regulations, annual computations are necessary to calculate the arbitrage rebate liability.	
Dissemination agent	1,000
The District must annually disseminate financial information in order to comply with the requirements of Rule 15c2-12 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Wrathell, Hunt & Associates serves as dissemination agent.	
Trustee	5,500
EMMA software service	1,000
Telephone	200
Telephone and fax machine.	
Postage	500
Mailing of agenda packages, overnight deliveries, correspondence, etc.	
Printing & binding	500
Letterhead, envelopes, copies, agenda packages	
Legal advertising	4,500
The District advertises for monthly meetings, special meetings, public hearings, public bids, etc.	
Annual special district fee	175
Annual fee paid to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity.	
Insurance - GL and D&O	5,949
Contingencies/bank charges	700
Bank charges, Positive Pay and other miscellaneous expenses incurred during the year and automated AP routing etc.	
Website hosting & maintenance	705
Website ADA compliance	210
Tax collector	2,461

MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT DEFINITIONS OF GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES

Field operations

Stormwater management	
Wetland maintenance	22,000
Twice per year (1.73 acres)	
Wetland monitoring	3,500
Roadway/drainage maintenance	5,000
Class V Permit	2,150
Total expenditures	\$118,150

MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT DEBT SERVICE FUND BUDGET - SERIES 2023 FISCAL YEAR 2026

		Fiscal Year 2025								
		Adopted Budget		Actual through	Projected through		Total Revenue &			Adopted Budget
		FY 2025	2/28/2025		9/30/2025		Expenditures		FY 2026	
REVENUES										
Special assessment - on-roll	\$	307,879							\$	307,879
Allowable discounts (4%)		(12,315)								(12,315)
Assessment levy: net		295,564	\$	283,380	\$	12,184	\$	295,564		295,564
Interest				4,479		-		4,479		
Total revenues		295,564		287,859		12,184		300,043		295,564
EXPENDITURES										
Debt service										
Principal		65,000		-		65,000		65,000		65,000
Interest		225,506		112,753		112,753		225,506		222,581
Total debt service		290,506		112,753		177,753		290,506		287,581
Other fees & charges										
Tax collector		6,158		312		5,846		6,158		6,158
Total other fees & charges		6,158		312		5,846		6,158		6,158
Total expenditures		296,664		113,065		183,599		296,664		293,739
Excess/(deficiency) of revenues										
over/(under) expenditures		(1,100)		174,794	((171,415)		3,379		1,825
Fund balance:										
Net increase/(decrease) in fund balance		(1,100)		174,794		(171,415)		3,379		1,825
Beginning fund balance (unaudited)		268,529		284,482		459,276		284,482		287,861
Ending fund balance (projected)	\$	267,429	\$	459,276	\$	287,861	\$	287,861		289,686
Use of fund balance:										
Debt service reserve account balance (req	uired)								(144,703)
Principal and Interest expense - November										(109,828)
Projected fund balance surplus/(deficit) as			, 202	26					\$	35,155

MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT SERIES 2023 AMORTIZATION SCHEDULE

					Bond		
	Principal	Coupon Rate	Interest	Debt Service	Balance		
11/01/25			111,290.63	111,290.63	4,090,000.00		
05/01/26	65,000.00	4.500%	111,290.63	176,290.63	4,025,000.00		
11/01/26			109,828.13	109,828.13	4,025,000.00		
05/01/27	70,000.00	4.500%	109,828.13	179,828.13	3,955,000.00		
11/01/27			108,253.13	108,253.13	3,955,000.00		
05/01/28	70,000.00	4.500%	108,253.13	178,253.13	3,885,000.00		
11/01/28			106,678.13	106,678.13	3,885,000.00		
05/01/29	75,000.00	4.500%	106,678.13	181,678.13	3,810,000.00		
11/01/29			104,990.63	104,990.63	3,810,000.00		
05/01/30	80,000.00	4.500%	104,990.63	184,990.63	3,730,000.00		
11/01/30			103,190.63	103,190.63	3,730,000.00		
05/01/31	85,000.00	5.400%	103,190.63	188,190.63	3,645,000.00		
11/01/31			100,895.63	100,895.63	3,645,000.00		
05/01/32	90,000.00	5.400%	100,895.63	190,895.63	3,555,000.00		
11/01/32			98,465.63	98,465.63	3,555,000.00		
05/01/33	90,000.00	5.400%	98,465.63	188,465.63	3,465,000.00		
11/01/33			96,035.63	96,035.63	3,465,000.00		
05/01/34	95,000.00	5.400%	96,035.63	191,035.63	3,370,000.00		
11/01/34			93,470.63	93,470.63	3,370,000.00		
05/01/35	105,000.00	5.400%	93,470.63	198,470.63	3,265,000.00		
11/01/35			90,635.63	90,635.63	3,265,000.00		
05/01/36	110,000.00	5.400%	90,635.63	200,635.63	3,155,000.00		
11/01/36			87,665.63	87,665.63	3,155,000.00		
05/01/37	115,000.00	5.400%	87,665.63	202,665.63	3,040,000.00		
11/01/37			84,560.63	84,560.63	3,040,000.00		
05/01/38	120,000.00	5.400%	84,560.63	204,560.63	2,920,000.00		
11/01/38			81,320.63	81,320.63	2,920,000.00		
05/01/39	130,000.00	5.400%	81,320.63	211,320.63	2,790,000.00		
11/01/39			77,810.63	77,810.63	2,790,000.00		
05/01/40	135,000.00	5.400%	77,810.63	212,810.63	2,655,000.00		
11/01/40			74,165.63	74,165.63	2,655,000.00		
05/01/41	140,000.00	5.400%	74,165.63	214,165.63	2,515,000.00		
11/01/41			70,385.63	70,385.63	2,515,000.00		
05/01/42	150,000.00	5.400%	70,385.63	220,385.63	2,365,000.00		
11/01/42			66,335.63	66,335.63	2,365,000.00		
05/01/43	160,000.00	5.400%	66,335.63	226,335.63	2,205,000.00		
11/01/43			62,015.63	62,015.63	2,205,000.00		
05/01/44	170,000.00	5.625%	62,015.63	232,015.63	2,035,000.00		
11/01/44			57,234.38	57,234.38	2,035,000.00		
05/01/45	180,000.00	5.625%	57,234.38	237,234.38	1,855,000.00		
11/01/45			52,171.88	52,171.88	1,855,000.00		
05/01/46	190,000.00	5.625%	52,171.88	242,171.88	1,665,000.00		
11/01/46			46,828.13	46,828.13	1,665,000.00		
05/01/47	200,000.00	5.625%	46,828.13	246,828.13	1,465,000.00		

MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT SERIES 2023 AMORTIZATION SCHEDULE

					Bond
_	Principal	Coupon Rate	Interest	Debt Service	Balance
11/01/47			41,203.13	41,203.13	1,465,000.00
05/01/48	210,000.00	5.625%	41,203.13	251,203.13	1,255,000.00
11/01/48			35,296.88	35,296.88	1,255,000.00
05/01/49	225,000.00	5.625%	35,296.88	260,296.88	1,030,000.00
11/01/49			28,968.75	28,968.75	1,030,000.00
05/01/50	235,000.00	5.625%	28,968.75	263,968.75	795,000.00
11/01/50			22,359.38	22,359.38	795,000.00
05/01/51	250,000.00	5.625%	22,359.38	272,359.38	545,000.00
11/01/51			15,328.13	15,328.13	545,000.00
05/01/52	265,000.00	5.625%	15,328.13	280,328.13	280,000.00
11/01/52			7,875.00	7,875.00	280,000.00
05/01/53	280,000.00	5.625%	7,875.00	287,875.00	-
Total	4,155,000.00	_	4,296,026.25	8,451,026.25	

MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ASSESSMENT COMPARISON PROJECTED FISCAL YEAR 2026 ASSESSMENTS

On-Roll									
								ı	FY 2025
		FY 2	2026 O&M	F١	2026 DS	FY	2026 Total		Total
		Ass	Assessment		Assessment		Assessment		sessment
Product/Parcel	Units	per Unit		per Unit		per Unit		per Unit	
TH	211	\$	583.29	\$	1,459.14	\$	2,042.43	\$	2,022.82
Total	211								

MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

RESOLUTION 2025-07

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT DESIGNATING DATES, TIMES AND LOCATIONS FOR REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026 AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Merrick Square Community Development District ("**District**") is a local unit of special-purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*; and

WHEREAS, the District is required by Section 189.015, *Florida Statutes*, to file quarterly, semi-annually, or annually a schedule (including date, time, and location) of its regular meetings with local governing authorities; and

WHEREAS, further, in accordance with the above-referenced statute, the District shall also publish quarterly, semi-annually, or annually the District's regular meeting schedule in a newspaper of general paid circulation in the county in which the District is located.

WHEREAS, the Board desires to adopt the Fiscal Year 2025/2026 meeting schedule attached as Exhibit A.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

- 1. **ADOPTING FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026 ANNUAL MEETING SCHEDULE.** The Fiscal Year 2025/2026 annual meeting schedule attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein as **Exhibit A** is hereby approved and shall be published in accordance with the requirements of Florida law and also provided to applicable governing authorities.
- 2. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 15th day of April, 2025.

ATTEST:	MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT	
Constant / Assistant Constant	Chair/Vice Chair Beard of Constraints	
Secretary/Assistant Secretary	Chair/Vice Chair, Board of Supervisors	

EXHIBIT "A"

MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026 MEETING SCHEDULE

LOCATION

offices of D.R. Horton, 6123 Lyons Road, Coconut Creek, Florida 33073

DATE	POTENTIAL DISCUSSION/FOCUS	TIME
October 21, 2025	Regular Meeting	2:30 PM
November 18, 2025	Regular Meeting	2:30 PM
December 16, 2025	Regular Meeting	2:30 PM
January 20, 2026	Regular Meeting	2:30 PM
February 17, 2026	Regular Meeting	2:30 PM
March 17, 2026	Regular Meeting	2:30 PM
April 21, 2026	Regular Meeting	2:30 PM
May 19, 2026	Regular Meeting	2:30 PM
June 16, 2026	Regular Meeting	2:30 PM
July 21, 2026	Regular Meeting	2:30 PM
August 18, 2026	Regular Meeting	2:30 PM
September 15, 2026	Regular Meeting	2:30 PM

MERRICK SQUARE

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT



RESOLUTION 2025-08

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT APPROVING THE FLORIDA STATEWIDE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the State Emergency Management Act, Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, authorizes the state and its political subdivisions to develop and enter into mutual aid agreements for reciprocal emergency aid and assistance in case of emergencies too extensive to be dealt with unassisted; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the Merrick Square Community Development District desires to move forward and approve an agreement with the State of Florida, Division of Emergency Management, concerning the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity requires an independent special district to participate in the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement to be eligible for funds under Administrative Rule 9G-1 9, Base Funding for County Emergency Management Agencies and Municipal Competitive Grant and Loan Programs;

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

- **1. RECITALS.** The foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are true and correct and are hereby ratified and confirmed by the Board of Supervisors.
- **2. APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT.** The execution of the attached Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement is hereby authorized, and the Agreement is hereby approved.
- **3. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 15th day of April, 2025.

ATTEST:	MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT	
Secretary/Assistant Secretary	Chair/Vice Chair, Board of Supervisors	

<u>Exhibit A</u> Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement





Ron DeSantis, Governor

Kevin Guthrie, Executive Director

STATEWIDE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT - 2023

This Agreement is an acknowledgment of receipt by the Florida Division of Emergency Management ("the Division") and the local government ("Participating Party") signing this Agreement. Execution of this agreement replaces all previous iterations and is active until a new agreement is drafted and requested by The Division.

This Agreement is based on the existence of the following conditions:

- A. The State of Florida is vulnerable to a wide range of emergencies and disasters that are likely to cause the disruption of essential services and the destruction of the infrastructure needed to deliver those services.
- B. Such emergencies and disasters often exceed the emergency response and recovery capabilities of any one county or local government.
- C. Such incidents may also give rise to unusual and unanticipated physical and technical needs which a local government cannot meet with existing resources, but that other local governments within the State of Florida may be able to provide.
- D. The Emergency Management Act, chapter 252, *Florida Statutes*, provides each local government of the state the authority to develop and enter into mutual aid agreements within the state for reciprocal emergency aid in case of emergencies too extensive to be dealt with unassisted, and through such agreements ensure the timely reimbursement of costs incurred by the local governments which render such assistance.
- E. Pursuant to chapter 252.32, *Florida Statutes*, the Division renders mutual aid among the political subdivisions of the state to carry out emergency management functions and responsibilities.
- F. Pursuant to chapter 252, *Florida Statutes*, the Division has the authority to coordinate and direct emergency management assistance between local governments and concentrate available resources where needed.

Based on the existence of the foregoing conditions, the Parties agree to the following articles:

ARTICLE I: DEFINITIONS

As used in this Agreement, the following expressions shall have the following meanings:

A. The "Agreement" is this Agreement, which shall be referred to as the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement ("SMAA").





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- B. The "Division" is the Florida Division of Emergency Management.
- C. A "Requesting Party" to this Agreement is a Participating Party who requests assistance under this agreement.
- D. An "Assisting Party" to this Agreement is a Participating Party who provides assistance to a Requesting Party under this agreement.
- E. The "Period of Assistance" is the time during which an Assisting Party renders assistance to a Requesting Party under this agreement and includes the time necessary for the resources and personnel of the Assisting Party to travel to the place specified by the Requesting Party and the time necessary to return to their place of origin.
- F. A "Mission" is a documented emergency response activity performed during a Period of Assistance, usually in reference to one operational function or activity.
- G. A "local government" is any educational district, special district, or any entity that is a "local governmental entity" within the meaning of section 11.45(1)(g), *Florida Statutes*.
- H. An "educational district" is any school district within the meaning of section 1001.30, *Florida Statutes*, and any Florida College System Institution or State University within the meaning of section 1000.21, *Florida Statutes*.
- I. A "special district" is any local or regional governmental entity which is an independent special district within the meaning of section 189.012(3), *Florida Statutes*, established by local, special, or general act, or by rule, ordinance, resolution, or interlocal agreement.
- J. A "tribal council" is the respective governing bodies of the Seminole Tribe of Florida and Miccosukee Tribe of Indians recognized as special improvement district by section 285.18(1), Florida Statutes.
- K. An "interlocal agreement" is any agreement between local governments within the meaning of section 163.01(3)(a), *Florida Statutes*.
- L. A "Resource Support Agreement" as used in this Agreement refers to a supplemental agreement of support between a Requesting Party and an Assisting Party.
- M. "Proof of work" as used in this Agreement refers to original and authentic documentation of a single individual or group of individuals' emergency response activity at a tactical level.





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- N. "Proof of payment" as used in this Agreement refers to original and authentic documentation of an emergency response expenditure made by an Assisting Party.
- O. A "Reimbursement Package" as used in this Agreement refers to a full account of mission response documentation supported by proof of work and proof of payment.
- P. Any expressions not assigned definitions elsewhere in this Agreement shall have the definitions assigned them by the Emergency Management Act, Chapter 252, *Florida Statutes*.

ARTICLE II: APPLICABILITY OF THE AGREEMENT

Any Participating Party, including the Division, may request assistance under this Agreement for a "major disaster" or "catastrophic disaster" as defined in section 252.34, *Florida Statutes*, minor disasters, and other such emergencies as lawfully determined by a Participating Party.

ARTICLE III: INVOCATION OF THE AGREEMENT

In the event of an emergency or anticipated emergency, a Participating Party may request assistance under this Agreement from any other Participating Party or the Division if, in the judgement of the Requesting Party, its own resources are inadequate to meet the needs of the emergency or disaster.

- A. Any request for assistance under this Agreement may be oral, but within five (5) calendar days must be confirmed in writing by the Requesting Party. All requests for assistance under this Agreement shall be transmitted by the Requesting Party to another Participating Party or the Division. If the Requesting Party transmits its request for Assistance directly to a Participating Party other than the Division, the Requesting Party and Assisting Party shall keep the Division advised of their activities.
- B. The Division shall relay any requests for assistance under this Agreement to such other Participating Parties as it may deem appropriate and coordinate the activities of the Assisting Parties to ensure timely assistance to the Requesting Party. All such activities shall be carried out in accordance with the State's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan.

ARTICLE IV: RESPONSIBILITIES OF REQUESTING PARTIES

To the extent practicable, all Requesting Parties shall provide the following information to their respective county emergency management agency, the Division, and the intended Assisting Party or Parties. In providing such information, Requesting Parties should utilize Section I of the





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Resource Support Agreement (RSA) Form, available via the <u>Division approved documents</u> SharePoint site¹.

- A. A description of the Mission to be performed by the Assisting Party;
- B. A description of the resources and capabilities needed to complete the Mission successfully;
- C. The location, date, and time personnel and resources from the Assisting Party should arrive at the incident site, staging area, facility, or other location designated by the Requesting Party;
- D. A description of the health, safety, and working conditions expected for deploying personnel;
- E. Lodging and meal availability;
- F. Any logistical requirements;
- G. A description of any location or facility outside the territorial jurisdiction of the Requesting Party needed to stage incoming resources and personnel;
- H. The location date, and time for personnel of the Requesting Party to meet and receive the personnel and equipment of the Assisting Party; and
- I. A technical description of any communications equipment needed to ensure effective information sharing between the Requesting Party, any Assisting Parties, and all relevant responding entities.

ARTICLE V: RESPONSIBILITIES OF ASSISTING PARTIES

Each Party shall render assistance under this Agreement to any Requesting Party to the extent practicable that its personnel, equipment, resources, and capabilities can render assistance. If upon receiving a request for assistance under this Agreement a Party determines that it has the capacity to render some or all of such assistance, it shall provide the following information without delay to the Requesting Party, the Division, and the Assisting Party's County emergency management agency. In providing such information, the Assisting Party should utilize the Section II of the Resource Support Agreement (RSA) Form, available via the <u>Division approved documents SharePoint site</u>.

¹ FDEM approved documents such as activity logs and mutual aid forms can be found at: https://portal.floridadisaster.org/projects/FROC/FROC_Documents/Forms/AllItems.aspx?View=%7B6F3CF7BD%2DC0A4%2D4BE2%2DB809%2DC8009D7D068 6%7D





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- A. A description of the personnel, equipment, supplies, services and capabilities it has available, together with a description of the qualifications of any skilled personnel;
- B. An estimate of the time such personnel, equipment, supplies, and services will continue to be available;
- C. An estimate of the time it will take to deliver such personnel, equipment, supplies, and services to the location(s) specified by the Requesting Party;
- D. A technical description of any communications and telecommunications equipment available for timely communications with the Requesting Party and other Assisting Parties;
- E. The names and contact information of all personnel whom the Assisting Party has designated as team leaders or supervisors; and
- F. An estimated cost for the provision of assistance.

ARTICLE VI: RENDITION OF ASSISTANCE

The Requesting Party shall afford the emergency response personnel of all Assisting Parties, while operating within the jurisdictional boundaries of the Requesting Party, the same powers, duties, rights, and privileges, except that of arrest unless specifically authorized by the Requesting Party, as are afforded the equivalent emergency response personnel of the Requesting Party. Emergency response personnel of the Assisting Party will remain under the command and control of the Assisting Party, but during the Period of Assistance, the resources and responding personnel of the Assisting Party will perform response activities under the operational and tactical control of the Requesting Party.

A. Unless otherwise agreed upon between the Requesting and Assisting Party, the Requesting Party shall be responsible for providing food, water, and shelter to the personnel of the Assisting Party. For Missions performed in areas where there are insufficient resources to support responding personnel and equipment throughout the Period of Assistance, the Assisting Party shall, to the fullest extent practicable, provide their emergency response personnel with the equipment, fuel, supplies, and technical resources necessary to make them self-sufficient throughout the Period of Assistance. When requesting assistance, the Requesting Party may specify that Assisting Parties send only self-sufficient personnel and resources but must specify the length of time self-sufficiency should be maintained.





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- B. Unless the Requesting Party has specified the contrary, it shall, to the fullest extent practicable, coordinate all communications between its personnel and the responding personnel of the Assisting Parties, and shall determine and share the frequencies and other technical specifications of all communications equipment to be used, as appropriate, with the deployed personnel of the Assisting Parties.
- C. Personnel of the Assisting Party who render assistance under this Agreement shall receive the usual wages, salaries, and other compensation as are normally afforded to personnel for emergency response activities within their home jurisdiction, and shall have all the immunities, rights, interests, and privileges applicable to their normal employment. If personnel of the Assisting Party hold local licenses or certifications limited to the jurisdiction of issue, then the Requesting Party shall recognize and honor those licenses or certifications for the duration of the Period of Assistance.

ARTICLE VII: REIMBURSEMENT

After the Period of Assistance has ended, the Assisting Party shall have 45 days to develop a full reimbursement package for services rendered and resources supplied during the Period of Assistance. All expenses claimed to the Requesting Party must have been incurred in direct response to the emergency as requested by the Requesting Party and must be supported by proof of work and proof of payment.

To guide the proper documentation and accountability of expenses, the Assisting Party should utilize the Claim Summary Form, available via the <u>Division approved documents SharePoint site</u> as a guide and summary of expense to collect information to then be formally submitted for review by the Requesting Party.

To receive reimbursement for assistance provided under this agreement, the Assisting Party shall provide, at a minimum, the following supporting documentation to the Requesting Party unless otherwise agreed upon between the Requesting and Assisting Parties:

- A. A complete and authentic description of expenses incurred by the Assisting Party during the Period of Assistance;
- B. Copy of a current and valid Internal Revenue Service W-9 Form;
- C. Copies of all relevant payment and travel policies in effect during the Period of Assistance;
- D. Daily personnel activity logs demonstrating emergency response activities performed for all time claimed (for FDEM reimbursement Division approved activity logs will be required for personnel activity claims);





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- E. Official payroll and travel reimbursement records for all claimed personnel expenses;
- F. Neat and comprehensive fringe benefit calculations for each position class or category of claimed personnel;
- G. Written justification for all additional expenses/purchases incurred during the Period of Assistance;
- H. Proof of payment for additional/miscellaneous expenses incurred during the Period of Assistance
- Equipment activity logs demonstrating equipment use and operation in support of emergency response activities for all time claimed (for FDEM reimbursement Division approved forms will be required for equipment activity claims);
- J. Proof of reimbursement to all employees who incurred emergency response expenses with personal money;
- K. Justification for equipment repair expenses; and
- L. Copies of any applicable supporting agreements or contracts with justification.

If a dispute or disagreement regarding the eligibility of any expense arises, the Requesting Party, Assisting Party, or the Division may elect binding arbitration. If binding arbitration is elected, the Parties must select as an arbitrator any elected official of another Participating Party, or any other official of another Participating Party whose normal duties include emergency management, and the other Participating Party shall also select such an official as an arbitrator, and the arbitrators thus chosen shall select another such official as a third arbitrator.

The three (3) arbitrators shall convene by teleconference or videoconference within thirty (30) calendar days to consider any documents and any statements or arguments by the Division, the Requesting Party, or the Assisting Party concerning the protest, and shall render a decision in writing not later than ten (10) business days after the close of the hearing. The decision of a majority of the arbitrators shall bind the parties and shall be final.

If the Participating Parties do not elect binding arbitration, this agreement and any disputes arising thereunder shall be governed by the laws of the State of Florida and venue shall be in Leon County, Florida. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to create an employer-employee relationship or a partnership or joint venture between the participating parties. Furthermore, nothing contained herein shall constitute a waiver by either Party of its sovereign immunity or the provisions of section 768.28, Florida Statutes. Nothing herein shall be construed as consent by either Party to be sued by third parties.





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ARTICLE VIII: COST ELIGIBLE FOR REIMBURSEMENT

The costs incurred by the Assisting Party under this Agreement shall be reimbursed as needed to make the Assisting Party whole to the fullest extent practicable.

- A. Employees of the Assisting Party who render assistance under this Agreement shall be entitled to receive from the Assisting Party all their usual wages, salaries, and any and all other compensation for mobilization, hours worked, and demobilization. Such compensation shall include any and all contributions for insurance and retirement, and such employees shall continue to accumulate seniority at the usual rate. As between the employees and the Assisting Party, the employees shall have all the duties, responsibilities, immunities, rights, interests, and privileges incident to their usual employment. The Requesting Party shall reimburse the Assisting Party for these costs of employment.
- B. The costs of equipment supplied by the Assisting Party shall be reimbursed at the rental rate established in FEMA's Schedule of Equipment, or at any other rental rate agreed to by the Requesting Party. In order to be eligible for reimbursement, equipment must be in actual operation performing eligible work. The labor costs of the operator are not included in the rates and should be approved separately from equipment costs. The Assisting Party shall pay for fuels, other consumable supplies, and repairs to its equipment as needed to keep the equipment in a state of operational readiness. Rent for the equipment shall be deemed to include the cost of fuel and other consumable supplies, maintenance, service, repairs, and ordinary wear and tear. With the consent of the Assisting Party, the Requesting Party may provide fuels, consumable supplies, maintenance, and repair services for such equipment at the site. In that event, the Requesting Party may deduct the actual costs of such fuels, consumable supplies, maintenance, and services from the total costs otherwise payable to the Assisting Party. If the equipment is damaged while in use under this Agreement and the Assisting Party receives payment for such damage under any contract of insurance, the Requesting Party may deduct such payment from any item or items billed by the Assisting Party for any of the costs for such damage that may otherwise be payable.
- C. The Requesting Party shall pay the total costs for the use and consumption of any and all consumable supplies delivered by the Assisting Party for the Requesting Party under this Agreement. In the case of perishable supplies, consumption shall be deemed to include normal deterioration, spoilage, and damage notwithstanding the exercise of reasonable care in its storage and use. Supplies remaining unused shall be returned to the Assisting Party in usable condition upon the close of the Period of Assistance, and the Requesting Party may deduct the cost of such returned supplies from the total costs billed by the Assisting Party for such supplies. If the Assisting Party agrees, the Requesting Party may also replace any and all used consumable supplies with like





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supplies in usable condition and of like grade, quality and quantity within the time allowed for reimbursement under this Agreement.

D. The Assisting Party shall keep records to document all assistance rendered under this Agreement. Such records shall present information sufficient to meet the audit requirements specified in the regulations of FEMA and any applicable circulars issued by the State of Florida. Upon reasonable notice, the Assisting Party shall make its records available the Requesting Party for inspection or duplication between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on all weekdays, except for official holidays.

ARTICLE IX: INSURANCE

Each Participating Party shall determine for itself what insurance to procure, if any. With the exceptions in this Article, nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to require any Participating Party to procure insurance.

- A. Each Participating Party shall procure employers' insurance meeting the requirements of the Workers' Compensation Act, as amended, affording coverage for any of its employees who may be injured while performing any activities under the authority of this Agreement, and shall be provided to each Participating Party.
- B. Participating Parties may elects additional insurance affording liability coverage for any activities that may be performed under the authority of this Agreement .
- C. Subject to the limits of such liability insurance as any Participating Party may elect to procure, nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to waive, in whole or in part, any immunity any Participating Party may have in any judicial or quasi-judicial proceeding.
- D. Each Participating Party which renders assistance under this Agreement shall be deemed to stand in the relation of an independent contractor to all other Participating Parties and shall not be deemed to be the agent of any other Participating Party.
- E. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to relieve any Participating Party of liability for its own conduct and that of its employees.
- F. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to obligate any Participating Party to indemnify any other Participating Party from liability to third parties.





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ARTICLE X: GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary elsewhere in this Agreement, all Participating Parties shall be subject to the following requirements in the performance of this Agreement:

- A. All Participating Parties shall allow public access to all documents, papers, letters, or other materials subject to the requirements of the Public Records Act, as amended, and made or received by any Participating Party in conjunction with this Agreement.
- B. No Participating Party may hire employees in violation of the employment restrictions in the Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended.
- C. No costs reimbursed under this Agreement may be used directly or indirectly to influence legislation or any other official action by the Legislature of the State of Florida or any of its agencies.
- D. Any communication to the Division under this Agreement shall be sent via either email, the Division of Emergency Managements Enterprise System (DEMES), or mail to the Response Bureau, Florida Division of Emergency Management, 2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2100.
- E. Any communication to a Participating Party shall be sent to the official or officials specified by that Participating Party. For the purpose of this section, any such communication may be sent by the U.S. Mail, e-mail, or other electronic platforms.

ARTICLE XI: EFFECTS OF AGREEMENT

Upon its execution by a Participating Party, this Agreement shall have the following effect with respect to that Participating Party:

- A. The execution of this Agreement by any Participating Party which is a signatory to the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement of 1994 shall terminate the rights, interests, duties, responsibilities, and obligations of that Participating Party under the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement of 1994, but such termination shall not affect the liability of the Participating Party for the reimbursement of any costs due under the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement of 1994, regardless of whether such costs are billed or unbilled.
- B. The execution of this Agreement by any Participating Party which is a signatory to the Public Works Mutual Aid Agreement shall terminate the rights, interests, duties, responsibilities and obligations of that Participating Party under the Public Works Mutual Aid Agreement, but such termination shall not affect the liability of the Participating Party for the reimbursement of any costs due under the Public Works Mutual Aid Agreement,





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regardless of whether such costs are billed or unbilled.

- C. Upon the activation of this Agreement by the Requesting Party, this Agreement shall supersede any other existing agreement between it and any Assisting Party to the extent that the former may be inconsistent with the latter.
- D. Upon its execution by any Participating Party, this Agreement will continue in effect for one (1) year from its date of execution by that Participating Party, and it shall automatically renew each year after its execution, unless within sixty (60) calendar days before the renewal date the Participating Party notifies the Division, in writing, of its intent to withdraw from the Agreement.
- E. The Division shall transmit any amendment to this Agreement by sending the amendment to all Participating Parties not later than five (5) business days after its execution by the Division. Such amendment shall take effect not later than sixty (60) calendar days after the date of its execution by the Division and shall then be binding on all Participating Parties. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, any Participating Party who objects to the amendment may withdraw from the Agreement by notifying the Division in writing of its intent to do so within that time in accordance with section F of this Article.
- F. A Participating Party may rescind this Agreement at will after providing the other Participating Party a written SMAA withdrawal notice. Such notice shall be provided at least 30 days prior to the date of withdrawal. This 30-day withdrawal notice must be: written, signed by an appropriate authority, duly authorized on the official letterhead of the Participating Party, and must be sent via email, the Division of Emergency Managements Enterprise System (DEMES), or certified mail.

ARTICLE XII: INTERPRETATION AND APPLICATION OF AGREEMENT

The interpretation and application of this Agreement shall be governed by the following conditions:

- A. The obligations and conditions resting upon the Participating Parties under this Agreement are not independent, but dependent.
- B. Time shall be of the essence of this Agreement, and of the performance of all conditions, obligations, duties, responsibilities, and promises under it.
- C. This Agreement states all the conditions, obligations, duties, responsibilities, and promises of the Participating Parties with respect to the subject of this Agreement, and there are no conditions, obligations, duties, responsibilities, or promises other than those expressed in this Agreement.





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- D. If any sentence, clause, phrase, or other portion of this Agreement is ruled unenforceable or invalid, every other sentence, clause, phrase, or other portion of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect, it being the intent of the Division and the other Participating Parties that every portion of the Agreement shall be severable from every other portion to the fullest extent practicable. The Division reserves the right, at its sole and absolute discretion, to change, modify, add, or remove portions of any sentence, clause, phrase, or other portion of this Agreement that conflicts with state law, regulation, or policy. If the change is minor, the Division will notify the Participating Party of the change and such changes will become effective immediately; therefore, please check these terms periodically for changes. If the change is substantive, the Participating Parties may be required to execute the Agreement with the adopted changes. Any continued or subsequent use of this Agreement following the posting of minor changes to this Agreement shall signify implied acceptance of such changes.
- E. The waiver of any obligation or condition in this Agreement by a Participating Party shall not be construed as a waiver of any other obligation or condition in this Agreement.

NOTE: This iteration of the State of Florida Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement will replace all previous versions.

The Division shall provide reimbursement to Assisting Parties in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in this Article for missions performed at the direct request of the Division. Division reimbursement eligible expenses must be in direct response to the emergency as requested by the State of Florida. All required cost estimations and claims must be executed through the DEMES Mutual Aid Portal and assisting agencies must use all required <u>FDEM forms</u> for documentation and cost verification. If a Requesting Party has not forwarded a request through the Division, or if an Assisting Party has rendered assistance without being requested to do so by the Division, the Division shall not be liable for the costs of any such assistance.

FDEM reserves the right to deny individual reimbursement requests if deemed to not be in direct response to the incident for which asset was requested.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have duly executed this Agreement on the date specified below:





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FOR ADOPTION BY A COUNTY

STATE OF FLORIDA DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	
By: Kevin Guthrie, Executive Director or lan Guidicelli, Authorized Designee	Date:
ATTEST: CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT	BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OFCOUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA
By: Clerk or Deputy Clerk	By:
	Date:Approved as to Form:
	By: County Attorney





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FOR ADOPTION BY A CITY

STATE OF FLORIDA DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	
By:	Date:
Kevin Guthrie, Executive Director or lan Guidicelli, Authorized Designee	
ATTEST: CITY CLERK	CITY OF STATE OF FLORIDA
By:	Ву:
Title:	Title:
	Date:
	Approved as to Form:
	By:
	City Attorney





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FOR ADOPTION BY A COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

STATE OF FLORIDA DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT		
By:	Date:	
Kevin Guthrie, Executive Director or Ian Guidicelli, Authorized Designee		
COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, STATE OF FLORIDA		
By:	By:	
Title:	Title:	
	Date:	
	Approved as to Form:	
	Approved as to Form: By:	





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FOR ADOPTION BY A COUNTY OR CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT/DISTRICT OFFICE

STATE OF FLORIDA DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT		
By:	Date:	
Kevin Guthrie, Executive Director or Ian Guidicelli, Authorized Designee		
COUNTY OR CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT/DISTRICT, STATE OF FLORIDA		
By:	By:	
Title:	Title:	
	Date:	
	Approved as to Form:	
	By:	
	Attorney for Entity	





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Kevin Guthrie, Executive Director

FOR ADOPTION BY AN EDUCATIONAL DISTRICT

DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMEN	Т
By:	Date:
Kevin Guthrie, Executive Director or Ian Guidicelli, Authorized Designee	
	SCHOOL DISTRICT, STATE OF FLORIDA
By:	Ву:
Title:	Title:
	Date:
	Approved as to Form:
	Ву:
	Attorney for District





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FOR ADOPTION BY STATE COLLEGE, COMMUNITY COLLEGE OR STATE UNIVERSITY

STATE OF FLORIDA DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	
By:	Date:
Kevin Guthrie, Executive Director or Ian Guidicelli, Authorized Designee	
ATTEST:	BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF STATE COLLEGE, COMMUNITY
	COLLEGE, or STATE OF FLORIDA
	BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
	UNIVERISTY, STATE OF FLORIDA
By:	By:
Clerk	Chairman
	Date:
	Approved as to Form:
	By:
	Attorney for Board





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FOR ADOPTION BY A SPECIAL DISTRICT

DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	
By: Kevin Guthrie, Executive Director or Ian Guidicelli, Authorized Designee	Date:
Tari Guidicelli, Adirionzed Designee	
	SPECIAL DISTRICT, STATE OF FLORIDA
By:	By:
Title:	Title:
	Date:
	Approved as to Form:
	Ву:
	Attorney for District





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FOR ADOPTION BY AN AUTHORITY

STATE OF FLORIDA DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	
By:	Date:
Kevin Guthrie, Executive Director or lan Guidicelli, Authorized Designee	
ATTEST:	BOARD OF TRUSTEES
	OFAUTHORITY, STATE OF FLORIDA
By:	By:
Clerk	Chairman
	Date:
	Approved as to Form:
	By:
	Attorney for Board





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FOR ADOPTION BY A NATIVE AMERICAN TRIBE

STATE OF FLORIDA DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	
By:	Date:
Kevin Guthrie, Executive Director or lan Guidicelli, Authorized Designee	
ATTEST:	TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE TRIBE OF FLORIDA
Ву:	By:
Council Clerk	Chairman
	Date:
	Approved as to Form:
	Ву:
	Attorney for Council





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FOR ADOPTION BY A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

STATE OF FLORIDA DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT		
By: Kevin Guthrie, Executive Director or lan Guidicelli, Authorized Designee	Date:	
MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, STATE OF FLORIDA		
By:	By:	
Title:	Title:	
	Date: 4/15/2025	
	Approved as to Form:	
	By: Attorney for District	





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SAMPLE AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTION OF STATEWIDE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT

RESOLUTION NO
WHEREAS, the State of Florida Emergency Management Act, Chapter 252, authorizes the State and its political subdivisions to provide emergency aid and assistance in the event of a disaster or emergency; and
WHEREAS the statutes also authorize the State to coordinate the provision of any equipment, services, or facilities owned or organized by the State or it political subdivisions for use in the affected area upon the request of the duly constituted authority of the area; and
WHEREAS this Resolution authorizes the request, provision, and receipt of interjurisdictional mutual assistance in accordance with the Emergency Management Act, Chapter 252, among political subdivisions within the State; and
NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by
that in order to
maximize the prompt, full and effective use of resources of all participating governments in the event of an emergency or disaster we hereby adopt the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.
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STATEWIDE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT – SAMPLE ATTACHMENT Encompassed Entities

This notice is an acknowledgment of an amendment to the 2023 SMAA by the Florida Division of Emergency Management ("the Division") which allows parent entities to include individual departments and subdivisions, within their authority, to be listed as SMAA designees eligible for SMAA request and assistance procedures.

By our authority and adoption of the attached 2023 Statewide Mutual Aid agreement, as the parent entity, the following departments and subdivisions will be included as SMAA signatories for all asset request, assistance, and applicable reimbursement processes:

All entities listed herein will still require at Reimbursement process requirements.	ccess	to the DEMES Mutual Ald System for FDEM

MERRICK SQUARE

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS UNAUDITED FEBRUARY 28, 2025

MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FEBRUARY 28, 2025

		General Fund	Debt Service Fund		Capital Projects Fund	Gov	Total vernmental Funds
ASSETS Cash	\$	119,588	\$ -	\$	_	\$	119,588
Investments	Ψ	113,300	Ψ -	Ψ		Ψ	119,500
Revenue		_	311,712		_		311,712
Reserve		_	144,703		_		144,703
Capitalized interest		-	4		_		4
Construction		-	-		88,692		88,692
Due from Landowner		10,146	-		-		10,146
Due from general fund		-	2,857		-		2,857
Total assets	\$	129,734	\$ 459,276	\$	88,692	\$	677,702
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities:							
Contracts payable	\$	-	\$ -	\$	25,000	\$	25,000
Due to Landowner		1,500	-		-		1,500
Due to other		382	-		-		382
Due to debt service fund		2,857	-		-		2,857
Landowner advance		6,000			-		6,000
Total liabilities		10,739			25,000		35,739
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES							
Deferred receipts		10,146			-		10,146
Total deferred inflows of resources		10,146			-		10,146
Fund balances: Restricted for:							
Debt service		-	459,276		-		459,276
Capital projects		-	-		63,692		63,692
Unassigned		108,849			-		108,849
Total fund balances		108,849	459,276		63,692		631,817
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	\$	129,734	\$ 459,276	\$	88,692	\$	677,702

MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT GENERAL FUND

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES FOR THE PERIOD ENDED FEBRUARY 28, 2025

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	Current Month	Year to Date	Budget	% of Budget
REVENUES				
Assessment levy: on-roll - net	\$ 1,105	\$ 109,494	\$ 114,179	96%
Total revenues	1,105	109,494	114,179	96%
EXPENDITURES				
Professional & administrative				
Management/accounting/recording	3,500	17,500	42,000	42%
Legal	500	2,010	25,000	8%
Engineering	-	-	3,000	0%
Audit	-	-	4,600	0%
Arbitrage rebate calculation	-	-	500	0%
Dissemination agent	83	417	1,000	42%
Trustee	-	-	5,500	0%
Telephone	17	83	200	42%
Postage	-	-	500	0%
Printing & binding	42	208	500	42%
Legal advertising	-	474	3,000	16%
Annual special district fee	-	175	175	100%
Insurance - GL and D&O	-	5,408	5,720	95%
Tax Collector	1	543	2,379	23%
Contingencies/bank charges	95	452	500	90%
EMMA Software Service	-	1,000	1,000	100%
Website hosting & maintenance	-	-	705	0%
Website ADA compliance	-	-	210	0%
Total professional & administrative	4,238	28,270	96,489	29%
Field operations				
Stormwater management				
Field management	-	-	2,000	0%
Wetland management	-	-	3,460	0%
Wetland monitoring	-	-	2,500	0%
Roadway maintenance	-	-	5,000	0%
Total field operations		-	12,960	0%
Total expenditures	4,238	28,270	109,449	26%
Excess/(deficiency) of revenues				
over/(under) expenditures	(3,133)	81,224	4,730	
Fund balances - beginning	111,982	27,625	21,906	
Fund balances - ending	\$ 108,849	\$ 108,849	\$ 26,636	
** These items will be realized the year after the issuance	of bonds.			

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MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES DEBT SERVICE FUND SERIES 2023 FOR THE PERIOD ENDED FEBRUARY 28, 2025

		ırrent onth	`	∕ear To Date	Budget	% of Budget
REVENUES						
Assessment levy: on-roll - net	\$	2,860	\$	283,380	\$ 295,564	96%
Interest		1,050		4,479		N/A
Total revenues		3,910		287,859	295,564	97%
EXPENDITURES						
Debt service						
Principal		-		-	65,000	0%
Interest		-		112,753	225,506	50%
Total debt service		-		112,753	290,506	39%
Other fees & charges						
Tax collector		4		312	6,158	5%
Total other fees and charges		4		312	6,158	5%
Total expenditures		4		113,065	296,664	38%
Excess/(deficiency) of revenues						
over/(under) expenditures		3,906		174,794	(1,100)	
Fund balances - beginning		55,370		284,482	268,529	
Fund balances - ending	\$ 4	59,276	\$	459,276	\$ 267,429	

MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND SERIES 2023 FOR THE PERIOD ENDED FEBRUARY 28, 2025

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MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

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5			_	quare Community Development District was
6		•	•	es of D.R. Horton, 6123 Lyons Road, Coconut
7 8	Creek,	Florida 33073.		
9 10 11 12 13		Present: Kristen Thoma Ginger Wald Rebecca Corte		District Manager/Proxy Holder District Counsel
13 14 15 16 17		Darlene dePai Maria Bolivar		
18 19	FIRST	ORDER OF BUS		Call to Order/Roll Call
20 21		Ms. Thomas c	alled the meeting to order at	2:30 p.m.
22 23	SECON	ID ORDER OF B	BUSINESS	Affidavit/Proof of Publication
2425		The affidavit o	of publication was included for	r informational purposes.
26 27 28	THIRD	ORDER OF BU	SINESS	Election of Chair to Conduct Landowners' Meeting
29 30		Ms. Thomas s	erved as Chair to conduct the	Landowners' meeting.
31	FOUR1	TH ORDER OF E	BUSINESS	Election of Supervisors [Seats 3, 4, 5]
32 33	Α.	Nominations		, ,
34		Ms. Thomas n	ominated the following:	
35		Seat 3	Debbie Leonard	
36		Seat 4	Rebecca Cortes	
37		Seat 5	Darlene dePaula	

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SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Debbie Leonard

Rebecca Cortes

Debbie Leonard

Rebecca Cortes

Ballot Tabulation and Results

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The meeting adjourned at 2:34 p.m.

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Casting of Ballots

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FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

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75	Secretary/Assistant Secretary	Chair/Vice Chair

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MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

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1 2 3 4	MERRIO	OF MEETING CK SQUARE VELOPMENT DISTRICT
5	The Board of Supervisors of the Merric	ck Square Community Development District held a
6	Regular Meeting on February 18, 2025, i	mmediately following the adjournment of the
7	Landowners' meeting, scheduled to commend	ce at 2:30 p.m., at the offices of D.R. Horton, 6123
8	Lyons Road, Coconut Creek, Florida 33073.	
9 10	Present:	
11 12 13 14	Rebecca Cortes Darlene dePaula Maria Bolivar Also present:	Chair Vice Chair Assistant Secretary
16 17 18 19	Kristen Thomas Ginger Wald	District Manager District Counsel
20 21 22	FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS	Call to Order/Roll Call
23	Ms. Suit called the meeting to order at	2:31 p.m. The Oath of Office was administered to
24	Ms. Darlene dePaula and Ms. Rebecca Cortes	before the meeting.
25	Supervisors Cortes, dePaula and Boliva	ar were present. Supervisor-Elect Debbie Leonard
26 27	was not present. One seat was vacant.	
28 29	SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS	Public Comments
30	No members of the public spoke.	
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32 33 34 35 36	THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS	Administration of Oath of Office to Newly Elected Supervisors [Seats 3, 4 and 5] (the following to be provided under separate cover)
37	This item was addressed during the Fir	st Order of Business.
38	A. Required Ethics Training and Disclosur	re Filing

39		• Samp	le Form 1 2023/Instructions		
40	В.	Membership	, Obligation and Responsibili	ties	
41	C.	Guide to Sur	shine Amendment and Code	of Ethics for Public Of	ficers and Employees
42	D.	Form 8B: Me	emorandum of Voting Conflict	for County, Municipa	l and other Local Public
43		Officers			
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45 46 47 48 49 50 51	FOUR	TH ORDER OF		Canvassing and Cert Landowners' Electic Pursuant to Sectic Statutes, and Prov Date	Resolution 2025-01, ifying the Results of the on of Supervisors held on 190.006(2), Florida riding for an Effective
52	:	•	sented Resolution 2025-01. T	ne results of the Land	owners' Election will be
53	inserti		ns 1 and 2, as follows:		
54		Seat 3	Debbie Leonard	153 votes	4-Year Term
55		Seat 4	Rebecca Cortes	153 votes	4-Year Term
56		Seat 5	Darlene dePaula	150 votes	2-Year Term
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58 59 60 61		Resolution 2 Election of S	by Ms. Cortes and seconder 025-01, Canvassing and Cert Supervisors held Pursuant to g for an Effective Date, was a	ifying the Results of t Section 190.006(2), I	he Landowners'
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63 64	FIFTH	ORDER OF BU	SINESS	Acceptance of Resig	gnation of Raul Sanchez
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66 67		On MOTION	by Ms. Cortes and seconded	by Ms. doBaula with	all in favor the
68			of Mr. Raul Sanchez from Sea	•	all III lavor, the
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76	This item was deferred.	
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78 79 80 81	SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS	Consideration of Resolution 2025-02, Electing and Removing Officers of the District and Providing for an Effective Date
82	Ms. Suit presented Resolution 2025-02. Ms	. Cortes nominated the following:
83	Rebecca Cortes	Chair
84	Darlene dePaula	Vice Chair
85	Maria Bolivar	Assistant Secretary
86	No other nominations were made.	
87	This Resolution removes the following from	the Board:
88	Raul Sanchez	Assistant Secretary
89	The following prior appointments by the Bo	ard remain unaffected by this Resolution:
90	Craig Wrathell	Secretary
91	Daniel Rom	Assistant Secretary
92	Kristen Thomas	Assistant Secretary
93	Craig Wrathell	Treasurer
94	Jeff Pinder	Assistant Treasurer
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96 97 98 99 100	On MOTION by Ms. Cortes and seconded Resolution 2025-02, Electing, as nominal District and Providing for an Effective Date	ted, and Removing Officers of the
101 102 103 104 105 106 107 108	Ms. Thomas presented Resolution 2025-03.	Consideration of Resolution 2025-03, Ratifying the Actions of the District Manager in Redesignating the Date and Time for Landowners' Meeting; Providing for Publication, Providing for an Effective Date

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110		On MOTION by Ms. Bolivar and secon	nded by Ms. Cortes, with all in favor,			
l11		Resolution 2025-03, Ratifying the A				
112		Redesignating the Date and Time for	<u> </u>			
113		Publication, Providing for an Effective Da	ate, was adopted.			
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l15 l16	NUNT	H ORDER OF BUSINESS	Consideration of Goals and Objectives			
110 117	INIINII	H ORDER OF BOSINESS	Reporting [HB7013 - Special Districts			
118			Performance Measures and Standards			
119			Reporting]			
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121		Ms. Thomas presented the Memorandu	m explaining the new requirement for specia			
122	distri	cts to develop goals and objectives annu	ially and develop performance measures and			
123	stand	ards to assess the achievement of the go	als and objectives. Community Communication			
124	and Engagement, Infrastructure and Facilities Maintenance, and Financial Transparency an					
125	Accou	untability will be the key categories to foo	cus on for Fiscal Year 2025. She presented the			
126	Perfo	rmance Measures/Standards & Annual R	eporting Form developed for the CDD, which			
127	expla	ins how the CDD will meet the goals.				
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129 130 131		On MOTION by Ms. Cortes and seconde Goals and Objectives and the Perform Reporting Form, were approved.	•			
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134	TENT	H ORDER OF BUSINESS	Resolution 2025-04, Designating a			
135 136			Registered Agent and Registered Office of the District, and Providing for an Effective			
137			Date			
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139		Ms. Thomas presented Resolution 2025-0	04.			
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141		On MOTION by Ms. Cortes and second	ded by Ms. dePaula, with all in favor,			
142		Resolution 2025-04, Designating Michae	el J. Pawelczyk as Registered Agent and			
L43		515 East Las Olas Boulevard, Ft. Lauderd	ale, FL 33301 as the Registered Office of			

the District, and Providing for an Effective Date, was adopted.

SIXTEENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Adjournment

On MOTION by Ms. Bolivar and seconded by Ms. Cortes, with all in favor, the meeting adjourned at 2:49 p.m.

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189	Secretary/Assistant Secretary	Chair/Vice Chair	

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STAFF REPORTS

MERRICK SQUARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 MEETING SCHEDULE

LOCATION

offices of D.R. Horton, 6123 Lyons Road, Coconut Creek, Florida 33073

DATE	POTENTIAL DISCUSSION/FOCUS	TIME
October 15, 2024 CANCELED	Regular Meeting	2:30 PM
October 15, 2024 CANCELED	Regular Weeting	2.30 PIVI
November 5, 2024 CANCELED	Landowners' Meeting	12:00 PM
November 19, 2024 CANCELED	Regular Meeting	2:30 PM
December 17, 2024 CANCELED	Regular Meeting	2:30 PM
January 21, 2025	Landowners' Meeting	2:30 PM
rescheduled to February 18, 2025		
January 21, 2025 CANCELED	Regular Meeting	2:30 PM
February 18, 2025	Regular Meeting	2:30 PM
February 18, 2025	Landowners' Meeting	2:30 PM
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March 18, 2025 CANCELED	Regular Meeting	2:30 PM
April 15, 2025	Regular Meeting	2:30 PM
May 20, 2025	Regular Meeting	2:30 PM
June 17, 2025	Regular Meeting	2:30 PM
July 15, 2025	Regular Meeting	2:30 PM
August 19, 2025	Regular Meeting	2:30 PM
September 16, 2025	Regular Meeting	2:30 PM