

Commissioner McNeal stated with regards to these items, the Committee found that the local government comprehensive plans, as amended, were not anticipated to result in significant adverse impacts to regional facilities, Natural Resources of Regional Significance or adjacent local governments. She stated that the Committee recommends forwarding these findings to the respective local government and the Florida Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Commissioner McNeal made the motion, with a second by Vice-Mayor Bouie Hutchinson, to approve the Clearinghouse Committee recommendations concerning Item #92 - City of Fanning Springs Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment (FC No. 25-1ESR); Item #93 - City of Chiefland Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (FC No. 25-1ER); Item #94 - City of Alachua Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment (FC No. 25-1ESR); Item #95 - City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment (FC No. 25-3ESR); Item #96 - City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (FC No. 25-2ESR); Item #97 - Alachua County Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (FC No. 25-4ESR); and Item #99 - City of Lake City Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment (FC No. 25-1ESR). The motion carried unanimously.

IX. EX-OFFICIO MEMBER REPORTS

Kathryn Craver, Outreach/Communications Director, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Northeast District, reported that the Department is considering reestablishing the posting of water quality sampling results as part of its Watershed Information Network page on its website.

David Tyler, Rural Transportation Planning Manager, Florida Department of Transportation District 2, reported that the Department will be conducting a Tentative Work Program for Fiscal Year 2026-27 to Fiscal Year 2030-31 public hearing on October 21, 2025 at 4:30 p.m. at the District 2 Urban Area Office in Jacksonville.

Austin Burgess, Senior Biologist, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, stated that the Commission offers wildlife conservation planning services to landowners and local governments throughout the region.

Tyler Winburn, Legislative and Government Affairs Coordinator, reported that the District will be posting links on its website Water Data Portal page to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection water quality sampling results and the City of Valdosta, Georgia water quality sampling results beginning September 26, 2025.

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

XI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

A. Florida Regional Councils Association Monthly Activity Report

Mr. Koons reported that the Florida Regional Councils Association is the statewide organization of the ten regional planning councils. He stated that the Association strengthens Florida's regional planning councils, partners with government and the business community to enhance regional economic prosperity and improves the consistency and quality of regional planning councils programs to ensure they add value to state, regional and local initiatives. Mr. Koons also stated that the Association strives to accomplish these goals by carrying out the activities listed in the August 2025 activity report included in the Council meeting packet. He reviewed the activities listed in the August 2025 report.