

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-13

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE PROCUREMENT AND OVERSIGHT OF CONSULTANTS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A COUNTYWIDE TRANSPORTATION PLAN; SUPPORTING THE FORMATION OF A TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE SAME; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the movement of people, goods, and services in, around and throughout Palm Beach County relies on an interconnected transportation network and related transportation services, and

WHEREAS, the transportation network and transportation services are the responsibility of multiple jurisdictions and governmental agencies such as FDOT, Palm Beach County, municipalities, and various taxing districts and authorities, and

WHEREAS, citizens are focused on going to and from their destinations and are mostly unaware of jurisdictional boundaries, ownership responsibilities, and funding sources for these transportation networks and services, and

WHEREAS, the quality, manner, and time required for people, goods, and services to move in the county has tremendous impacts on every aspect of life in Palm Beach County, and

WHEREAS, population growth in recent years has consistently outpaced the existing transportation network's capabilities creating traffic jams, longer travel times, safety issues, extra expenses, and frustration, and;

WHEREAS, population growth is expected to continue to increase for the foreseeable future due to the desirability and quality of life in South Florida and Palm Beach County, and

WHEREAS, a Countywide Transportation Plan is the only way to effectively address the issues involved with the transportation network and services that exist now and, in the future, and

WHEREAS, the City Commission, of the City of Pahokee, along with other municipalities, and taxing districts recognize that working together in a

constructive and proactive manner is the only way forward for the benefit of all Palm Beach County citizens, and

WHEREAS, expertise in developing a collaborative and comprehensive Countywide Transportation Plan requires the engagement of a Consulting Firm of National/International repute, experience and capabilities, and

WHEREAS, the only entity of which the cities and the County are officially connected for purposes of working together to address issues of a countywide nature is the Intergovernmental Coordination Program (ICP), and

WHEREAS, the ICP is identified in the County and the cities' Comprehensive Plan Intergovernmental Coordination Elements (ICE) with a membership memorialized through Interlocal Agreements; and

WHEREAS, the ICP membership also includes the taxing authorities and districts who build and maintain transportation infrastructure, and

WHEREAS, the ICP can provide unified, trusted, and collaborative outcomes instead of ones that are weighted towards one side or the other, and

WHEREAS, the ICP will need the full support of the members both at the Policy level (elected officials) and the staff levels to make this process work, and;

WHEREAS, through passage of this Resolution, the City of Pahokee is in no way making a financial commitment; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that collaborating with fellow municipalities, Palm Beach County, and other local governments to develop and create a Countywide Transportation Plan is in the City's best interests and serves a valid public purpose.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA;

Section 1. The recitals set forth above are incorporated into this Resolution as true findings of fact by the City Commission.

Section 2. The City Commission supports the following as necessary for the achievement of a Countywide Transportation Plan

1. The crafting of a Scope of Services by the Palm Beach County City Manager's Association (PBCCMA) through an internal process of which the final version will be distributed to the County and the municipalities.
2. The ICP's Multijurisdictional Issues Coordination Forum Executive Committee (MICFEC) shall serve as the Oversight Board for the Consulting Firm hired to craft the Countywide Transportation Plan providing policy-level activities specifically related to the contractual relationship, holding public meetings with the Consulting Firm, providing direction to IPARC 2.0, facilitating engagement and participation of the ICP membership, and making recommendations to the governing bodies of the County, municipalities and others.
3. The formation of an expanded version of the Intergovernmental Plan Amendment Review Committee (IPARC) by adding municipal and County Engineers, Public Works, IT, TPA, FDOT, Tri-Rail, Palm Tran, and others as deemed appropriate by MICFEC to serve as the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC). The Technical Advisory Committee, IPARC 2.0, will provide information as required by the Consulting Firm as the subject matter experts and provide input and advice to the Consulting Firm and MICFEC.
4. The coordination and processing of the contract with the selected Consulting Firm by use of the County government as the responsible agency for contract administration including but not limited to assuring compliance with the terms and conditions of the contract and invoice processing and payments.
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Section 3. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 11th day February 2025.

Keith W. Babb, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Nylene Clarke, CMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

Burnadette Norris-Weeks, P.A.
City Attorney

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

VOTE:

Commissioner Boldin	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Commissioner Cowan-Williams	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Commissioner McPherson	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Vice-Mayor Murvin	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Mayor Babb	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)