



Date: May 12, 2025

To: Mayor and Town Council

From: Sean O’Keefe

Re: Consideration and Approval: **Lake County School Board Utility Easement Agreement**

Objective:

To consider and approve a Utility Easement Agreement between the Town of Howey-in-the-Hills and the School Board of Lake County, Florida to allow for the construction, operation, and maintenance of a sanitary sewer line across School Board-owned property located at 512 S. Palm Avenue.

Summary:

The proposed agreement grants the Town a non-exclusive, perpetual utility easement across a portion of School Board-owned property (Parcel ID: 26-20-25-0100-C06-02200). This easement is necessary for the Town to install and maintain sanitary sewer infrastructure and ensure future access for maintenance and operational purposes.

- **Scope of Easement:**
 - Non-exclusive, perpetual easement for installation, operation, maintenance, and repair of sanitary sewer facilities.
 - Allows ingress and egress for utility maintenance.
- **Construction and Maintenance:**
 - All utility improvements and future maintenance activities will be conducted at the Town’s sole cost and expense.
 - The Town is responsible for repairing any damage caused by its activities.
 - The School Board may use the easement property in ways that do not interfere with the Town’s rights.

Fiscal Impact:

No immediate fiscal impact beyond the anticipated cost of sewer line construction and future maintenance.

Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval of the Utility Easement Agreement.