# Section I Notice of Development of Proposed Rules and Negotiated Rulemaking

#### **NONE**

### Section II Proposed Rules

#### NONE

# Section III Notice of Changes, Corrections and Withdrawals

#### **NONE**

### Section IV Emergency Rules

#### NONE

# Section V Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Rule Variance or Waiver

DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Division of Facilities Management

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE: 60H-1.017 Turnkey Lease

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on November 22, 2017, the Department of Management Services received a petition for the waiver of paragraph 60H-1.017(1)(a), F.A.C., from the Florida Department of Children and Families. Paragraph 60H-1.017(1)(a), F.A.C., requires an agency to conduct one unsuccessful competitive procurement for existing space before then issuing another procurement for Turnkey Lease space.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Diane Wint, Agency Clerk at 4050 Esplanade Way, Suite 160, Tallahassee, FL 323299 or diane.wint@dms.myflorida.com.

### Section VI Notice of Meetings, Workshops and Public Hearings

#### DEPARTMENT OF LEGAL AFFAIRS

The Florida Commission on the Status of Women announces telephone conference calls to which all persons are invited.

DATES AND TIMES: December 6, 2017, 10:00 a.m.; December 18, 2017, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Call (850)414-3300 for instructions on participation. GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: December 6, Public Outreach Committee; December 18, Executive Committee.

NOTE: In the absence of quorum, items on this agenda will be discussed as workshop, and notes will be recorded although no formal action will be taken. If you have any questions, please call (850) 414-3300.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Florida Commission on the Status of Women at the Office of the Attorney General, The Capitol, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1050, (850)414-3300, fax (850)921-4131.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 3 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Florida Commission on the Status of Women at the Office of the Attorney General, The Capitol, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1050, (850)414-3300, fax (850)921-4131. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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For more information, you may contact: Florida Commission on the Status of Women at the Office of the Attorney General, The Capitol, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1050, (850)414-3300, fax (850)921-4131.

## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES

The Florida State Fair Executive Committee announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: December 5, 2017 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Conference call: 1(888)670-3525, participant code 3675418272#

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Legal.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting Marian Rieger, (813)627-4221.

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES

The Florida State Fair Board announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: November 27, 2017 8:00 am

PLACE: Florida State Fairgrounds conference call

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: This meeting is now cancelled.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 2 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Marian Rieger, (813)627-4221. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida

Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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DATE AND TIME: November 27, 2017 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Conference call: phone number 1(888)670-3525, participant code 3675418272#

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Legal matter.

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For more information, you may contact Marian Rieger, (813)627-4221.

## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES

Division of Administration

The Florida Agriculture Center and Horse Park Authority announces public meetings to which all persons are invited.

DATES AND TIMES: Thursday, December 14, 2017, 3:30 p.m.; Thursday, December 14, 2017, 5:30 p.m.

PLACE: Holiday Inn & Suites, Ocala Conference Center, 3600 SW 38th Avenue, Ocala, FL 34474

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: 3:30 p.m., Executive Committee Meeting; 5:30 p.m., Board of Directors Meeting.

These meetings are to discuss general business.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Tenley Struhs at tstruhs@flhorsepark.com.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 2 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Tenley Struhs at tstruhs@flhorsepark.com. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES

Division of Animal Industry

The Division of Animal Industry announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: December 7, 2017, 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: Florida Cattlemen's Association Building, 800 Shakerag Road, Kissimmee, Florida

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Quarterly meeting of the Animal Industry Technical Council to discuss animal and agricultural issues of concern.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting Stephen Monroe, (850)410-0944,

Stephen. Monroe @FreshFromflorida.com.

#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District One, announces a hearing to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: December 6, 2017: 5:00 p.m., open house; 6:00 p.m., formal hearing

PLACE: Lakeland Coleman-Bush Building, 1104 Martin Luther King Avenue, Lakeland, Florida, 33805

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District One, will hold a public hearing about roadway improvements. These modifications are part of a project on US 92 from Wabash Avenue to west of E. Gary Road, Polk County, FL.

The project includes concrete rehabilitation of the roadway, median modifications, full replacement of overhead lighting (from Wabash Avenue to Lake Parker Avenue), and the installation of four overhead mounted pedestrian signals. The pedestrian signals are called High-intensity Activated crossWalK beacon (HAWK) signals or pedestrian hybrid beacons. The public hearing will focus on the median modifications and the new HAWK signals between Lincoln Avenue and Ingraham Avenue.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting Jamie Schley, (863)519-2573, Jamie.Schley@dot.state.fl.us.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting Jamie Schley, District One Title VI Coordinator, (863)519-2573, Jamie.Schley@dot.state.fl.us. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: David Jones, Florida Department of Transportation at (863)519-2253 or David.Jones@dot.state.fl.us.

#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District One, announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: December 5, 2017 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. PLACE: Longboat Island Chapel, 6200 Gulf of Mexico Drive,

Longboat Key, Florida, 34228

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: FDOT is conducting a study to examine the feasibility of improving the overall transportation infrastructure, including traffic operations and circulation, on the Sarasota/Manatee Barrier Islands as well as island-to-mainland connections. To ensure a comprehensive approach, this study is evaluating a variety of elements including: travel patterns of users on the islands, trips on and off the islands, destination points, existing transit service, existing parking facilities, bicycle/pedestrian facilities and needs, and land development codes as it relates to parking. Phase 1 of the traffic study is complete. Phase 2 of the project is underway and includes observations, collection of traffic data, review of land use, parking studies, etc. Possible recommendations for various modes of transportation will be presented.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting Jamie Schley, jamie.schley@dot.state.fl.us.

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For more information, you may contact Tanya King, P.E., Project Manager, Florida Department of Transportation, (863)519-2509, tanya.king@dot.state.fl.us, or Nathan Kautz, P.E., Assistant Project Manager, Florida Department of Transportation, (863)519-2347, nathan.kautz@dot.state.fl.us.

#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District One, announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: December 5, 2017, 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: St. Mary Missionary Baptist Church, 1006 1st St, Bradenton, FL 34208

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District One is conducting Phase 2 of the Central Manatee Network Alternatives Analysis (CMNAA) Study. FDOT has partnered

with Sarasota/Manatee Metropolitan the Planning Organization, Manatee County, and the Cities of Palmetto and Bradenton to conduct the Study. Additionally, environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project will be carried out by the Florida Department of Transportation pursuant to 23 U.S.C. §327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 14, 2016 and executed by the Federal Highway Administration and FDOT. FDOT will hold a meeting to review conceptual transportation projects to address mobility and accessibility concerns within and through the study area and help improve the economic opportunities and quality of life of communities in the Cities of Palmetto and Bradenton. The public's continued participation in this effort will be essential in ensuring successful projects and outcomes. Please note that two or more elected officials may be present at the meeting.

For more information or a copy of the agenda you may contact Lawrence Massey, Project Manager, Florida Department of Transportation, (239)225-1980, lawrence.massey@dot.state.fl.us, or Deborah Chesna, Assistant Project Manager, Florida Department of Transportation, (863)519-2562, deborah.chesna@dot.state.fl.us.

#### REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

Northeast Florida Regional Planning Council

The Northeast Florida Regional Planning Council announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: December 7, 2017: 8:30 a.m., Affordable Housing Ad-Hoc Committee; 9:30 a.m., Personnel, Budget & Finance Policy Committee; 10:00 a.m., Board of Directors, immediately followed by the 2017 Northeast Florida Elected Officials Luncheon & Regional Awards for Excellence. Please check our website at www.nefrc.org for any changes.

PLACE: 100 Festival Park Avenue, Jacksonville, FL 32202. GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Regular Meeting.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by calling (904)279-0880.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: (904)279-0880. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

#### COMMISSION ON ETHICS

The Commission on Ethics announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Friday, December 8, 2017, 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: First District Court of Appeal, 3rd Floor Courtroom, 2000 Drayton Drive, Tallahassee, FL

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Regular Commission Meeting.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: www.ethics.state.fl.us or (850)488-7864.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 48 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: (850)488-7864. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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#### WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

South Florida Water Management District

The South Florida Water Management District announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, December 5, 2017, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: District Headquarters, 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33406

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Everglades Agricultural Area Storage Reservoir. The South Florida Water Management District has scheduled a public meeting for the Everglades Agricultural Area Storage Reservoir Project to engage the public. The overall goal is to provide a project status update and answer questions on the array of alternatives, modeling results and rough order of magnitude costs

The public is advised that it is possible that one or more members of the Water Resources Analysis Coalition and Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District may attend and participate in these meetings.

Written Comments:

Agencies and the public are encouraged to provide written comments on the project in addition to, or in lieu of, giving their comments at the meeting. Written comments can be sent to the following address: South Florida Water Management District, Attention Mike Albert, 3301 Gun Club Road, MSC 8312, West Palm Beach, FL 33406. Email: EAAreservoir@sfwmd.gov using the subject line: EAA Storage Reservoir Project.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: The draft agenda will be available seven days prior to the meeting at https://www.sfwmd.gov/EAAReservoir.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: District Clerk, (561)682-6805. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Michael Albert, malbert@sfwmd.gov.

#### DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Division of Purchasing

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

60A-1.002 Purchase of Commodities or Contractual Services The Department of Management Services announces a hearing to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: CANCELATION OF RULE HEARING (to be rescheduled to a later date) previously scheduled for December 4, 2017, 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

PLACE: 4050 Esplanade Way, Room 101, Tallahassee, FL 32399

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: (This rule hearing is CANCELED and will be rescheduled for a later date.) Rule amendments to rule 60A-1.002, F.A.C., including changes to materials incorporated by reference and the simplification of agency requirements for managing purchases of commodities or contractual services.

For more information or a copy of the agenda, you may contact: Daniel May, 4050 Esplanade Way, Suite 380H, Tallahassee, FL 32399, (850)487-3833, Daniel.may@dms.myflorida.com.

## DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Florida Real Estate Commission

The Probable Cause Panel of the Florida Real Estate Commission announces a hearing to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Monday, December 11, 2017, 3:00 p.m. or soonest thereafter

PLACE: Zora Neale Hurston Building, North Tower, Suite N901, 400 West Robinson Street, Orlando, Florida 32801 GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Probable Cause Panel will meet to conduct a private meeting to review cases to determine probable cause and to conduct a

public meeting to review cases where probable cause was previously found. All or part of this meeting may be conducted as a teleconference in order to permit maximum participation of the Probable Cause Panel or its counsel.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Mike Davis at michael.davis@myfloridalicense.com. Only public portions of the agenda are available upon request.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Division of Real Estate, (407)481-5662. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Division of Medical Quality Assurance

The Department of Health, Board of Psychology announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: April 20, 2018, 8:00 a.m. ET

PLACE: Four Points Tallahassee Downtown, 316 W Tennessee St., Tallahassee, FL 32301

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: General Business Meeting.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting The Board of Psychology, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin C05, Tallahassee, FL 32399-3255, calling the board office at (850)245-4373, or visiting the website: http://floridaspsychology.gov/.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 48 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: The Department of Health at (850)901-6528. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Division of Medical Quality Assurance

The Department of Health, Board of Psychology announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: July 20, 2018, 8:00 a.m. ET

PLACE: Embassy Suites Tampa USF, 3705 Spectrum Blvd., Tampa, FL 33612

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:

General Business Meeting.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting The Board of Psychology, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin C05, Tallahassee, FL 32399-3255, calling the board office at (850)245-4373, or visiting the website: http://floridaspsychology.gov/.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Division of Medical Quality Assurance

The Department of Health, Board of Psychology announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 19, 2018, 8:00 a.m. ET

PLACE: Sheraton Bay Point Resort, 4114 Jan Cooley Dr., Panama City Beach, FL 32408

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: General Business Meeting.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: The Board of Psychology, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin C05, Tallahassee, FL 32399-3255, calling the board office at (850)245-4373, or visiting the website: http://floridaspsychology.gov/.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Nursing

The Board of Nursing announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: December 15, 2017, 3:30 p.m.

PLACE: Toll-free number: 1(888)670-3525, participant code 990 808 6106

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Cases where Probable Cause has previously been found.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained at http://floridasnursing.gov/meeting-information/.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Division of Environmental Health

The Bureau of Environmental Health announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: December 12, 2017, 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: Florida Department of Health Southwood Complex, 4025 Esplanade Way, Conference Room 130L, Tallahassee, Florida 32399; via conference call/web conference: toll-free call-in number: 1(888)670-3525; conference code: 8605907413; website:

http://connectpro22543231.adobeconnect.com/rrac\_new/

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: This is a meeting of the Research Review and Advisory Committee. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss and guide current, proposed, and potential future onsite sewage research projects. In addition, the agenda includes presentations about funding sources available for onsite wastewater system remediation through the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, and about the development of a guidance document for utilities to address septic system connections as part of septic to sewer conversion projects. Part of this meeting will be accessible via web conference with details to be posted on the Bureau website: http://www.floridahealth.gov/environmental-health/onsite-sewage/research/rrac.html.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Xueqing Gao, Department of Health, Bureau of Environmental Health, Onsite Sewage Programs, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin A08, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1713, (850)245-4579, Xueqing.Gao@flhealth.gov.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the

agency at least seven days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Xueqing Gao at the address above. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

### DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Refugee Services

The Orlando Area Refugee Task Force announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, December 13, 2017; 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon

PLACE: Florida Department of Transportation, 133 S. Semoran Blvd., Apopka A, Orlando, FL 32807

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The purpose of the Orlando Area Refugee Task Force meeting is to increase awareness of the refugee populations, share best practices, spot trends in refugee populations, build collaborations between agencies, help create good communication among service providers, get informed about upcoming community events, and discuss refugee program service needs and possible solutions to meeting those needs.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Taddese Fessehaye at (407)317-7335.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Taddese Fessehaye at (407)317-7335. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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## DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES Refugee Services

which all persons are invited.

The SWFL Refugee Task Force announces a public meeting to

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, December 13, 2017; 1:30 p.m. -3:30 p.m.

PLACE: Department of Children and Families, 2295 Victoria Avenue, Fort Myers, FL 33901

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The purpose of the Southwest Florida Refugee Task Force meeting is to increase awareness of the refugee populations, share best practices, spot trends in refugee populations, build collaborations between agencies, help create good communication among service providers, get informed about upcoming community events, and discuss refugee program service needs and possible solutions to meeting those needs.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting Janet Blair at (813)545-1716 or Taddese Fessehaye at (407)317-7335.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting Janet Blair at (813)545-1716 or Taddese Fessehaye at (407)317-7335. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Janet Blair at (813)545-1716 or Taddese Fessehaye at (407)317-7335.

#### CITIZENS PROPERTY INSURANCE CORPORATION

The Audit Committee of Citizens Property Insurance announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited. DATE AND TIME: December 12, 2017, 2:00 p.m., to convene

immediately following the Market Accountability Advisory Committee Meeting.

PLACE: Sheraton Orlando North, 600 N. Lake Destiny Drive, Maitland, FL 32751; telephone conference: dial 1(888)942-8686, enter participant code 574 373 5657#

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: As per the agenda.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Betty Veal at (904)407-0440 or at www.Citizensfla.com.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting Barbara Walker, (850)513-3744, Barbara.Walker@citizensfla.com. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact Barbara Walker, (850)513-3744, 2101 Maryland Circle, Tallahassee, FL 32302. Barbara.Walker@citizensfla.com.

#### SCRIPPS FLORIDA FUNDING CORPORATION

The Audit Committee of the Scripps Florida Funding Corporation announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, November 30, 2017, 4:45 p.m. ET

PLACE: Call-in number: (605)475-3200, access code 255626# GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: SFFC financial audit for inclusion in the 2017 Annual Report.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: scrippscorp@bellsouth.net.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to

participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 48 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: scrippscorp@bellsouth.net. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: scrippscorp@bellsouth.net.

#### **OCAUSA**

The Florida Department of Transportation (District 7) announces a workshop to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, December 13, 2017, 6:30 p.m. PLACE: Seminole Heights Branch Library, 4711 N Central Ave., Tampa, FL 33603

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is holding a Tampa Bay Next Downtown Tampa and East Tampa Community Working Group meeting on Wednesday, December 13, 2017, 6:30 p.m. at the Seminole Heights Branch Library, 4711 N Central Ave, Tampa, FL 33603. At this workshop the FDOT will present information about various projects, the Heights Study as well as alternatives being considered. The Hillsborough County Metropolitan Planning Organization has been invited to present information about their upcoming Long Range Transportation Plan and the Hillsborough Area Regional Transit Authority (HART) will present the latest Regional Transit Feasibility Plan information. The format will encourage dialogue to address questions and ideas. The group discussions include topics such as multi-modal transportation and evaluating infrastructure improvements in the context of a comprehensive regional transportation system. The Community Working Group is open to the public. Comments may also be received through a written format to TampaBayNext@dot.state.fl.us.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability or family status.

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) pursuant to 23 U.S.C. §327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 14, 2016 and executed by the Federal Highway Administration and FDOT.

### Comuniquese Con Nosotros

Nos importa mucho la opinión del público sobre el proyecto. Si usted tiene preguntas o comentarios, o si simplemente desea más información, por favor comuniquese con nuestra representante, Lilliam Escalera, (813)975-6403, Departamento de Transportación de Florida, 11201 N. McKinley Dr., Tampa, FL 33612, lilliam.escalera@dot.state.fl.us.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Tampa Bay Next@dot.state.fl.us or (813)975-NEXT (6398).

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least Seven (7) days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Christopher Speese, (813)975-6405, Christopher.Speese@dot.state.fl.us. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Madeline Pfingsten, Madeline.Pfingsten@dot.state.fl.us or (813)975-NEXT (6398).

#### THE VALERIN GROUP, INC.

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) announces a hearing to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, December 7, 2017, 5:30 p.m. PLACE: SRQ Media Studio – City Hall Annex, 1565 1st Street, Sarasota, FL 34236

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: A public hearing is being held regarding plans to improve safety along US 301 (North Washington Boulevard), to include the installation of restrictive medians from Fruitville Road to 10th Street and the following proposed additional minor improvements to nearby areas: drainage improvements between Ringling Boulevard and Main Street; curb ramp upgrades at the Ringling Boulevard and Main Street intersections to bring them into compliance with the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA); and crosswalk pavement markings at Mound Street. The estimated construction cost is \$582,000 and construction should begin in late 2018 or early 2019.

The hearing will be held on Thursday, December 7, 2017, at the SRQ Media Studio in the City Hall Annex, 1565 1st Street, Sarasota, FL 34236. There will be an open house at 5:30 p.m. during which staff will be available to discuss the project and answer questions, followed by the formal hearing presentation at 6 p.m., after which participants may provide their verbal comments to all present. People attending the hearing can review project displays and speak one-on-one with project team members about the proposed safety improvements.

Participants may also provide verbal comments directly to a court reporter before and after the formal presentation. Written comments can be submitted at the hearing, sent by mail to Richard Howard, PE, FDOT District One, 801 North Broadway Avenue, Bartow, FL 33830, or emailed to Richard.Howard@dot.state.fl.us, no later than December 18, 2017. All comments written and oral will become part of the project's public record.

The draft project documents and other information will be available for public review from November 16, 2017 through

December 18, 2017 at the Fruitville Library, 100 Coburn Road, Sarasota, FL 34240.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability or family status. Persons wishing to express their concerns relative to FDOT compliance with Title VI may do so by contacting Jamie Schley, FDOT District One Title VI Coordinator, (863)519-2573, Jamie.Schley@dot.state.fl.us.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: There is no agenda.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: project manager, Richard Howard, (863)519-2374, Richard.Howard@dot.state.fl.us. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice). For more information, you may contact: project manager,

For more information, you may contact: project manager, Richard Howard, PE, (863)519-2374, Richard.Howard@dot.state.fl.us. Or visit the project website at www.swflroads.com/us301/moundstto10thst.

#### THE VALERIN GROUP, INC.

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) announces a workshop to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, December 5, 2017, 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: Hollywood Branch Library, 2600 Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood, FL 33020

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Financial Project ID No.: 434690-1-52-02 and Federal Aid Project (FAP) No.: 8886-932-A.

Project Description: 14th Avenue Mobility Improvements from Atlantic Shores Blvd. to Sheridan Street in Broward County, Florida. The purpose of the project is to mill and resurface the roadway, add designated bicycle lanes where possible, and shared lane markings. The project will also include the construction of a shared use path along Polk Street and N. 14th Avenue.

The public information workshop will be from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 5, 2017, at the Hollywood Branch Library, 2600 Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood, FL 33020. There will be an open house at 5:00 p.m. during which staff will be available to discuss the project and answer questions.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability or family status. Persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Robert Lopes, P.E. (954)777-4425, robert.lopes@dot.state.fl.us.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: There is no agenda.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Robert Lopes, P.E., FDOT Project Manager, (954)777-4425, robert.lopes@dot.state.fl.us. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact Robert Lopes, P.E., (954)777-4425, Robert.Lopes@dot.state.fl.us.

#### THE VALERIN GROUP, INC.

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, December 5, 2017, 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: New Smyrna Beach City Hall, Commission Chambers, 210 Sams Avenue, New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168 GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: A public information meeting is being held regarding an offsystem design project to replace the existing Barracuda Bridge over the Canal Brandano waterway in New Smyrna Beach.

The proposed bridge will be longer than the existing bridge and will have a concrete deck, two 11-ft. travel lanes, shoulders, an 8-ft. sidewalk, bridge rails and pedestrian rails. Approach roadway work including new pavement will be performed to accompany the new bridge. The funding for the new bridge will come from the City of New Smyrna Beach, the FDOT, and Federal funding.

The public information meeting will be 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 5, 2017, in the Commission Chambers at the City of New Smyrna Beach City Hall, 210 Sams Avenue, New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168. Please enter from Julia Street (south side of City Hall). Project information will be on display, and a brief presentation will be shown at 5:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Project representatives will be available to answer questions.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability or family status. Persons wishing to express their concerns relative to FDOT compliance with Title VI may do so by contacting Jennifer Smith, FDOT District Five Title VI Coordinator at Jennifer.Smith2@dot.state.fl.us.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: There is no agenda.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Kelly Hiden, Public Involvement Coordinator by phone at (407)508-0839, or via email at kelly@valeringroup.com. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Christopher L. Dabson, P.E., (386)943-5227, Chris.Dabson@dot.state.fl.us.

INFINITE SOURCE COMMUNICATIONS GROUP, LLC

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District Six announces a workshop to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: December 5, 2017, 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Kendall Village Center, Civic Pavilion, 8625 SW 124 Avenue, Miami, FL 33183

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: This workshop is scheduled in order to discuss the Kendall Drive Rapid Transit PD&E Study along SR 94/SW 88 Street/Kendall Drive from SR 997/Krome Avenue/SW 177 Avenue to Dadeland North Metrorail Station in Miami-Dade County. The Kendall corridor is being studied as a part of the Strategic Miami Area Rapid Transit, or SMART Plan, which identifies the development of six rapid transit corridors that directly support the mobility of our future population and employment growth. This Study will focus on improving SR 94/Kendall Drive/SW 88 Street through the implementation of a cost-effective, high-ridership rapid transit service with supporting pedestrian and bicycle facilities.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Jeannette Lazo, (305)573-0089, Jeannette@iscprgroup.com.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting Jeannette Lazo. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice). For more information, you may contact Jeannette Lazo,

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INFINITE SOURCE COMMUNICATIONS GROUP, LLC The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District Six

announces a workshop to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: December 11, 2017, 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Miami Marriott Dadeland, Le Mirage Room, 9090 S. Dadeland Blvd., Miami, FL 33156

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: This workshop is scheduled to discuss the Kendall Drive Rapid Transit PD&E Study along SR 94/SW 88 Street/Kendall Drive from SR 997/Krome Avenue/SW 177 Avenue to Dadeland North Metrorail Station in Miami-Dade County. The Kendall

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#### HOLT COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

The South Florida Regional Transportation Authority (SFRTA) announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited. DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, December 5, 2017, 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Spanish River Library,1501 NW Spanish River Blvd., Boca Raton, FL 33431

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The South Florida Regional Transportation Authority (SFRTA) has scheduled a Public Alternatives Meeting for the Boca Raton II Tri-Rail Station Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study. The alternatives that will be presented include locations and design features for a second Tri-Rail station in Boca Raton near Glades Road and Military Trail. An alternative in which no new Tri-Rail Station is constructed will also be presented. During the meeting, maps, drawings and other project information will be available for review and the public will have the opportunity to ask questions and provide comments to the project team.

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being carried-out by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) pursuant to 23 U.S.C. § 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 14, 2016, and executed by the Federal Highway Administration and FDOT.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting Natalie Yesbeck Pustizzi, AICP, (954)788-7957, yesbeckn@sfrta.fl.gov.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by

contacting: The SFRTA Executive Office at 801 NW 33rd Street, Pompano Beach, Florida 33064, (954)942-7245, for assistance; if hearing impaired, telephone 1(800)273-7545 (TTY) for assistance. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Public Information Officer Merri Starr at (561)962-2818 or Merri@HoltCommunications.net.

#### DEWBERRY BOWYER-SINGLETON

Walton County announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: December 4, 2017, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon

PLACE: Walton County Commission Chambers, South Annex, 31 Coastal Center Blvd, Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Walton County is holding this public meeting to provide information about the CR 30A Corridor Intermodal Strategic Mobility and Transportation Feasibility Study.

The meeting is an open house from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon with no formal presentation. County staff will display plans and answer any questions regarding the study.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: County Meeting Coordinator Rachel Jenkins, (850)267-1955, Jenrachel@co.walton.fl.us.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 72 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Rachel Jenkins, (850)892-8108, Jenrachel@co.walton.fl.us. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

If any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, he/she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence from which the appeal is to be issued.

For more information, you may contact: Ms. Jenkins at (850)892-8108 or Jenrachel@co.walton.fl.us.

#### **LOCHNER**

The Florida Department of Transportation, District Seven invites you to participate in one of two Visioning Workshops for Alternate US 19 from Park Street North to the Pinellas/Pasco County Line.

NORTHERN SEGMENT: From Belleair Road to the Pinellas/Pasco County Line

DATE AND TIME: December 5, 2017, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

PLACE: Hale Senior Activity Center, 330 Douglas Avenue, Dunedin, FL 34698

SOUTHERN SEGMENT: From Park Street North to Belleair Road

DATE AND TIME: December 7, 2017, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. PLACE: Largo Central Park Performing Arts Center, Parkview Room, 105 Central Park Drive, Largo, FL 33771

PLEASE CLICK HERE TO REGISTER FOR A WORKSHOP: http://bit.ly/2hwn5Ka

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Florida Department of Transportation, District Seven, in cooperation with Forward Pinellas, is conducting corridor studies of Alternate US 19 (SR 595) within the study limits. The Study teams have engaged local agencies, elected officials, residents, and members of the traveling public through Project Advisory Group (PAG) meetings, online surveys, online Wikimapping tool, and a series of charrettes in order to develop a Draft Vision for the corridor. You're invited to attend the Visioning Workshops to hear about the teams' preliminary findings and provide your input on the draft Corridor Vision. The same information will be presented at both workshops. The corridor is divided into two (2) study segments. The southern segment begins at Park Street North and ends at Belleair Road. This 11-mile segment traverses through the cities of Largo and Seminole. The northern segment is from Belleair Road to the Pinellas/Pasco County Line. The 17.9 mile northern segment is traverses through the cities of Clearwater, Dunedin and Tarpon Springs, as well as unincorporated Palm Harbor. At the workshop, you will have an opportunity to see a presentation of the goals of the overall corridor study, activities to date, emerging themes and project guidng principles. You will also have an opportunity to provide comments through interactive tools and one-on-one discussion with the study team. The Corridor Vision and project guiding principles will help to inform proposed short-term and long-term improvements. Improvements may address issues relating to capacity, traffic operations, safety, access and egress, transit, bicycles, and pedestrian movements. Financial Project ID Number(s): 435909-1-22-01 and 435909-2-22-01.

A copy of workshop materials may be obtained by contacting: Mr. Brian Shroyer, Project Manager, (813)975-6449, brian.shroyer@dot.state.fl.us.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability or family status. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation service (free of charge) are asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Christopher Speese, Public Involvement Coordinator, at (813)975-6405 or (800)226-7220. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the

Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

Comuniquese Con Nosotros

Nos importa mucho la opinión del público sobre el proyecto. Si usted tiene preguntas o comentarios, o si simplemente desea más información, por favor comuniquese con nuestra representante, Lilliam Escalera, (813)975-6403, Departamento de Transportación de Florida, 11201 N. McKinley Dr., Tampa, FL 33612, lilliam.escalera@dot.state.fl.us.

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### Section VII Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Declaratory Statements

#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Massage Therapy

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board Massage Therapy has received the petition for declaratory statement from Elena Gournelos, on November 21, 2017. The petition seeks the agency's opinion as to the applicability of 480.033 F.S as it applies to the petitioner.

The Petitioner seeks a Declaratory Statement from the Board regarding 480.033 F.S. as to whether using myofascial release on the muscles of the pelvic floor lies within the scope of practice of a massage therapist. Except for good cause shown, motions for leave to intervene must be filed within 21 days after the publication of this notice.

A copy of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Kama Monroe, Executive Director, Board of Massage Therapy, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin C06, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3256, Kama.Monroe@flhealth.gov.

#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Massage Therapy

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Massage Therapy has issued an order disposing of the petition for declaratory statement filed by Angela Lind on May 08, 2017. The following is a summary of the agency's disposition of the petition:

The Notice of Petition for Declaratory Statement was published May 12, 2017 in Volume 43, No. 93 of the Florida Administrative Register. The petition seeks a declaratory statement from the Board as to whether it is within the scope of practice of a Massage Therapist to force or push blood and body fluids out of the open wounds and surgical incisions on a person that has had cosmetic surgery. The Board's Order, filed on November 20, 2017, founds that the petition filed in this cause is in substantial compliance with the provisions of Section 120.565, F.S., and Rule 28-105, F.A.C., and that under the specific facts of the petition, it is not within the scope of Petitioner's practice to force body fluids out of open wounds or surgical incisions.

A copy of the Order Disposing of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Kama Monroe, Executive Director, Board of Massage Therapy, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin C06, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3258, (850)245-4162, Kama.Monroe@flhealth.gov.

# Section VIII Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding the Validity of Rules

Notice of Petition for Administrative Determination has been filed with the Division of Administrative Hearings on the following rules:

#### **NONE**

Notice of Disposition of Petition for Administrative Determination has been filed with the Division of Administrative Hearings on the following rules:

#### **NONE**

# Section IX Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Non-rule Policy Challenges

#### **NONE**

#### Section X

Announcements and Objection Reports of the Joint Administrative Procedures Committee

#### **NONE**

# Section XI Notices Regarding Bids, Proposals and Purchasing

WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

St. Johns River Water Management District

Crane Creek / M-1 Canal Flow Restoration

**REQUEST FOR QUALFICATIONS #32116** 

The District's negotiations committee has scheduled a negotiations meeting date for the above referenced project, with Jones Edmunds and Associates on November 29, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at the District's Headquarters.

DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES INTERIOR RENOVATIONS & WINDOW REPLACEMENT INVITATION TO BID

Proposals are requested from QUALIFIED CERTIFIED BUILDING OR GENERAL CONTRACTORS by the State of Florida, Department of Children and Families, hereinafter referred to as OWNER, for the construction of:

PROJECT NO: DCF - 17200000

TITLE: INTERIOR RENOVATIONS & WINDOW REPLACEMENT

SITE: MARIANNA SERVICE CENTER

4481 CLINTON STREET, MARIANNA, FLORIDA

SUMMARY OF WORK: The general scope of work consists of the replacement of existing awning windows with thirty seven (37) new fixed insulated aluminum windows w/ subsills and install composition marble window sill at each window. Additionally the addition of two (2) new glass openings w/ aluminum track frame on second floor, in an existing interior wall, relocate existing electrical power and data outlets. Contractor shall provide all necessary demolition, labor, and materials for a complete installation

PREQUALIFICATION: Each prime Bidder shall be state-certified in accordance with Chapter 489, Florida Statutes, as a Building or General Contractor. Bids from firms not able to furnish proof of the required certification are subject to disqualification.

PROPOSAL: Bids must be submitted in full in accordance with the requirements of the Drawings and the General and Technical Specifications, which may be examined and obtained from the ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:

A/E: Department of Children and Families, Office of General Services, Design, and Construction. 1317 Winewood Blvd., Building #3, Room 205-G, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0700.

TEL#: (850)717-4011

EMAIL: bill.bridges@myflfamilies.com

BID DOCUMENTS: Full sets of Drawings and Specifications may be purchased from the ARCHITECT/ENGINEER, by

payment of printing and handling costs at the rate of \$10.00 per bid set.

PUBLIC MEETINGS AND BID OPENINGS: Any person requiring a special accommodation because of a disability shall contact the Architect/Engineer of record at least five (5) workdays prior to the solicitation opening. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Buyer by using the Florida Relay Service at (800)955-8771 (TDD).

MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING: A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held on Thursday, December 7, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. local time (Central Time). The meeting will be held at 4481 Clinton Street, Marianna Service Center, Marianna, Florida.

BONDING REQUIREMENTS: See Section B-11 for bid guarantee requirements. See Section C-5 for performance and payment bond requirements.

BID OPENING: Sealed bids will be received, publicly opened and read aloud:

DATE: Thursday, January 11, 2017

TIME: 2:00 p.m. local time (Central Time)

LOCATION: Marianna Service Center, 4481 Clinton Street, Marianna, Florida. Opening and reading bids aloud will occur in the Second-Floor Conference Room.

CONTRACT AWARD: The Bid Tabulation and Notice of Award Recommendation will be posted within two business days, at the location where the bids were opened. If no protest is filed per Section B 21, "Notice and Protest Procedures", the OWNER will award a contract to the qualified, responsive low Bidder in accordance with established departmental contracting procedures (CFOP 70-7). If the Bid Tabulation and Notice of Award Recommendation cannot be posted in this manner, then all Bidders will be duly notified.

GULF COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS Gulf County Unsolicited Proposal No. 2017-01 / Design, Construction and Operation of a Ship Repair and Haul Out Facility at Port St. Joe

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF UNSOLICITED PROPOSAL

Unsolicited Proposal No. 2017-01

Design, Construction and Operation of a Ship Repair and Haul Out Facility at Port St. Joe

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Gulf County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida (the "County"), has received an unsolicited proposal for a qualifying public-private partnership in accordance with Section 255.065, Florida Statutes, for the design, construction and operation of a ship repair and haul out facility, including a floating dry dock. At a duly noticed public meeting held on November 7, 2017, the Gulf County Board of County Commissioners ("Board") unanimously voted to designate the project as a qualifying project as defined in Section 255.065(1)(i), Florida Statutes.

The County is advertising this Public Notice pursuant to Section 255.065(3)(b) because the County intends to enter into a comprehensive agreement for the project described in the unsolicited proposal. The purpose of this Public Notice is to advise the public and interested parties that the County has received the unsolicited proposal and will accept other proposals for the same project that is outlined herein until 1:00 p.m. on December 11, 2017. The project is identified in the unsolicited proposal as follows:

Design and construction of a floating, self-docking dry dock capable of handling vessels up to 10,000 LT weight at Port St. Joe. The floating dry dock would be owned by the County.

The floating dry dock will be leased on a long-term, exclusive basis by the County to a private sector entity that has an existing contract to build vessels for which the floating dry dock will be used. The private sector entity will commit to create jobs in Gulf County and work to maximize commercial use of the dry dock. The private sector entity has agreed to pay a monthly fee to the County for leasing the dry dock.

Necessary repairs will be completed to the existing wharf, including the existing bulkhead and related facilities, as well as certain upland improvements.

The project will also involve completion of dredging to a depth of at least -45 feet at or near the proposed submergence location of the floating dry dock and -35 along the remainder of the bulkhead at Port St. Joe in an approximate area of 100' x 1000'. The schedule provided by the unsolicited proposal is as follows: design to be complete by May 2018 and construction of the dry dock to be complete by May 2020.

The total budget for this project under the unsolicited proposal is \$34,425,000.

The County will accept and evaluate other proposals for the same project as provided in this Public Notice. Persons or entities wishing to submit other proposals for the same project may do so by delivering proposals to: County Administration Office, 1000 Cecil G. Costin Jr. Blvd., Room 302, Port St. Joe, Florida 32456. The entire proposal package shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope or container and shall have the following information clearly printed or written on the exterior of the envelope or container: Proposal in Response to Unsolicited Proposal No. 2017-01 Design, Construction and Operation of a Ship Repair and Haul Out Facility at Port St. Joe and the name of the proposer (person or entity responding to this Notice). Proposals must be received by the County Administration Office, either by mail or hand delivery, no later than 1:00 p.m. ET on December 11, 2017. Delivery must be made during the County Administration Office's normal working hours (7:00

a.m. a.m. to 5:30 p.m. ET, Monday through Thursday), and any proposal received after the above stated deadline will be returned unopened and will not be considered.

Proposals shall include all information and materials required by Section 255.065, Florida Statutes. Proposals must also be accompanied by an application fee of \$2,500. The County reserves the right to waive minor irregularities, to reject any or all proposals received, and to otherwise make a decision in the best interests of the County. The County also reserves the right to charge additional application review fees if deemed necessary and appropriate pursuant to Section 255.065(3)a(3), Florida Statutes. The Board shall have the final decision-making authority concerning any final award or interim or comprehensive agreement entered into by the County.

Proposals shall be evaluated and negotiations shall proceed in accordance with Section 255.065, Florida Statutes. Proposals will be evaluated and ranked in order of preference by a Selection Committee to be appointed by the County Administrator. The Selection Committee will consider factors in accordance with Section 255.065 that include, but are not limited to, professional qualifications, general business terms, innovative design techniques, and/or cost-reduction terms. The County intends to negotiate an interim and/or comprehensive agreement with the highest ranked proposer. The Selection Committee, at its option, may request that proposers make presentations and/or participate in questions and answers sessions. The County may also request additional information from proposers that may be necessary to fully evaluate a proposal. After the Selection Committee has ranked proposals, the County will then begin negotiations with the highest-ranked firm. If only one proposal is received, the County may negotiate in good faith.

All proposals that are timely received shall become the property of the County and any costs or expenses incurred in relation to preparation and submission of proposals shall be borne by the proposer. Such proposals and related information shall be subject to the applicable provisions of the Florida Public Records Act.

A reading and additional public hearing regarding this and any and all other proposals will be held during the Gulf County Board of County Commissioner's Special Meeting on Tuesday, December 12th at 9:00 a.m. (Eastern) to be held in the Donald H. Butler Commissioner Chamber and meeting room in the Robert M. Moore Administration Building, Gulf County Courthouse Complex, Port St. Joe, Florida.

All interested persons may appear and be heard with respect to the unsolicited proposal. If a person decides to appeal any decisions made by the Gulf County Commission with respect to any matter considered at this hearing, he/she will need a record of the proceedings and that for such purpose he/she may need to ensure a verbatim record of the proceedings made and which would include any evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA BY: WARD McDANIEL, CHAIRMAN

### Section XII Miscellaneous

#### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Index of Administrative Rules Filed with the Secretary of State Pursuant to Section 120.55(1)(b)6. – 7., F.S., the below list of rules were filed in the Office of the Secretary of State between 8:00 a.m., Thursday, November 16, 2017 and 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 22, 2017. An improved electronic publication system is forthcoming on the Florida Administrative Rules website, FLRules.org, which will accommodate complete publication of rules filed for adoption in the previous 7 days, including rules awaiting legislative action.

Rule No.	File Date	Effective
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5I-6.001	11/16/2017	12/6/2017
5I-6.002	11/16/2017	12/6/2017
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5I-6.004	11/16/2017	12/6/2017
5I-6.005	11/16/2017	12/6/2017
5I-6.006	11/16/2017	12/6/2017
19-8.010	11/16/2017	12/6/2017
61G6-8.001	11/20/2017	12/10/2017
61G6-12.0015	11/20/2017	12/10/2017
61G6-12.003	11/20/2017	12/10/2017
64B4-5.001	11/17/2017	12/7/2017
69A-62.0001	11/22/2017	12/12/2017
69A-62.021	11/22/2017	12/12/2017
69A-362.030	11/22/2017	12/12/2017
69K-33.001	11/16/2017	12/6/2017

#### LIST OF RULES AWAITING LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL SECTIONS 120.541(3), 373.139(7) AND/OR 373.1391(6), FLORIDA STATUTES

Rule No.	File Date	Effective Date	
40C-2.101	8/2/2017	**/**/***	
60FF1-5.009	7/21/2016	**/**/***	
64B8-10.003	12/9/2015	**/**/***	
69L-7.100	12/19/2016	**/**/***	
69L-7.501	12/19/2016	**/**/***	

## DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLES

Division of Motor Vehicles

Anything Scooters, Inc. for the establishment of DONF motorcycles

Notice of Publication for a New Point

Franchise Motor Vehicle Dealer in a County of More than 300,000 Population

Pursuant to Section 320.642, Florida Statutes, notice is given that CRT Motor, Inc., intends to allow the establishment of Anything Scooters, Inc., as a dealership for the sale of motorcycles manufactured by Ningbo Dongfang Lingyun Vehicle Made Co., Ltd. (line-make DONF) at 4970 Southwest 52 Street, Bay 309, 310, Davie, (Broward County), Florida 33314, on or after December 26, 2017.

The name and address of the dealer operator(s) and principal investor(s) of Anything Scooters, Inc., are dealer operator(s): Eve Olsen, 4970 Southwest 52nd Street, Suite 309, Davie, Florida 33314; principal investor(s): Eve Olsen, 4970 Southwest 52nd Street, Suite 309, Davie, Florida 33314.

The notice indicates intent to establish the new point location in a county of more than 300,000 population, according to the latest population estimates of the University of Florida, Bureau of Economic and Business Research.

Certain dealerships of the same line-make may have standing, pursuant to Section 320.642, Florida Statutes, to file a petition or complaint protesting the application.

Written petitions or complaints must be received by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice and must be submitted to: Jaime Williams, Administrator, Dealer License Section, Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, Room A-312, MS 65, Neil Kirkman Building, 2900 Apalachee Parkway, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0635.

A copy of such petition or complaint must also be sent by US Mail to: Marissa Tan, CRT Motor, Inc., 167 North Mason Way, Unit A4, City of Industry, California 91746.

If no petitions or complaints are received within 30 days of the date of publication, a final order will be issued by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles approving the establishment of the dealership, subject to the applicant's compliance with the provisions of Chapter 320, Florida Statutes.

## DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLES

Division of Motor Vehicles

BCG Imports, LLC d/b/a Land Rover Coral Gables for the establishment of Land Rover vehicles

Notice of Publication for a New Point

Franchise Motor Vehicle Dealer in a County of More than 300,000 Population

Pursuant to Section 320.642, Florida Statutes, notice is given that Jaguar Land Rover North America, LLC, intends to allow the establishment of BCG Imports, LLC, d/b/a Land Rover Coral Gables as a dealership for the sale of Land Rover automobiles (line-make LNDR) at 155 South Dixie Highway, Coral Gables, (Miami-Dade County), Florida 33122, on or after December 22, 2017.

The name and address of the dealer operator(s) and principal investor(s) of BCG Imports, LLC, d/b/a Land Rover Coral Gables are dealer operator(s): Kenneth T. Gorin, 200 Bird Road, Coral Gables, Florida 33146-1403; principal investor(s): Kenneth T. Gorin, 200 Bird Road, Coral Gables, Florida 33146-1403, Ugo Columbo, 1550 Biscayne Boulevard, 3rd Floor, Miami, Florida 33132.

The notice indicates intent to establish the new point location in a county of more than 300,000 population, according to the latest population estimates of the University of Florida, Bureau of Economic and Business Research.

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A copy of such petition or complaint must also be sent by US Mail to: Anastasios Panas, Jaguar Land Rover North America, LLC, 555 MacArthur Boulevard, Mahwah, New Jersey 07430. If no petitions or complaints are received within 30 days of the

date of publication, a final order will be issued by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles approving the establishment of the dealership, subject to the applicant's compliance with the provisions of Chapter 320, Florida Statutes.

## DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLES

Division of Motor Vehicles

Land Rover South Dade, LLC, dba Jaguar South Dade for the establishment of Jaguar vehicles

Notice of Publication for a New Point

Franchise Motor Vehicle Dealer in a County of More than 300,000 Population

Pursuant to Section 320.642, Florida Statutes, notice is given that Jaguar Land Rover North America, LLC, intends to allow the establishment of Land Rover South Dade, LLC, d/b/a Jaguar South Dade as a dealership for the sale of Jaguar automobiles (line-make JAGU) at 16750 South Dixie Highway, Miami, (Miami-Dade County), Florida 33157, on or after December 22, 2017.

The name and address of the dealer operator(s) and principal investor(s) of Land Rover South Dade, LLC, d/b/a Jaguar South Dade are dealer operator(s): Warren H. Zinn, 20895 Northeast 31st Place, Aventura, Florida 33180-3608; principal investor(s): Warren Henry Dealerships, LLC, 20860 Northwest 2nd Avenue, Miami, Florida 33169.

The notice indicates intent to establish the new point location in a county of more than 300,000 population, according to the latest population estimates of the University of Florida, Bureau of Economic and Business Research.

Certain dealerships of the same line-make may have standing, pursuant to Section 320.642, Florida Statutes, to file a petition or complaint protesting the application.

Written petitions or complaints must be received by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice and must be submitted to: Jaime Williams, Administrator, Dealer License Section, Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, Room A-312, MS 65, Neil Kirkman Building, 2900 Apalachee Parkway, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0635.

A copy of such petition or complaint must also be sent by US Mail to: Anastasios Panas, Jaguar Land Rover North America, LLC, 555 MacArthur Boulevard, Mahwah, New Jersey 07430. If no petitions or complaints are received within 30 days of the date of publication, a final order will be issued by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles approving the establishment of the dealership, subject to the applicant's compliance with the provisions of Chapter 320, Florida Statutes.

## DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLES

Division of Motor Vehicles

The Collection LLC, dba Jaguar Coral Gables for relocation of Jaguar vehicles

Notice of Publication for the Relocation of a

Franchise Motor Vehicle Dealer in a County of More

than 300,000 Population

Pursuant to Section 320.642, Florida Statutes, notice is given that Jaguar Land Rover North America, LLC, intends to allow the relocation of The Collection, LLC, d/b/a The Collection which, upon relocation will change its corporate name to BCG Imports, LLC, d/b/a Jaguar Coral Gables as a dealership for the sale of Jaguar automobiles (JAGU) from its present location at 200 Bird Road, Coral Gables, (Miami-Dade County), Florida 33146, to a proposed location at 155 South Dixie Highway, Coral Gables, (Miami-Dade County), Florida 33122, on or after December 22, 2017.

The name and address of the dealer operator(s) and principal investor(s) of The Collection, LLC, d/b/a The Collection are dealer operator(s): Kenneth T. Gorin, 200 Bird Road, Coral Gables, Florida 33146-1403, principal investor(s): Kenneth T. Gorin, 200 Bird Road, Coral Gables, Florida 33146-1403, Ugo Columbo, 1550 Biscayne Boulevard, 3rd Floor, Miami, Florida 33132.

The notice indicates intent to relocate the franchise in a county of more than 300,000 population, according to the latest population estimates of the University of Florida, Bureau of Economic and Business Research.

Certain dealerships of the same line-make may have standing, pursuant to Section 320.642, Florida Statutes, as amended by Chapter 88-395, Laws of Florida, to file a petition or complaint protesting the application.

Written petitions or complaints must be received by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice and must be submitted to: Jaime Williams, Administrator, Dealer License Section, Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, Room A-312, MS 65, Neil Kirkman Building, 2900 Apalachee Parkway, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0635.

A copy of such petition or complaint must also be sent by US Mail to: Anastasios Panas, Jaguar Land Rover North America, LLC, 555 MacArthur Boulevard, Mahwah, New Jersey 07430. If no petitions or complaints are received within 30 days of the date of publication, a final order will be issued by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles approving the establishment of the dealership, subject to the applicant's compliance with the provisions of Chapter 320, Florida Statutes.

#### DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has issued the following waiver to assist with long-term recovery from recent disasters that impacted the state of Florida.

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#### **PURPOSE:**

This memorandum explains the availability of waivers of certain statutory and regulatory requirements associated with several Community Planning and Development (CPD) grant programs to facilitate recovery from Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria that are the subject of major disaster declarations made under Title IV of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (Stafford Act). Specifically, it is designed to facilitate assistance to eligible communities and families affected by the following three major hurricanes that hit the United States: Hurricane Harvey, Hurricane Irma and Hurricane Maria. Details with regard to each of these major disasters are included in Attachment #1. This memorandum covers the following CPD programs:

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG),

HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME),

Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG).

This memorandum also announces a simplified notification process for grantees of these programs to use the waiver flexibility of CPD statutory and regulatory requirements identified below to expedite the delivery of assistance. CPD Field Office Directors, Deputy Directors, and Program Managers are instructed to inform CPD grantees operating within their jurisdictions of the content of this memorandum.

#### NOTIFICATION PROCESS:

States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands and CPD grantees located in the counties and county equivalents (islands of the U.S. Virgin Islands and municipalities of Puerto Rico) designated in the major disaster declarations listed in Attachment #1 (the declared-disaster areas) may use the waivers described in this memorandum to assist affected CPD program beneficiaries and CPD programeligible families and to address damage caused by the disasters. CDBG and HOPWA grantees may also use some of the waivers outside of the declared-disaster area, as explained in those program-specific sections below. The waiver flexibility made available under this memorandum must be used to assist only eligible families who have registered with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). To use the waiver

flexibility in this memorandum, the grantee must provide notification in writing, either through mail or e-mail, to the CPD Director of the HUD Field Office serving its jurisdiction no less than three days before the grantee anticipates using the waiver flexibility. Further directions on notifying HUD can be found in Attachment #2.

#### WAIVER AUTHORITY:

Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria caused substantial damage to communities from southeast Texas to the Caribbean. As a consequence, many individuals and families residing in the declared-disaster area have been displaced from their homes, including the current beneficiaries of various CPD programs, and families eligible to receive CPD program assistance. CPD-funded grantees and subrecipients are in the process of locating these beneficiaries and CPD program-eligible families and placing them in available housing, facilities, and hotels and motels on an emergency basis. A number of grantees and subrecipients have inquired about the availability of waivers of various CPD program requirements to facilitate assistance to individuals and families.

Section 122 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (HCDA), as amended, and Section 290 of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act of 1990 (NAHA), as amended, authorize HUD to suspend, respectively, certain CDBG and HOME statutory requirements to assist grantees of these programs in addressing the damage in an area for which the President has issued a federal disaster declaration under Title IV of the Stafford Act and to assist them in disaster recovery.

Upon determination of good cause, in accordance with 24 CFR 5.110, HUD may waive regulatory provisions subject to statutory limitations. Additional regulatory waiver authority is in 24 CFR 91.600 and 24 CFR 570.5. These provisions provide HUD the authority to make waiver determinations for the CDBG, HOME, HOPWA, and ESG programs. To adequately address disaster relief and recovery among the affected jurisdictions, I hereby find good cause to provide the statutory suspensions and regulatory waivers of CPD grant program requirements as set forth below. Provisions that are not specifically waived remain fully effective.

#### WAIVER AVAILABILITY:

1. Citizen Participation Public Comment Period for Consolidated Plan Amendment

Requirement: 30-day Public Comment Period

Citations: 24 CFR 91.105(c)(2) and (k), 24 CFR 91.115(c)(2) and (i) and 24 CFR 91.401

Explanation: A CPD grantee may amend an approved consolidated plan in accordance with

24 CFR 91.505. Substantial amendments to the consolidated plan, such as the addition of new activities or a change in the use of CDBG funds from one eligible activity to another, are

subject to the citizen participation process in the grantee's citizen participation plan. The citizen participation plan must provide citizens with 30 days to comment on substantial amendments.

Justification: Given the need to expedite actions to respond to the disasters, HUD waives the 30-day public comment requirement of 24 CFR 91.105(c)(2) and (k), 91.115(c)(2) and (i) and 91.401 and reduces the public comment period to seven days. In reducing the comment period to seven days, HUD is balancing the need to quickly assist families dealing with the aftereffects of these hurricanes while continuing to provide reasonable notice and opportunity for citizens to comment on the proposed uses of CDBG, HOME, HOPWA, and ESG funds. Applicability: This authority is in effect through the end of the grantee's 2017 program year. Any grantee wishing to undertake further amendments to prior year plans following the 2017 program year can do so during the development of its FY 2018 Annual Action Plan.

2. Citizen Participation Reasonable Notice and Opportunity to Comment

Requirement: Reasonable Notice and Opportunity to Comment Citations: 24 CFR 91.105(c)(2) and (k) and 24 CFR 91.115(c)(2) and (i)

Explanation: As noted above, the regulations at 24 CFR 91.105 (for local governments) and 91.115 (for States) set forth the citizen participation plan requirements for grantees. For substantial amendments to the consolidated plan, the regulations require the grantee to follow its citizen participation plan to provide citizens with reasonable notice and opportunity to comment. The citizen participation plan must state how reasonable notice and opportunity to comment will be given.

Justification: HUD recognizes the destruction wrought specifically by Hurricanes Irma and Maria makes it difficult for impacted jurisdictions within the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands to provide notice to citizens in accordance with their citizen participation plans. Therefore, HUD waives 24 CFR 91.105(c)(2) and (k) and 24 CFR 91.115(c)(2) and (i) to allow these grantees to determine what constitutes reasonable notice and opportunity to comment given their circumstances.

Applicability: This authority is in effect through the end of the 2017 program year for the U.S. Virgin Islands and grantees in Puerto Rico.

3. CDBG – New Housing Construction

Requirement: Prohibition on Use of Funds for New Housing Construction

Citations: Section 105(a) of the HCDA, 24 CFR 570.207(b)(3) (Entitlements) and 24 CFR 570.420(b)(3) (Virgin Islands)

Explanation: New housing construction is not generally an eligible activity under Section 105 of HCDA. It may be undertaken indirectly through CDBG assistance provided to

Community Based Development Organizations or other nonprofit entities specified in Section 105(a)(15) of the HCDA. Justification: HUD recognizes that Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria caused damage and destruction to a large number of housing units within the declared-disaster areas. Allowing new housing construction will enable CDBG grantees to replace affordable housing units that were lost as a result of the hurricanes and flooding.

To expedite the rebuilding process, HUD suspends Section 105(a) of HCDA and waives 24 CFR 570.207(b)(3) to permit grantees to directly use CDBG funds for new housing construction activities to address damage from the hurricanes. In addition to the flexibility provided by the suspension of the statute, grantees are encouraged to take advantage of the reconstruction provisions at Section 105(a)(4) of HCDA.

Applicability: This suspension and waiver will remain in effect through the end of the 2018 program year for all CDBG grantees in the declared-disaster areas.

4. CDBG – Suspension of Public Services Cap

Requirement: Cap on Public Services Expenditures

Citations: Section 105(a)(8) of the HCDA, 24 CFR 570.201(e)(1) or (2) (Entitlements) and 24 CFR 570.420(b)(3) (Virgin Islands)

Explanation: Section 105(a)(8) and 24 CFR 570.201(e) limit the amount of CDBG funds that may be used to provide public services to 15 percent of the grantee's most recent CDBG grant plus 15 percent of program income received.

Justification: HUD suspends the provision of Section 105(a)(8) of HCDA and waives 24 CFR 570.201(e) and 24 CFR 570.420(b)(3) to permit CDBG grantees to exceed the 15 percent cap on public service expenditures.

The waiver will allow CDBG grantees to pay for additional support services for individuals and families affected by the hurricanes. Anticipated services would include, but not be limited to, the provision of food, emergency shelter, case management and related services to help residents in declared-disaster areas until long-term recovery resources become available. These costs are eligible under the public services provision of Section 105(a)(8) of HCDA and 24 CFR 570.201(e) of the regulations.

Applicability: This suspension and waiver shall be available to CDBG grantees assisting persons and families who have registered with FEMA in connection with Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, or Maria. Grantees will be required to annotate their performance reports in such a way that activities for which waivers have been granted are distinguishable from regular program activities. Also, the grantee will be required to describe each activity in its annual action plan so the activity is clearly distinguishable as a designated disaster recovery activity.

This authority is in effect through the end of the grantee's 2018

program year. If at that time any grantee believes additional time is needed to carry out public service activities over the 15 percent public service cap or its exception percentage pursuant to 24 CFR 570.201(e)(2), then the Department is willing to consider an additional request for suspension of a grantee's public services cap.

5. CDBG – Emergency Grant Payments for up to Six Months Requirement: Emergency Grant Payments

Citations: 24 CFR 570.207(b)(4) (Entitlements) and 24 CFR 570.420(b)(3) (Virgin Islands)

Explanation: The CDBG regulations at 24 CFR 570.207(b)(4) prohibit income payments, but permit emergency grant payments for three months. "Income payments" means a series of subsistence-type grant payments made to an individual or family for items such as food, clothing, housing (rent or mortgage), or utilities. Emergency grant payments made over a period of up to three consecutive months to the providers of such items and services on behalf of an individual or family are eligible public services.

Justification: HUD waives the provisions of 24 CFR 570.207(b)(4) and 24 CFR 570.420(b)(3) to permit emergency grant payments for items such as food, clothing, housing (rent or mortgage), or utilities for up to six consecutive months. While this waiver allows emergency grant payments to be made for up to six consecutive months, the payments must still be made to service providers as opposed to the affected individuals or families.

Many individuals and families have been forced to abandon their homes due to the severe flooding, storm surge, damaging winds and rain associated with Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria. The waiver will allow CDBG grantees, including grantees providing assistance to evacuees outside the declared-disaster areas, to pay for the basic daily needs of individuals and families affected by the hurricane on an interim basis.

Applicability: This waiver is available to CDBG grantees, located within and outside of the declared-disaster areas, to assist persons and families who have registered with FEMA in connection with Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, or Maria. This authority is in effect through the end of the grantee's 2018 program year.

6. HOME – Relief from Certification Requirements on Use of HOME Funds for Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) Requirement: Certification Related to Use of HOME Funds for (TBRA)

Citations: Section 212(a)(3)(A)(i) of NAHA, 24 CFR 91.225(d)(1) (Local Governments),

24 CFR 91.325(d)(1) (States), 24 CFR 91.425(a)(2)(i) (Consortia), 24 CFR 92.61(c) (Virgin Islands) and 24 CFR 92.209(b) (Certifications)

Explanation: A participating jurisdiction that intends to use

HOME funds to provide TBRA is required to certify that the provision of such assistance is an essential part of its consolidated plan.

Justification: This suspension and waiver is required to relieve participating jurisdictions of the administrative burden of determining and certifying needs that are obvious.

Applicability: The suspension of the TBRA certification requirements applies to the participating jurisdiction's FY 2017 and FY 2018 consolidated plan/annual action plans.

7. HOME – Suspension of the 10% Administration and Planning Cap

Requirement: Limitation on the Use of HOME Funds for Administrative Costs

Citations: Section 212(c) of NAHA and 24 CFR 92.207

Explanation: These provisions limit the amount of HOME funds that a participating jurisdiction may use for administrative and planning costs associated with its HOME award. A participating jurisdiction may expend up to 10 percent of its annual HOME allocation, plus any program income received, for administrative and planning costs. These provisions are suspended to enable the participating jurisdiction to expend up to 20 percent of its FY 2016 and FY 2017 allocations and program income received for administrative and planning costs.

Justification: This suspension is required to provide the participating jurisdiction adequate funds to pay for the increased cost of administering HOME-related disaster relief activities, and to relieve the participating jurisdiction of the burden of identifying other general funds to pay these costs.

Applicability: This suspension and waiver apply to the FY 2016 and FY 2017 HOME allocations of State participating jurisdictions and local participating jurisdictions located in declared-disaster areas designated by FEMA for individual assistance and public assistance in all categories A through G.

8. HOME – Self-Certification of Income

Requirement: Source Documentation for Income Determinations for HOME

Citations: 24 CFR 92.203(a)(1) and (2) and 24 CFR 92.64(a) (Virgin Islands)

Explanation: These sections of the HOME regulation require initial income determinations for HOME beneficiaries by examining source documents covering the most recent two months. Many families whose homes were destroyed or damaged by the hurricanes will not have any documentation of income and will not be able to qualify for HOME assistance, if the requirement remains effective.

Justification: This waiver permits the participating jurisdiction to use self-certification of income, as provided in §92.203(a)(1)(ii), in lieu of source documentation to determine eligibility of persons displaced by the hurricanes for HOME assistance.

Applicability: This waiver applies only to families displaced by the disaster (as documented by FEMA registration) whose income documentation was destroyed or made inaccessible by the hurricanes and remains in effect for six months from the date of this memorandum. The participating jurisdiction or, as appropriate, HOME project owner, is required to maintain: 1) a record of FEMA registration to demonstrate that a family was displaced by the hurricanes; and 2) a statement signed by appropriate family members certifying to the family's size and annual income and that the family's income documentation was destroyed or is inaccessible.

9. HOME – Suspension of Various TBRA Program Requirements

Requirement: Tenant-Based Rental Assistance: Subsidy and program requirements

Citations: Section 212(a)(3)(ii) of NAHA; 24 CFR 92.209(c), (e), (h)(1) and (i) and

24 CFR 92.64(a) (Virgin Islands)

Explanation: Section 212(a)(3)(ii) of NAHA requires a participating jurisdiction to establish written tenant selection criteria for TBRA and 24 CFR 92.209(c) of the regulation requires those criteria to be consistent with the local housing needs and priorities established in the participating jurisdiction's consolidated plan.

Section 92.209(e) requires that the term of a HOME TBRA contract made with a landlord begin on the first day of the lease. Section 92.209(h)(1) limits the subsidy that a participating jurisdiction may pay toward a TBRA recipient's rent to the difference between the participating jurisdiction's rent standard for the unit size and 30 percent of the family's monthly adjusted income.

Section 92.209(i) requires that units occupied by TBRA recipients meet the housing quality standards established in 24 CFR 982.401(j).

Justification: Suspending these provisions will provide the participating jurisdiction with greater flexibility to use tenant-based rental assistance as an emergency housing resource.

Applicability: The suspension of the requirements related to the content of the consolidated plan applies to the FY 2017 and FY 2018 consolidated plan/annual action plans of the participating jurisdiction.

The provision of 24 CFR 92.209(e) relative to the start date of a TBRA contract is waived for TBRA contracts a participating jurisdiction executes for persons or families displaced by the hurricanes for a period of 12 months after the date of this memorandum. The other provisions of 24 CFR 92.209(e) are not waived.

The provision of 24 CFR 92.209(h)(1) with respect to the maximum TBRA subsidy amount a participating jurisdiction may provide is waived for TBRA recipients who were displaced by the hurricanes for a period of 24 months after the date of this

memorandum. The other provisions of 24 CFR 92.209(h) are not waived.

The waiver of the housing quality standards requirements at 24 CFR 92.209(i) applies to units leased by TBRA recipients who were displaced by the hurricanes and are being assisted through a HOME TBRA program funded by the participating jurisdiction for a period of 24 months after the date of this memorandum. Units must meet any applicable State and local health and safety codes and requirements. The lead safe housing requirements of 24 CFR part 35, subpart M, made applicable to units leased by recipients of HOME TBRA by the HOME regulation at 24 CFR 92.355, are not waived.

10. HOME – Suspension of Matching Contribution Requirements

**Requirement: Match Contributions** 

Citation: 24 CFR 92.222(b)

Explanation: This provision requires all HOME participating jurisdictions to make contributions through the fiscal year to housing that qualifies as affordable housing under the HOME program. The contributions must total no less than 25 percent of the HOME funds drawn from the participating jurisdiction's HOME Investment Trust Fund Treasury account. Reducing the match requirement for the participating jurisdiction by 100 percent for FY 2017 and FY 2018 will eliminate the need for the participating jurisdiction to identify match for HOME projects related to the damage caused by Hurricane Harvey, Irma, or Maria. The requirement that the participating jurisdiction must submit a copy of the Presidential major disaster-declaration is waived.

Justification: Given the urgent housing needs created by Hurricane Harvey, Irma, and Maria, and the substantial financial impact the participating jurisdiction will face in addressing those needs, the approval of a match reduction will relieve the participating jurisdiction from the need to identify and provide matching contributions to HOME projects.

Applicability: This match reduction applies to funds expended by a participating jurisdiction located in the declared-disaster area from October 1, 2016 through

September 30, 2018. For State participating jurisdictions, this match reduction applies to HOME funds expended in the declared-disaster areas.

11. HOME – Suspension and Waiver of CHDO Set-aside Requirement: Set-aside for Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs)

Citations: Section 231 of NAHA and 24 CFR 92.300(a)(1) Explanation: These provisions establish a set-aside for CHDOs. The participating jurisdiction must use 15 percent of each annual allocation for housing owned, developed, or sponsored by CHDOs.

Justification: This suspension and waiver are required to relieve

the participating jurisdiction of requirements that may impede the obligation and use of funds to expeditiously provide housing to displaced persons and repair damaged properties resulting from Hurricane Harvey, Irma, or Maria.

Applicability: This requirement is reduced to zero percent for the FY 2016, FY 2017, and FY 2018 allocations of State participating jurisdictions and of local participating jurisdictions located in declared-disaster areas designated by FEMA for individual assistance and public assistance in all categories A through G.

12. HOME – Waiver of Property Standards for HOME-assisted Units

Requirement: HOME Property Standards for Units Rehabilitated with HOME Assistance

Citations: 24 CFR 92.251 and 24 CFR 92.64(a) (Virgin Islands) Explanation: This section of the HOME regulation requires that housing assisted with HOME funds meets property standards based on the activity undertaken, i.e., for homebuyer assistance, and state and local standards and codes or model codes for rehabilitation and new construction. Property standard requirements are waived for repair of properties damaged by the hurricanes. Units must meet State and local health and safety codes. The lead housing safety regulations established in 24 CFR Part 35 are not waived.

Justification: This waiver is required to enable the participating jurisdiction to meet the critical housing needs of families whose housing was damaged and families who were displaced by the hurricanes.

Applicability: This waiver applies only to housing units located in the declared-disaster area which were damaged by the disaster and to which HOME funds are committed within two years of the date of this memorandum.

13. HOME – Suspension and Waiver of Maximum Per unit Subsidy Limit

Requirement: Maximum Per Unit Subsidy Limit

Citations: Section 212(e) of NAHA, 24 CFR 92.250(a) and 24 CFR 92.64(a) (Virgin Islands)

Explanation: The total amount of HOME funds that the participating jurisdiction may invest on a per unit basis may not exceed the per unit dollar limitations established under section 221(d)(3) of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C 17151(d)(3)(ii)) for elevator-type projects that apply to the area in which the housing is located.

Justification: Due to the damage caused by the hurricanes, many housing units may require substantial funding to either complete the renovation or reconstruction. In addition, the costs for new construction of affordable housing will escalate due to the demand for labor and materials. These high or escalating costs may exceed the established maximum per unit subsidy limits for HOME-assisted projects. Suspending the maximum

per unit subsidy limit will provide the participating jurisdiction with the needed flexibility to assist affected low-income families

Applicability: This suspension and waiver applies to projects in the declared-disaster area that receive a commitment of HOME funds within two years of the date of this memorandum. For State participating jurisdictions, this suspension and waiver applies only to projects located in the declared-disaster areas.

14. HOME – Suspension of Owner-Occupied Housing Maximum Value/Sales Price Limitation

Requirement: Homeownership Housing Maximum Value/Sales Price Limitation

Citations: Section 215(b)(1) (NAHA), 24 CFR 92.254(a)(2) and 24 CFR 92.64(a) (U.S. Virgin Islands)

Explanation: This provision requires that the sales price or maximum after-rehabilitation value of HOME-assisted housing not exceed 95 percent of area median sales price.

Justification: This suspension and waiver is necessary to provide the participating jurisdiction with flexibility to assist affected low-income homeowners to repair hurricane damage to their homes and low-income homebuyers to purchase available, standard housing in local market areas.

Applicability: This suspension and waiver applies to: 1) units damaged by the hurricanes that are being rehabilitated or reconstructed with HOME funds; or 2) units being purchased by persons directly affected by the disaster (as evidenced by FEMA registration), to which HOME funds are committed within two years of the date of this memorandum. For State participating jurisdictions, this suspension and waiver applies only to projects located in the declared-disaster areas.

#### HOPWA Waivers - Specific Instructions

The following instructions are applicable to HOPWA grantees with respect to the grantee notification process, the effect of the waivers, and other guidance:

- $\cdot$  If the grantee is using its HOPWA funds in a declared-disaster area, the grantee must only identify the HOPWA requirement(s) set out in this memorandum for which the grantee intends to use waiver flexibility.
- · If the grantee is using its HOPWA funds outside of a declared-disaster area to assist affected families who have registered with FEMA, the grantee must explain the need for waiver of the requirement(s), and identify the number of HOPWA beneficiaries and HOPWA-eligible families anticipated to benefit from the waiver of such identified requirement(s). Grantees using HOPWA funds outside of the declared-disaster area may only use waiver flexibility under this memorandum with respect to: (1) Citizen Participation Public Comment Period for Consolidated Plan Amendment; (2) Citizen Participation Reasonable Notice and Opportunity to Comment; and (15) HOPWA Self-Certification of Income and Credible Information on HIV Status.

All HOPWA regulatory waivers in this memorandum will remain in effect for a period of 12 months from the date that a grantee provides HUD with written notification. The use of waiver flexibility to assist an affected family is only permitted when the family being served expressly needs such flexibility. The waivers are available for HOPWA formula and competitive grantees in accordance with the procedures and specifications set out in this memorandum. HOPWA competitive grantees seeking to use waiver flexibility under this memorandum to assist families affected by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, or Maria must receive HUD approval in accordance with 24 CFR 574.260 and the terms and conditions of their award regarding grant amendments for changes that will significantly alter the scope, location, service area, or objectives of an activity or the number of eligible persons to be served.

The Department believes the two most effective ways to expeditiously meet the housing needs of impacted HOPWA beneficiaries and HOPWA-eligible families are to: 1) identify and prepare vacant units in existing emergency housing and rental projects for immediate occupancy; and 2) provide tenant-based rental assistance (TBRA) and/or emergency, short-term or transitional housing assistance to impacted HOPWA beneficiaries and HOPWA-eligible families. For low-income persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families, HOPWA resources can be used for these purposes, including use of permanent housing placement assistance to help relocate the family to the new unit.

15. HOPWA – Self-Certification of Income and Credible Information on HIV Status

Requirement: Source Documentation for Income and HIV Status Determinations

Citation: 24 CFR 574.530, Recordkeeping

Explanation: Each grantee must maintain records to document compliance with HOPWA requirements, which includes determining the eligibility of a family to receive HOPWA assistance.

Justification: This waiver will permit HOPWA grantees and project sponsors to rely upon a family member's self-certification of income and credible information on their HIV status (such as knowledge of their HIV-related medical care) in lieu of source documentation to determine eligibility for HOPWA assistance of families affected by the hurricanes.

Many families whose homes have been destroyed or damaged by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, or Maria will not have immediate access to documentation of income or medical records and, consequently, will not be able to document their eligibility for HOPWA assistance if the requirement remains effective. The grantee or the project sponsor, as appropriate, is required to maintain the family's income self-certification, confidential documentation of HIV status, and documentation of the family's registration with FEMA.

Applicability: Eligibility is restricted to a low-income person who is living with HIV/AIDS and the family of such person. To document eligibility, grantees and project sponsors must make initial family income determinations for beneficiaries, and make use of credible medical records to eviden ce a positive HIV status of a member of the family, using source documentation. In addition, source documentation of HIV status and income eligibility must be made within six months of the receipt of HOPWA assistance. This waiver applies only to families displaced by the disaster who have registered with FEMA.

16. HOPWA - FMR Rent Standard

Requirement: Rent Standard for Tenant-Based Rental Assistance

Citation: 24 CFR 574.320(a)(2), Rent Standard

Explanation: Grantees must establish rent standards for their tenant-based rental assistance programs based on FMR (Fair Market Rent). Generally, the TBRA payment may not exceed the difference between the rent standard and 30 percent of the family's adjusted income.

Justification: This waiver of the FMR rent standard limit permits HOPWA grantees to establish rent standards, by unit size, that are reasonable and based upon rents being charged for comparable unassisted units in the area, taking into account the location, size, type, quality, amenities, facilities, management and maintenance of each unit. Grantees, however, are required to ensure the reasonableness of rent charged for a unit in accordance with §574.320(a)(3).

This waiver is required to expedite efforts to identify suitable housing units in the declared-disaster area for rent to HOPWA beneficiaries and HOPWA-eligible families that have been affected by the hurricanes, and to provide assistance to families in the declared-disaster area that must rent units at rates that exceed the HOPWA grantee's normal rent standard as calculated in accordance with §574.320(a)(2).

Applicability: Such rent standards are to be used only within the declared-disaster area in calculating the TBRA subsidy for families affected by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, or Maria.

17. HOPWA – Property Standards for TBRA

Requirement: Property Standards for Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)

Citation: 24 CFR 574.310(b), Housing Quality Standards Explanation: This section of the HOPWA regulations provides that units occupied by recipients of HOPWA TBRA meet the Housing Quality Standards (HQS) established in this section. Justification: This waiver is required to enable grantees and project sponsors to expeditiously meet the critical housing needs of the many eligible families that have been affected by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, or Maria in the declared-disaster area. Applicability: The property standard requirement is waived for units in the declared-disaster area occupied by HOPWA

beneficiaries and HOPWA-eligible families. Grantees and their project sponsors must ensure that these units meet HOPWA HQS within 60 days.

HOPWA Program Guidance on Using Vacant Units to House Persons Displaced by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, or Maria

As a first step toward meeting their housing needs, grantees and project sponsors that are receiving families impacted by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, or Maria are encouraged to contact owners of federally-assisted rental projects and compile a list of vacant units, along with their location and number of bedrooms (including units supported by HOME, CDBG, HOPWA, CoC, and other Federal housing programs). The assisted rental projects may choose, if otherwise permissible and in accordance with their tenant selection requirements, to adopt a priority for the special population of HOPWA-eligible persons that have been displaced by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, or Maria. The recordkeeping waiver flexibility in this memorandum will permit HOPWA grantees and project sponsors to accept selfcertification of income and credible information on HIV status from persons affected by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, or Maria that have registered with FEMA. Grantees or their project sponsors must document the FEMA registration and retain the self-certification. Because eligibility for HOPWA assistance is based on low-income status, many families will not have any income or only qualify for income from federal welfare programs, and this population can be expected to meet the program income eligibility requirements. The grantee or project sponsor must ensure that source documentation of HIV status and income eligibility must be provided within six months of the receipt of HOPWA assistance. For subsequent annual income certifications, families impacted by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, or Maria will be subject to the same income eligibility requirements as would any other beneficiary of HOPWA assistance.

HOPWA TBRA also involves the use of a lease or occupancy agreement between the owner and tenant, with standard provisions, such as one-year lease terms. In declared-disaster areas it may not be practicable for the term of leases and occupancy agreements to be for at least one year. Accordingly, grantees and project sponsors may wish to consider providing TBRA assistance to impacted HOPWA beneficiaries and HOPWA-eligible families for a period of less than one year if a shorter term would improve their housing opportunities.

18. ESG – Term limits on Rental Assistance and Housing Relocation and Stabilization Services

Requirement: Term limits on Rental Assistance and Housing Relocation and Stabilization Services

Citations: 24 CFR 576.106(a), 576.105(a)(5), and 576.105(b)(2)

Explanation: The ESG regulation at 24 CFR 576.106(a) prohibits a program participant from receiving more than 24

months of ESG rental assistance during any three-year period. Section 576.105(a)(5) prohibits a program participant from receiving more than 24 months of utility payments under ESG during any three-year period. Section 576.105(b)(2) limits the provision of housing stability case management to 30 days while the program participant is seeking permanent housing and 24 months while the program participant is living in permanent housing.

Justification: Waiving the 24 month caps on rental assistance, utility payments, and housing stability case management assistance will assist individuals and families, both those already receiving assistance and those who will receive assistance subsequent to the date of this memorandum, to maintain stable permanent housing in place or in another area and help them return to their hometowns, as desired, when additional permanent housing is available.

Applicability: The 24 month limits on rental assistance and housing relocation and stabilization services are waived for individuals and families who meet both of the following criteria:

- 1. The individual or family lives in a declared-disaster area or was displaced from a declared-disaster area as a result of the hurricanes and flooding; and
- 2. The individual or family is currently receiving rental assistance or housing relocation stabilization services or begins receiving rental assistance or housing relocation stabilization services within two years after the date of this memorandum. For these individuals and families, ESG funds may be used to provide up to three consecutive years of rental assistance, utility payments, and housing stability case management, in addition to the 30 days of housing stability case management that may be provided before the move into permanent housing under 24 CFR 576.105(b)(2). HUD will also consider further waiver requests to allow assistance to be provided for longer than three years, if the recipient demonstrates good cause.

19. ESG – Restriction of rental assistance to units with rent at or below Fair Market Rent (FMR)

Requirement: Restriction of rental assistance to units with rent at or below Fair Market Rent (FMR)

Citation: 24 CFR 576.106(d)(1)

Explanation: Under 24 CFR 576.106(d)(1), rental assistance cannot be provided unless the total rent is equal to or less than the FMR established by HUD, as provided under 24 CFR Part 888, and complies with HUD's standard of rent reasonableness, as established under 24 CFR 982.507.

Justification: HUD has determined that the rental vacancy rate in affected areas after the floods is extraordinarily low. Waiving the FMR restriction will make more units available to individuals and families in need of permanent housing.

Applicability: The FMR restriction is waived for any rent

amount that takes effect during the two-year period beginning on the date of this memorandum for any individual or family who is renting or executes a lease for a unit in a declared-disaster area. However, the affected recipients and their subrecipients must still ensure that the units in which ESG assistance is provided to these individuals and families meet the rent reasonableness standard. HUD will consider requests to waive the FMR restriction for rent amounts that take effect after the two-year period, if a recipient demonstrates good cause.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Grantees that are assisting CPD program beneficiaries and CPD program-eligible persons and their families displaced by the hurricanes may require additional relief from the CPD program requirements beyond the waivers described in this memorandum. If a grantee identifies such a need, it should contact the CPD Director in the appropriate HUD field office. Contact information for CPD field offices are available at: https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/cpd-field-office-directory/.

CPD Directors in receipt of notification from a grantee intending to use the waiver flexibilities listed in this memorandum should forward the grantee's mail or email notification to the appropriate CPD Headquarters program Office Director, noted below, within 14 days for statutory waiver-reporting purposes.

If you, or any member of your staff, have any questions concerning this memorandum, you may contact the following persons regarding the waivers and suspensions requested peculiar to the program office: regarding the citizen participation and CDBG waivers, Steve Johnson, Director, OBGA Entitlement Communities Division at (202) 708-1577; regarding the HOME waivers, Virginia Sardone, Director, OAHP at (202) 708-2684; regarding the HOPWA waivers, Rita Flegel, Director, OHH at (202) 708-1934; and regarding the ESG waivers, Norm Suchar, Director, SNAPS at (202) 402-5015.

Attachment (s)

Attachment #1 – Disasters and Jurisdictions Covered by this Memorandum

- Hurricane Harvey, the subject of major disaster declaration (FEMA-DR-4322) made on August 25, 2017, that affected multiple counties in the state of Texas;
- Hurricane Irma, the subject of a major disaster declaration (FEMA-DR-4335) made on September 7, 2017, for the U.S. Virgin Islands, major disaster declarations (FEMA-DR-4336 and FEMA-DR-4337) made on September 10, 2017, for the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and the state of Florida, respectively, a major disaster declaration (FEMA-DR-4338) made on September 15, 2017, for the state of Georgia; and
- Hurricane Maria, the subject of major disaster declarations

(FEMA-DR-4339 and FEMA-DR-4340) made on September 20, 2017, for the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Attachment #2 to Memorandum:

Availability of Waivers of CPD Grant Program and Consolidated Plan Requirements to Facilitate Recovery from Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria

This attachment provides further information on the process that CPD grantees should be instructed to follow to access waiver flexibility of CPD statutory and regulatory requirements addressed in the memorandum.

Grantees must send mail or email notification to the Community Planning and Development Director of the HUD Field Office serving the grantee.

The mail or email notification must be sent three days before the grantee anticipates using waiver flexibility, and include the following details:

- · Requestor's name, title, and contact information;
- · Declared-disaster area(s) where the waivers will be used;
- $\cdot$  Date on which the grantee anticipates first use of the waiver flexibility; and
- · A list of the waiver flexibilities the grantee will use:
- 1. Citizen Participation Public Comment Period for Consolidated Plan Amendment
- 2. Citizen Participation Reasonable Notice and Opportunity to Comment
- 3. CDBG New Housing Construction
- 4. CDBG Suspension of Public Services Cap
- 5. CDBG Emergency Grant Payments for up to Six Months
- . HOME Relief from Certification Requirements on Use of HOME Funds for TBRA  $\,$
- 7. HOME Suspension of the 10% Administration and Planning Cap
- 8. HOME Self-Certification of Income
- 9. HOME Suspension of Various TBRA Program Requirements
- 10. HOME Suspension of Matching Contribution Requirements
- 11. HOME Suspension and Waiver of CHDO Set-aside
- 12. HOME Waiver of Property Standards for HOME-assisted Units
- 13. HOME Suspension and Waiver of Maximum Per unit Subsidy Limit
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Additional requirements for HOPWA grantees that are NOT using funds in a declared-disaster area:

HOPWA grantees using funds outside of the declared-disaster area may request waiver flexibility for (1) Citizen Participation Public Comment Period for Consolidated Plan Amendment, (2) Citizen Participation Reasonable Notice and Opportunity to Comment and (15) HOPWA – Self-Certification of Income and Credible Information on HIV Status to serve affected eligible families who have registered with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The grantee must provide notification to the CPD Field Office Director, including all the details listed above. Grantees using funds outside of a declared-disaster area must also explain the need for waiver of the requirement(s) indicated, and identify the number of HOPWA beneficiaries and HOPWA-eligible families anticipated to benefit from the waiver of the requirement(s).

#### LEON COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

Leon County, Florida

The Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida, gives notice of a proposed ordinance governing a telecommunications company placing or maintaining telecommunications facilities in its roads or rights-of-way.

DATE AND TIME OF PUBLIC HEARING: Tuesday, December 12, 2017, at 6:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as such matter may be heard.

PLACE: County Commission Chambers, 5th Floor, Leon County Courthouse, 301 South Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida.

SUBJECT: An Ordinance of the Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida, amending Chapter 16 of the Code of Laws of Leon County, Florida, entitled "Streets, Roads and Public Ways"; renaming Article IV of Chapter 16 as "Utility Placement Within the Public Rights-of-Way," and amending provisions therein; adding a new Article V to Chapter 16 to be entitled "Communications Facilities and Utility Poles Within the Public Rights-of-Way," to include Division 1 "In General," Division 2 "At-Grade Facility, Below-Grade Facility, Wireline Facility, and Utility Pole Standards," and Division 3 "Wireless Facility Standards"; amending Section 10-6.812, entitled "Communication Antennas and Communication Antenna Support Structures"; providing for severability; providing for conflicts; and providing an effective date.

A copy of the proposed ordinance may be inspected at the following locations during regular business hours:

Leon County Courthouse 301 S. Monroe St., 5th Floor Reception Desk Tallahassee, FL 32301 Telephone: (850)606-5300

Leon County Clerk's Office 315 S. Calhoun Street, Room 750 Tallahassee, FL 32301. Telephone (850)606-4020

# Section XIII Index to Rules Filed During Preceding Week

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